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# Superintendent's Fall Edition Bulldog Briefing

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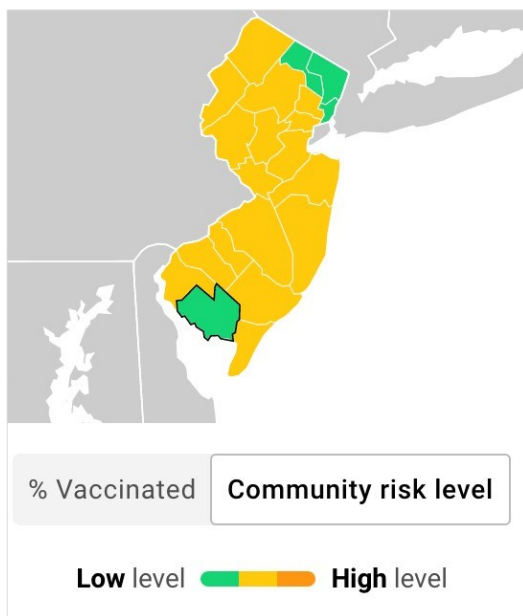
## Happy Tuesday Bulldog Team!



I hope you all had a great holiday weekend! In just one week, our county has gone from being the only county deemed high risk to now being one of a few at low risk. In order to make it through cold and flu season, we are promised a huge shipment of COVID-19 at home tests to be distributed to our students and families. In order to accommodate this shipment, we were advised to disseminate our current inventory to district staff. I hope

all of you took advantage of these free tests HR distributed, upon request. We want our school community to remain safe, and we are hoping for an uninterrupted 2022-2023 school year.

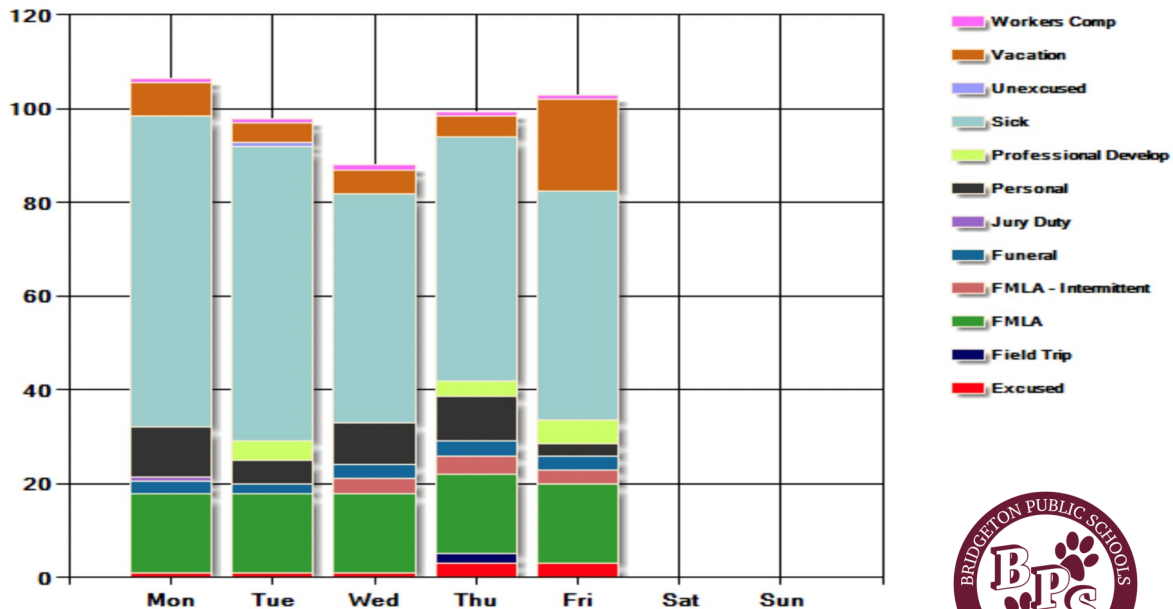
This Friday, our Bridgeton Bulldogs football team will be playing their homecoming game against Middle Township. As has been tradition, the homecoming King and Queen will be crowned during half time. If you are available, please come out and show your support this Friday at 6:00 pm at the BHS stadium!



As we bring our Hispanic Heritage Month activities to a close this week, I would like to thank all of our amazing school leaders and their teams for making this year's Hispanic Heritage Month festivities memorable. This year's celebrations far exceeded the last two! To all of our staff of Hispanic decent, ¡Feliz Mez de Hispanidad!

**Ready, Set, Read!**

## Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> – Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> Staff Attendance



**Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> – Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> Fill Rate – 47%**

## Meetings/Community Engagement Oct. 3-7

- ◆ Meetings held with the Executive Director of Human Resources, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction, School Business Administrator, and the Assistant Superintendent of Special Education & Student Services.
- ◆ CCASA Executive Committee Meeting
- ◆ Board Policy Committee Meeting
- ◆ Interview Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds
- ◆ Interview Candidate for Dir. of Curriculum, M&S
- ◆ Student Government Meeting at BHS
- ◆ Agenda Review Meeting
- ◆ Board Personnel Committee Meeting
- ◆ Principal Meeting at Buckshutem Road School
- ◆ Board Finance Committee Meeting
- ◆ Board Facilities Committee Meeting
- ◆ Leadership Committee Meeting
- ◆ Principal Meeting at Cherry Street School
- ◆ Principal Meeting at Quarter Mile Lane School
- ◆ Boys and Girls Club Meeting
- ◆ Principal Meeting at Indian Avenue School
- ◆ Principal Meeting at Dr. Geraldyn O. Foster Early Childhood Center
- ◆ Meeting with Director of Bilingual Education
- ◆ Meeting with Director of LAL/Social Studies K-2
- ◆ Meeting with Director of Technology
- ◆ 2022 Commissioners Convocation
- ◆ Superintendent's Roundtable @ CCTEC
- ◆ Board Student Services Committee Meeting
- ◆ Principal Meeting at West Avenue School

## Upcoming Dates/Events

- ◆ Oct. 10 - Closed for Columbus Day
- ◆ One-to-One meetings with the Executive Director of Human Resources, School Business Administrator, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, and the Assistant Superintendent of Special Education and Student Services.
- ◆ Oct. 11 - Board meeting at BHS Media Center, 6:00 pm
- ◆ Oct. 12 - Cabinet meeting, 8:30 am
- ◆ Oct. 12 - Site visit at BHS, 10:00 am
- ◆ Oct. 12 - Site visit at Broad, 11:30 am
- ◆ Oct. 14 - BHS Homecoming, 6:00 pm
- ◆ Oct. 19 - "SEL"abration Brunch at West, 11:00 am



## Tracey Mott: Literacy Leader!

Ms. Tracey Mott has been in education for 26 years, with 4 of them in Bridgeton. Her favorite part of teaching is connecting with the students through the novels she uses for instruction. The connection between Ms. Mott and her students is evident when entering her warm, caring classroom environment.

Most recently, the master teachers spoke of Ms. Mott and her connection with the students describing her as a teacher that holds high expectations for the students, who achieve, because they know she cares about them!

Ms. Mott loves using novels that interest the students, two of her favorites being *Hunger Games* and *Ghost Boys*. She also loves to use Achieve 3000 to promote individual reading growth and Socratic Seminars to invoke a deeper comprehension of the text.

In keeping with the motto, "Stronger Together," Ms. Mott says she would advise

new teachers to seek advice and guidance from their colleagues as a support system.

She recognizes that being an educator has challenges, especially in today's climate. Still, she states, "the realization that your hard work and consistency can impact a young person's life in such a powerful way is truly rewarding. Every child deserves our consistency!"

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# Week of Respect at Buckshutem

Students and staff at Buckshutem Road School held a "Week of Respect" last week. Visiting the school was Corey The Dribbler, an ex Harlem Globetrotter who speaks to students about respect, responsibility, goal-setting and attitude. He did 2 shows for grades 6-8 and 3-5, and the students and staff really loved his message and his dribbling talents.



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