

OCTOBER, 2016

BOBCAT NEWS



WELCOME NEW STAFF

We'd like to introduce several new staff members to the Boulder Hill Team this year:

Art	Christine Kueker
Music	Clint Hafenrichter
LRC	Anne Archer
PT	Angie Kajtsa
Spec Ed Cord.	Laura Wolf
Speech	Yanitza Vazquez
LBS	Aleesha Carslon
Social Worker	Hannah Krause
KDG DL	Luz Aguilar
KDG DL	Micaela Mateus
2 nd Grade	Jenny Haupt
3 rd Grade DBE	Brenda Farries
4 th Grade	Haley Builta
4 th Grade DBE	Elizabeth Medina
Maintenance	Fannie Wat
EL TA	Adriana Pelletier
Ice Student	Allison Klein
Café	Nicole Jass
Lunch/Recess	Ranya Aladasi Lisa Plassman

Welcome back to BH.....

2nd Grade	Annie Lamb
Bi-Lingual Support	Luis Ponce Aguilera
1 st Grade DL	Sonia Barajas
1 st Grade DL	Alfredo Bizzocchi
AT	Stephanie Ruopoli
Title 1 Interventionist	Allison Hurd

Attendance line: 630 636-2901
School hours 8:45AM- 3:35PM
Drop off no earlier than 8:15AM

IMPORTANT DATES

10/5	FATHER'S FORUM KDG/1 ST GRADE GYM NIGHT 6-7
10/6-10/17	FALL BOOK FAIR
10/6	PTA MEETS 7-8
10/7	GRANDPARENTS DAY 8:30-10
10/10	COLUMBUS DAY/NO SCHOOL
10/12	CULVERS NIGHT
10/18	END OF KDG TRIMESTER
10/21	END OF 1 ST QUARTER 12:45 DISMISSAL
10/27	PUMPKIN PATCH DROP OFF 7:45
10/28	PUMPKIN PATCH PICK UP 3:35
10/28	PTA BINGO NIGHT 7-9
10/31	HALLOWEEN PARADE 2-2:30
10/31	HALLOWEEN PARTIES 2:30-3:15

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Boulder Hill Parents:

What an amazing first weeks of school! We are off and running. I hope you had a wonderful summer and are ready for another school year. I have enjoyed seeing many of you already and look forward to developing new relationships soon. Our doors are always open and we welcome you!

Thank you for sending us your wonderful children every morning. Their personalities and smiling faces make Boulder Hill a wonderful place to be. Boulder Hill is an amazing place. During our first couple weeks of school I have seen amazing things happening.

- I have seen our KDG students working on letter formations.
- I have seen 1st graders begin their writing journals.
- I have seen 2nd graders completing their morning math messages.
- I have seen our 3rd, 4th and 5th graders have been noticed organizing their AVID binders and developing friendships with their classmates.

Boulder Hill is an industrious place to be. As a famous basketball coach named John Wooden says "We are busy with a purpose!" As part of our continuous school improvement efforts District #308 and Boulder Hill will continue to explore our English Language Arts curriculum called "Ready Gen." Next, Boulder Hill staff will once again be meeting in Professional Learning Communities analyzing data to plan differentiated instruction and our Power Half Hour. Also, with much excitement we are welcoming the Dual Language program to Boulder Hill in kindergarten and 1st grade this year. Lastly, our 3rd, 4th and 5th grade will be implementing AVID encouraging college and career readiness.

Finally, our first Bobcat Bash assembly will be October 20th. This is a celebration of all the good character and expected behaviors we see here at Boulder Hill and all students who have not had an office referral will attend with their teachers. Any students who have had an office referral will receive additional social and emotional instruction with our Second Step curriculum during this time.

As always if you have questions regarding these initiatives feel free to reach out to us. I hope you have a great start to the year!

Mike Mitchinson
Boulder Hill
Principal

CHANGES IN TRANSPORTATION

To cut back on the extremely high number of calls to our school office every day, we ask that **only emergency changes** in transportation be communicated through the office. Transportation home should be decided and communicated to your children prior to leaving in the morning. Your child should be given a note communicating this change and the note should be turned in to the teacher at the start of the school day. The office is often contacted at the end of the day and it is difficult to communicate this very important information timely to all concerned to ensure that your children arrive home safely.

PARENT NOTES

*Take time to review the student/parent handbook. There is a new district policy regarding birthday treats. Birthdays may be acknowledged in the classroom, but not with food. Non-food items, such and pencils or stickers are welcome. Instead of individual items, some students have donated a book to the classroom library.

*Parents, you have homework each night! Backpack notes need to be checked so your child is ready for the next day's activities. Also, please make time each night to read with your child. Together we can build strong young readers.