

## Important dates

Tomorrow, Spirit Day-Act of Kindness day, Reflective

Monday September 14- BCO meeting, 7:00 PM

## From the principal

We wanted to make sure you were aware that students can access the Google Meets links even when teachers are not in the classroom. We discourage students from doing this and want to treat it the same as a regular school day; if the teacher is not in the classroom, the students should not be in the classroom. Since we can't actually control their access, we want parents to be aware that the links are not always supervised by a staff member unless it is a scheduled class time. Thank you.

We are looking for parents and community members to volunteer to be a part of our School Accountability Committee (SAC) for the 2020/2021 school year. This is open to any parents or family members of Bennett students and/or any community member who has an interest in our school.

The School Accountability Committee is a group of parents and staff members who function as a communication link between the school and Bennett families. Bennett's SAC meets at least quarterly to discuss, advise and make recommendations to me regarding school progress, school spending priorities, school leadership, personnel and infrastructure, and our School's Unified Improvement Plan (SUIP), how to increase the level of parent engagement in the District and its schools, especially the engagement of parents of students in underrepresented populations, etc. At least two members of the SAC also serve as the Bennett representative and alternate representative to the District Advisory Board (DAB) which meets monthly on Mondays from 7 – 9 pm at the Johannsen Support Services Center (JSSC) at 2407 LaPorte Avenue. The DAB rep provides input and recommendations from the SAC on an advisory basis to the Superintendent concerning issues and initiatives and acts as a link between the community and the district.

Our SAC must be comprised of, but is not limited to:

At least 3 parents/legal guardians of students. 2 of which who serve as our DAB rep. and alternative rep. and 1 of which who co-chairs the committee with Mrs. Smythe

1 teacher

1 BCO member

1 community member  
1 principal, or principal designee

If you are interested in serving our community in this way, we would love to have you join us. This year we will have at least 4 meetings (more as needed) and they will be virtual.

Please email your interest to me [asmythe@psdschools.org](mailto:asmythe@psdschools.org). Our meetings will be held virtually before BCO meetings.

## Library check out

Would you like to learn how to reserve books from the Bennett library? Check out Mrs. Larson's Virtual Library! (Your students have to be logged into their accounts to access this page)

<https://sites.google.com/psdschools.org/benlearningspecials/library?authuser=0>

## BCO News

Happy Blame It On The Large Hadron Collider Day from the Bennett Community Organization! Your PTO, the BCO! I am Eric, your BCO Co-President. And just like that, the first BCO meeting of the year is imminent...Monday, September 14th at 7pm! Freakin' large hadron collider, spoiling the perfectly good second Monday evening of the month (but also...YAY!).

Please join us for the first BCO meeting of the 2020-2021 School Year! This will be an online meeting, and will be awesome! We will be celebrating National Coloring Day! For those of you who have never attended a BCO meeting (welcome new families!), and those of you that are semi-professional attendees, this meeting will serve as an introduction to the BCO. We will be providing an overview of who the BCO is (spoiler: one crazy guy, two kind women who tolerate him, and a bunch of lovable volunteers), what the BCO does, and how we do it. Would you like to hear how the BCO supports our students and faculty? Do you have a fundraiser idea for the year? We would love to see you at the meeting!

\* Topic: BCO Meeting - Monday, September 14th, 2020

\* Time: 7:00 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

\* Join with Google Meet: <https://meet.google.com/bey-nbna-hwp>

Q: How do I join the meeting?

A: Copy and paste the meeting link above into your browser.

Q: How long will this meeting last?

A: The meeting will last until Eric is clearly too distracted by the Broncos game to focus on the meeting.

Q: I cannot attend the meeting, can I still ask questions?

A: Yes! Please contact us at one of the emails listed below, or call/text Eric. We'll ask your question during the meeting and get back to you with an answer after the meeting.

Please contact us with any questions you have about the BCO.

Eric Bowman, Co-President

[bennettcommorg+pres@gmail.com](mailto:bennettcommorg+pres@gmail.com) (BCO related email, Bennett questions)

[enamwob@gmail.com](mailto:enamwob@gmail.com) (love letters, hate mail, dinosaur pictures)

303-885-9734

Lisa Verbsky, Co-President

[bennettcommorg+pres@gmail.com](mailto:bennettcommorg+pres@gmail.com) (kindness, gratitude, community love and support)

## PSD information

### Meal Services During Remote Learning

Ensuring kids have access to nutritious meals during the 2020-21 school year is a top priority. PSD Child Nutrition and the Transportation Departments have teamed up to make sure meals are available to students at several locations across the district while PSD is in remote learning through Oct. 16.

[Meal Distribution Locations](#)

[COVID School Meal FAQ](#)

The district website has been updated to include information about the option to report absences via ParentVUE.

<https://www.psdschools.org/ParentVUE/menu-home-messages-calendar-attendance>

Many questions/answers regarding the 2020-2021 school year can be found here:

<https://www.psdschools.org/psd2020-21>

### Things to do

Monthly art club. See attached flyer for all the details.

[Artsy flyer for school.pdf](#)

### Friday Recess

<https://sites.google.com/psdschools.org/ben-recess/home>

## **Chess Club**

For the safety of all our players, Chessmates Chess Clubs we will be going to all online classes this Fall.

All grades are welcome!

For more information and to sign up, please visit:

**<http://chessmatesfc.com/school-chess-clubs/>**