

BROOKWOOD JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

BETHANY A. LINDSAY, PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents / Guardian:



The last quarter of the school year is very busy. This is a special time of year and your child will be provided with many positive activities. Please don't hesitate to call if you should have any questions about the activities taking place this quarter. Also, please remind your child that each day of school attendance is a day of learning. We have eight solid weeks left and each week is filled with high-quality, educational activities going on in every classroom.

All parents are welcome to visit at any time.

During the first three weeks in April, seventh and eighth grade students will be taking the PARCC Assessment. Students will be assessed in the areas of Mathematics and English/Language Arts. Students will have six testing sessions on six school days. Each test session averages 80 minutes. There are three sessions in Mathematics and three sessions in English/Language Arts. All students will be taking the computer-based, online version of the PARCC Assessment. You may enjoy sitting down with your child to take the PARCC practice assessment. This is a good opportunity for you and your child to go through what will be expected and become more familiar with the format before your child takes the assessment.

You may access the PARCC practice assessments at:

www.parcconline.org/assessments/practice-tests

You may also find more information at:

ISBE's PARCC Place at:

www.isbe.net/parcc-place/default.htm

ISBE's Hot Topics page at:

www.isbe.net/hot-topics.htm.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the PARCC assessment, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Bethany A. Lindsay, Principal
Brookwood Junior High School



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REMINDER | 7TH GRADE FIELDTRIP | ARCHITECTURAL BOAT TOUR OF CHICAGO



Every year students in 7th Grade take a very special fieldtrip at the end of the school year. It has become a tradition at BJHS that all 7th graders enjoy the experience of engaging in the “**Architectural Boat Tour of Chicago**” sponsored by “*Shoreline Sightseeing*”. Students will tour the Chicago River and its architectural landmarks.

Professional guides recount the dramatic story of Chicago’s rise from the Great Fire of 1871 to become the home of the skyscraper and the cradle of modern American architecture.

Along the route (by boat), are buildings by world-famous architects. Students will receive a complimentary map and guide to keep as a souvenir of their cruise. After the boat tour, students will have a chance to visit Navy Pier and have lunch.

Students will be scheduled to go on this fieldtrip on one of the four days listed below:

- ❖ May 3rd
- ❖ May 4th
- ❖ May 5th
- ❖ May 10th

The cost of this trip is \$30.00. Payments (in cash) are to be submitted to the office of BJHS no later than April 22nd, 2016.

If a student sold candy bars to fundraise for this trip, the money is due by March 23rd, 2016.

If you have any questions, please contact us at (708) 758-5252.

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REMINDER | 8TH GRADE FIELDTRIP | SPRINGFIELD, IL | APRIL 21ST, 2016



On April 21st, 2016, our 8th grade students will be traveling to Springfield, IL. They will be visiting Lincoln's Home, Lincoln's Tomb, the Illinois State Capitol Building, the Lincoln Presidential Museum, and the Old State Capitol.

The cost of the trip is \$90.00.

If students participated in the candy fundraiser, they must turn in \$180.00 (half the proceeds pays for the trip and half pays for the candy).

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR | MOBILE DENTIST IS COMING | MAY 11TH, 2016



"The Heart That Smiles" – Mobile Dentists will be coming to Brookwood Junior High School on May 11th, 2016. Parents must complete a consent form for their child to receive dental services. The dental services being provided may include an exam, cleaning, fluoride treatment, and sealants.

Consent forms are available in our main office.

**The Class That Turns In The Most Consent Forms, Will Have A Pizza Party.*

CYBERBULLYING



Cyberbullying occurs when someone sends hurtful messages online or by cell phone. It can take many forms, such as writing rude comments, spreading rumors, and posting embarrassing pictures. Your child can discourage cyberbullying by giving personal information (name, email address, cell phone number) only to friends. If he/she receives nasty emails or text messages, he/she should not respond. Explain that replying just gives the person satisfaction of having upset him/her. A good thing to do is simply to log off the computer or turn off the cell phone or block the person sending the message.

Let your child know that he/she should tell an adult if he/she experiences cyberbullying. Parents can also report problems to the Internet provider, school authorities, or even the police.

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PARENTS | PLEASE STAY INVOLVED!



Your child at this age may act like he/she wishes you weren't supervising him/her all the time. But when it comes to school success and safety, middle graders still need their parents around and involved.

When parents stay involved in learning, student achievement soars. Middle graders score higher on tests, turn in better projects, and participate more in class if they know their parents care and are involved.

You can be involved in your child's learning at any time of day. Talk about homework while you're making dinner. Watch a documentary together at night. Visit a museum on the weekend. You'll show your child that you think learning is important.

Teachers will welcome your commitments, whether you help in the classroom, volunteer at evening events, or simply support your child in homework completion, school projects, or independent reading at home.

Call or email your child's teachers regularly to monitor the progress your child is making.

Advocate for your child's success at school.

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PARENTS | PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD IS EATING BREAKFAST AND GETTING ENOUGH SLEEP!



Research shows that students who skip breakfast have shorter attention spans and don't do as well on tests. Make sure your child gets up in time to have a nutritious breakfast either at home or at school.

Tip: If Your Child Is Having Trouble Waking Up Early Enough, Move His/Her Bedtime Back.

****Also, please make sure your child turns in his/her cell phone to you prior to going to bed. Students often tell us that they text their friends in the middle of the night when their parents are sleeping.***

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REMINDER | IT'S TIME TO ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK!

THE DEADLINE TO ORDER YEARBOOKS IS: MAY 13TH, 2016.

To purchase and customize your yearbook go to:

www.treering.com/validate

Enter our school's passcode: **1013788426831706**

THE PRICE OF EACH YEARBOOK IS: \$19.25.



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