

# District 12 Newsletter

February 14, 2019

**5Essentials Survey:** Once again, District 12 is asking parents to complete the annual **5Essentials Survey**. The 5Essentials Survey provides districts and schools with detailed information on school culture and climate by examining five leading areas for school improvement: Effective Leaders, Collaborative Teachers, Involved Families, Supportive Environment, and Ambitious Instruction. Schools and communities can use the survey results to guide their ongoing efforts to improve schools for student learning. Students in Grades 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> will be taking the survey here at school soon. Teachers will also complete the 5Essentials Survey and we ask that Parents provide us your honest feedback for our benefit as well. The results will be shared within the School Report Card. When surveys are complete, the data collected should allow us to make appropriate recommendations for the improvement of learning. Please take the time to complete the survey before Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup>. Thank you in advance for your help! **Link for Parents to Five Essentials Survey:** <http://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/survey/parent/>

**No School February 15<sup>th</sup> and February 18<sup>th</sup>:** There is no school on Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, due to a Teacher Institute and no school on Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, to observe President's Day.

**Music Booster El Arado Fundraiser Opportunity:** On February 25<sup>th</sup>, the District 12 Music Boosters will be teaming with El Arado in Breese for a fundraising opportunity. During business hours on Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, Breese District 12 will receive ten percent of the day's sales from dine-in or carry-out orders. If you enjoy El Arado, please help support our music program on February 25<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

**11:30 Dismissal on March 1<sup>st</sup>:** There will be an 11:30 dismissal on Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, for a school improvement day.

**No School March 4<sup>th</sup>:** There is no school on Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup> to observe Casimir Pulaski Day.

**End of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter:** The end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter is Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. Report cards will be sent home on Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Grandparent's Day at Beckemeyer:** Grandparent's Day at Beckemeyer will be held on Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. Grandparent's Day was originally scheduled for a later date, but had to be moved due to scheduling conflicts. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause to those of you that were given the original date when contacting the school.

**Welcome Mrs. Peters:** Mrs. Danielle Peters has been handling the long-term substitute teacher duties for our Beckemeyer PE classes. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome Mrs. Peters and thank her for her assistance and commitment to the students at Beckemeyer.

**Student Council News:** On Friday, December 21<sup>st</sup>, the Student Council hosted the annual talent show. We had a great turn out and saw many great acts. Thanks to all that participated.

**Additional Student Council News:** The Student Council will be hosting an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, from 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Please plan to attend if you can. Appointments can be scheduled online or you can walk in on the day of the blood drive. Please help us meet our goal of 30 units!

**History Fair News:** The annual History Fair took place on January 29<sup>th</sup>. Many outstanding projects were on display. Thank you to all those that participated to make the History Fair a success.

**Scholar Bowl:** The District 12 Scholar Bowl season is underway. This year's team consists of fifteen students competing in several dual matches and Tournament play at Breese Central and Mater Dei.

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade Students Study Holocaust:** Just in time for the International Holocaust Remembrance Day on January 27<sup>th</sup>, the 7<sup>th</sup> grade class received a teaching trunk from the Illinois Holocaust Museum. The theme of the trunk was "Historical Perspectives through Different Voices". This free lending program provided dozens of books, videos, artifacts, and more for our 7<sup>th</sup> grade Literature class to study this tragic time in history.

**Congratulations to December's Students of the Month:**

Shayla Davis (Kindergarten); Ezra Boenhoff (1<sup>st</sup> Grade); Julia Heimann (2<sup>nd</sup> Grade); Abigail Keserauskis (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade); Anna Florczyk (4<sup>th</sup> Grade); Jonathan Ramaker (5<sup>th</sup> Grade); Jane Ramsey (6<sup>th</sup> Grade); Oscar Wesselmann (7<sup>th</sup> Grade); Madyson Diekemper (8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

**Congratulations to January's Students of the Month:**

Taylor Trame (Kindergarten); Meg Richter (1<sup>st</sup> Grade); Trisden Guardian (2<sup>nd</sup> Grade); Marshall Timmermann (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade); Sophia Kessel (4<sup>th</sup> Grade); April Wilken (5<sup>th</sup> Grade); Will Sander (6<sup>th</sup> Grade); Claire Bingman (7<sup>th</sup> Grade); Chris Keys (8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

**Events from the Calendar:**

Please visit the District 12 website to view the Events from the Calendar.