

## *Beech Families Weekly Update*

### *October 5, 2020 – October 9, 2020*

Hello Beech Families,

Thank you to all of our families who attended our Virtual Curriculum Night Thursday evening. Our staff enjoyed answering questions you may have had about the curriculum and expectations in their classrooms. The videos will remain on the link if you would like to have access to them in the future.

We appreciate all of your support!

### **NWEA (MAP) Testing:**

Please make sure your child is on time for their Zoom class so they may complete the assessment.



#### **Beech Elementary School**

#### **Fall Testing Schedule - Virtual**

<b>Monday</b> <b>10/5</b>	<b>Tuesday</b> <b>10/6</b>	<b>Wednesday</b> <b>10/7</b>	<b>Thursday</b> <b>10/8</b>	<b>Friday</b> <b>10/9</b>
No testing  Prepare students by stressing the importance of logging on during scheduled Zoom sessions on testing days	<b><u>9:30</u></b>  4 <sup>th</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> grade reading  <b><u>12:30</u></b>  4 <sup>th</sup> grade reading  5 <sup>th</sup> grade reading makeups	<b><u>9:30</u></b>  4 <sup>th</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> grade math  <b><u>12:30</u></b>  4 <sup>th</sup> grade math  5 <sup>th</sup> grade math makeups	4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> grade makeups	4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> grade makeups

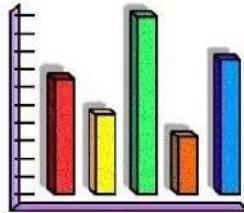
## Beech Elementary School - Fall Testing

This document will help you prepare your child to take the MAP Growth Test (NWEA). Please see communication from your child's classroom teacher regarding test dates.

### What is MAP Growth?



MAP Growth helps teachers understand what students know today, so that goals can be to improve growth throughout the school year. **Students cannot pass or fail this test.**



**This test will not affect grades.** In fact, it's normal for students to only answer about half of the questions correctly. **Please do not help your child with this test.**



Given the challenges of learning from home, MAP Growth test results are especially helpful for us this year. **These results will help us know what students are ready to learn.**

Students will use [test.mapNWEA.org](https://test.mapnwea.org) to login to the test. It can be accessed on any computer. If you are using an iPad to test, you must download the NWEA app from the App Store!

### TEST PREPARATION

#### Prior to Test Day

1. Make sure your device has an internet connection
2. Disable pop-up blocking on your internet browser
3. Make sure your device meets testing requirements using the [Workstation Diagnostic Tool](#)
4. Make sure your child has headphones as needed
5. Visit the [student NWEA site](#) to see the tools and take the practice test

#### On Test Day

1. Minimize distraction for your child as much as possible
2. Provide a quiet testing environment
3. Allow the teacher/proctor to open the session first
4. Make sure your child is logged into their class Zoom or Google Meet session
5. Follow any additional instructions from the teacher/proctor

## eSpark Learning:

Please make sure your student is using eSpark Learning. Students should complete both mathematics and reading daily.

## PBIS Family Engagement Activity:

Pinwheels are spinning in the wind at Beech!



## Virtual Spirit Week:

Monday, October 5, 2020 – Hat Day

Tuesday, October 6, 2020 – Crazy Socks Day

Wednesday, October 7, 2020 – Favorite Sports Team

Thursday, October 8, 2020 – Crazy Hair Day

Friday, October 9, 2020 – Panther Pride Day

## Redford Union Food Service:

Effective immediately, approval has been given by the USDA to extend the Summer Feeding Program to provide **free meals to all children 18 years of age and younger** through December 31, 2020. Meals are no longer only for enrolled Redford Union students. A weekly meal sign-up is still required, but now **we only need one survey per family**. A menu AND Google sign up link is posted on our website under Food Service and social media account. You will receive 7 breakfast and lunch packages, plus a gallon of milk per child. You **must** sign up every week.

**Meals may be ordered at:** [www.bit.ly/RUMealOrder](http://www.bit.ly/RUMealOrder)

**Pickup:** Pickup curbside every Thursday from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at either Beech Elementary, Hilbert Middle School or RU High School.

If you require special assistance with meal pick-ups or ordering meals, please contact the Nutrition Services office from 7:00 a.m. - 2 p.m. at 313-242-6133 or email [shufflp@redfordu.k12.mi.us](mailto:shufflp@redfordu.k12.mi.us)

Have a great weekend!

Sincerely,

Mrs. K. Clinkscale

Proud Beech Principal