



October 11, 2020

Good Afternoon School District of Beloit Families,

With term 1 ending on October 30th, now would be a good time to check in with your child's or teen's teacher. We all want to ensure that your student is attending classes, completing assignments, and getting the help they need to finish out Term 1 strong.

As I shared earlier in the week, we will continue in Distance Learning through Term 2. I understand how challenging this decision will be for many of our families. The health, safety, and well-being of our students, our families, and our staff during this unprecedented time continues to be my priority with each decision I make.

Last week was **Wisconsin National School Board Week**. We believe that strong schools and strong communities are possible because of the work of School Boards. Thank you to our School Board Members for their hard work and dedication to our students and our community. We appreciate their commitment, passion, and vision.

Survey Results:

Please click on this [LINK](#) to access the Family Survey results. Thank you so much for your participation and feedback. I have also posted these results on the [Superintendent's Webpage](#) under the October 11 letter. I have shared this survey and comments with our Principals, and they are working collaboratively to address the concerns that were shared. We plan to continue to reach out for your input and feedback.

iPad Help and Outreach:

If you need help with your student's iPad or have questions regarding Seesaw or Google Classroom, we are here to help. Every Thursday from 11 am to 7 pm we will be at the Beloit Public Library to offer students and families assistance with navigating iPads and apps. School District of Beloit Spanish Interpreters will be available, and no appointment is necessary. Stop by on Thursday, October 15.

Email Teachers from Skyward:

Families can email their student's teachers, counselors, and other school contacts when they log into their Skyward Family Access account. Teacher email addresses can be accessed on the Gradebook and Schedule tab, and other email addresses are located under the Student Info tab. A "Send an Email" box will appear pre-filled to send to the selected staff member. Enter the subject of the email on the "Subject" line. Click into the large box on the bottom to compose the message. If you want to receive a copy of the email, put a checkmark in the "Send a Copy to Me" box.

Bullying Prevention Month:

October is bullying prevention month and State Superintendent Carolyn Stanford Taylor has proclaimed October Keeping Kids Safe Online Month in Wisconsin. We have many ways for students and families to reach out and report bullying: [Anonymously Report Bullying](#) and [Speak Up, Speak Out Wisconsin](#).



Emotional Well-Being: Students and Families | Elementary School

The School District of Beloit cares deeply about the social-emotional health and well-being of our children and families. We recognize that Distance Learning does have a significant impact on each of us. Increased stress and anxiety are common responses to the coronavirus outbreak. Each week I will be providing resources that can support you and your family through this challenging time. In addition to resources for stress management, there are helpful strategies and resources for proactively developing your child's social and emotional skills. This week I am sharing supports for our elementary school families.

[At-Home SEL Strategies: Elementary School](#)

[Mini-Lessons: Elementary Lessons](#)

[SEL Tips for the Moment](#)

Attendance and Engagement:

Attending classes and participating in classroom assignments and activities are vitally important to a student's academic and social success in school. Please reach out to your child's/teen's principal or teacher if you have questions regarding attendance, engagement, or curriculum.

Grab and Go Meals: Every Monday and Thursday

Start your morning off with a nutritious and healthy breakfast. The District provides Grab and Go Meals on Mondays and Thursdays. On Mondays, families will receive a breakfast and lunch meal for Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday; and on Thursdays, families will receive a breakfast and lunch meal for Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. For families who are unable to pick up meals, we are providing a delivery service. Please call (608) 361-3136 to arrange for delivery. Grab and Go Meals are available at all our elementary schools and-Beloit Memorial High School.

Community Partner Update:

Beloit Area Community Health Center: 74 Eclipse Center

The Beloit Area Community Health Center is safely open to provide well-child checks and immunizations for children from birth to 18. The clinic accepts Medicaid, most private insurances, and offers discounts for uninsured families. No one is ever turned away due to inability to pay. If your child needs to catch up on immunizations or has a health care need or concern, please give their clinic a call at 608-361-0311. To learn more about well-child check schedules, please visit their [website](#).

Enjoy the rest of your Sunday. Together we remain #BeloitProud

Regards,

Dr. Dan Keyser
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School District of Beloit