Spring Bluff R-XV Home of the Pirates



9.23.21 Newsletter

Upcoming Events

9/23- Spring Bluff 9/25 Tournament 6/7/8

9/24 No School TWD

9/27 Club 26 3:15-4:30 p.m.

9/27 Open Library 3:15-4:30 p.m.

9/30 Fine Arts Club 3:15-4:30 p.m.

Stay current by checking the event calendar on our website.

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.

Basketball/Cheer Activity Registration needs to be completed by Friday, October 15th, 2021.



Please contact Ms. Block bblock@springbluffpirates.com if you are interested.

Volleyball Picture Schedule

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4TH

- 6th Grade 4:15 pm
- 7th Grade 4:30 pm
- 8th Grade 4:45 pm





If your child is absent from school and being evaluated by a physician for COVID, we must have a copy of the negative test result along with a note from the physician and/or the Franklin County Health Department stating when the student can return to school.

If your child is absent from school and being evaluated for any other illness, we will need a physician' note with a return date as well. Please do not send your child to school without the documentation that they can return. Thank you for your cooperation.



Counselor's Corner

Mrs. Dugger - School Counselor cdugger@springbluffpirates.com

BOX TOPS

"Through goal setting, students become owners of their learning."

Dr. Sanee Bell in Education Week Teacher

Goal Setting

During our guidance lessons this week we discussed setting SMART Goals. SMART stands for Specific, Measurable, Action-Oriented, Realistic, and Timely. We practiced setting personal SMART goals in guidance. Students will be working to set academic SMART goals with their teachers over the next few weeks.

Goal setting helps students to be more aware of the learning that they are expected to experience. This awareness helps students to be engaged in the learning process. Academic SMART goals give students the opportunity to focus on learning and their own growth.



You can clip and send in Box Tops to our school or use the Box Tops app to scan your

store receipt within 14 days of purchase. When you download the app, it will ask for the zip code then choose Spring Bluff. The app will automatically find the products and instantly add Box Tops to our school's earnings online. Thank you for your support.

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



SPORTING NEWS & EVENTS



Thurs-Sat, September 23-25th

6/7/8 Spring Bluff Home Tournament TBA

Monday, September 27th

6/7/8 @ OLL 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 30th

6/8 @ Londell 6:00 p.m.

COVID Reminders & At Home Tests

Please refer to the revised <u>Safe Return to In</u>
<u>Person Learning Plan</u> for information on student quarantines.

Also, please be advised that at home COVID test results will not be accepted or recognized by the Franklin County Health Department or Spring Bluff School.

Individuals who have been fully vaccinated and do not have any symptoms will not have to quarantine if in close contact to a positive person.

Anyone who has tested positive previously will not have to quarantine as a close contact for 90 days from their positive test if the following conditions are met:

- The individual is not showing any symptoms
- Franklin County has a record of the previous positive test result

Any student displaying symptoms should stay home and monitor and consult your child's physician as identified in the Safe Return to In-person Learning Plan.

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

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 acompleted entry form. A blank entry formcan be downloaded here:

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.

September 17-26 We are in the **YELLOW** 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.

*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.

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.

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