



Brookfield Public Schools



Office of Assistant Superintendent

Dear Brookfield Community,

March 20, 2023

The days are getting longer and, as we concluded the first week after springing forward into daylight savings time last weekend, there are a variety of early spring-time events that are occurring, some of which are highlighted below. March is a significant month in the public education calendar! Our students and teachers continue to work hard on developing academic, social, and emotional skills. The administrators, support staff, and other members of the school community are supporting these efforts through planning co-curricular and extra-curricular programs, organizing schedules, and preparing for the 2023-2024 school year. Some of the important early-spring district activities include:

- **Launch of Strategic Plan:** This past week, Superintendent Barile sent a communication regarding the Board of Education's adoption of the 2023-2028 Brookfield Public School's Strategic Plan of Action. [This document](#) serves as a testament to our vision and a road map for the work we will undertake over the next 5 years. As we continue to build out of the impacts of the global pandemic, our focus will continue to be on academic learning, skill development, and supporting our students in their social and emotional development in order to help each child create their tomorrow.
- **Upcoming State Testing Window:** Beginning next Wednesday, March 22nd, the high school will enter the state-required SAT testing window. The SAT will be administered to all 11th grade students as part of the requisite battery of state tests. Students in grades 3-8 will complete the Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) later in the spring, starting in late April and running through mid-May. Fifth, 8th and 11th grade students will also complete the Next Generation Science Standards assessment during the spring months. The results of these assessments are included in the Next Generation Accountability Report for each school district. The BOE presentation for the 2021-2022 Brookfield report, which was delivered in February, can be found [here](#).
- **Exciting BPS Happenings:** Along with parent-teacher conferences being held at all schools during the month of March, each school in the district has many other exciting events happening. CES is engaging in the annual "One School, One Read" program for Read Across America. This year's focus is "dragons" and festivities began on March 3rd with a school-wide assembly for the reveal. Staff from across the district had the opportunity to participate in a walkthrough of Candlewood Lake Elementary School on Friday, March 17th. WMS will be welcoming visiting author, [Sherri Smith](#), at the end of the month. Finally, the spring musical *Little Shop of Horrors*, was performed by the BHS creative theater students this past weekend. Please see pictures below for highlights from some of these events.



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STEM Director Mr. Andrew Hill makes a cameo appearance in *Little Shop of Horrors*



Mrs. Debbie Farias surprises students at the March 3rd One School, One Read assembly



CLES staff prepare for a walkthrough of the new building

The Brookfield C's outline the tenets of the transferable skills that will assist our graduates in becoming contributing members of society. All that we do everyday in classrooms, through assemblies, other school-wide functions, and extracurricular activities, intentionally align to developing these dispositions so that every graduate will be able to demonstrate what it means to be a **critical & creative thinker, communicator, collaborator, and changemaker** at various stages of development and in various contexts. As we launch into the final few months of the 202-2023 school year, I am looking forward to continuing to chart a path for our school community to learn and grow together in a way that will support the Brookfield C's.

Happy Spring!

Sincerely,

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