## **Bryant News**

### **March 2019**



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## <u>Health Education Update</u> March- Substance Use/Misuse

This month's health topic focuses on safe use of medications and health risks of alcohol, tobacco and other legal/illegal substances.
Children also learn and practice refusal skills.

Open Enrollment: If you are currently open enrolled you will receive an e-mail from the district with instructions on the new open enrollment process.

#### **Bryant Bulldog Families-**

Wow, the sunshine gives us hope that Spring is near! Also, we have our first week of the extra 25 minutes under our belt. Students have been getting extra reading practice, longer small reading group instruction, fluency practice, guided math groups, longer core math instruction, and more! Our specialist teachers, technology coach, guidance counselor, ELL teacher, GT teacher, and multi-cat teachers are also pushing into classrooms so instruction can take place in smaller group settings. Teachers have been very purposeful of what instruction is taking place during these extra 25 minutes.

Please remember that during arrival and dismissal we ask families to use the crosswalk. Because this is a very high traffic time, it is unsafe for families to walk their child(ren) across the middle of the busy street. Thank you in advance for helping us make sure all students are safe. Also, a reminder that if cones are present, we ask you not to park there because of safety or for our busses. Some of our busses struggle to make the right turn if cars are parked, so we have cones placed there for no parking.

A huge thank you to the Foundation for Dubuque Public Schoolsthey have provided the entire district field trips for our K, 1, and 4 grade students. What a wonderful experience our students are receiving. These field trips also are connected to our cores standards!

Have a wonderful month of March,

Megan Richardson, Principal

# Congratulations to our very own Mrs. Oberhoffer! She has been nominated, and is a top 10 candidate for the Teacher of the Year.

We are very fortunate to have Mrs. Oberhoffer's hard work, dedication, and creativity here at Bryant. She truly pushes students to do their best work and cares deeply about their future. She is always looking to improve her practices and has such a positive outlook each day.



#### Two-by-Two Character of the Month: Zonta

Zonta represents responsibility. Being responsible means you are dependable, reliable, and trustworthy. At school, you can show responsibility by doing the right thing even when no one is watching. At Bryant, we are looking for students who are responsible in the hallway, bathroom, lunchroom, and playground! This even means following the rules after school!

## Middle School Open House

For Grade 5 students attending middle school next school year.

Jefferson

Wednesday, April 10 from 6:30-7:30 PM

Roosevelt

Wednesday, April 10 from 7:00-8:30 PM

Washington

Wednesday, April 10 from 6:30-7:30 PM

#### **ISASP Testing**

We will be starting ISASP testing for grades 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> in early April. Our testing dates will be made aware to families once the schedule has been finalized. Also, please look for a letter coming from the district explaining the test. Our 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will be tested on reading, language, writing, and math. Our 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will be tested in Science as well. The ISASP is replacing ITP testing.

Congratulations to Anita Powers who was our Breakfast winner!

She won a book!



#### **Upcoming Events**

March 11 - Leisure Services Boys' and Girls' Basketball Practice 3:25-4:55 pm

March 11 – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade trip to Mississippi River Museum 9:30 am – 1:00 pm

March 12 – Band Festival – Senior High School – 6:30 pm

March 13 – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Human Body Bee at Clarke University 9:00 am – 1:30 pm

March 13 – Girl Scouts – Kindergarten - Art Room 6:00-7:00 pm

March 19 – Choir Festival – Senior High School – 6:30 pm

March 20 – Kindergarten trip to Heritage Center 9:15-10:45 am

March 22 – Community Gathering – hosted by 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – NEW START TIME – 2:45 pm

March 25-29 No School – Spring Break

#### **Weekly Events**

Band (Grade 5) every Monday individual lessons during the school day and group band rehearsal from (New Time) 3:30–4:10pm. Orchestra (Grade 5) every Tuesday individual lessons during the school day and group orchestra from (New Time) 3:30-4:10pm. Choir (Grades 4 & 5) every Thursday morning 7:30-8:05pm.