



BRISTOL SCHOOL DISTRICT #1

Being a positive and lasting influence for all!

BRISTOL'S BUS SAFETY PATROL

Thank you 7th & 8th grade student volunteers for being great passenger role models, helping resolve conflicts, supporting our younger passengers and working with our bus drivers and Mr. Koeshall to make sure everyone has a safe and respectful ride to and from school.

Friday, September 15, 2023

Dear Bristol Families,

Please review the important upcoming announcements compiled by Bristol's Administrative Team.

Important Upcoming Dates:

- **Now - 9/29/23 - Support Bristol's PBIS Program by Showing Your Bristol Spirit!** This year's fall Bristol Spirit Wear Online store is now open through September 29th! Order at <https://bristolgear23.itemorder.com/shop/home/>!
- **9/17/23 - Booster Club Concession Stand Fundraiser at Lake George Lodge from 1-5pm!**
- **9/18/23 - Battle of the Books Informational Meeting:** 4th-6th graders who love to read, along with their parents, are invited to a Battle of the Books informational meeting taking place in the library Monday, September 18th from 6:30-7:00pm. The 23-24 Battle of the Books elementary titles are [available now](#). Not familiar with B.O.B.? Visit [Bristol's Battle of the Books web page](#) for program details and look for more information coming once the school year begins! Questions? Contact Ms. Weiner or Mrs. Ferruzzi!
- **9/19/23 - Regular School Board Meeting at 4:30pm:** The meeting will be held in the Large Group Instruction room also called LGI (previously where the District Office was located). Please park in the 45 parking lot and enter through Door 13.
- **9/20/23 - Bristol School PTO Battle of the Schools - Pizza Battle!** It's a rematch! Last year, Salem squeaked by Bristol in food sales and now here is our opportunity! A portion of food sales will be funding your Bristol PTO. You can order for breakfast, lunch, or dinner. Call 262-586-5544 to order, and mention Bristol School when ordering. Let's kick off the school year with a win against Salem!
- **9/21/23 - Bristol PTO Meeting:** Please join us for our first PTO meeting of this school year! All are welcome to attend to learn more about the PTO and plan for our middle school dance. The meeting will take place at Bristol School (LGI) from 6:00-7:30pm. Check the PTO web site in the coming weeks for the meeting agenda: <https://www.bristol.k12.wi.us/parents/bristol-ptu.cfm>.
- **9/22/23 - Picture Day!**
- **9/25/23 - NO SCHOOL:** Teacher professional learning day
- **10/11/23 - EARLY RELEASE!** Don't forget - our second early release is Wednesday, October 11th. Student dismissal is at 1:15pm!
- **10/20/23 - PTO 6-8th Grade Masquerade Ball!** Save the date - more information coming soon!

Important Reminders:

- **NEW! Forward Test Results:** Individual student Forward Results will be coming home with 4th through 8th grade students today. If your child was enrolled at Bristol School last year and is currently in 4th through 8th grade, please look for the test results. Note that you will not receive an additional copy if you picked up the results during Open House.
- **REMINDER! Arrival, Dismissal Drop-Off & Pick Up Information:** **The start of the school day is 7:35am*. All students should be in their classes ready to learn at that time.** Visit our [Bristol School Home Webpage](#) to review important attendance, arrival and dismissal information. We ask that all parents review the [23-24 Drop Off and Pick Up Procedures!](#) *Students arriving after 7:35am will need to be checked in at the school office by their parents and will be considered tardy.
- **REMINDER! Fall MAP Growth Testing:** This year, fall MAP Growth Testing will only take place for certain grade levels/content areas. This decision is to prioritize student learning and to gather the most valuable instructional insights. While MAP Growth is a valuable tool to provide general school trends and individual student progress over time, in some cases, other assessments are available that provide teachers with more actionable information, especially at the start of the school year. All grades will engage in winter and spring MAP Growth assessments. Classroom teachers will communicate with students and families if/when students will be engaging in the MAP Growth assessment.
- **REMINDER! Counseling Department Resources:** Annually, mental health organizations, agencies, schools, and individuals across the U.S. and world rally together to help, share resources, and create awareness of suicide prevention during September, Suicide Prevention Month.
 1. September is Suicide Prevention Month: Please help raise awareness about the actions we can all take to prevent suicide. Mental wellness is important at all times and all year long. September is recognized as Suicide Prevention Awareness Month. Please be there for each other, know the signs, reach out, raise awareness, and share resources. If you or someone you know is in an emergency, call 911. For more information: [988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline Prevention Month](#)
 2. For Lifeline support call or text 988 or chat 988lifeline.org or text [HOPELINE](#) to 741741
 3. [Additional Resources & Crisis Contact Info:](#) Information provided is not intended to substitute emergency personnel or professional assistance or supervision by mental health professionals. Please consult with qualified professionals directly.
- **REMINDER! Parent/Volunteer Background Checks:** During 23-24 student registration, Bristol received 80+ new parent/volunteer background checks! We thank you in advance for patience as they get processed. Only parents who will be regularly volunteering, working with students unsupervised, or attending field trips must have a current background check on file; one-time visitors are not required to have a background check on file. All [Guardian/Volunteer Criminal Background Check Consent Forms](#) must be turned into the School Office. For more information, visit Bristol's [Volunteer Webpage!](#) Questions? Email contactus@bristol.k12.wi.us
- **REMINDER! PTO Membership:** It's not too late to join the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)! Joining is easy! A brief membership form is available here: <https://forms.gle/rAepAr3UEPJtqNMx9>. Simply complete the form to join! A suggested donation of \$20 is appreciated. A membership allows you to vote in PTO meetings on important topics for the school. It does not require you to volunteer, although we would love everyone's participation!

Celebrations!

- **Renegade Bus Safety Patrol:** Mr. Koeshall has worked with our Dousman Transport and our 7th and 8th grade classes to help create a safer transportation experience by recruiting students to act as bus patrol. These volunteers meet and receiving training from Mr. Koeshall on how to be great bus passenger role models, help resolve conflicts, support our younger passengers and work with the bus drivers and Mr. Koeshall to make sure everyone has a safe and respectful ride to and from school. We are very grateful for our continued partnership with Dousman Transport, all of our 7th and 8th grade volunteers and Mr. Koeshall's hard work to make this happen.
- **5th Grade Band Parent Meeting:** Thank you to all 5th grade parents who attended the band meeting this past Thursday in our Bristol band room. We were excited to see so many parents show interest in having their child join our band program this year. At the meeting, three hand-outs were discussed which are in the following links. [1\) Detailed information about joining our Bristol 5th grade band.](#) [2\) Our new Bristol band brochure which details annual concerts for all bands and exciting performance events for our advanced band such as performing The Star Spangled Banner on center court for the Milwaukee Bucks.](#) [3\) Detailed instrument rental information from the award winning Pacetti's music store.](#) (Instruments can be rented online at www.pacettismusic.com) All 5th grade students will need to have an Essential Element's book #1 for their specific instrument. This can be ordered online as well. Students who have expressed interest in possibly joining our 5th grade band program but whose parents could not make the Thursday meeting will be contacted by Mr. Murphy to assist them with any questions or any help they need with the rental process. We are anticipating that all the rented instruments will be delivered early in the week of September 25th. It is not too late for students to join our 5th grade Bristol band! Contact Mr. Murphy for more information at murphy.ioh@bristol.k12.wi.us.

QUICK LINKS

Virtual Backpack Web Page	District Communication Web Page	District Events Calendar Web Page	Bristol Student Recognition Web Page
2023-2024 School Calendar	Bristol PTO	Bristol Booster Club's Facebook Page	