

In order to communicate more effectively and efficiently with our community and reduce paper and postage, we utilize a parent/guardian email group. This is a great communication tool. If you are interested in being a part of this email list and receiving communications from Blevins, please fill this out and bring it to the Main Office, or go to the district website and sign up under "Email Alert Sign Up". Don't forget to click the Blevins box.

Parent name

Student Name

Email address (Please print clearly)

IMPORTANT! Registration Information

It is time to register for school and there are a few things you will need to know. Both an Enrollment and Health form must be completed by a parent/guardian, signed and returned to Blevins by August 11th. ***Students will not be able to obtain their schedules unless their forms have been submitted.*** We have provided forms in this newsletter for your convenience. They are also on the Blevins website. Forms may be dropped off at the office beginning August 2nd.

For those of you who would like to submit your child's registration online, PSD is currently updating the Parent Portal to accommodate this function. However, we do not know at this time if and when it will be available. If you have received your district letter with your new 2010-11 activation code, you may be able to complete your registration online. If the site is up and running and you are able to access your child's account you will want to review ALL the information, make any changes, and then submit. You must submit even if you do not make any changes. If this option is available and you choose to use it the deadline for submission is August 9th.

Please call Lynette in Student Service with any questions or concerns at 488-4008.

PLEASE RETURN COUPON(s) BELOW TO THE BLEVINS MAIN OFFICE

I would be willing to help with School Pictures on August 27, 2010.

Responsibilities: Guide students through picture line. Help collect picture packets.

Parent name

Phone

Email address

I would be willing to help with the Magazine Fundraiser on Sept. 8 – Sept. 22, 2010.

Responsibilities: Organizing and accounting through the fund raiser.

Parent name

Phone

Email address

August 2010 – Bear Tracks

Principal's Pen

Dear Blevins Students and Parents:

Well we did it...we became a middle school last year!! I still catch my self saying "Blevins Junior High School." At least I get the "Blevins" right! We had an exciting year in 2009-10 filled with change, and the nervousness that comes with change. The great news is that we did it and are more excited than ever for the upcoming school year. In my opinion, I believe Blevins is serving kids better than we ever have and our second year as a middle school will be the best ever. We look forward to "having a positive impact," on all Blevins students.

I hope you are enjoying your summer, finding ways to keep cool and are spending quality time with your family and friends. It is an honor for me to be the principal of Blevins, and it is my continued hope that together we can provide meaningful learning experiences in a socially and developmentally supportive environment for all students. It is our goal to help prepare our students with the "tools" and knowledge necessary to be engaged and well-informed citizens in the 21st Century. You have my commitment to work hard, be thoughtful and to listen.

A strong educational experience cannot occur without all invested partners working together to achieve common goals. As the school year progresses, you as parents/guardians will find opportunities to share in the responsibility of partnering with the school staff to support your child in his/her learning experiences and achievement. As we work together, I encourage you to take an active approach in supporting your child and the school staff. The goals we have set forth are important to the success of your child, and they are equally important to the success of Blevins. Together, we all want a very successful and positive learning experience for our students. Currently, Blevins is seeking parent and community volunteers to serve on both school and district committees. We have openings in the following areas: Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), Site Improvement Team (SIT) (specifically, Blevins needs a parent to help co-chair this committee), District Advisory Board (DAB). Please contact Michele Trujillo, Blevins Office Manager, or myself at 488-4000 if you are interested in assisting with any of these positions.

For community and student safety, Blevins will continue to focus on traffic flow, parking, bus drop-off/pickup and student drop-off/pickup. Enclosed in this newsletter is a flier outlining traffic flow around the building for all users. Please, Please, Please continue to use the designated student drop-off on the west side or behind Blevins. Please, Please, Please do not use the east/front cul-de-sac for student pickup or drop-off when busses are present (7:15 – 7:40 am. and 2:15 –2:45 pm before and after school). We ask that everyone observe the guidelines set forth in the flier for the safety and security of students, staff and community users of the Blevins building site and Taft Hill Road access.

The impact of PSD budget cuts will impact the Blevins community during the upcoming year. All schools were asked to "trim" their building budgets with reductions in administration, special education, athletics, maintenance, support services, etc... We worked diligently to have as little impact on the classroom as possible, but in the end Blevins will have fewer teachers and therefore fewer class options and possibly larger class sizes. In addition, Blevins did reduce its classified staff in both the office and classroom support personnel, and therefore other staff will assume these roles which will result in reduced services in both areas. We will continue to serve our community to the best of our ability, but request your patience during busy times.

In this newsletter you will find all the information you will need to start the school year. Please pay particular attention to the specifics of 6th, 7th and 8th grade schedule/locker distribution and the first day of school activities for 6th graders. Please note that only the 6th graders will be attending school on August 16th, while 7th and 8th graders get one more day of summer and begin school on the 17th. Also note, due to district transportation needs, our school start time has changed to 7:40 am and our release time in now 2:30 pm. I encourage you to read each page carefully for all details pertaining to you and your child. We want all students and parents informed and ready to begin the year successfully! Enjoy the remaining weeks of your summer, and I look forward to meeting and working with you in the upcoming school year.

David W. Linehan, Principal

BLEVINS MIDDLE SCHOOL

BEGINNING OF SCHOOL INFORMATION:

Schedule and Locker Distribution:

- On Wednesday, August 11th all students will receive schedules and locker assignments. Students will be assigned their lockers, and may locate them and try working their combinations at their designated time. If your student is unable to attend on those dates, they may pick up schedules in the auxiliary gym between 7:00 and 7:30 am on August 16th for 6th graders and between 7:00 and 7:30 am on August 17th for 7th and 8th graders.

Important Dates:

Aug. 9 3:00 pm
7th/8th grade Football mtg. for students and parents in Gym 101

Aug. 9-10 3:00-5:15 pm
7th/8th grade Football Camp - check the Blevins website for information and registration forms.

August 11, Tues.
6th, 7th and 8th grade schedules and lockers issued as indicated by time:

- 7th and 8th –8:00-9:30am
- 6th grade—10:00-11:30

August 16, Mon. 7:40-2:30
6th grade First Day of School

August 17, Tues. 7:40-2:30
All students in school (first day for 7th and 8th graders)

6th grade Parent/Student Open House

Monday, August 16, 2010

6:00-7:00 pm

Blevins Gym

*****Please remember that students CANNOT receive schedules and lockers until the Enrollment and Health Forms are turned in!*****

DRESS CODE INFORMATION

Before buying new school clothes for your student, please review the Blevins Dress Code (taken directly from the Blevins Handbook).

In an effort to create an environment that focuses on student achievement, students are expected to dress in a manner that is not disruptive to the educational process or constitute a health or safety hazard. **Rule of Thumb...If you have to ask yourself, "Is this clothing school acceptable?"; then it probably is NOT.***

School is the business and professional work environment for students. Clothing should be appropriate for school and school activities. Clothing and other forms of personal appearance should not distract from the learning environment and should not be intimidating. The following Dress Code guidelines have been developed

- Short skirts and short shorts are not allowed.
- Clothing must cover underwear, midriff, chest, back and buttocks.
- Half shirts, see-through shirts, mesh shirts, halter-tops, tube tops, or any tops without a back will not be allowed.
- Tank tops are not permitted—does not matter the width of the strap.
- Caps, hats, bandanas, handkerchiefs, masks, chains, and sunglasses are not permitted to be worn during school hours, unless specific notification has been given by the administration
- Heavy coats/trench coats are not to be worn in school. These items should be stored in a student locker only; it is your responsibility to dress appropriately for the weather. Always have a sweater, sweatshirt or light-weight zip-up in your locker for cooler conditions.
- Clothing or jewelry which promotes alcohol, drugs, tobacco, sexuality, profanity or anything that could be used as a weapon will not be allowed.
- Shoes must be worn at all times.
- Drawings and/or writings on skin or clothing that are inappropriate for school or a distraction to the school environment are not allowed.
- Tattoos must be covered at all times.
- Any manner of grooming or apparel, including clothing, jewelry, hats, emblems, bandanas and badges, which by virtue of color, arrangement, trademark, or other attribute is associated with or denotes membership in or affiliation with any gang, will not be allowed. (This includes color of clothing & brand names.)
- Torn clothing above mid-thigh length is not allowed.

August 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 7th & 8th Football mtg. 2:00 7th & 8th Football Camp	10	11 8:00-9:30 7th & 8th Grade Schedule and Locker Distribution 10:00-11:30 6th Grade Schedule & Locker Distribution	12	13 New Student Registration →	14
15	16 6th grade begins 6th Grade Parent/Student Open House 6 pm	17 All grades in school	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 8 FBall @ Preston	25 7 FBall @ Blevins	26 Back to School Night	27 School Pictures	28
29	30	31 PTO Open House 8 FBall @ Boltz				

Schedule of Events

- **Aug 5-10** - New student registration (call for Appt.)
- **Aug 9-** 7th/8th Football parent mtg 2:00 pm
- **Aug 9-10-** Football Camp 3-5:15 pm
- **Aug 11 - 8:00-9:30** 7th/8th grade schedule & locker distribution **10:00-11:30** 6th grade schedule & locker distribution
- **Aug 16** - 1st day of school for 6th gr. 6th gr. Parent/Student Open House 6 pm
- **Aug 17** - All grades in school
- **Aug 26-** Back to School Night (more info in newsletter)

September 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 SIT Mtg. 7 FBall @ Blevins VSB @ Blevins	2	3 VSB @ Lincoln	4
5	6 NO SCHOOL Labor Day	7 8 FBall @ Wellington	8 Magazine Sales Assembly VSB @ Webber 7 FBall @ Blevins	9	10 Magazine Magnet Book turn-in VSB @ Blevins	11
12	13	14 PTO Mtg. 6:30 8 FBall @ Blevins	15 Magazine turn-in VSB @ Kinard 7 FBall @ CLP	16	17 VSB @ Blevins	18
19	20 NO SCHOOL Collaboration Day	21 Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:30-7:30 pm 8 FBall @ Blevins	22 Magazine turn-in VSB @ CLP 7 FBall @ Lincoln	23 Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:30-7:30 pm	24 VSB @ Blevins	25
26	27	28 8 FBall @ Blevins	29 VSB Bye 7 FBall @ Kinard	30		

Schedule of Events

- **Sept 6** - No School - Labor Day
- **Sept 8** - Magazine Sales Kick-off Assemblies
- **Sept 14** - PTO Mtg. 6:30 pm
- **Sept 20** - No School - Collaboration Day
- **Sept 21 & 23** - Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:30 - 7:30 pm

October 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 School Dance 7-9 pm	2
3	4	5 8 Fball @ Leshar	6 SIT Mtg. 7 FBall @ Blevins	7 Blevins Chili Dinner! 5:30-7:30 Softball Tournament	8	9
10	11 Girls Basketball Tryouts	12 PTO Mtg. 6:30 Fball Bye	13 Fball Bye	14 End of 1st Qtr 8 FBall @ Blevins	15 NO SCHOOL P/T Conf. Trade-off Day 7 FBall @ Webber	16
17	18 Wrestling Begins	19	20	21 Picture Retakes 7:30 am	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 7 GBball @ Boltz 8 GBball @ Blevins	29	30
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Schedule of Events

- **Oct 1** - October Count begins! Please have students in school!
- **Oct 7**– Blevins Chili Dinner 5:30-7:30 pm
- **Oct 11** - Girls Basketball begins
- **Oct 12** - PTO Meeting 6:30 pm
- **Oct 16** - NO SCHOOL - P/T Conf Trade-off day
- **Oct 18**– Wrestling begins
- **Oct 21**– Picture retakes 7:30 am

From the District:

Parent Portal on PSD Web site

The interactive "Parent Portal" on the PSD Web site will be available at the beginning of the 2010-11 school year. The Parent Portal allows parents and guardians to view a quick and highly individualized snapshot of their student's specific information, including: schedule, grades, upcoming assignments, account balances and school information.

The Parent Portal's interactive features are part of PSD's continuing work to improve communications with parents and guardians. **Current Parent Portal users can continue to use their account. Parents and guardians that don't currently have a Parent Portal account should watch for an email or letter for each PSD enrolled student.** The letter will contain a unique activation code for their student and detailed instructions for accessing the Parent Portal.

In Case Of An Emergency:

During an emergent situation, PSD will communicate information and instructions directly with parents through the following:

- PSD Website www.psdschools.org
- Automated phone message delivered to emergency contact number
- Email to all parents (sign up at www.psdschools.org)
- Local radio and TV stations
- PSD Channel 10 (Comcast and US Cable)
- Parents may call the PSD Customer Service Center at 970-490-3333.
- Operators will have the most accurate and up-to-date information.

It is vital for parents to keep their emergency contact information current with their school.

If an emergency does occur, please **DO NOT**:

- Call your child's school. School personnel will be occupied with taking care of students and will most likely not be able to answer the phone. Call the PSD Customer Service Center.
- Go to your child's school. Parents arriving at the school will cause unnecessary congestion and hinder school personnel from taking care of students. Parents will receive information and instructions on how to pick their children up via the methods previously listed.

CLINIC INFORMATION



Health Information for 2010-2011

Immunizations:

AS PER STATE LAW: STUDENTS MUST BE COMPLIANT TO BE IN SCHOOL, YOUR CHILD REQUIRES THESE IMMUNIZATIONS PRIOR TO ATTENDING BLEVINS:

DTaP/DTP/DT/Td	5 doses
Tdap booster	1 dose
Polio	4 doses
Hepatitis B	3 doses
**A 2 dose series is now available for children ages 11-15.	
MMRs	2 doses
Varicella	1 dose (or disease history from health care provider, parent or guardian.)

A Tdap booster is required for all 6th-12th graders

This is different than the DTaP vaccinations they received as infants and pre-K. The "p" (pertussis) has been added to the standard Td booster in order to protect teens against whooping cough. Your student will be considered "in Process" if they have received a Td booster in the past 2 years. When the 2 years has passed, the requirement will be enforced.

Prior to the 1st day of school, a copy of the immunization record from the doctor's office must be provided to the school.

Please submit proof of these immunizations as soon as possible to your current school. If this is not done, your child will be excluded from school. You may fax immunization records or request your doctor's office to fax this information to Blevins at (970) 488-4011 Attn: Janet Diack. We appreciate your prompt attention and help.

Health Care Action Plans:

Your child is unique. Please give us details about any health concerns that your child may have so we may be of assistance to your child at school. The school nurse will review any information you provide and a Health Care Plan may be developed. Health Care Action Plan forms are available in the Health Office and on the Blevins website (**and must be renewed yearly**). This form must be signed by a parent/guardian and a physician. Parents/guardians may fax Health Care Action Plans to the physician to sign. Return the signed forms to Blevins for the 2010-11 school year.

Medication at School:

All medications (doctor prescribed or over-the-counter) given at school must be accompanied by a PSD Medication Release form for the 2010-2011 school year. This form must be signed by a parent/guardian **and** a physician. The medication must be provided to Blevins in the original prescription bottle accompanied by the completed PSD Medication Release form. Medication must be brought to school by parent/guardian. Students may carry their inhaler or Epipen/antihistamine for a severe allergic reaction, but a medication permission form must be completed and kept on file in the health office for the current school year.

The School Nurse and Blevins Health Tech want to meet the needs of your child to insure a safe and healthy school year. For any questions please call the Blevins Health Clinic at 488-4007. Thank you for your assistance.

Amy Asher, RN, MSN, NP, School Nurse
Janet Diack, Health Technician

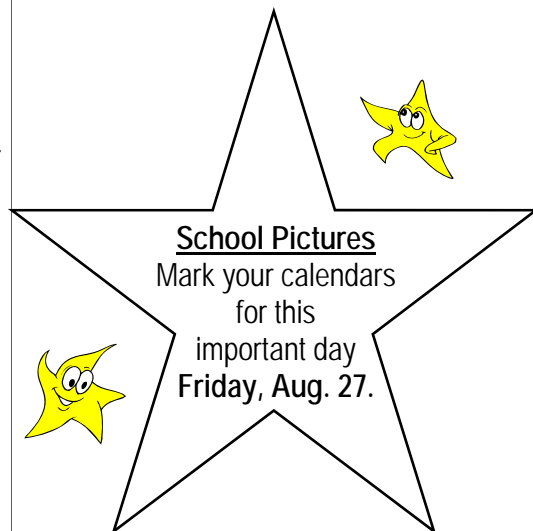
REGISTER TO VOLUNTEER FOR BLEVINS

Volunteers are needed for a variety of tasks inside and outside the classroom. To volunteer, you first need to register. This may be done *online* either at home, at school or from any computer with access to the internet. Go to www.psdschools.org and click on Volunteers and Resources, then on Volunteers. A criminal background check is conducted for all volunteers new to PSD. If you registered as a volunteer last year, please take a minute to update your volunteer profile information. Help shape the future—VOLUNTEER!

Yearbook Sales!

Yearbooks will again be offered to students. Get yours early for a price discount! They will be available during locker and schedule distribution. Yearbooks will be offered for sale from August 11 through December 18. Cost is \$32.00 during **1st semester**. **2nd semester** the cost will rise to \$37.00. Students should listen to morning announcements for yearbook sales information during the month of September for more details.

Each year we lose money on our yearbooks, so we are ordering less. Some students have not been able to get yearbooks in past years because we have run out. Please don't miss out on the opportunity to purchase your Blevins yearbook!





SPORTS INFORMATION

This year's athletic programs will get underway beginning August 11 for football, and August 16 for softball. **The 7th and 8th grade program** will consist of girl's softball, boy's football, boy's wrestling, girl's basketball, boy's basketball, girl's volleyball, girl's and boy's track, club tennis, and club golf. Reminder: All 6th grade students may participate in City Recreation sports

A 7th/8th grade football meeting for athletes and coaches is scheduled for 2 pm on Monday, August 9. The 7th/8th grade softball athletes will meet on the first day of school at 3:00 pm.

The softball teams will consist of a varsity team and Junior Varsity teams. If a student does not have his/her physical as of the first day of practice, but will be participating, they should watch the practice that day.

Every athletic participant **MUST** have a physical examination by a physician and insurance to try-out, practice, and compete in a sport. The yellow physical form must be **ON FILE** in the office before he/she is eligible to compete. A student may not engage in any practice session until this procedure is completed. The yellow physical forms are valid for a year from the examination date. It is advisable to arrange physicals well in advance of the sport in which your child is interested in. Students must be out for a sport within 5 school days of the beginning practice date. Please turn physical forms into Ms. Garcia in the attendance office starting August 9, 2010.

Please note: YELLOW ATHLETIC PHYSICAL FORMS ARE AVAILABLE IN OUR OFFICE. They will not be available in the physician's offices.

The athletic fees for 2010-2011 will be:

7th & 8th grade - \$75/sport

9th - 12th grade - \$100/sport

Family Maximum - \$300/family

BLEVINS MIDDLE SCHOOL 7TH & 8TH GRADE FOOTBALL CAMP "Play Like a Champion Today!"

August 9th-10th

3:00-5:15 pm

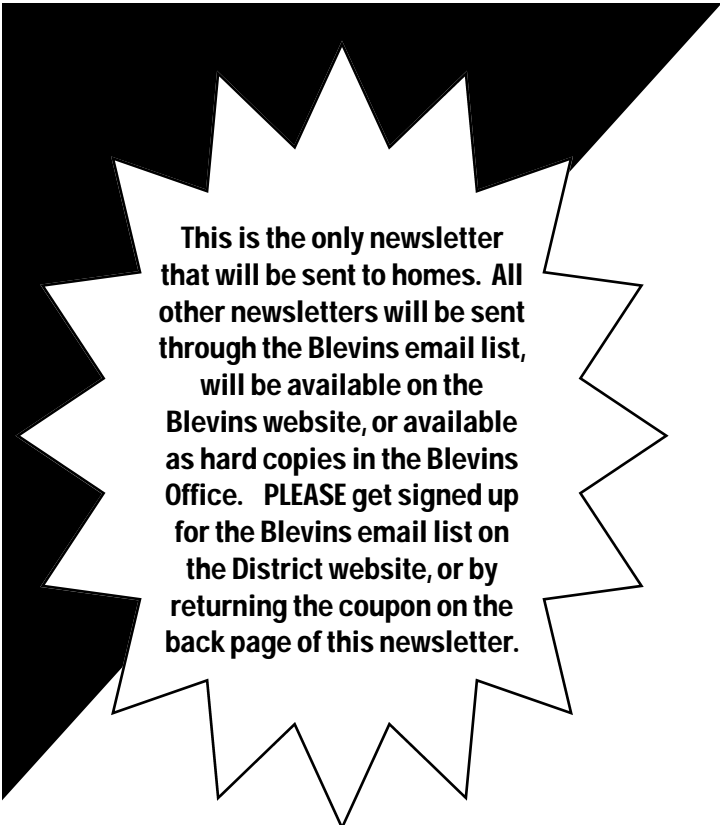
\$25 pays for camp and spirit pack

**(Please make checks payable to
Blevins Middle School Football)**

**Registration form is available in the Blevins Office, or
on the Blevins website (www.psdschools.org/schools/blevins/).**

**Players who attend both days get the first pick of
equipment!**

Parent Meeting August 9th, 2:00 pm



**This is the only newsletter
that will be sent to homes. All
other newsletters will be sent
through the Blevins email list,
will be available on the
Blevins website, or available
as hard copies in the Blevins
Office. PLEASE get signed up
for the Blevins email list on
the District website, or by
returning the coupon on the
back page of this newsletter.**

BLEVINS CHILI DINNER!

New this Year, Blevins will host a Chili Dinner fundraiser instead of the annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser. It will be on October 7, 2010 from 5:30-7:30. We are in need of donated items to auction off during this event. All items that are donated to the event are tax deductible, all proceeds from the auction will be directly used to purchase new equipment for the Blevins Middle School health and fitness room. Our health and fitness room is very outdated, most of the equipment being used is 25 years old or more. The health and fitness room is used by all students and is in need of a complete overhaul. This project can only be successful with the help of our community. We are in our 4th year of this project, and it will take several more years to complete. The goal is to raise \$20,000 to purchase new equipment. This year we hope to raise \$5,000. Please help by donating items toward the auction, coming to the chili dinner on October 7th, and/or making a direct contribution toward the event. Once again ALL monies collected will be used to purchase equipment for the Blevins Middle School health and fitness room.

If you are interested in donating items for the auction or have questions about the fundraiser please contact Tom Schachet at 970-488-4031 or by email at tschachet@psdschools.org.

Thank you for your support!



ATTENDANCE PHONE #488-4088



Please note the attendance phone number is different from the main office. This line is open **24 hours each day**. Please do not leave a message on the machine that picks up on the regular school telephone number. Please be prepared with your student's ID number. In order to provide maximum service to you as a parent, and to our teaching staff, we would request that when your student is absent from school you call the attendance number **before** 8:00 am. **Please call each day your child is absent unless his/her absences are prearranged.** The responsibility for excusing an absence lies with the parents. The responsibility for accepting the excuse lies with the administration. Homework requests need to be received before 8:30 am in order to be processed that day - **please call the attendance secretary at 488-4006 to make a homework request.**

When planning to excuse your student during the day for medical or dental appointments, a written note from a parent needs to be delivered to the attendance office, or a parent needs to come in and sign your child out. The student should take the note to the **attendance office (not to the teacher)** before 7:40 am to get a pass out of class. All students **TARDY** to school need to report to their 1st or 2nd period class before 7:50 am. After that time, students need to report to the attendance office. The expectation is that students will be on time to all classes. We also request that every effort be made by parents to schedule vacations or out of town trips during those times when school is NOT in session.

One of the school goals is to attain a 95% attendance rate. We will actively pursue achieving this goal. Please understand our aggressive work to have all students in school and on time.

Procedure for Use of Drug Detection Dogs

Blevins will enlist the use of drug detection dogs on a random basis to go through the hallways, classrooms and locker rooms to uncover any possible drug possession. Students and staff have been informed that this will occur during the school day throughout the year, when deemed necessary, but they will not be told of the specific days of the searches.

Legal issues you need to be aware of include:

If a dog sniff indicates the presence of drugs in a student locker or other confined space on the school premises, reasonable suspicion is established for an immediate further search of the space. When feasible, a videotape record of the search should be made. The student may be present at the option of the principal.

The intent of this process is not to embarrass individuals, but to assure parents and the community that their school is free from drugs.

SCHEDULE CHANGES

No schedule changes will be made before the beginning of school. Please attend all classes listed on your schedule. Classes that were selected on pre-registration forms last spring will not be changed.



Back-To-School Night



We hope parents will plan to attend the Back-To-School Night that will be held **Thursday, August 26, 2010**. Beginning at 5:45 you may pick up CSAP scores. At 6:10 we will have an informational meeting in the gym and then go to individual classes. We believe that you will benefit from visiting your child's classes, meeting teachers, and learning about the programs available at Blevins. Because of the space available, we request that parents leave their students at home. Parent Conferences will be at a later date, and we would encourage you to bring your child at that time.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

The price of the school hot lunch meal for the 2010-2011 school year will be \$2.25 for students and \$3.00 for adults. This includes a main entree, a vegetable, fruit, salad and a milk or juice carton. The price of a reduced lunch meal for those who qualify will remain at \$0.40. Breakfast will be served from 7:00-7:30 at the price of \$1.00.

Pay for student lunches and check on their account online at the Blevins website under the "News & Events" section (www.psdschools.org/schools/blevins/)

Lunch will be served beginning on Aug. 16th, and breakfast will begin on Aug. 17th.

ATTENTION PARENTS

SUPPORT *Our* SCHOOL!



Please think of **Blevins Middle School** when those early magazine renewal notices start to arrive in the mail! You can renew current subscriptions or buy new and gift subscriptions through our school this fall.

A substantial portion of the subscription price stays at our school to fund many needed items and activities throughout the year.

Please start reminding your family, friends, and business associates that we would greatly appreciate it if they ordered selections from our school through the upcoming sale or by visiting QSP.com today! (Then the school won't lose the profit to the publishers.)

You can get an early start on our annual magazine sale by logging onto

QSP.COM

Our school code is: **425007994**

Save up to 90% when you order or renew through our program.

Our Magazine Campaign will take place:

Sept. 8th – Sept. 22nd



YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED!

PSD INFORMATION

SCHOOL BUSES

Parents can access the PSD BUS SCHEDULE listing bus stops and times for each school on the PSD web site, www.psdschools.org on Aug. 6th, and schedules will be available in the Blevins Office on Aug. 9th. Budget cuts have impacted bus routes this year. This will primarily affect students living in high density residential areas where current bus stops are within 2 or 3 tenths of a mile apart. Bus stops will be on more central roadways, and will make fewer individual stops in neighborhoods. Students and families may consider having students use the "buddy system" when walking to the bus stop, or parents may want to rotate weeks walking students to the bus stop. For further information, please call the Transportation Office at 490-3155.

Space Available and Alternative Transportation applications will be available on August 2nd on the PSD website. Requests are processed on 1st come, 1st served basis and are based on the space available on existing bus routes. Parents are encouraged to apply as soon as applications are available.



Student Insurance

Poudre School District will continue to offer student accident insurance. Insurance forms will be given to students when they receive their schedules. Parents desiring insurance through the school should complete the application forms and enclose the correct amount of money in the envelopes. These sealed envelopes need to be returned to the main office at Blevins.

Note: For additional and specific insurance information, please refer to the district insurance letter that your student will receive on the first day of school.

Non-Permission Forms for Photos, Videos, Internet and Email

- Classroom activities and events sponsored by school occasionally are photographed or video taped.
- Use of the Internet and electronic mail are used as a tool to complete some assignments and projects.

If you **do not** want your child to be photographed, video taped, have access to the internet and/or have an email account, you must sign and return a Non-Permission Form to Student Services. **Forms may be obtained online at <http://www.psdschools.org/schools/blevins/> under Parent Info; or in the Students Services office at Blevins.*

PSD is excited to offer computer access at Walmart!

You can now access PSD information at a computer in the Walmart SuperCenter, 1250 E. Magnolia St. The PSD computer, which is available during regular business hours, gives you access to the PSD website that includes the latest district news and events, as well as information about school registration, busing, calendars and district policies. You also have access to specific information about your child through the Parent Portal on the PSD website. Please know that this computer does not have access to outside email or internet sites beyond the PSD website. PSD thanks the Walmart SuperCenter for partnering with the district on this project.

Sex Offender Registry Information Available

Information about sex offenders via the CBI statewide sex offenders list is available at <http://sor.state.co.us/> which will take you to the State of Colorado registry. Simply follow the steps and select the city or county of interest for the information which is maintained by CBI. The local Ft. Collins sex offender registration list can also be accessed by going to the police station at 2221 Timberline Road, and filling out a request form (no charge to view list; \$7.50 to purchase copy.)

Free and Reduced Lunch Program Application

- If you qualified for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program during the 2009-2010 school year, **you will automatically be mailed a 2010-11 application.**
- If you think you might qualify for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program for the 2010-11 school year, please request an application from Deb Caskey (488-4003, or dcaskey@psdschools.org).

A big thank you to our Blevins PTO! They have offered to supplement the cost of the Blevins planner this year, so instead of paying \$6.00, your student may purchase their planner for only \$1.00! If a planner is lost, or needs to be replaced, the student will need to pay the full price of \$6.00 for a replacement planner.

Planners and yearbooks will both be on sale during schedule and locker distribution on August 11th.

BLEVINS SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS

(All students must have a Blevins planner on the first day of school)

6TH GRADE LIST

- Blevins planner (purchase at school - \$1.00)
 - 2 pocket folders
 - 2 spiral notebooks
 - Spiral graph paper notebook
 - 3 ring zippered binder
 - 1 inch, 3 ring binder
 - Package of dividers
 - 3 x 5 index cards (pkg of 100)
 - Zipper supply pouch for 3 ring binder
 - Box of colored pencils
 - Highlighters (4 colors)
 - Package of markers
 - Adult scissors
 - 2 glue sticks (no bottles or rubber cement)
 - Calculator
 - 12-inch ruler (inches and centimeters)
 - Protractor (small and clear)
 - Compass
 - 2 pkgs loose leaf, wide ruled white paper
 - 2 pkgs of #2 pencils
 - Package of blue or black pens
 - Big eraser
 - 2-3 large boxes of Kleenex
 - Ream of white paper
 - 2 dry erase markers
 - Roll of clear tape
 - Bottom 3 bullets of 7th/8th grade list apply to 6th grade as well.
- Optional:
- 1 gallon storage bags
 - Plastic sleeve protectors

7TH & 8TH GRADE LIST

- Blevins planner (purchase at school - \$1.00)
- Large 3-ring binder (2"), with pencil bag
- 2 pens (blue or black)
- 1 package #2 pencils
- Lined loose-leaf paper
- Colored pencils
- 3x5 note cards (1 packet)
- Eraser
- Graph paper
- Notebook dividers
- 2-3 large boxes of Kleenex
- Ream of white paper
- 2 dry erase markers
- Scientific calculator for math
- Glue for art classes
- Highlighters
- A dictionary for home use
- P.E. classes require that students have a complete set of gym clothes (preferably black shorts, a short sleeved white shirt and tennis shoes) ready to wear each day.
- Individual teachers may request other supplies or class fees
- All textbooks issued by the school will need to be covered.

Students will need to refill some of the materials by mid-year.

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