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Bloomington Public Schools District 87

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Message from Mr. LaFrance

Happy March Oakland Families,

We have been intentional with our students about the importance of respect to others. This includes other students and all adults. We feel this is such an essential attribute that we all need as we grow in wisdom. In a school of 475 students, we realize that we all come from different backgrounds and have shared in a variety of experiences growing up. That's exactly what makes us each unique. It's also what can make understanding the importance of respect unique for each person. At Oakland, we continue to work our hardest to provide an environment where students feel cared for and are learning academically, socially, and emotionally. This includes learning the essentials like respect for others.

This month our Golden Ticket Target is effort. To be successful in anything takes effort, including how we treat others. I often tell students and staff that we will sometimes forget what we have learned, but never forget how we felt. As parents, we have to we show effort every day too. I applaud all of you for getting your children to school each day. I know it's not easy. It takes effort. We have our three children at home, and if we get everyone to where they need to be in the morning, it's a considered a win. So, how can we join our students this month in adding to the already unconditional effort we share to raise children? Let's work on it together. I always feel like we are more successful as a group. This holds true as collective groups of teachers. Every time we host an event, plan out school activities, or even the day to day happenings at Oakland, moments are shared between staff and students. These day to day moments are filled with priceless love and time that is never seen again.

Make great moments at home and at school. Share in their successes and shortcomings that happen day-to-day. We all fall short, even in our personal lives. So, share these moments with our kids and allow them to hear the effort you made afterward to make things right or the lesson you learned moving forward.

So here is our shared efforts we will take as parents and caregivers of our children this month:

- The effort to monitor technology our children use or watch. Is it something they should be watching or playing? How long do they get a day? (*I admit I have fallen short on this*)
- The effort to have a meal together at a table with no other distractions. (Ex: T.V. - again my family's biggest downfall)
- An effort to model respect for others to your children. No arguing with adults. This morning, I used the quote with my own 9 and 5 year old, "*Delayed obedience is still disobedience.*"

Will any of this be easy? No. But, with a little effort, we will make growth as parents and children who will one day share these same efforts with others. Have a wonderful March Oakland Families.

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Hoot at Home



During the month of March, Oakland students will be learning about effort. Effort has to deal with how much work is being put into something. Effort is essential to success and achievement. Effort takes physical and mental energy, and may not always be easy. It is important that we teach our children the importance of trying and putting forth their best effort. We will be watching for students to demonstrate good effort in the month of March.

Here are some helpful tips to practice good effort at home: (adapted from thelearningcommunity.us)

-Praise your child's effort to complete a task, rather their success: All children are different and have diverse capabilities. It is important to keep this in mind and focus on how hard they tried to complete the task rather than whether the task was completed or not.

-Let your child attempt to complete tasks on their own: If you provide your child with too much help, they may not have the ability to complete these tasks on their own in the future.

-Provide your child with a sense of control: For a child to feel in control, they need to be able to take credit for their success.

Library



Scholastic Book Fair &

Lunch with a LOVED One

The book fair will be held on April 6-8th: Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday in the Oakland LMC! Shopping hours run from 9-4PM on Monday and Tuesday and will run from 9-6PM on Wednesday. Any special adult is welcome to bring their own lunch and chow down with their favorite student in the Oakland cafeteria. After lunch is over, plan to do some shopping at the book fair!

Please stop by to shop with your child's class or enjoy lunch with them and then don't forget to shop during recess! Lunch/Recess times are listed below.

Lunch/Recess Times

Kindergarten	11:00-11:50
1 st Grade	11:30-12:10
2 nd Grade	12:20-1:30
3 rd Grade	12:10-12:50
4 th Grade	11:50-12:30
5 th Grade	12:50-1:30

PTO News



Please join us for our next PTO meeting on Thursday, March 5th at 6:30pm in the Library Media center.

Dine to Donate



Please join us at Buffalo Wild Wings on March 16th for Dine to Donate.

Kindergarten Registration



Oakland kindergarten pre-registration will be Thursday, April 11th. Please call the office (309-662-4302) to set up an appointment. Your child must be five years old on or before September 1, 2020 to register for the 2020-2021 school year. If you know any families with children who will be eligible for kindergarten, we would appreciate if you would pass along this information.

Café News



We are celebrating School Breakfast Week March 2nd-6th. If parents would like to eat breakfast with their children, please let us know which day so that we have enough food prepared. We will have prizes!

Million Word Readers



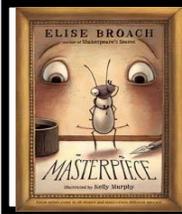
As the end of the school year starts to near, students in 3-5th grade are working hard to become million word readers. Students that accomplish this goal will be invited to the Million Word Lock-In at Oakland in May! Please encourage your child to READ, READ, READ!

Mark Your Calendar



- April 6-8: Spring Book Fair
- April 9: Kindergarten Registration
- April 10: No School- School Improvement Day
- April 20-24: MAP Testing

One School, One Book



One School, One Book

Just in case you'd like to take a look back at all the reading or if you still need to finish reading the last chapter of Masterpiece, don't forget to check out the LMC webpage. There are many videos on the website that feature teachers reading and several trivia videos to enjoy!

Student Council



Student Council

We look forward to seeing your school spirit!

School spirit week will be March 16-20

Monday, March 16- Crazy Hat or Hair Day

Tuesday, March 17- Mismatch Day

Wednesday, March 18- Pajama Day

Thursday, March 19- Career Day

Friday, March 20- Oakland Spiritwear Day

Nurse's Corner



Nurse's Corner

From Nurse Colleen

- Students who **have a fever of 100 degrees or above**, diarrhea, a contagious rash or illness, or vomiting should **stay home**.
- They should be free of the illness or condition for 24 hours before returning to school.
 - When you call your student in sick, please be as specific as possible. Please report all illnesses like chicken pox, strep, and fevers to the school office.
 - Any medications (even Tylenol, Tums, cough drops, and throat lozenges) a child takes during the day at school must be ordered by a physician. Forms are available online or at school. Parents may come to school at any time to administer medication without a doctor's order.
- Encourage your children to wash their hands often.
- Cover coughs and sneezes. Use a tissue to cover coughs and sneezes, then dispose of the tissue. When a tissue is not available, cough or sneeze into your elbow.
- **Kindergarteners and 2nd graders please turn in your Dental exams**, due by May 15, 2020.
- **5th grade parents**, this would be a great time to make your appointments for your school physical and vaccinations for junior high.
- If you have any questions, please feel free to call or email me: Nurse Colleen @ 309-662-4302 or spaniolc@district87.org.



March Calendar March 2020



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Flying Horse "St. Patrick's Day" due	3	4	5	6	7
8 Daylight Savings Time Begins 	9 Flying Horse "Spring" due	10	11	12 6:30- PTO Meeting	13 End of Grading Period 3	14
15	16 Dine to Donate @ Buffalo Wild Wings Flying Horse "Sports" due School Spirit Week! Crazy Hair or Hat Day 	17 Mismatch Day	18 Pajama Day	19 Career Day	20 Early Dismissal for students at 12:05 Flying Horse Open Topic due Oakland Spiritwear Day	21
22	23 No School!	24 School! 	25 Spring 	26 Break 	27 Week!	28
29	30	31				

March School Lunch Menu

March 2020

Elementary Menu

LUNCH



Online Menu: <https://district87.nutrilife.com/>
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Nutrition Tip: March is National Nutrition Month! To celebrate try getting more creative in the kitchen and trying a new recipe or cuisine you haven't had before.

References: Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>2</p> <p>Cheeseburger Potato Wedges Fruit Milk</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Lasagna Tossed Salad Garlic Knot Fruit Milk</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Hot Dog on Bun Baked Beans Fruit Milk</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Fruit Milk</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Cheese Stuffed Breadstick Mainsara Cup Brownie Other Vegetable Fruit Milk</p>
<p>9</p> <p>Rib BQ on Bun Broccoli w/ Cheese Fruit Milk</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Orange Chicken w/ Rice Edamame Fortune Cookie Fruit Milk</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Nachos Salsa Starchy Vegetable Cheese Cup Fruit Milk</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Chicken Tenders Sweet Taters Animal Crackers Fruit Milk</p>	<p>13</p> <p>French Toast Sticks Tri-tators F&V Slush Syrup Pancake Cup Fruit Milk</p>
<p>16</p> <p>Breaded Drumstick Potato Smiles Biscuit Fruit Milk</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Soft Shell Taco Taco Fiesta Beans Shredded Cheddar Salsa Fruit Milk</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Mini Corn Dogs Green Beans Fruit Milk</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Breaded Chicken on Bun Sun Chips Mix Parmesan Flavored California Blend Fruit Milk</p>	<p>20</p> <p>HALF DAY OF ATTENDANCE</p>
<p>23</p> <p>NON ATTENDANCE DAY</p>	<p>24</p> <p>NON ATTENDANCE DAY</p>	<p>25</p> <p>NON ATTENDANCE DAY</p>	<p>26</p> <p>NON ATTENDANCE DAY</p>	<p>27</p> <p>NON ATTENDANCE DAY</p>
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