

School District of Bayfield
Weekly Update
10/14/20

Boozhoo,

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As we make our way to the end of the first quarter, I must acknowledge that this has been a school year like none other. It comes with a feeling of uncertainty, however, I know how resilient our learning community is and am confident that we will continue to move forward in the safest and best way possible.

In the next few weeks a team made up of administrators, teachers and our health partners from Red Cliff Community Health and Bayfield County Health Department will meet to determine if positive cases of Covid-19 are low enough in our communities to allow us to return to the building for classes. Until that time we will continue to deliver our classes virtually. Our teachers and staff have done an excellent job to guide their students and families through the beginning of this year and I am confident that they will continue to do so.

Please reach out to us should you have any questions or concerns. May this find you safe and healthy.

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Beth Paap, Interim District Administrator

Message from Mrs. Swanson, Principal Middle/High School

Good morning students and families!

Three and a half weeks left of the first quarter. Be sure to stay on top of your assignments and seek help if needed. Mr. Boyd, Mr. Bonneville, Ms. Wirsing, and Ms. Woodworth are all available in the afternoons on various days to tutor you in small groups or one-on-one. They can be reached via email for tutoring links.

Wisconsin Educational Opportunity Program (WEOP) is recruiting 6th-12th grade students for GEAR UP and Talent Search programs. These free programs provide college and career readiness programming, academic advising, after-school clubs, summer activities, scholarship opportunities, and more. Eligibility requirements must be met to be enrolled in a program. All applications will be considered. More information and the student enrollment form can be found on the WEOP website: <https://dpi.wi.gov/weop>. If you have any questions about the programs, please reach out to Katy, WEOP Education Specialist, at Katy.Frederickson@dpi.wi.gov or 715-685-0730. You can always email Mrs. Swanson as well for the application.

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Most of you should be finishing up your STAR assessments this week. I will be contacting those of you who missed last week's or this week's testing dates. It is super important that we get each and every one of you tested this fall.

That's all I have for updates this week!! I'm really missing students in the building every day. I hope to connect with some of you on Snapchat or FB this week!! ~Swanson

Message from Mr. Peterson – Bayfield & LaPointe Elementary Schools

Virtual Learning Expectations

A reminder to elementary parents/guardians that during our time in level 1: full virtual, teachers are providing a number of different ways for our elementary students to learn both socially and academically. Monday - Thursday teachers will have a combination of online meetings and activities for your child to engage in as well as activities that students should be completing on their own during the day. As a general rule, the School District of Bayfield expectations for student time engaged in learning activities on a "virtual learning day" are 3-4 hours at the 3-5 level and 2-3 at the K-2 level. These expected hours include time online (teacher directed) as well as the activities that teachers provide for students to complete on their own away from the computer. On Fridays, teachers will not be having new online meetings or assigning new work however students are still expected to engage in their learning for the recommended number of hours. Students can/should look over their classroom Canvas page to make sure everything is finished for the week and complete any activities that were assigned by their teachers for completion on Friday. Fridays are also a great day for your children to access and complete the learning opportunities offered by our specialists in Native American Culture, PE, music and art. While these courses will not be graded, the teachers have spent a considerable amount of time developing learning activities and look forward to giving your children feedback on their efforts. Also, please don't forget that every day is a great day for students to access books from the learning bags that were provided by the district to keep their reading skills moving forward. If you have questions about the expectations you can contact your child's teacher or myself.

Mr. Peterson

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Message from Janine Johanic, Dean of Instruction K-5/Rtl Coordinator

Boozhoo! Happy **dagwaagin!** It is Autumn!

I just want to remind you that if your child has not yet taken their STAR Reading and Math assessments and/or their Fountas & Pinnell Reading Benchmark assessment, please contact your child's teacher to schedule these before Friday, October 23, 2020, when the STAR testing window closes. If your child is currently in the Educere program, they still need to take these assessments so that we have a baseline scaled score and independent reading level for all of our K-5 students at this time. It is very important to have these assessments completed since students have been learning virtually since last March. Miigwech for your assistance in getting all of our students tested!

As Dean of Instruction K-5, I have been coordinating the Educere, our third-party virtual learning program, for K-5 students/families. Please feel free to give me a call if you have any questions regarding the Educere program.

Thanks for all that you are doing to help your child(ren) to be successful in their virtual learning, and I look forward to seeing you soon!

If you need to contact me I can be reached at 715-779-3201, Ext. 144 or you can email me at jjohanik@bayfield.k12.wi.us