

BACH elementary SCHOOL NEWS

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DEAR BACH FAMILIES,

Bach is a special community where we take pride in caring about our students. Lately, we have noticed an increase in students needing support for food at home. At some point, all of us need a little extra help. Because of this need and our commitment to Bach students, our Bach teachers are excited to announce a new program available for all Bach families... "**Bach Bags.**"

Each bag will contain basic groceries for 2-3 days for a family of four. For example, a bag may contain a box of cereal, peanut butter and jelly, cans of soup, fruit and vegetables and a box of granola bars.

The bags will be available to either pick-up or send home with your child anytime. In addition, as we get this program started, we will have a pick-up time available on Friday afternoons from 2:00-4:00 pm. However, **if you need food at anytime, it will be there for you.** Please notify your child's teacher if you would like food sent home with your child any day. If you are coming to school to pick-up food, check in at the office so we can welcome you and show you where to go.

If you are interested in helping by donating items for the Bach Bags, we would love your help! You or your child can drop food off at a designated box in the office or the items can be given directly to your classroom teacher. Please no glass items! We are most in need of these specific items:

BREAKFAST ITEMS:

boxes of cereal
oatmeal
pancake mix and syrup

LUNCH ITEMS:

peanut butter and jelly (no glass)
macaroni and cheese or SpaghettiO's
cans of soup or canned chicken and mayonnaise

DINNER ITEMS:

pasta and sauce (No Glass)
rice, boxed potatoes
beans
canned fruit and vegetables

SNACK:

granola bars
applesauce/ raisin.
goldfish/ crackers
fruit gummies
sweet treats

OTHER WISH LIST ITEMS:

Gift cards in small increments to area grocery stores and restaurants, for example. Meijer, Kroger, Dominos, Little Caesars (some are available for purchase through SCRIP); Backpacks with wheels; Reusable and Paper Grocery Bags

We are excited to start this new program at Bach. We are so lucky to be part of such an amazing community at Bach. Thanks for your continued support.

For more information contact Mrs. Epler or your child's teacher.

Sincerely,

Bach Staff

FORSYTHE/SLAUSON INFO NIGHT

Wednesday, March 9th, 6:00 – 7:30 pm
In the Multipurpose Room

- » Learn more about Forsythe and Slauson
- » Meet the Principals
- » Ask questions

6:00 – 6:45 pm: **Forsythe presentation**

6:45 – 7:30 pm: **Slauson presentation**

BACH IS LOOKING FOR A FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR!

Do you have experience in fundraising/development. Would you like to share your talent and experience with our Bach community. We would like to create a new Fundraising Coordinator position in the PTO leadership. If you are interested or just curious about this position, please email president@bachpto.org. Here is a detailed description of the position:

The FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR will serve as the general organizer for revenue-generating PTO-sponsored programs. S/he will present for approval to the PTO board a fundraising strategy to meet the PTO's revenue needs. S/he will identify a chairperson (or chairpeople) for each activity, work with the chairperson and the co-Treasurers to devise a budget for the activity, including a revenue target and overall budget. In addition to coordinating PTO-initiated activities, s/he will maintain records of community and business solicitations for funds and in-kind donations.

38TH ANNUAL BURNS PARK RUN SUNDAY, MAY 1ST!

Register to run in the Burns Park Run and earn money for Bach Elementary. For each registered K-12 student participating in the Burns Park Run 5K or 10K event, parents can have \$10 of their child's individual registration fee donated back to Bach PTO. Parents simply indicate their interest in participating during the online registration process (<http://burnsparkrun.org/registration/>) and designate Bach Elementary to receive the \$10 donation.

UPCOMING EVENTS

4th Grade to UMMA

Thursday 3/3

Chappell to Kensington

Monday 3/7

Brecht & Houston to Kensington

Wednesday 3/9

Middle School Info Night

Wednesday 3/9 6-7:30 MPR

Report cards go home

Tuesday, 3/15

PTO Meeting, MPR

Wednesday, 3/16. 6:30–7:30pm

Poetry Slam

Friday, 3/18. 6:30–8pm

1st Grade Concert

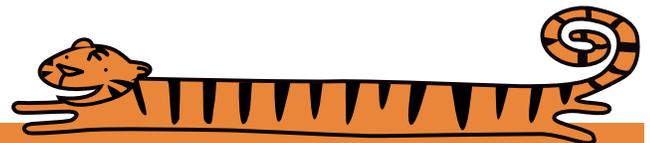
Thursday 3/23. 7pm, MPR

NO SCHOOL

Friday 3/25

Family Reading Night

Thursday 3/31. 6:30–8pm, MPR



At Bach School we are dedicated to creating an environment that inspires learning. We strive to challenge each student to achieve full academic potential and maintain consistent standards for socially responsible behavior. We believe education is a share responsibility of the staff, students, parents, and the community. We value children as unique individuals and recognize their ethnic diversity and various learning styles as strengths.



LUNCHTIME ENRICHMENT FUN!

BOX TOP WINNERS!

Thanks for submitting your Box Tops! The results are below. Also, please note that **the Labels for Education program is being discontinued** and we will no longer be accepting labels. The collection box has been removed from the library.

KINDERGARTEN

Borgsdorf 44
Franzen 128
Smith 263

FIRST GRADE

Brecht 447
Chappell 25
Houston 208

SECOND GRADE

Ramsey 130
Ward 210

THIRD GRADE

Bell 164
Humphrey 169
Iglewicz 25

FOURTH GRADE

Gleason 71
Tarchinski 25

FIFTH GRADE

Gleason 71
Ezekiel 510 **(Trophy Winner!)**
Ringo 97

THANK YOU to all who participated!



“THE AIM OF ART EDUCATION IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS IS NOT TO MAKE MORE PROFESSIONAL ARTISTS BUT TO TEACH PEOPLE TO LIVE HAPPIER, FULLER LIVES; TO EXTRACT MORE OUT OF THEIR EXPERIENCE, WHATEVER THAT EXPERIENCE MAY BE. ” —GRANT WOOD

As I write this entry, we have had a touch of spring weather and I am experiencing the hopefulness that the new season is just around the corner. Because I grew up in Minnesota, I love winter but the promise of spring feels wonderful. As always, when one season winds down I start getting excited about all the possibilities and inspirations the new season brings us in the art room. During our mid-winter break I was busy planning lessons for the coming month. March always brings lions and lambs, weaving, painting projects, and clay for the grades that haven't yet created with it.

Before the break, grades K-3rd celebrated the Chinese New Year (year of the monkey), by drawing and painting monkeys and Chinese dragons. In honor of February Black History Month, we learned about Kente cloth, mudcloth, and a few of very prominent and important African American artists.

March is Youth Art Month and I will have a variety of works by Bach students displayed in two windows at Gratz's Restaurant, located downtown on Main St. It is wonderful to have my students' works displayed as it showcases some of what we do in art class at Bach School, but it is also very hard to only have the opportunity to show a handful of student work. Each of my hardworking, creative students deserve to have their works shown. That is one of the reasons I like to hang work in our school—so that each child has pieces represented and admired. I am so proud of all my students. Everyday they show me how artistic and productive they are!

Artfully yours,

Kim Furey



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