

# FRIDAY



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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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## From the Principal's Desk

We are living in interesting times and are doing our best to keep students on track learning and not worrying. I ask that all please read the updates that you have been getting from our Superintendent. This is a rapidly evolving situation and its necessary for all of us to be proactive in our preparations.

In cooperation with the importance of lessening the spread of the Covid-19 virus, we are postponing events that were planned for the foreseeable future, including:

- Beyond Black History Month
- BCA Art Awards Ceremony
- The Lion King Play
- Fine Arts Night
- Skate Night

Decisions to hold these events later in the spring will be made as we know more going forward.

In anticipation of the possibility that school may be closed sometime this spring, we have prepared some packets for your students and we are sending them home today. There are suggestions regarding length of time that students should spend on the activities each day to prevent learning loss. Please keep this information in a place for access if school does close. We do not anticipate using technology for grades K -3 as it would be inappropriate. Our 4th and 5th grade students are more accustomed to technology and are working with platforms that can be used at home. Teachers will be able to communicate using technology with their individual students and families. Melissa Hathaway has offered this [resource](#) regarding how to talk with your child about the situation.

Should you miss an announcement, you will be able to find all on the Burlington School District website, at the [Covid-19 Coronavirus Prep in BSD pages](#). Information concerning Food Services will be available there as well, if and when schools are forced to close. All updates will continue to be sent out from the Superintendent's office.

**Date and Volume Number**

March 13, 2020

### Up Coming Events:

March 26 - Parent/Teacher Conferences 11:30 AM

March 27 - Parent/Teacher Conferences **NO SCHOOL**

Whole School Assembly  
Suspended Until Further Notice

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I would like to ask that those who are able, please consider bringing non-perishable food to food shelves.

We have families who are dependent upon weekly paychecks and do not have paid leave. It may take time to get any government subsidies in place, so we are hoping that we can help those families who will find disruption to work and school disruption particularly difficult.

Above all, let's do our best to stay calm for the children, help our neighbors during this time!

### **PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES**

Scheduling for Parent/Teacher conferences has begun; for our new families, our district uses an online scheduling system called **PTC Fast**, which allows you to select the teacher(s) with whom you would like to conference with by registering your email address. You are able to view and select an available conference time that works for you! The web link for EES Parent Teacher Conference scheduling is [https://ptcfast.com/schools/Edmunds\\_Elementary\\_School](https://ptcfast.com/schools/Edmunds_Elementary_School) and is also available on the EES home page. If you need assistance, please call the office at 864-8473.





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**MINI MILERS! - (TO BE ASSESSED LATER IN THE MONTH)**

Mini Milers will return to EES this Spring thanks to our willing Parent Volunteers!! EES Mini Milers will be held on Tuesday afternoons from 3-4pm starting March 31st. This ten week running program provides opportunities for kids to learn and practice fitness, good nutrition, teamwork and goal setting. Registration is now open and is on a first come, first serve basis.

Register

at <https://runsignup.com/Race/VT/Burlington/ReadySetRunMiniMilers> or go directly

to [www.runvermont.org](http://www.runvermont.org) and click on youth programs.

The cost is \$35 and scholarships are available.

If you would like to be one of our parent volunteers for the program, please contact Courtney

Ledger [clledger@gmail.com](mailto:clledger@gmail.com) and thank you to those

parent volunteers who have already reached out!

See you on the field!

**STILL LOOKING FOR MORNING TRAFFIC CIRCLE VOLUNTEERS!**

Your morning traffic circle crew needs a volunteer one morning per week. Do you have 20 minutes to help on **Wednesday OR Friday** mornings between 7:45-8:05 in the traffic circle? This is a fun, easy way to help students start the day safe and smiling. Please email Stefanie Waite if you can help: [waite@burlingtontelecom.net](mailto:waite@burlingtontelecom.net)

