

Spring Bluff R-XV Home of the Pirates

10.15.21 Newsletter



Upcoming Events

- 10/21 School Board Meeting
@ 6:30 p.m.
- 10/22 No School
- 10/25 No School - TWD
- 10/26 Parent Teacher Conf.
& 10/28 4:30-7:30 p.m.
- 10/28 Picture Retakes
- 10/29 Fall Parties
1:45-2:45 p.m.
- 10/30 Trunk or Treat
5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Stay current by checking the event calendar on our website.

****LAST DAY TO ORDER
NEW SPRING BLUFF
APPAREL IS TODAY****

Remember to place your order for Spring Bluff Apparel and support the 8th Grade Class. Use the below link or visit our website.

<https://www.cognitoforms.com/SportsImage2/SpringBluffOnlineOrderForm>



8th Grade Recognition was held on Tuesday, October 12th.



Community Service Project

Our 5th grade girls are making bracelets and selling them to students for \$.50 as a community service project.

All proceeds will be donated to an area hospital to support cancer patients. Thank you everyone for supporting their efforts to help those in need.

Counselor's Corner

Mrs. Dugger - School Counselor
cdugger@springbluffpirates.com

SELF-CARE

This week in K–4 Guidance classes we focused on self–care and what that looks like for students. We discussed things in life that can be stressful and how we deal with those situations in both healthy and unhealthy ways. Students have developed a self–care plan with healthy habits to use moving forward and they also understand the importance of taking care of yourself as a kid so that it becomes a habit as an adult. This [video](#) has some great information about self–care for students.

Students in grades 5–8 are continuing lessons on recognizing mental health needs in teens using the Erika's Lighthouse curriculum.

<https://www.erikaslighthouse.org>

PICTURE RETAKES

When: Thursday, October 28th

- ★ Students must return your picture packet to have your picture retaken, unless you were absent on the original picture day.

SPORTS NEWS

- **Basketball & Cheer Registration** needs to be completed by today, October 15th.
- **3rd Grade Boys Basketball Coach needed.**
 - Please contact Ms. Block if you are interested
bblock@springbluffpirates.com.
- **Cheerleading Coach needed.**
 - Please contact Ms. Block if you are interested
bblock@springbluffpirates.com.
- **Basketball Coaches Meeting** will be held on November 2nd @ 6:30 p.m.

Help Needed!

We are in need of substitute teachers for this school year. All applicants must have a substitute teacher certificate issued through DESE or be a certified teacher.

Substitute pay rate with a sub certificate: \$95 per day

Substitute pay rate with a teaching certificate: \$110 per day.



SPORTING EVENTS



Mon-Thurs October 25th-28th

6/7/8 Tournament @ OLL TBA

Spring Bluff Parents as Teachers

The Parents as Teachers (PAT) program is a research based early childhood home visiting framework that builds strong communities, thriving families and children who are healthy, safe and ready to learn. PAT helps to establish positive partnerships between home, school, and the community and plays a vital role in supporting families and children from the very beginning toward school readiness. A trained parent educator emphasizes parent-child interaction, development centered parenting and family well-being in their work with families. The PAT program consists of four components: personal visits, group connections, screenings, and resource referrals. Together, these components provide families with children, prenatal to kindergarten entry, a program of support so that children are able to reach their full potential. For more information, please contact our parent educator, Pam Richards at (573) 457-8302 or prichards@springbluffpirates.com

Patriot Pens Essay Contest:

The Patriot's Pen program provides 6th, 7th, & 8th grade students the opportunity to express their opinion on a patriotic theme and improve their writing skills while they compete for worthwhile awards and prizes. Awards can be given at the local, district and state levels. The first place national winner receives a \$5,000.00 award. The entry deadline is November 15th. Attached is the form to fill out and send in.

Pirate Cafe News

- ❖ Please look for your child's lunch bill via email from Chalkable. They will be emailed weekly.
- ❖ Students bringing their lunch but getting a milk from the cafeteria, will be charged to students accounts.



RED RIBBON WEEK

OCTOBER 25TH-29TH

MONDAY: No School

TUESDAY: Decade Day "Drugs are Old School"

WEDNESDAY: Pajama Day "Don't Dream of Drugs"

THURSDAY: Sports Day "Team Up Against Drugs"

FRIDAY: Reverse Day (wear clothes backwards) "Turn Your Back on Drugs"

We are collecting soda tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Students can drop off what they have collected to Mrs. Dugger.



How to Stay Informed

- Weekly district newsletters will be emailed each Friday
- Spring Bluff Facebook @springbluffpirates
- District Website, www.springbluffpirates.com
- Parent Link-check student grades & attendance. Contact Natalie Head nhead@springbluffpirates.com for login information.
- Classroom Newsletters
- School Messenger Call Back #844-875-4925
- Chalkable Café-lunch bills emailed weekly
- Digital planners, grades 6-8
- Remind 101-classroom teachers

WEBSITE:

<https://www.springbluffpirates.com>



SCHOOL BUS SAFETY WEEK October 18th-22nd

- Tips for a safe ride:
 - At the Bus Stop
 - Around the Bus
 - Getting On/Off Bus
 - Behavior on the Bus

Bill of Rights Day Contest - \$500 Grand Prize

- The United States Courts of Appeals along with the United States District Courts in the Seventh and Eighth Circuits are hosting the second annual Bill of Rights contest and we want YOU to be a part of it! School aged children in Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin are encouraged to submit art and essays on the importance of the Bill of Rights. Be as creative as you like! Semi-finalists from each District Court will receive an electronic gift card valued at \$50. A grand prize winner from each of the three age groups (3-5, 6-8 and 9-12 grade) will be awarded a \$500 cash prize and be able to take part in a virtual event on Wednesday, December 1 with Federal Judges and other legal experts on the enduring rights afforded to Americans by the Bill of Rights. Submissions will be accepted **Friday, September 17, through 5:00pm on Sunday, October 31.** Submissions should be emailed along with a completed entry form. A blank entry form can be downloaded here: [www.JudicialLearningCenter.org/bill-of-rights-day Teachers](http://www.JudicialLearningCenter.org/bill-of-rights-day_Teachers) - Be sure to tell your students to list you on their submission forms! All teacher names submitted will be entered into a raffle for valuable gift cards. The more students you have enter the more chances you have to win.

October 15th - We are in the **GREEN** zone! See attached for more information.

Spring Bluff R-XV Rubric

COVID-19 Exposure Within the School Environment

GREEN

Range: Active positive cases within the school environment equal to 0-2% of total school population and student attendance is >90%.

Mitigation Protocols:

- Follow Safe Return to School Plan including social distancing, practicing proper hand washing hygiene, staying home when sick
- Mask use indoors is highly recommended but optional.
- Field trips will be considered.
- School gatherings and assemblies are permitted if social distancing can be maintained. Masks will be required if not.
- Visitors without an educational purpose will be allowed with prior approval from administration. Masks will be required.
- Service providers will provide all services in person.

YELLOW

Range: Active positive cases within the school environment equal to 2.1%-5% of total school population and/or student attendance is 85-90% for 3 consecutive days.

Mitigation Protocols:

- Follow Safe Return to School Plan including social distancing, practicing proper hand washing hygiene, staying home when sick
- Masks are required in doors when social distancing of 3 ft cannot be maintained.
- Field trips will be considered.
- School gatherings and assemblies are permitted if social distancing can be maintained. Masks will be required if not.
- Visitors providing essential and educational services are permitted, wear a mask regardless of vaccination status and follow COVID protocols.

RED

Range: Active positive cases within the school environment equal to 5.1% of total school population and/or student attendance is <85%.

Mitigation Protocols:

- Follow Safe Return to School Plan including social distancing, practicing proper hand washing hygiene, staying home when sick
- Mask use indoors is required regardless of social distancing
- Field trips are not permitted.
- School gatherings and assemblies are restricted unless approved and determined to meet social distance and other applicable mitigation strategies.
- Visitors providing essential and educational services are permitted, wear a mask regardless of vaccination status and follow COVID protocols.
- School may transition to distance learning due to the number of positive cases within the school environment, number of staff or student quarantines, staff shortages, or other conditions detrimental to in-seat learning.

***Data will be reviewed on a daily and weekly basis. Transitioning between the levels will occur when criteria is met for each level. Once the school has transitioned to a level, we will remain in that level for a minimum of 10 days and data will be evaluated using data from the last three student attendance days before transitioning left or right on the rubric.**

****Masks are required on school buses per CDC ordinance.**