



Bulldog Bytes

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Welcome back Bulldog families, both new and returning! We hope that your year is off to a great start! The first few weeks of new schedules, curriculum nights, practices, sports events and family dinners can be exciting and exhausting at the same time. Once your routine is on-track, the rest of the year will be a piece of cake.

We want to thank all those that have already joined the PTSA and contributed to our one and only fundraiser "Pass the Hat". One of our goals this year is to increase our membership and get more people involved at Beaver Lake, which means we need your help. If you haven't had a chance yet, we urge you to visit our website at www.blmsptsa.ourschoolpages.com, and join the BLMS PTSA on the "Join/first day packet" button (top left side). **WE WANT YOU!**

Volunteering at BLMS is one of the fun things we get to do to support our school, staff and students. We have so many fantastic ways you can volunteer. Some of you have already gotten involved with Bulldog Days, first day schedule distribution and assisting ASB with their Magazine Drive. There are so many more opportunities for you to get involved: Battle at BLMS, Reflections, Bingo Night, Book Fair, Popcorn Fridays, Emergency Preparedness, Vision and Hearing, Parent Ed, Root Beer Floats, staff appreciation and so many more. We also have a new talent show that will premier this winter. Some are one day activities and others run throughout the year. If you want to get involved, we have a place for you. You can find out about all these opportunities on the PTSA website. Just log in and sign up!

Along with all of our fantastic programs that the PTSA supports, we provide grants to the staff and school through our Bucks for Bulldogs program. We have been able to grant some amazing items to the school, including ipads, text books, reading books, cooking supplies, clip-on turners and radios. We also partnered with the school to purchase new wrestling mats and a new sound system. These wonderful grants and all our programs are made possible by each of you contributing to our "Pass the Hat" fundraiser going on now. This provides all the funds we use throughout the year to support our school, staff and parents. If you would like to donate, please go to our website, log in and make your contribution to "Pass the Hat." Rest assured that we are using your dollars right here, to support these enrichment programs, staff grants and events that all benefit our students.

Remember the PTSA is here to support you and our community. Our website hosts a wealth of information designed to help you find the answers to your questions. We host and sponsor Parent Education opportunities throughout the year, including ones during our four General Meetings. You can also keep up with the latest and greatest information on our Facebook page, [Beaver Lake Middle School PTSA](#).

We are looking forward to a great school year full of fun, work, giving back, and giving our kids the best support in their educations that we can. We look forward to seeing and meeting you all.

Sincerely,
Pam Gross and Tina Yerges
PTSA Co-Presidents

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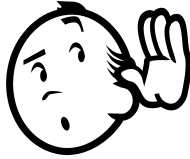
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CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!!

We need volunteers for the VISION AND HEARING SCREENING on Tuesday, Sept. 30, from 7:30am-10:30am in the BLMS library. Please contact Teresa Czaja teresaskate@comcast.net or Amy Tuvey amy2v@comcast.net if you can assist our school nurse Lynda Nicholson.

Coffee & Homemade treats will be provided.



PTSA Reflections Chair Needed

Are you creative? Do you believe All children deserve opportunities to explore and be involved in the arts? Then we need you!

BLMS needs a Reflections chairperson for the 2014/2015 school year. The theme this year is *"The world would be a better place if..."*

If you are interested please [CLICK HERE](#) for more information and email [Nga Selbig](mailto:Nga.Selbig) or [Kelly Huber](mailto:Kelly.Huber)

Thank you for your support!



TO OUR BULLDOG DAYS VOLUNTEERS

A sincere thanks to all the parents who helped us out at Bulldog Days on August 19th and 20th⁺. This event could not happen without your help. Special thanks to Kimberly Givens, Amy Tuvey, Diane Meehl, Sam Ledet, Julia Yu, Nga Selbig, Ganga Pingili, Sarah Ransom, Mary Jo Webb, Kelly Huber, Susan Sansing, Molly Baker, Maryann Bellavia, Deanne King, Tina Yerges, Krystl McCandlish. Extra special thanks to the office and administrative staff at BLMS and all the fabulous ASB students who came to help too! A huge thank you goes out to Sriram Peri for Chairing the 6th Grade/New Student Scavenger Hunt. All of our new students are now ready to go and have a fantastic year at Beaver Lake!

Would you like to help celebrate our Honor Roll at BLMS?

We are looking for volunteers to help serve root-beer or orange floats during lunch time, three times this school year. All you need is an ice cream scoop and a smile!

Dates pending for January and April.

If interested, please contact Marilou Dacey mmdacey@comcast.net or Teresa Czaja at teresaskate@comcast.net. Join the fun!



Why does ASB hold an annual Magazine Drive?



So many of the cultural, athletic, recreational and social events at BLMS cannot happen without the support of ASB. Our assemblies, after school athletics, lunchtime activities, fall/winter social/Spring Fling and the nearly 15 after school clubs held at BLMS rely on funds from this important fundraiser.

ASK YOURSELF

Does your child plan to play in a BLMS sport after school?

Does your child enjoy the variety of assemblies and lunch time activities offered?

Is your child planning to join Chess Club, Yearbook or one of the nearly 15 after school clubs we have at BLMS?

THEN THEY BENEFIT FROM ASB!

Please help us as we kick off our Magazine Drive on Sept. 5th.

Encourage your child to participate in the magazine drive or contact Maryann Bellavia (mebellavia@yahoo.com) to volunteer on Turn In or Prize Days.

1st Turn In Day Thu, Sept. 11 7:40am - 12pm

1st Prize Day Fri, Sept. 12 10:15am - 12:40pm

2nd Turn in Day Thu, Sept. 18 7:40am – 1pm

2nd Prize Day Fri, Sept. 19 7:40am – 12:40pm