

The Bulletin



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Upcoming Events:

<i>June 1</i>	<i>East Side Marios hot lunch</i>
<i>June 3</i>	<i>Staff Meeting – early dismissal @ 1:44 p.m.</i>
<i>June 4</i>	<i>Planning Day – school closed</i>
<i>June 7</i>	<i>Mad Platter Catering – hot lunch (burgers)</i>
<i>June 10</i>	<i>Elementary Field Day/School wide picnic</i>
<i>June 15</i>	<i>East Side Marios hot lunch</i>
<i>June 17</i>	<i>Subway hot lunch</i>
<i>June 22</i>	<i>Chopped Leaf hot lunch</i>
<i>June 29</i>	<i>All report cards ready</i>

Next (and last!) Bulletin: June 24th

Notes From Administration ***~ by Mr. Dimond***

This is our first week back from remote learning and it is good to be back in the building. We can all hope that this is the last time that we need to do this in this school year. There was a great feeling of excitement from both students and staff on Tuesday when we all came in the doors. With all the excitement of being back in the building, it is a great time to thank our parents and students for doing such a good job on the daily assessment checklist that is on our website. With the weather giving us some more hours of sunlight, it is important for all of us to remember that a proper sleep is still very important to our overall health. Please do not neglect this important aspect as we enter into the final stretch of our school year.

We will be having a modified Elementary Field Day on June 10th and a huge thank you to Mrs. MacDonald for all of the organization that she has put into this event. With Alberta weather being what it is, just a reminder that the alternative date is the 15th. Please see the article later in the bulletin with all of the details.

With the past fall seeing us not being able to have our cross country running team active, we are looking at putting a running

club together for the month of June. These students would be separated into grade level cohorts so that they can train together and work on their skills. Students please continue to listen to the announcements and parents look for the consent forms to be coming home.

Our staffing numbers have been finalized this week and we are happy to say that the staffing numbers will remain consistent from this year to next. This is of course subject to our student count in September but we are hopeful that our numbers will remain strong. With this information, we are now moving into building timetables and schedules for our students for next year. We have worked together with our SAVY representatives around surveying our students to see what the student voice has to say on the education offered at our school. Our School Improvement survey consisted of questions around the current year and the changes that students would like to see around next year (academics, extracurricular, and culture). We are hoping to add to the excellence that has been a hallmark of education here in the Bawlf School.

As we move into next year, the components that have made up the offering of At Home learning will be seeing a slight change. This year, students who registered with At Home Learning were still classified as students from Bawlf School that were utilizing an alternative platform of education. The offering of At Home Learning will still be a viable offering provided by Battle River School Division. This will be offered for Grades 1-9 students and will be on an online platform. Students will be registered directly with Battle River Alternative Center for Education (BRACE) and not their home school. For high school students, students will register with their home school and then meet with the administration if they would like to partake in the online platform for their education.

Battle River School Division has opened the registration for Summer School and the registration packages can be picked up at our office for any interested students. It will be running on an online platform from July 5- July 30. There will be a \$45 non-refundable fee. The process will be an online course selection, a payment and then the paper package will need to be filled out and emailed to lhoff@brsd.ab.ca



Thank you to all the parents, students, community members and staff who selflessly help promote and build our Wildcat culture. Our students work very hard as do all the stakeholders in their education. We are proud that they choose to be Wildcats and to further the legacy. Go, Wildcats!

School News

🐾 **Class Farewell** ~ With the current AHS restrictions in place, Class Farewell has been postponed until a later date in June. We will keep everyone posted as information on this special event unfolds in the next week. We can't wait to celebrate the Class of 2021!



🐾 **Off Campus courses for High School** ~ If you are a high school student that is presently enrolled in Work Experience, RAP or Green Certificate and plan to take any of these courses over the summer, please make sure to contact Mr. Roe by June 10th. You can text or phone him at 780-722-4058.

If you are a high school student that is planning to start Work Experience, RAP or Green Certificate over the summer, please make sure to contact Mr. Roe by June 10th, as the forms will need to be completed and sent in by June 21st.

🐾 **Demographic packages** ~ These packages were sent home yesterday with students – these are important forms that we require back regarding registration of students for next school year, starting September 7, 2021. We usually send these home on the first day of school, however this year, BRSD is requesting that these are done now in order to determine numbers. Please make sure your completed and signed forms are returned to the school no later than **Thursday, June 3rd**.

🐾 **Summer School** ~ Registration is extended until June 15th, unless courses are full. Please go to the BRSD webpage, select Learning, Summer Learning and follow the registration process. Please contact lswanson@brsd.ab.ca if you have any questions.

🐾 **Lifetouch pictures** ~ Any students who had retakes done on Tuesday, May 4th, your proof packages are here and have been sent home this week. If you are wanting to order pictures from these proofs, please place your order online or mail directly to Lifetouch (address is on the proof package).

🐾 **Kindergarten Registrations now accepted for 2021-2022** ~ Kindergarten is designed for children who will be five years of age on or before December 31, 2021. Mrs. Thomsen, our Kindergarten teacher, will hopefully be having an orientation class for all pre-registered Kindergarten students, but it will be dependent on Covid protocols. This is designed to help new Kindergarten students become familiar with the school prior to the beginning of the school year. Orientation day for new ECS students will be held prior to the end of the school year. If we are unable to hold this event,

pre-recorded videos of all items will be sent via email to all parents.

We are also accepting registrations for any students that will be new to Bawlf School for the 2020-2021 school year, Grades One-Twelve.

Registration forms can be picked up at the Bawlf School office (please call ahead) or found either on the Bawlf School or Battle River School Division websites.

Birth certificates are required as part of the registration package, as well as legal land description and your 9-1-1 address. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Bawlf School at (780) 373-3784.

🐾 **Bawlf Wildcats Battle of Alberta!** After 2 days of battling, the winner has been crowned! The Oilers rule the school, winning by a count of 136 Oilers fans to 95 Flames fans! It was a super fun couple of days “battling it out” – thank you for all who participated. The winner of the “Most Extreme Oilers Fans” were Colby Bendfeld in Grade 8 and Joel Konowalyk in Grade 2, and the “Most Extreme Flames Fans” were Luke Stang and Kitly Thue, both in Grade 5.



🐾 **Yearbooks** ~ 2020-2021 Yearbooks are all sold! Thank you to all who ordered. Delivery will be in late September/early October.

🐾 **Elementary Field Day/School Wide Picnic** ~ The Bawlf Elementary will be having a modified Track Meet on June 10. There will be a variety of activities for the students to participate in with their class cohorts. The Kindergarten to



Grade 3 classes will complete the activities in the morning, while the Grade 4 - 6 classes will participate in the

afternoon. June 15 will be the alternate date, in case of rain or possibly, restrictions due to Covid 19. Students are asked to wear appropriate clothing for both physical activity (proper footwear for running, no sandals) and the day's weather. It is also recommended that they wear sunscreen and bug spray. They may bring snacks and a water bottle in a bag that they can carry with them. The year end picnic sponsored by Central Agencies is also that day. The menu will include a hotdog and watermelon / fruit cup served to all students (K-12) and staff. Students are welcome to bring additional lunch. Unfortunately, due to the current AHS restrictions, parents will be unable to attend this year's event. We are hopeful that this event will take place and your children will have many exciting stories to share with you!

School Council

Hello families. This year has been a tough one for the council as we have not been able to be in the school and so the things that we are used to doing, but we have been trying our best to support our staff and school community as best we can. With the current uncertainties we have decided to move the AGM from June to September. Once a date is determined we will let families know. We will be looking for a Vice Chair, Hot Lunch Coordinator, Breakfast Coordinator, Secretary and 4 Non-Officer Parent Representative's so if you would be interested in joining council or have any questions please let me know via email at bawlfschoolcouncil@gmail.com. We are hoping that we will be able to have this meeting in person but if there are still restrictions in effect, we will have to run a virtual meeting.

HOT LUNCH

There are 5 hot lunches scheduled for the remainder of the school year. We did have to move two from May to June because of the switch to online learning. Please ensure that you double check Healthy Hunger for deadlines if you have not ordered and still want to do so. We are hoping that next year we will be able to go back to our "normal" program.

BEST

The next BEST meeting will be held June 1st at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. If you would like to attend, please contact Everly at 780-679-8885 for the Zoom link.



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<https://bawlf.brsd.ab.ca>

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