



Bullen Parent Newsletter

March 10, 2025

Bullen Middle School ensures every child receives high levels of academic and social emotional growth toward becoming independent in the changing world of tomorrow.

Wisconsin Dells Trip (6th Grade Parents Only)

Wisconsin Dells Field Trip is Thursday, June 5! Your child has the opportunity to ride the Original Ducks and swim at the Kalahari, indoor and outdoor! We also ride on a coach bus! If your child has not turned in the paperwork, please get those pages filled out ASAP. Cost for the Dells trip is \$100 cash or check made out to: Bullen Middle School with ID number written in the memo. Please have all paperwork and the trip paid in full by Monday, March 31. If there are any questions, please contact Dan Wahl or Chelsea Arndt. We are hoping for all 6th graders to join us on this fun trip!

VIP DAY ANNOUNCEMENT

VIP DAY 2025 is TWO WEEKS away!! On Tuesday, March 11th, ALL Bullen Students and Staff are encouraged to invite up to TWO Very Important People in their life to come to school and have lunch with them in the Bullen Cafe-the gym!! Parents, Grandparents, Older Sibling, Favorite Teacher. Etc. **LUNCH IS NOT PROVIDED FOR VIP DAY...HOWEVER WE ENCOURAGE ALL VIP'S TO BRING IN A SPECIAL LUNCH FOR YOU TO ENJOY TOGETHER!!** Examples include: Chick-fil a, Taco Bell, Culver's, Wing Stop, etc. We hope that you can join us for this most special day!! VIP ADULTS-Please be sure to ask your student what TIME their lunch period is and plan to RSVP with the Bullen Main Office asap if you plan to attend-262-359-4460. If you have any questions concerning VIP DAY, please contact Miss Meteyard at the school!! We are looking forward to seeing you at VIP DAY 2025!!!

Here are the lunch times for VIP DAY:

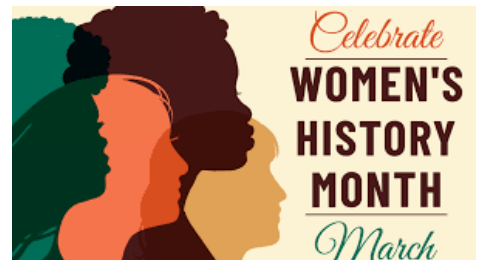
- 6th Grade Lunch-12:53-1:23
- 7th Grade Lunch-11:05-11:35
- 8th Grade Lunch-11:55-12:25

Track

Our first day of practice will be March 17th. We will meet in the auditorium at 4pm. Practice will end at 5:30. Please make sure you are registered through Infinite Campus, have a current physical on file at Bullen by the 17th, and your paid apparel order to Mr Domine by the 20th.

Upcoming Dates to Remember

- Mar. 10 - Boys Basketball @ Washington
- Mar. 11 - VIP Day at Bullen
- Mar. 12 - Boys Basketball Tournament Night
- Mar. 14 - No School - Teacher Inservice
- Mar. 15 - District Art Show Opens
- Mar. 17 - Track Practice Starts



8th Grade Shirts Still Available

We are down to 6 8th grade shirts left (2 Small, 3 Medium, and 1 XL). Contact Ms. Mortensen or have your child see her in Room 104. They are \$20 and you can pay with cash or check. A check should have the student ID number in the memo line.

Boys Basketball

We will have our end of season celebration at GRC on Monday March 17th! Please check the Sports You app for more information.

Forward Testing Information

Forward Testing begins this week on Monday, March 17. Each student should bring headphones that plug into the Chromebook (3.5mm jack) if they would like text read to them.

4 simple test taking tips:

1. Get a good night of rest
2. Eat a good breakfast
3. Use calming techniques: such as deep breathing, using a fidget, etc.

If you are unsure, eliminate answers you know are not correct and take your best guess

Summer Gym and Other Summer School (8th Grade Parents Only)

For our kids heading off to high school next year, summer PE Class & Jump Start Registration March 10-24. Please see the link below to register.

<https://www.kusd.edu/departments/summer-opportunities/high-school-summer-school/>

8th Grade Promotion Celebration (8th Grade Parents Only)

As we get close to the end of 3rd quarter, it is getting time to prepare for our celebration to recognize our 8th graders as they move to high school. Please save the date of June 11th in the evening to celebrate them. We will continue to celebrate our kids with an outdoor drive-thru celebration honoring each student with their promotion medal and possible awards. The students will "walk the outdoor stage" with the principals and then be celebrated as they walk the line of their teachers. More details on that will come out later. Then, we will have a more formal video released that evening to be able to watch at home with multiple friends and family. We have found that this format celebrates your child in an individual way and allows multiple relatives to participate in the milestone. Our past 8th graders have really enjoyed the celebration. Please watch for future communication.

2024-25 Yearbooks

Bullen's 24-25 yearbook is for sale for \$20! This year we are working with a company called Treering. To purchase a yearbook you have two options:

1. Online: Please use [this link](#). You will need to create a free account. The perks of purchasing a yearbook online is that you are able to add two free personalized pages to your child's yearbooks using your own photos and memories. There also is an option online to purchase a hard-cover yearbook.
2. In Person: Have your child pick up a yearbook order form from Ms. Uelmen in room 219.

Please email Ms. Uelmen at uelmen@kusd.edu if you have any questions.

Volleyball Information

The Bullen Girls Volleyball Season starts Monday, March 17th with tryouts!! IF your daughter is trying out...there are few things that are due by Friday, March 7th.

- All COMPLETED grade sheets MUST be turned in to Miss Meteyard by 3:00pm
- For tryouts, we will start on Monday, March 17th AFTER school. All girls trying out MUST be registered on Infinite Campus-parent AND student side AND have an UPDATED physical ON FILE at Bullen by this date!! Any questions on registration should be directed to our Bullen Athletic Director-Scott Flood at sflood@kusd.edu. Girls that DO NOT have all necessary items completed WILL NOT be able to tryout. Tryouts are for THREE days! Girls MUST be present for ALL three days of tryouts! Monday, March 17th and Tuesday, March 18th tryout times are: 6th/7th Grade Girls-4:15-6:15 p.m. and 8th Grade Girls-6-8pm. Wednesday, March 19th ALL Grades will try out from 7:15-8:15 a.m.. Those that MAKE the teams will have a MANDATORY PLAYER ONLY meeting in the Bullen Gym AFTER school on Wednesday, March 19th from 4:15-6:15 p.m.. All uniforms will be ORDERED at this meeting. Any questions on

tryouts and anything concerning our upcoming season may be directed towards Jackie Meteyard at jmeteyar@kUSD.edu. We are EXCITED for our 2025 Season to get started!!!

Spirit Week

Bullen's SPRING SPIRIT WEEK is NEXT week-March 10th-14th!!! Here are the events we have planned throughout the week! FUN!

- Monday, March 10th is NEON DAY!!!!
- Tuesday, March 11th is DECADE DAY and VIP DAY
- Wednesday, March 12th is SUPERHERO DAY and our Spring ALL SCHOOL PEP ASSEMBLY
 - The assembly will feature the Bullen 8th Grade Boys and Girls Basketball Teams our SELECTED Bullen Bocat Team consisting of 15 Lucky Students that purchased Raffle Tickets with their Paw Points VRS. Our very own Bullen Staff
 - Staff Basketball Team!!** Students also were able to purchase VIP SEATING for this event as well with their Paw Points! The VIP SEATING SECTION sits in the "GOOD SEATS" and receives treats during the assembly! The assembly is DURING the school day!!**
- Thursday, March 13th-Go Green Day and the St. Paddy's Day Social
 - The social is after school from 4:15-6:15 p.m.. The cost is \$5.00 AND a signed permission slip. Permission Slips will be available to pick up in the gym THIS Friday, March 7th. Tickets may be purchased starting NEXT Monday, March 10th BEFORE school in the commons AND at ALL LUNCHES! No referrals are allowed the week of the social-NO REFUNDS will be given! The social is sponsored by the Transition Coaches. Any questions...please contact Miss Meteyard.

KYPAC – Presenting Disney's Dare to Dream Jr.

KYPAC (Kenosha Youth Performing Arts Company) is a summer musical theater program designed for students entering first grade through ninth grade. Students will go from PROCESS to PRODUCT, developing life skills through the study of acting, dance, music and movement. Through these life skills, the students will create a final performance that will entertain the whole family. Questions: Contact Thomas Weissgerber at tweissge@kUSD.edu.

- **Audition Dates: May 20 and 22**
- [Audition Sign Up](#)
- [KYPAC Info and Audition Material](#)
- Residents of Kenosha County, Entering grades 1-9
- Audition Sign Ups Available NOW
- Program runs June 23-July 19 with rehearsals at Mahone Middle School, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. (No rehearsals on July 3 and 4)
- Performance dates: July 18 at 7 p.m and July 19 at 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. at Mahone Middle School

New Transition Coaches (7th Grade Parents Only)

We are NOW at the point of the school year in which we will be starting the process of selecting our Transition Coaches for the 2025-2026 school year!! The Transition Coaches are a group of 8th Grade Students that are selected in the SPRING of their 7th grade year to be peer mentors for our upcoming 6th graders! Transition Coaches is a FULL YEAR commitment and lots of hard work...but SUPER FUN and REWARDING for the student involved! The program does have a cost to it as well which is explained on the application. We are excited to begin the process of selecting our NEW GROUP of TC's! The advisors of the group are: Miss Meteyard, Miss Mortensen, Mr. Traske, Miss Larsen, and Miss Kollmann. Any 7th Grader INTERESTED in APPLYING to become a TC for NEXT YEAR, is ENCOURAGED to attend ONE lunch time meeting in the gym! We are offering THREE separate dates

for this: Monday, March 24th, OR Tuesday, March 25th, OR Wednesday, March 26th. All TC's APPLICATIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THESE MEETINGS!! All questions may be answered at this time as well! All applications MUST be COMPLETED and SIGNED by a parent/guardian. ALL TC APPLICATIONS MUST BE TURNED IN DIRECTLY TO MISS METEYARD NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, APRIL 11TH! We WILL NOT accept any late applications-NO EXCEPTIONS!!! Applications will be available in both English and Spanish!! Any questions BEFORE the meetings in late March...please let Miss Meteyard know! EXCITING!!



Kingfish Reading Challenge

This is the last week for students to log minutes in Beanstack to win tickets to a Kenosha Kingfish Baseball game this summer. The Kenosha Kingfish will decide which game will be Bullen Night at the ballpark later in the school year. If your student logged enough reading minutes to earn the tickets, you will be getting a letter home and an email as we get more details from the Kingfish.

The reading that Bullen students have logged in Beanstack this year won Bullen a reward which we spent on new bookmarks for the school library.

Classlink access at home

As we head into the school year, students can access their apps (including Infinite Campus, Google Classroom, PBIS Rewards, iXL and more) through ClassLink. The three steps below will help students get into ClassLink.

- Go to Bullen's website and click on "ClassLink" located below the top image.
- To sign into ClassLink, use the student ID number for the login and the student created password for the password.
- Click on the app you need to use.
- (If Google appears for the sign in on any app, it is the student's first letter of their first name, the first seven of their last name and the last two digits of their ID number followed by @students.kusd.edu.)



• [Bullen Website](#)

• [Who to Contact](#)



BULLEN MIDDLE SCHOOL SCHEDULE

2024-25



6th Grade

Mon - Thurs		Friday
8:40 - 9:40	A1	8:40 - 9:36
9:43 - 10:15	CORE 1	9:39 - 10:09
10:18 - 11:18	A2	10:12 - 11:08
11:21 - 12:21	A3	11:11 - 12:07
12:24 - 12:50	CORE 2	
12:53 - 1:23	lunch	12:10 - 12:40
1:26 - 2:26	A4	12:43 - 1:38
2:29 - 3:13	6E1	1:41 - 2:17
3:16 - 4:00	6E2	2:20 - 2:56

7th Grade

Mon - Thurs		Friday
8:40 - 9:40	A1	8:40 - 9:36
9:43 - 10:15	CORE 1	9:39 - 10:09
10:18 - 11:02	7E1	10:12 - 10:48
11:05 - 11:35	lunch	10:51 - 11:21
11:38 - 12:21	7E2	11:24 - 11:59
12:24 - 1:25	A2	12:02 - 12:59
1:28 - 2:28	A3	1:02 - 1:57
2:31 - 2:57	CORE 2	
3:00 - 4:00	A4	2:00 - 2:56

8th Grade

Mon - Thurs		Friday
8:40 - 9:40	A1	8:40 - 9:36
9:43 - 10:15	CORE 1	9:39 - 10:09
10:18 - 11:18	A2	10:12 - 11:06
11:21 - 11:52	CORE 2	
	A3a	11:09 - 11:30
11:55 - 12:25	lunch	11:33 - 12:03
12:28 - 1:12	8E1	12:06 - 12:42
1:15 - 1:59	8E2	12:45 - 1:21
2:02 - 3:00	A3	1:24 - 2:01
3:03 - 4:00	A4	2:04 - 2:56