

Bent School Newsletter



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Message from the Principal

Greetings Superstar Families!

We made it through the first quarter of the 22-23 school year! I want to thank all of you for your continuous support thus far this school year. I would like to remind you that school starts at 9:00 am and ends at 3:15 pm. Students should arrive on time to school; we also serve free breakfast to all of our students from 8:45-9:00 a.m. As a kind reminder to all who drop off or pick up students-please do not block our neighbor's driveways.

Communication between the school and the home is a key to the success of our learners. I encourage you to maintain an open and ongoing relationship with your student's teacher. As you know the bus company has been combining buses because of the lack of drivers. When this happens it is very possible that your student will arrive a bit late. Contact the bus company directly and they will give you an estimate of time of arrival. We appreciate it very much when you call, REMIND or email us to report an absence. This helps us keep accurate attendance records.

Speaking of absences, I want to direct you to our District 87 Student Handbook policy on attendance: *"Regular attendance is required of all students enrolled in grades Kindergarten through 12 who are between the ages of 5 and 21 years. District 87 expects parent(s), guardian(s), or other persons having custody or control of enrolled students to cause the regular attendance of students and to inform the school of all absences and the reasons for such absences. Principals will monitor student attendance and inform parent(s), guardian(s), or*

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Bent Elementary School Pledge

I pledge to myself,
 My school, and my community,
 To be safe, Be respectful,
 And be responsible.
 I am a Bent Superstar!

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other persons having custody or control of enrolled students of any unapproved absence and/or attendance problems" (p. 31). We appreciate it if you can call the office before 9:20 am.

This year you have been receiving messages from the classroom teacher and Skyward email on a regular basis every time your student is out of school. As you know the Illinois Board of Education expects public schools to monitor student attendance. If your student has missed more than 6 days of school you can expect a message from our social worker. Let us know if there is anything we can do to support you with student attendance.

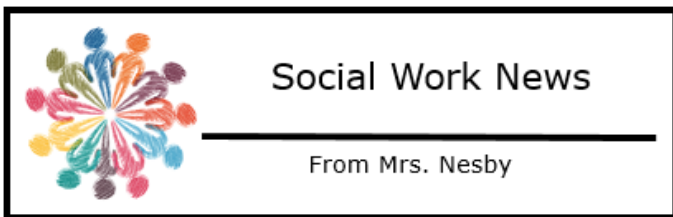
Finally, I want to thank you for attending our Bent House Party! This year we have added the Bent Essentials to our system. If you would like more information on the House System from the Ron Clark Academy, visit: <https://www.rcahousesystem.com/>.

We will have our annual "Shelter in Place" drill on November 7th. This is for our students and staff to practice in case there were ever a Tornado Warning in the area. Please talk to your student about the importance of following directions during this drill.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Delgado

Social Work News



Children's Christmas Party is offered for low-income families. Gift and food distribution will take place at the Midwest Food Bank, 2031 Warehouse Road, Normal (off of Northtown Road, north of I-55 in Normal). Special guest appearance: Santa!

Distribution: Sat, Dec. 10: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm.

Registration: Sign up by December 5. Sign up form available online, or sign up by email or ground mail (If by ground mail, write to "Children's Christmas,"

Midwest Region Laborers, 2201 Eastland Drive, Suite #4. Bloomington IL 61704.)

Message must include:

Your name.

Address.

Phone number.

Number of children ages 12 and under. Include each of their ages, and gender, if desired.

Indicate what time (between 9:00 am and 12:00 pm) you will arrive.

This will be a drive-in, drive-out event and packages will be loaded in vehicles. Children do not need to be present to receive a gift.

Midwest Food Bank/Home Sweet Home - Give Thanks

Anyone McLean County resident in need can pick up a Thanksgiving meal box and frozen turkey. Service is drive-through only and will be available to the first 2,500 families.

Drive through hours: Sat, Nov 19: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm.

Location: 2031 Warehouse Road, Normal.

Boys & Girls Club of Bloomington Normal - Holiday Shopping Spree

The Boys & Girls Club is hosting our annual Holiday Shopping Spree for our Boys & Girls Club families and a limited number of community families. Families walk through our shopping area and pick out toys, winter items, and other necessities for their children and family including a food box with all the fixings for your Holiday dinner.

Distribution of toys will be Saturday December 17th from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm.

To sign up for a time slot and for more information contact Leslie Adams at 309-829-3034 ext. 112 or ladams@bgcbtn.org.

The Salvation Army - Free Coat Program

Free coat distribution through Salvation Army is limited to adults (over 18) who did not receive a coat in 2021 and children under the age of 5.

Individuals needing a coat should call The Salvation Army October 3—October 31 at (309) 829-9476, extension 289. Clients will leave a message, then be contacted via telephone for an intake interview. An appointment for coat pick-up during mid- to late November will be scheduled during the interview.

The Salvation Army - Christmas Assistance

Assistance sign up is available by appointment only. Those wanting to schedule an appointment may call The Salvation Army at (309)829-9476, extension 299 from October 3—31 and leave a message requesting an intake interview. A staff member will return all calls to schedule registration appointments. for the week of November 1.

During the registration appointment, individuals seeking assistance for Toys for Tots and/or the Christmas Food Box must provide a photo ID, current piece of mail for proof of address, proof of income for the last 30 days and an identifying document for each member of the household (DHS benefit statement, medical card, shot records, school records, etc.).

A country ID or complete medical card printout is acceptable.

Please note: A state-issued medical card is sufficient for address and income. A driver's license does not count as a form of address verification.

Center for Hope Outreach Programs - Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving: Center for Hope Outreach Programs will participate for a 4th year with the Annual "Big Give" event sponsored by Midwest Foodbank, Home Sweet Home Ministries and Thrivent Financial to distribute Thanksgiving food and turkey boxes.

Distribution location - Midwest Food Bank located at 2031 Warehouse Rd. Normal IL.

Please contact Midwest Food Bank at 309-663-5350 for distribution times and dates.

We will also include an array of holiday favorites in all bags that go out from the Hope and Temba Food Pantries during the months of November and December. Center for Hope Outreach Programs will be closed for the Thanksgiving weekend from

Thursday, November 24th thru Sunday, November 27th.

Center for Hope Outreach Programs - Joy of Giving

Center for Hope Outreach Program's annual Joy of Giving event offers families the opportunity to participate in one of the most wonderful parts of Christmas which is giving to others. Once again, we will hold our modified holiday distribution. Parents and guardians may pre-register their children ages 5-12 for an opportunity to visit our JOY Store during the week of December 12th-17th. Children may still earn spending tickets by doing random acts of kindness and by volunteering in the community prior to that week. For more information, please call our office at 309-808-3742. Registration opens Tuesday, November 1st. Center for Hope Outreach Programs will be closed Saturday, December 24th- Monday Jan 2nd for our annual winter break.

Mount Pisgah Baptist Church

Mt. Pisgah will not be serving a Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner in 2022. Instead they will be providing groceries for a Thanksgiving or Christmas meal on the Wednesdays before the respective holiday. Drive-through service only.

Thanksgiving: Wed, Nov 16: 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm.

Christmas: Wed, Dec 21: 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm.

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Bent November Calendar



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At Bent Elementary School

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 6:00-7:30 Bent Bingo Night	4 Bent Spirit Day	5 Girls on the Run 5K
6 Day Light Saving Time Ends	7 6:00 – 7:00 PM PTO Meeting	8 Election Day No School	9	10	11 Veteran's Day	12
13	14	15	16	17 10:15-12:15 Miller Park Zoo Coming to Speak to 4 th Gr.	18	19
20	21	22 9:00-11:30 Re-Take Picture Day	23 Thanksgiving Break	24 Thanksgiving Break	25 Thanksgiving Break	26
27	28	29	30			



Family BINGO Night
Hosted by PTO

Thursday, November 3rd



Pizza served at 5:30 in cafeteria

Game starts at 6 in the gym
Ticket sales end at 7pm

PRIZES! PRIZES! PRIZES!
SO MANY PRIZES!!!!



\$1 per BINGO Board
\$2 Popcorn
\$3 Slice of Pizza and a Drink

