

BROOKFIELD BROADCAST

Fall 2021

Create Your Tomorrow

Brookfield Public Schools Welcome Back Newsletter

Candlewood Lake Elementary School 1 more year to go!



Construction Completion & Transition Planning

- We remain on time with the construction of our new school
- [View livestream of the construction action](#)

This fall we will be discussing the transition plan for all three schools to CLES. Planning includes Leadership Structure, Instructional Model, Staffing for CLES and WMS, Timelines and Professional Learning.

Furthermore, we are building the foundation of the new PreK-5 Team over the course of the year, specifically, regarding the context of the various developmental needs of our PreK-5 students and how plans will be reflected in our school operations.



Technology - What's New for 21-22!



- 15 New Presentation Stations at BHS
- 300 Chromebooks to provide devices to students in grades PreK-7 for new 1-to-1 Program
- 175 Chromebooks for the 1-to-1 Device Program, Grade 8
- New laptops for BHS teachers
- Doubled internet bandwidth to better support increased device quantity and usage.

**FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL - AUGUST 31, 2021
(FULL DAY)**

WELCOME BACK!

A very special thanks must go out to the administrators, secretaries, nurses, teachers, para-educators, technicians, and custodial/maintenance team who have worked extremely hard this summer to make all of our summer projects & programs successful!

The Brookfield Public Schools would like to welcome all of its new students, families, faculty, and staff for the 2021-2022 school year!

[Brookfield Public Schools Opening Plan- 7/28/2021](#)

News by the Numbers....

**2 New Sports
at BHS:
Boys Volleyball &
Girls Gymnastics**



Approximately 60% of our 12-18 year olds are vaccinated!

212,600 lunches are expected to be served this year (no cost to families).

3,268 student bus pick-ups and drop-offs per day. That's a total of 594,776 per year!

461,920 square feet of school has been cleaned and prepared for this school year.

90 English language learners in district

22 languages spoken by our students and families

375 students with special needs

2,650 total students enrolled PreK-12

Other Exciting Budget Initiatives for 21-22

Added Positions:

- .5 Speech & Language Teacher – BHS
- 1.0 FTE District TESOL Teacher
- 1.0 FTE BHS Math Interventionist
- 1.0 Technology Teacher
- WMS Girls Cross Country Coach

Program Enhancements:

- New trade books for PK-8 to support classroom libraries
- BHS New Course offerings (Intro to Human Rights, Intro to Programming, Forensic Science & EMT)
- WMS Art & Allies of Diversity Clubs



Snow Day Update

On August 9th, the CSDE announced that remote learning days cannot be used in lieu of a snow day for the 21-22 school year.

Therefore, *a snow day is a snow day!*

Strategic Planning

Over the next 18 months, we will recreate a Strategic Action Team who will help prioritize and coordinate the integration of ongoing work, new insights, and the assimilation of unpredicted challenges as they occur.

The team will provide guidance when choices need to be made as we continue to build the capacity of self-navigating learners. Throughout the process, there will be multiple opportunities for public input and engagement through in-person and digital pathways. This work will coincide and be intertwined with the district's curriculum implementation plans, ongoing improvements to Tier One instruction, the planning to open CLES and school configurations.

Look for ongoing updates for this exciting work this year.



Important Dates

First Day of School – Tuesday, August 31

Open Houses (Virtual)

CES – 9/8 **WMS – 9/23**

HHES – 9/21 **BHS – 9/9**

September Dates – No School

Labor Day **9/6**

Rosh Hashanah **9/7**

Yom Kippur **9/16**

[2021 – 2022 School District Calendar](#)

Student Well-Being

Academics

Through our [ESSER and ARPESER](#) federal grant supported interventions, we have also ensured academic support for our learners through the development of a newly developed, [Comprehensive Scientifically Researched Based Intervention Plan](#).

Social & Emotional Learning (SEL)

Our schools will reopen knowing that the COVID-19 pandemic has created different types of traumatic experiences and high levels of stress for many of our staff, students, and families. The pandemic has shown the importance of social/emotional well-being for all. In addition, there is a growing body of research proving that social/emotional learning (SEL) is fundamental to academic success. BPS integrates SEL throughout its PreK-12 programs. Several years ago the District adopted the [Yale RULER approach to Social & Emotional Learning](#) which is implemented in PreK-12. A special emphasis has been placed on SEL throughout the pandemic and for the coming year.

[A Note From Your School Nurses](#)