

# **IMPORTANT DATES**

THANKSGIVING RECESS.... NOVEMBER 27 - NOVEMBER 29 WINTER BREAK...... DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 1 RETURN TO SCHOOL...... JANUARY 2



Friday, November 22, 2024

Dear Bristol Families.

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

#### Important Upcoming Events:

- Now 11/25/24: Bristol Winter Spirit Wear Store Closes THIS Monday! The Bristol Winter Spirit Wear Online Store is now open and accepting
  orders through November 25th! All orders will arrive before the winter break, making them perfect gift ideas for your family. Shop now at
  https://bristolrenegades2024.itemorder.com/shop/home/.
- 11/26/24 Last Day of First Trimester
- 11/27 11/29/24 No School: Thanksgiving Break
- 12/4/24- 5K &1st Grade Concert 6:00pm Big Gym
- 12/6/24 Report Cards Available on Skyward: Family Access
- 12/11/24- 2nd & 3rd Grade Concert 6:00pm Big Gym
- 12/12/24 5th 8th Grade Band Concert 6:30pm Big Gym
- 12/16/24 MS Choir Concert 6:30pm at Westosha Central
- 12/17/24 Bristol Student Council Blood Drive: Schedule your appointment today by looking up Bristol School at <a href="https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=Bristol">https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=Bristol</a> or calling 1-800-733-2767; Appointments are available from 1-6pm.

### **Important Reminders:**

- NEW! Bristol PTO Lake Geneva Dancing Horses Fundraiser: Ticket Sales Now Open! Join us for a magical holiday show at the Lake Geneva Dancing Horses Fundraiser on January 10th at 7 PM! This indoor event is perfect for a winter night out, and it's on an early dismissal Friday—what a great way to kick off the weekend! Tickets are only \$20 per person (50% off the regular price)! Don't miss out—reserve your tickets today before they sell out! To learn more about the show, visit: Horse Show in Lake Geneva The Dancing Horses Theatre. Get your tickets here: Reserve Now!
- **NEW! School Report Card:** Our 2023-2024 <u>school report card</u> was released on Tuesday, November 19th. We are excited to share that Bristol School continues to have an overall score of Exceeds Expectations! If you would like more details about the report card, please view the <u>presentation</u> of it from the 11/20/24 School Board Meeting.
- **REMINDER! 8th Grade Washington DC Bristol Renegades Blanket Fundraiser:** The 8th grade team is running a blanket fundraiser to raise money for the trip to Washington DC. The blankets are really soft, are 50" x 60", and would make great holiday gifts. If you would like to place an order, click here! Half of the purchase goes directly to our 8th-grade trip! Blankets are available until they run out.
- **REMINDER! Bristol PTO The Christmas Carnival of Lights Fundraiser:** Join us for the biggest, brightest drive-through light show featuring over 2 million lights and holiday music along a 2-mile wooded path! After your magical drive, enjoy Santa's Workshop with meet & greets, treats, and photo ops. Visit during one of these weekends: Nov 25-27, Dec 2-5, or Dec 9-12. 25% of ticket sales for general admission car passes and the Golf Cart Holiday Train will benefit the Bristol PTO. Get your tickets at <u>wichristmascarnival.com</u> and use promo code: BRILIGHTS24.
- **REMINDER! Friendly Reminder When to keep your Child Home Letter from Bristol's Nurse:** Please carefully review this guide that outlines which symptoms to look for and consider when deciding to keep your child home sick or send them to school.
- **REMINDER! Virtual Backpack:** Unzip Bristol's Virtual Backpack located on the district website to learn more about upcoming community events and opportunities! Our Friday communications will continue to include the Virtual Backpack Quick Link at the bottom of the message!
- **REMINDER! Attendance:** Planned long-term absences, such as vacations, should be communicated to the school via a long term absence form.
- **REMINDER! Milk Jugs:** Bristol School is building a float for the Growing with Bristol, *Light Up the Town Light Parade*. Please drop off empty 1 gallon plastic jugs in the school office to help.
- **REMINDER! Homelessness Awareness Month:** November marks Homelessness Awareness Month, a time to recognize students and families in our schools and communities facing homelessness. During the 2023-24 school year, 20,329 Wisconsin students experienced homelessness an increase of over 1,800 from the 2022-23 school year. Every student deserves equal access to education and resources, regardless of their living situation. If you may be experiencing homelessness or displacement, school resources and services are available. Please contact our McKinney-Vento Liaison, Chris Thorson, for assistance.
- REMINDER! Zonar MyView Parent App Now Available! Bristol has adopted Zonar MyView, a convenient platform that keeps you connected to your child's school transportation. With Zonar MyView, you can track your child's bus in real-time, see arrival times, and receive alerts about any delays. This means you will always know when to expect the bus and can ensure your child's safety during their commute. To help you get started, the following resources will be helpful:
  - 1. Zonar MyView Parent App Flyer: Includes Bristol's Access Code
  - 2. Skyward: Family Access "Other ID" Look Up Guide: A guide to finding your student's Other ID in Skyward Family Access.
  - 3. <u>Parent User Guide</u>: Learn more about all the features Zonar MyView offers.
- REMINDER! Appropriate Weather Wear: As the temperature varies, please be sure to dress your children appropriately for the weather. Our goal
  is to have students outside for regularly scheduled recess.

#### **Holiday Community Resources:**

- <u>The Sharing Center</u>: The Sharing Center serves Western Kenosha County communities by sharing resources and advocating for self-sufficiency.
   <u>Here is a comprehensive list of resources and services the Sharing Center provides!</u> Have questions? Call 262-298-5535 or email director@thesharingcenter.net.
- 1. **Holiday Gift Program 2024:** The Sharing Center is here to help and support families during the holiday season. Parents/Guardians who could benefit from holiday assistance can self-select gifts for their children (birth-high school) in the center's "Winter Wonderland" area from 11/27-12/23/2024 during pantry hours. No pre-registration is needed, but children must be verified household members. Questions? Contact the Sharing Center directly.
- 2. **Holiday Meals Available:** Holiday meals (including Thanksgiving) like turkey, ham, roast, potatoes, yams, fresh vegetables, milk, butter, bread, and desserts are available now through 12/23/2024!

## **Shout Outs:**

- A HUGE shoutout to Bristol's Student Council for helping collect an incredible 3,263 lbs of food! A heartfelt thank you to everyone who donated your generosity is making a real impact, ensuring families have holiday meals at the Sharing Center! We can't thank you enough!
- The Bristol Band was once again selected to be the pep band and play the Star Spangled Banner at the Fiserv Forum before the Milwaukee Buck vs Chicago Bulls on Wednesday November 20th! Great job to all of the musicians for representing Bristol, Mr. Murphy for making this happen and all of the adult guests and chaperones that made the night a success!

QUICK LINKS		
2024-2025 School Calendar	<b>District Communication Web Page</b>	Bristol Student Recognition Web Page
District Events Calendar Web Page	Bristol Board Website	<u>Virtual Backpack Web Page</u>
Bristol Booster Club's Facebook Page		Bristol PTO