

The Winand Word

Week Ending 10-27-2023

Attendance Matters

Let's Have 100% Attendance As A School for October!

Research shows that chronically absent Kindergartners and First Graders are less likely to read on grade level when they are in 3rd grade.

MSDE attendance standard is 94% attendance. Winand Elementary's standard should be at least 94% but we would like 95% attendance or higher!!



Please remember to send in a note to your child's (ren) homeroom teacher when they are absent. Sample note templates were sent home for your use, should you need.

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PS~ 91%
PK~87%
KG~94%
1st~94%
2nd~97%
3rd~91%
4th~93%
5th~93%

Kindness and More Kindness

If you can join us, please do so!

Join us for BCPS "Kindness Matters." The goal is to engage students and staff by exploring the importance of being kind to themselves and others.



Wear a Color for Character is the week of October 16-19. This activity, for students and adults, involves wearing a color to represent positive character traits. Share photos on social media using #BCPSCares.

*This is optional!



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Color	BCPS Blue	Green	Orange	Red	Purple
Word	Civility	Equity	Unity	Respect	Positivity

Lost and Found

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Lost and Found is located in the cafeteria; please encourage your child to look in the bin if they lost something.

Items remaining at the end of each month will be donated.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.



Cell Phone Policy

Students are permitted to bring cell phones to school; however, it is expected that once a student enters the school building, the phone will be turned off and put away in their locker. The use of electronic watches is prohibited as well.

Students are not to use their phones while in school. Thank you for your support!



Volunteer at Winand Elementary

If you would like to volunteer at Winand Elementary School or participate as a chaperone for field trips, please complete the volunteer information.

[Volunteer Information](#)

If you have any questions about volunteering or need some assistance with the application, please reach out to our counselor, Mrs. Knight at shiestand@bcps.org.

Hope to see you this year!

Calendar Reminders



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October

10-20-2023~ Schools Closed for Teachers and Students-MSEA convention

November

11-3-2023~ 1st Marking Period Ends~ *Three Hours Early Dismissal 1:05 p.m.*

11-13-2023~Diwali Observed~ Schools Closed for Students~ PD for Teachers

11-14-2023~ Report Cards Available Online at 4:20 p.m.

11-14-11-17-2023~ American Education Week~ Stay Tuned for More Details

11-20-2023~ Pre-K Conference Day~ No Pre-School or Pre-K Students

11-21-2023~Pre-K and Elementary Conference Day~ No School for Elementary Students

11-22-11-24-2023~ Thanksgiving Holiday~ Schools and Offices Closed

December

12-22-2023~ Christmas Holiday/Winter Break After School~ 3 Hr Early 1:05 p.m.

January 2024

1-2-2024~ Schools and Offices Reopen

1-15-2024~Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – Schools and Offices Closed

1-19-2024~Second Marking Period Ends – Schools Close 3 Hours Early for All Students -1:05 p.m.

Grade Reporting and Data Analysis** – Teachers on Duty

1-29-2024~ Report Cards Available on FOCUS at 4:20 p.m.

February 2024

2-9-2024~Schools Closed for Students~ PD for Teachers

2-19-2024~ Schools and Offices Closed-Presidents' Day, Washington's Birthday

March 2024

3-22-2024~ *Spring Break Begins at the End of the Day*
