

Bryant Bulletin

A joint PTA/Campus Newsletter

November 1, 2017

Dr. Rhodes' Weekly Message

Thanks to everyone, especially the PTA, who helped make our Trunk or Treat a success. There were lots of interesting trunks to check out and the kids had some great costumes!!

One week from today begins our Boosterthon Fun Run Kickoff. Lots of information will be coming home about how your family can participate. Some of the funds we are raising will go towards Recess Equipment (balls, etc) for each grade level, Staff Development for teachers, Spirit items for the school, and a Mascot (costume) of our Bengal. We hope that all families will participate but also understand if you cannot participate at this time. No matter if you can financially participate or not, all students will get to participate in the Fun Run, which will be held in our gym!

On another note, I wanted to let you know about a new group that we have started at Bryant. This group is called the Kindness Crew. This Crew of students were nominated by their teachers and they will be creating a kindness movement in our school. Each week the Kindness Crew will be looking for students and staff who show extreme kindness at our school. The Crew will write kindness notes and they will pick a couple of notes to read on announcements each month! We are excited to start this group and a Kindness Movement at Bryant. If you can also reinforce Kindness at home that would be great!

Event Calendar

Monday November 6

Legacy Tile Night for those who purchased legacy tiles at the beginning of the year. ([Click here](#) for full details)

Wednesday November 8

Boosterthon Fun Run Fundraiser begins

Thursday November 9

3rd Grade Veterans Day Program, 6pm in the gym

Wednesday November 15

Fall Retake Pictures and Class Pictures

Thursday November 16

Progress Reports Go Home

Friday November 17

Boosterthon Fun Run during Specials in the Gym

Thankful Thanksgiving Parties for each homeroom –

10-11am- 1st & 2nd

11:40-12:40pm- Kinder & 5th

1:40-2:40pm- 3rd & 4th

Office and Other Information

- Click [HERE](#) for the Bryant Website
- Click [HERE](#) for Katy ISD Home Access Center (HAC). Register to gain access to grades, e-news, etc.

Follow us via social media:

Facebook= [Bryant Elementary](#)

Twitter= [@BryantElem](#) [#bengalpride](#)

Website= <http://www.katyisd.org/campus/bes/Pages/default.aspx>

Elementary Gifted and Talented Screening--The gifted and talented program in Katy ISD serves elementary students with a one day per week pullout program. If you would like your **1st -4th grade** child screened for Challenge for the **2018-19** school year, please request an Elementary Parent Checklist from the counselor's office or front desk beginning **October 26**.

The Parent Checklist forms is also available online from www.katyisd.org. Look under Departments > Gifted and Talented. **Completed forms must be returned to the Challenge teacher by Wednesday, December 6, 2017.**

From the Nurse

Cold and flu season is starting. Talk with your doctor about getting a flu shot. Healthy habits are always the best prevention of illness. These include good handwashing, eating a healthy diet including fruits and vegetables, staying hydrated with plenty of water, and getting enough sleep. According to the National Sleep Foundation, school age children age 6-13 need 9-11 hours of sleep while five year olds need 10-13 hours of sleep.

If Your Child is Sick

- Children must be free of fever (less than 100.0 degrees) for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications (such as Tylenol or Motrin/Advil) before returning to school
- Children must be free from vomiting and/or diarrhea for 24 hours without the use of preventative medications before returning to school
- Please inform the school if your child has been diagnosed with a contagious condition such as pink eye, strep throat, chicken pox, flu, or head lice

If Your Child Requires Medication at School

- Children are NOT permitted to carry medication, including cough drops. **ALL MEDICATION must be administered from the clinic.** Students may deliver non-controlled substances to clinic first thing in morning if necessary.
- If your child needs to take medicine at school short term (15 days or less), the parent must complete and sign an "**Administration of Medication at School for Less Than 15 days**" form.
- If your child requires medications to be administered throughout the school year, the parent and physician must complete and sign an "**Administration of Medication at School for More Than 15 Days**" form, **OR** an appropriate **Action Plan** (ie. Action plans for Asthma, Food Allergy, Non-Food Allergy, or Seizure).
- A written parent request with the date, name, strength, dose, route, time to be given, and reason, with a parent signature, for a **single dose of medication** on a particular day is acceptable.
- **For cough drops**- they must be in original container with a note granting permission for cough drops to be given with student full name, parent full name and parent signature.
- Medications prescribed or requested to be given three times a day, or less, are not to be given at school. The only exception to this rule is if a physician prescribes a specific time, during school hours (or the school nurse determines that a special need exists for an individual student).

For your convenience, medication forms can be obtained from the nurse/clinic or the Katy ISD website – [Katy ISD Health Services](#)

Parents are asked to deliver the medication to the clinic and bring only the necessary amount for school. All medications must be in their original container with a current expiration date. Prescription medications must be in the original container with the child's name, medication, and dosing instructions.

Regulations governing administration of medications during school hours must be strictly adhered to by school personnel. Any natural and/or homeopathic products, not FDA approved, will not be dispensed by school personnel.

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From the Librarian

Our Pumpkin Extravaganza was a HUGE success! Thank you for participating. Please click the link below to view our book character pumpkins.

<https://katyisd.instructure.com/courses/159470/pages/library-events>

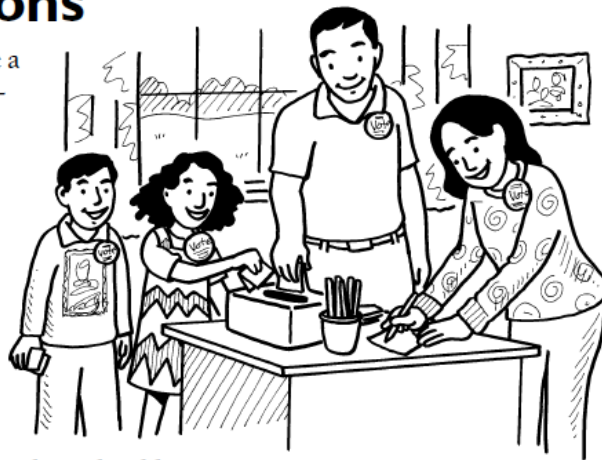
Home to School Connection

Household elections

An election lets a group of people make a decision, whether it involves citizens electing a mayor or children choosing student council officers. Show your youngster democracy in action by holding elections in your home.

1. Choose topic. Have your child pick an issue to vote on. It could be practical ("Should we paint the bathroom green or blue?") or fun ("Should we get a fish or a hamster?").

2. Campaign. Each person can campaign for her side, presenting reasons why others should



vote her way. You may decide to make posters or give speeches to persuade family members.

3. Create ballots. Let your youngster make a ballot for each family member and get an empty tissue box to put the ballots in.

4. Vote. Select an evening for your election. Cast your votes, and your child can tally them and announce a winner.

Tip: Use this activity as an opportunity to talk about the national elections this month. Take your youngster with you when you vote, explain the choices you make, and watch the results together on election night.♥

Information from the PTA

Legacy Tile Night

If you purchased a Legacy Tile, the night to complete tiles will be the evening of Monday, November 6th. [CLICK HERE](#) for all the details!!

Bryant Ball

Mark your calendars for the 1st Annual Bryant Ball on Friday evening, December 1st from 6-8pm in our gym. The Bryant Ball is open to all students and parents to attend. Get dressed up, come dance, and enjoy a visit to the Candy Bar.