

we are tomorrow

April 6, 2021

Good Morning School District of Beloit Families,

We look forward to seeing our Cohort B elementary, intermediate, and Beloit Learning Academy students back in our buildings on Thursday, April 8, and Friday, April 9. We have been preparing for this day and are looking forward to a positive first day of Term 4 for our students and staff. Our distance learning students will have an enhanced learning experience during Term 4, as well. Beloit Memorial High School students are on a slightly different schedule this week, and that schedule has been shared out. As always, together we remain **#BeloitProud**.

During the week of March 22, I hosted three family webinars in English and Spanish to connect with our families before the start of Term 4. I appreciated the opportunity to assure families, whether they selected in-person or distance learning for their child(ren), we are prepared to continue to deliver a strong and engaging curriculum during Term 4. You can review the <u>slide deck here</u>.

Please access the homepage of each school's website for school start and stop times, our Student COVID-19 Guidelines, our Family Guidebook, and the COVID-19 District Dashboard. We will continue to communicate all updates and information through my weekly letters. You can always access and read past letters on my <u>webpage</u>.

Grab and Go Meals: Seven-Day Pack Every Wednesday

Grab and Go Meals continue to be available at all elementary schools from 11 am to 1:30 pm every Wednesday through June 9. This will be a seven-day pack of breakfast and lunch meals. If you are unable to pick-up your Grab and Go Meals, we provide delivery service. Please call (608) 361-3136 to arrange for delivery.

Tech Support at the Beloit Public Library:

We will continue to provide support to our students and families every Wednesday at the Beloit Public Library. Since starting this outreach, we have helped hundreds of students and families with their technology needs. During the last month, we noticed that participation has started to decrease during the evening hours, so we have adjusted the time we will be at the Beloit Public Library. Beginning Thursday, April 8, we will provide support in English and Spanish from 11 am to 4 pm. The on-line Tech Help Desk is always available and accessible <u>here</u> or by calling (608) 361-4071.

Summer School: Registration Opens on Monday, April 26

We are busy preparing for an engaging Summer School program. We are planning on offering an **in-person**, **five day a week**, program for our students. We plan on sharing all the wonderful highlights and benefits of our Summer School program at the Board of Education meeting tonight at 7:00 pm. You can access the meeting on Spectrum Channel 991 or our <u>YouTube Channel</u>.



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After School Care: Available to Cohort In-Person Learning Students

The Stateline Family YMCA will offer after school care to 4K through 1st grade students at Converse, Hackett, Gaston, Robinson, and Todd. Parents and Guardians are responsible for payment to these organizations. Scholarships and Financial Aid are available. Please reach out to Stateline Family YMCA at (608)365-2262 for more information and to register.

The Stateline Boys and Girls Club will offer after school care to 2nd grade through 8th grade students at Gaston, Robinson, and Todd. Shuttle service will be provided to the Stateline Boys and Girls Club from Hackett and all intermediate schools. Parents/Guardians are responsible for payment. Scholarships and Financial Aid are available. Please reach out to the Stateline Boys and Girls Club at (608) 365-8874 for more information and to register.

4K Registration: Fall 2021

Now is a great time to register for our 4K program. 4K is an all-day, free program that starts a child in the right direction for future success and prepares them for Kindergarten. Research shows and demonstrates that 4K helps children develop positive social skills, early literacy, and math skills while ensuring that they begin Kindergarten prepared and ready to learn.

Our 4k teachers create engaging learning environments for our littlest students that promote social and emotional growth and academic success. From hands-on learning centers that encourage science, math, and reading to hands-on experiences in the arts, including drama, music, and visual arts, our 4K program is comprehensive and child-focused. To register your child today, click <u>here</u>.

Upcoming Family Letters: April and May

<u>April Family Letters</u>: Sunday, April 11; Sunday, April 18; and Sunday, April 25 <u>May Family Letters</u>: Sunday, May 2; Sunday, May 9; Sunday, May 16; and Sunday, May 23

My last family letter of this school year is on Sunday, May 23. At the start of the 2021/2022 school year, I will change the format of my letters to a bi-monthly newsletter. More information will be shared as we move toward the start of the next school year.

As always, please reach out to your child's or teen's principal or teacher with any concerns you may have regarding assignments, classes, distance learning, or cohort in-person learning.

I wish everyone all the best as we begin the start of Term 4 and our in-person learning on Thursday, April 8.

Sincere regards,

Dr. Dan Keyser Superintendent School District of Beloit



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