

No Early Release Fridays this Year

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Bus Safety Reminder

The big yellow school busses are back on the road and all drivers need to be aware of busses stopping frequently to pick up and/or drop off students.

It is illegal to pass a school bus when its stop arm is out. Bus drivers are required to report all violations to the Franklin County Sheriff's Department.

All parents of students grades 1-8 are encouraged to sign up for the parent link portal to actively monitor student progress.

Please email rbarringhaus@ springbluffpirates.com to set up your account.

Superintendent's Message

Welcome back everyone! We are so grateful to be back in school with our students and teachers after 5 long months. Even though we have had to adjust our daily routines due to COVID-19 and the closure of Spring Bluff bridge, we are quickly getting back into the swing of things. I don't think I can say this enough this year but thank you all for your endless patience and understanding as we navigate through all of this.

Our teachers and staff are working harder than they ever have before to prepare for any and all possible learning situations this year. These folks are truly dedicated to the Spring Bluff District and doing whatever it takes to make sure they are prepared to keep students learning.

Thank you to our Spring Bluff Educational Foundation for their donation of \$15,000 to purchase new devices for students. All students in grades 1-8 will now have a device to ensure the transition between in person learning and E-Learning is as smooth as possible for everyone when needed.

As you all are aware, the state of Missouri has announced multiple budget cuts as a result of COVID-19. Some of these cuts were made to last year's budget in addition to the current school year. Our district has been directly impacted and we have had to make several adjustments to our 2020-2021 budget as a result.

Unfortunately, we will not be offering the following after school activities this year due to budget cuts and COVID-19: TAG, Fine Arts, STEAM, Club 26, Scholar Bowl, and Open library. We have every intention to bring these activities back as soon as it is feasible in the budget and social distancing is removed.

In an effort to keep our grandparents safe and healthy, we will not be hosting Grandparents' Open House this year. The decision to host all other events will be made closer to each upcoming event.

Consistent communication will be critical as we progress through year. Please be sure to keep your contact information current in the office and do not hesitate to reach out to teachers and staff members as needed.

Proud to be a Pirate,

J. Jenkins

Spring Bluff Pirates

Meet Mrs. Richarz



Read all about our new Guidance Counselor in the attached letter.

Don't forget to sign up for the 5K DEN, September 12th @ 8:00 a.m.

The 7th annual 5K Run/Walk is scheduled for Saturday, September 12th in memory of Kaden Keller. The proceeds from this event will benefit children and their families in the area with medical and travel expenses.

> Register online at http://5Kden.itsyourrace.com See you there!!

Student Absences

If your child will be absent, we ask that you contact the school office before 8 a.m. Please contact the school office rather than classroom teachers when your child is absent to assist us with accurate attendance reporting. Our standard protocol is if we do not hear from you, we will be calling to make sure we both know the location of your child for the day.



SAY CHEESE

Picture day is Wednesday, Sept. 17th. Bring Your Best Smile! Information to be sent home at a later date!

> Remember to be looking for your child's lunch bill via email from Chalkable starting next week.

We are accepting online meal payments this year. Complete the attached survey to sign up!

Lunch News



New Meal Prices for 2020-2021

Breakfast \$2.20

Lunch \$2.90

Lunch Program Applications

Please return any free or reduced lunch applications as soon as possible. If you need a new application please contact the office. Parents can apply throughout the year if needed. Please contact Amy Danz with any questions you may have concerning your child's account.



Go Pirates!

Sporting News & Events

Lady Pirates

Monday, August 31

Tuesday, September 1

5/7 Spring Bluff vs OLL @ 5:30 pm Away 6/8 OLL vs Spring Bluff @ 5:30 pm Home 6/8 Borgia vs Spring Bluff @ 5:30 Home



Understanding the Lunch Line: A Parent's Guide

Each day, your child is offered a lunch containing the following:

Meat or Meat Alternate, Grain,

Fruit, Vegetable and of course, Milk!

While the most nutritious lunch contains <u>all</u> of these options, we understand that sometimes our students do not like some of the items we serve. To make our student customers happy, we like to give them the option to decline items they do not want to eat.

Out of the 5 food groups your student is offered, he must choose <u>at</u>
<u>least</u> 3 food groups for his meal. One of the food groups <u>must</u> be a <u>fruit</u>
or vegetable. Some of the menu choices may count as two food groups
such as pizza, nachos, cheeseburger, or chef salad!

Here's an example menu:

Cheeseburger on a Bun

1/2 cup Carrots

1/2 cup French Fries

1/2 cup Peaches

8oz of Milk

So, your child could choose:

Cheeseburger on a Bun and Fries
Carrots, Peaches and Milk
Cheeseburger on Bun, Peaches and Milk
Of course they can take other
combinations or all 5 food groups!
The choice is up to them!

If your child comes home and says she didn't get enough to eat at lunch, ask if she is taking all of her fruit and vegetable choices!

Don't forget about breakfast! Join us each morning, breakfast is a great way to kick off your child's day!

Breakfast choices are a little different.

Students must take at least 3 of the offered items at breakfast, one must be a fruit or vegetable.