

April 4, 2019 Home E-mail - 14 attachments

Reminder of Upcoming Important Dates

Tuesday, April 16th - Beginning Band Parent Meeting

April 18-22nd - No School (Spring Break)

ALL:

WI Forward Testing

Each year, students in WI in grades 3-8 take the WI Forward Exam. Students in grades 3,5,6, and 7 are tested on their knowledge of English Language Arts and Math. Students in grades 4 and 8 are tested in their knowledge of English Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies. If your child is ill, keep him/her home as needed; however, we'd appreciate it if you would mark your calendars and do your best to avoid scheduling appointments on the dates your child is scheduled to test. In addition, a good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast go a long way in helping students do their best. Thank you very much for your assistance! (Attachments: WI Forward Testing Information for Parents & Forward_brochure_for_families)

Testing Dates (approximately 8:10 - 10:30 am)

3rd Grade = April 2 - 4

4th Grade = April 1 - 5

5th Grade = March 25 - 27

6th Grade = April 9 - 11

7th Grade = April 12, April 15-16

8th Grade = April 17, April 23 - 26

Scrip

Brandon School will be selling Scrip on a monthly basis, with the next order due tomorrow, April 5, 2019 to be delivered the week April 8th. Any orders received after Friday will be placed on next month's order. Here is how it works:

1. You check the gift cards that you would like to order. You can use them for your weekly shopping, a gift, or just to have on hand. For the most part, they are just like cash.
2. Add up your total.
3. Write a check to Brandon School for your total and bring it to school no later than April 2nd. Please make sure your name is on the order form and the check is securely attached.
4. The order will be placed and the cards will be available the next week.
5. You get the full value of the card. Brandon School will receive the percent listed next to the card.

It is a great way to earn extra funds for our school! If you have any questions, please let me know. The order form will be sent home with your child, can be picked up at school, or can be printed from the attachment. (Attachment: Brandon Scrip Order Form & ShopWithScrip Flyer)

April is Autism Awareness Month!

Celebrate all our students by ordering a t-shirt featuring student artist, Gracie Jones! All sizes are just \$6. See attached flyer and order form for more information. All orders are due back to school offices by Monday, April 15. Please make checks out to *Rosendale-Brandon Schools*. (Attachment: Autism Tshirt Order Form)

Employment Opportunities

Please see the new list of employment opportunities in the district. (Attachment: Emp Ops)

Raising Caring Kids: Solving Problems With Other People

Most children need adult guidance to help them manage conflict until they develop their own problem-solving skills. The way adults respond to children's conflicts can help or harm their ability to improve these skills. Parents and other caring adults can help children manage conflict by approaching it as a shared problem that can be solved by understanding all points of view and finding solutions that everyone can accept. [Use this resource to identify and practice strategies to guide your child through a conflict.](#)

March 2019 Spartans of the Month

During the month of March, Brandon students discussed the character trait of **ACCEPTANCE**. Students were encouraged to demonstrate this trait by working well with others and accepting others' ideas. Spartans also respect differences between self and other people.

Brandon Elementary School Spartans of the Month are: **(bottom row, l-r)** Thomas Lang; 3rd grade, Angel Zaragoza-Peralta; 2nd grade, Annabelle Hull; 2nd grade, Levi Meyer; Kindergarten, Harley Block; Kindergarten, Shane Ellis; 1st grade, Tori Rens; 2nd grade, Noah Riedeman; 2nd grade **(back row, l-r)** Danica Detert; 5th grade, Ava Killam; 5th grade, Kelsey Meenk; 4th grade, Mason Schmuhl; 4th grade, Wayne Peachy; 4th grade, Kolsen Whitehouse; 5th grade, Cash Farrell; 5th grade Not pictured: Hunter Bellman; 3rd grade (Attachment: Elem March 2019 SOM)

Brandon Middle School Spartans of the Month are: **(l-r)** Chloe Kelnhofer; 6th grade, Courtney Meenk; 8th grade, Keegan Thiem; 7th grade. (Attachment: MS March 2019 SOM)

ELEMENTARY:

Beginning Band-current 5th grade students:

Parent information meeting - Tuesday April 16

Brandon - 5:30pm, RI - 7:00pm (Both meetings in Band Rooms)

In April we will hold an informational meeting for parents of new band members. This brief meeting will cover how to get an instrument and how the band program works. A rep from Heid Music will be present to answer questions. We will have a meeting at 5:30pm in the band room at Brandon. We will have a meeting at 7:00pm in the band room at RI. You may attend either meeting, whichever works best for you.. (Attachment: Beginning Band Parent Letter 2019)

MIDDLE SCHOOL:

Washington D.C. trip

Ms. Beltz sent home a student medical release form & letter with the students going to DC for the Washington DC Trip. Please take time to carefully fill it in. Please be especially careful when completing the **Daily Medication Section**. Be sure to include the medication schedule and dosage. Please do not leave off any medications. This is private information that is only for the lead chaperone to have. It is necessary in the case of an emergency and to ensure that daily medical needs are met. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Katie Beltz... beltkat@rbsd.k12.wi.us The due date for the form is April 17. Attached below you will find a copy of the letter and the medical form that was distributed. (Attachment: Medical Release- D.C.)

German Exchange Program

The German Exchange Program is currently seeking applicants for our 2020 exchange! All current seventh grade students and their families are encouraged to check out our exchange website to learn more about this unique opportunity. Please apply online by Tuesday, April 30th. Morgan Mattheis would be more than happy to help answers any questions your family may have about the exchange. All inquiries may be sent to mattmor@rbsd.k12.wi.us.

Exchange Website: <https://sites.google.com/rbsd.k12.wi.us/exchange/home>

CLUB/COMMUNITY:

Girl Scouts

Do you have a daughter heading to Kindergarten soon? Girl Scout sign-ups are now available for the fall. (Attachment: 2019 Daisy Recruitment Flyer)

Softball Clinic

Girls currently in grades 3-8 are invited to attend a softball clinic on April 27th. Please see the attached flyer for registration info. (Attachment: Softball Clinic 2019)

Tech Knowledge College

Even though it has maybe felt like the longest winter, summer is coming!! That also means that TKC (Tech Knowledge College) is coming up fast too! For those unfamiliar with **TKC it is a 3 day summer activity for students going into 6th, 7th and 8th grade**. It is held at the Fond du Lac campus on August 6th – 8th. This exciting opportunity allows students to explore careers, experience hands-on learning and have a whole lot of fun! There are a variety of sessions to choose from, with many NEW options this year. The cost is \$115 for the 3 days which also includes bussing from our West Bend and Beaver Dam campuses, lunch, a morning snack and a t-shirt. **TKC registration begins on May 1st and fills up quick!!** Registration closes on June 28th. Forms and session availability can also be found at www.morainepark.edu/tkc. (Attachments: TKC brochure 2019 and TKC Reg & Liability form 2019)