



If you have children, don't forget there are agencies and assistance to ensure your child has everything required for school. Let me know if you need help with getting assistance or free/reduced breakfast and lunches.

Back to School tips for Parents:

- * *Establish a specific space like the family office as the official "homework area."*
- * *Remove distractions like TVs and video game consoles from homework areas.*
- * *Establish regular bedtime routines for elementary school kids and preschoolers.*
- * *Set an alarm or notification 30 minutes before bedtime.*

STATS ON BULLYING

This year, over **13 million** American kids will be bullied at school, online, on the bus, at home, through their cell phones and on the streets of their towns, making it the most common form of violence young people face in this country.

77% of students are bullied mentally, verbally or physically.

every **7 minutes** a child is bullied on the playground.

3 million students are absent each month because they feel unsafe at school.

280,000 students are physically attacked in secondary school each month.

1 in 4 teachers see nothing wrong with bullying and will only intervene 4% of the time.

nearly **42%** of kids have been bullied online and almost 1 in 4 have had it happen more than once.

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Be aware and talk to your children, prevent, protect and stay involved.



6 weird things that have happened in August through history

- 1) 2 August 1100: King William II is killed by an arrow in mysterious circumstances
- 2) 1 August 1774: Joseph Priestley discovers oxygen
- 3) 31 August 1897: Thomas Edison secures a patent for his kinetograph
- 4) 20 August 1911: The first telegram is sent around the world in just 16.5 minutes
- 5) 21 August 1911: The Mona Lisa is stolen in France
- 6) 27 August 1955: *The Guinness Book of World Records* is published

Facts you may not know about Oklahoma:

- ⇒ You have an Oklahoman to thank for voice mail (you know, that thing your mom keeps leaving messages on but you never check?). Tulsa native Gordon Matthews invented an electronic message system that stored audio messages, which was patented in 1982.
- ⇒ The Saurophaganax maximus is Oklahoma's official state fossil. A fossil of one was first found in the early 1930s in Cimarron County, and a reconstructed skeleton can be seen at the Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of Natural History
- ⇒ The first yield sign was invented by Clinton Riggs and Paul Rice. Riggs was a Tulsa police officer.
- ⇒ The first tornado warning and the first official tornado forecast in the United States happened in 1948 at Tinker Air Force Base. The base was struck by two powerful twisters within a span of five days, March 20-25. The tornado that dropped March 20 produced more than \$10 million in damage. That's nearly \$100 million in 2014 dollars.





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This is the company I work for, they are amazing. It's an Alaskan Native Corporation. They live on the values and principals of their heritage. One of the biggest festivals they have is the Whale Festival. This year they harvested 12 Bowhead Whales !! This is the story on how they hunt whales. I hope you enjoy, also know that at the beginning of our corporate meetings they say a prayer and in that prayer they ask for all the incarcerated be looked over and cared for and know that they are not forgotten.

A Clean Umiaq

The Story

As spring nears, the bowheads prepare for their journey north and east. They travel from what is now called the Bering Sea, through the Bering Straits, into the Chukchi Sea, and finally arrive at the Beaufort Sea. Along the way, the bowheads meet hunters waiting with their Umiaqs – skin-covered boats. Some of the boats appear light and clean, pleasing to the eye. If a bowhead wishes to give itself to a whaling crew, it must surface by a clean Umiaq. These belong to respectful people; people who are considerate of others, who share their catch with widows, orphans, the old, and all those who could not hunt for themselves. They are honest. They treat other people, and all animals with respect.

These are the hunters to whom whales want to give themselves.



Bowhead Whale

