

BTMS Receives Awards

The Momentum Award is presented by the State Board of Education and recognizes schools for exceeding expectations in student growth for the year. Schools must earn straight A's on all Value-Added measures on the report card. The school or district must have at least two Value-Added subgroups of students, which includes gifted, lowest 20% in achievement, and students with disabilities



Tiger Football Coach

Congratulations to Mr. Essig for being named Division V State Football Coach of the Year!!! Coach Essig was chosen out of 104 coaches in the state. Bethel-Tate finished the year 10-1 and hosted its first ever home playoff game this year. Great job Coach Essig!!!



Bowling Team

Bethel's first ever bowling team is having an incredible inaugural season led by Head Coach Jeff Essig. The boys team currently has 7 bowlers while the girls team has 4. They compete at Community Lanes in Georgetown.

Inclement Weather Procedures

The decision to close school due to inclement weather is difficult and serious undertaking. The decision to close school is always based on the safety of students and staff. The Transportation Director and Director of Operations work with the Superintendent as well as neighboring schools to check on road conditions.

Some of the factors that go into the decision:

- Amount of snow and ice on roads
- Projected amount of snow to fall and when it will start
- Temperature and wind chill effect on it
- Conditions of parking lots and sidewalks
- Building conditions (whether we have electric and heat)
- Impact on the transportation fleet (Diesel fuel can gel up when temperatures get around zero)
- Large amounts of snow plowed into our bus turn arounds

Notification of School Closing

The decision to close school will be made by as soon as possible on days of inclement weather. TV and radio stations will be notified as well as one-call and the district website. Please make sure that your child's building has the correct phone number for the notifications.

Free and Reduced Lunch Forms

Please see the building secretary to get your free and reduced form completed.



Buddy Bench

At Hill Intermediate School we want everyone to feel like they belong. That is why we have a Buddy Bench! The bench is located on our playground. When a student is feeling lonely and needs someone to play with, he or she sits on the Buddy Bench. When other students see the student sitting on the bench they come over and ask the student to come and play with them. It is a great way to make sure all of our students feel like they belong.

Canned Food Drive

Every year the students at Ebon C. Hill Intermediate School participate in a canned food drive to help the needy in our community. The canned food drive was a big success again this year! The students brought in 1,494 food items. The American Legion collects the food items and distributes them to needy families. The canned food drive is a good way for our students to learn about the importance of giving back to our community.



Santa's Workshop

Santa's Workshop has been a long-standing tradition at William Bick Primary. This year the dates are December 11 – 14. Each classroom is scheduled to make a visit to the workshop. The intent is to provide our children with the opportunity to purchase inexpensive gifts to give to family members for Christmas. Please remind your children that they are shopping for others so that they can experience the joy of giving. There will be a variety of items for children and adults, and each item costs \$2.00.



Free Breakfast

Bethel-Tate Food Service offered Free Breakfast to all Pre-K –12 students and staff on Dec. 5, 2017. We have made many changes in our food service menus and options. We have hot and cold options. The food is delicious and nutritious. Power Up with Breakfast!!!

Dominos Day

On Wednesday, December 20 Dominos Pizza will be served at all buildings.

Nutrition Tip

Practice stealth health—sneak veggies into favorite foods. Go light on the meat and top your pizza with vegetables like tomatoes, onions, bell peppers, mushrooms, zucchini, and artichoke hearts. Milk choices: Fat free Strawberry, Fat Free Chocolate, 1% White.

Pay on your child's account.

Go to: www.betheltate.org and click on Food Service Department and click www.payforit.net



Upcoming Dates



- Dec. 11-15 Santa's Workshop at Bick
- Dec. 14 Bick Family Night 6-7:30
- Dec. 18 BTMS Band & Choir Concert 6-8:30
- Dec. 19 Board meeting at HS
- Dec. 21 Christmas Break
- Jan. 2 School resumes
- Jan. 9 Board Organization Meeting
- Jan. 15 MLK Day. No School
- Feb. 16 No School
- Feb. 19 President's Day. No School



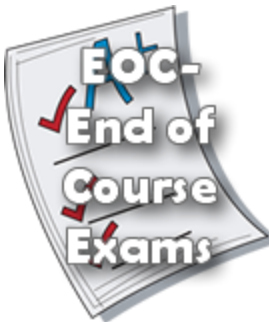
Hill Holiday Program

Our 3rd and 4th grade holiday program is fast approaching. Our students and staff have been working hard to learn their lines and all of the songs. This year the program is titled Elfis and the Sleigh Riders. The program is at Ebon C. Hill Intermediate School on December 15th with performances at 9:00a.m. for grandparents and 1:45p.m. for parents. It is sure to be a good time.

End of Course Testing

The End of Course Exams at the HS began Dec. 4. Here are the tests and the dates for each test.

Mon. Dec. 4 ELA I
Tue. Dec 5 Alg I
Wed. Dec 6 Am. Govt.
Thu. Dec. 7 ELA II
Fri. Dec. 8 Geom
Mon. Dec. 11 Am. Hist.
Tue. Dec. 12 Bio
Wed Dec. 13 Phys. Sci
Thu. Dec. 14 Make-Up
Fri. Dec. 15 Make-Up



Anti-Bullying

On Thursday, Jan. 4, 2018 from 6:00pm—7:00pm Dr. Mike Thomson a world renowned speaker will be presenting to students and parents on bullying and cyberbullying. The event will be held at the Middle School.

Dr. Mike will also be speaking at the following buildings and times.

HS: 7:30am—8:45am

Bick: 9:00am—9:30am

Hill: 10:00am—10:45am

MS: 1:00pm—2:15pm

Curriculum Updates

The State Board of Education is reviewing the model curricula for Math and English Language Arts and anticipates adoption of each model curriculum in the Winter of 2018. Teachers have been working hard on aligning the curriculum at each grade level as the new curriculum will be implemented at the start of the 2018-2019 school year. This alignment will help prepare our students for the assessments that take place during the year. You can view the model curriculum at:

<http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Learning-in-Ohio/Standard-Revision-Overview/Standards-Revision-English-Language-Arts-and-Mathe/Model-Curricula-Updates-for-English-Language-Arts/Draft-Model-Curricula-for-English-Language-Arts-an>

