



**Bridgeton Public Schools**

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## Superintendent's Fall Edition

# Bulldog Briefing

**Dr. Keith Miles, Jr. • Superintendent of Schools**

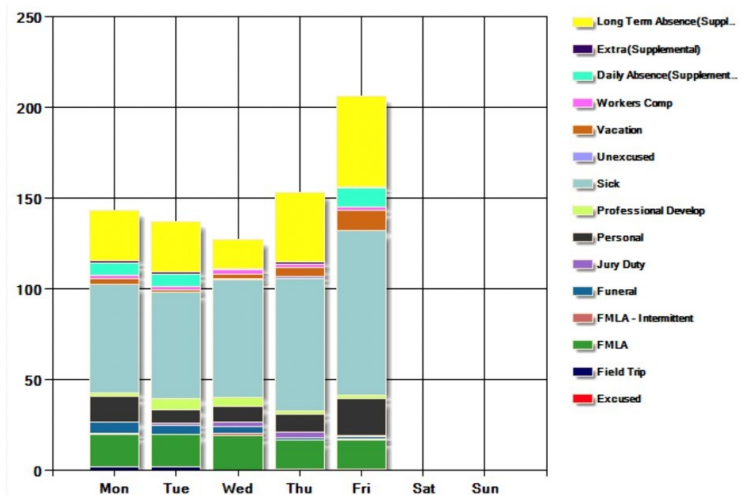
## Happy Monday Bulldog Team!

I hope everyone enjoyed Friday night's homecoming game and had a wonderful weekend! As of today, our schools have seen (0) incidents for the month of October as it relates to the October Tik Tok challenge below.

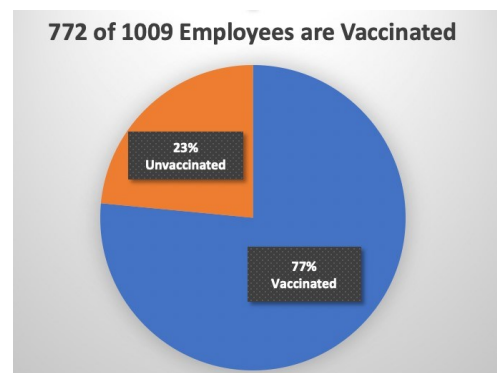
1. September: Vandalize School Bathrooms
2. October: Smack a Staff Member
3. November: Kiss your friend's girlfriend at school
4. December: Deck the halls and show your balls
5. January: Jab a breast
6. February: Mess up school signs
7. March: Make a mess in the courtyard or cafeteria
8. April: "Grab some eggz" (another stealing challenge)
9. May: Ditch day
10. June: Flip off in the front office
11. July: Spray a neighbor's fence

In order to not encourage participation or help publicize this list more than it already has been, I decided we would not send out a district-wide message to parents as did some (not all) of our neighboring districts. While we had some bathroom activity at some schools during September, our cases have not been widespread. School leaders may certainly remind parents about and emphasize certain relevant aspects of our student code of conduct; at this time, we are being cautious about over messaging the challenge due to potential unintended consequences, such as an increase in incidents.

**October 18-October 22<sup>nd</sup> Staff Attendance**



**Fill Rate October 18-October 21<sup>st</sup> – 20%**



**Ready, Set, Read!**

# COVID-19 Cases on the Decline in Cumberland County

## Cases

DAILY NEW CASES

● **22.3** PER 100K

INFECTION RATE

● **0.85**

POSITIVE TEST RATE

● **3.6%**



### Staff out for Quarantine and FMLA

TCL ADMINISTRATION	0
BANK ANNEX	5
BHS	9
BROAD	4
BUCKSHUTEM	4
CHERRY	0
EXCEL	0
DR. GOFEC	2
INDIAN	0
QML	3
WEST AVE	2

Staff on full FMLA - 29

Staff out intermittent FMLA - 69

### Student Exclusions

School	Exclusion	Positive Cases
IAS	26	5
CSS	22	4
BRS	71	2
QML	22	3
BSS	33	2
BHS	42	14
WAS	70	12
ECHS	1	0
EXCEL	15	6
GOFEC	13	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>50</b>

### Upcoming Dates/Events

- ◇ District Pandemic Response Team Meeting – Tuesday, October 26, 2021 @ 10am
- ◇ T.C. Lane Staff Appreciation Breakfast - Friday, October 29, 2021
- ◇ Career Day at West Avenue School – Friday, October 29, 2021
- ◇ Election Day – Tuesday, November 2, 2021
- ◇ NJEA Convention – Schools Closed – November 4-5, 2021
- ◇ November Board Meeting – Tuesday, November 9, 2021



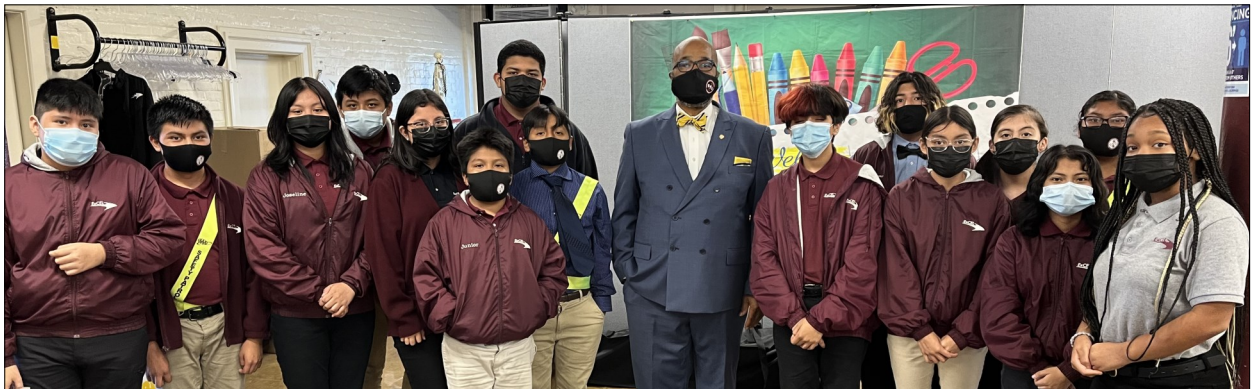
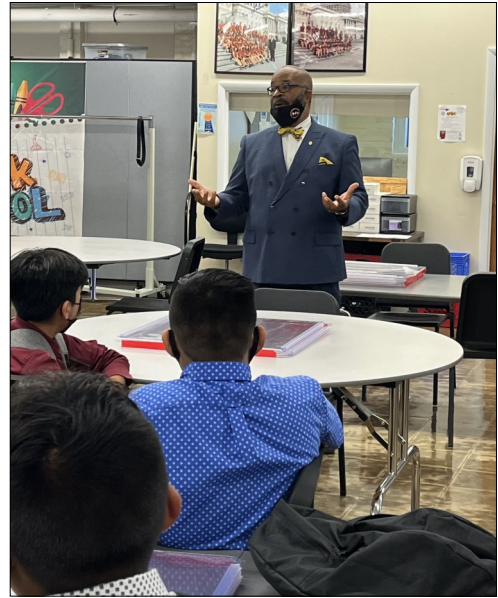


## Students, Staff Celebrate “Unity Day” on 10-20-21





# Bridgeton Mayor Visits ExCEL Program



## Meetings/Community Engagement Oct. 18 - 22

- ◆ Individual Check-ins with the School Business Administrator, the Executive Director of Human Resources, the Assistant Superintendent of Special Education and Student Services, and the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction.
- ◆ BHS Science Vacancy Coverage Support and Feedback Session w/ BHS Students
- ◆ Led Central Office Leadership Team Meeting
- ◆ Attended NJ Alliance of Black Superintendents Meetings
- ◆ BHS Homecoming Game
- ◆ PDP and School Leader Goals Meetings
- ◆ Great Schools New Jersey Meeting
- ◆ October Administrative Council
- ◆ Conversations and negotiations meetings with Association leadership, Business Administrator, Director of Human Resources, Board, and attorneys are ongoing.
- ◆ Conversations with the Board President, Vice President, and other Board members are ongoing





**West Avenue Principal, Mr. Sam Hull, was recently honored with the "Community Pillar Award." Great to have leaders like Mr. Hull leading and serving in our district!**



**Superintendent Dr. Keith Miles spent a day covering science classes at BHS and received candid feedback from students (listed below).**

### More of this...

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|---------------------------------|--|
| • Better WiFi                   | • Instruments  |
| • Better food                   | • Candy  |
| • Music                         | • Pep rallies  |
| • Time Between Classes          | • Listening to students                                |
| • Free Time                     | • Outside teaching                                     |
| • Sports                        | • Volleyball   |
| • Dances                        | • Healthier food                                       |
| • Better weight room equipment  | • Updated Textbooks                                    |
| • Comfy chairs                  | • Half days  |
| • Temp control in classrooms    | • Study halls for 9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> |
| • Alternative non dairy options |  |

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."

- NELSON MANDELA



**Mr. James Martin who is currently the district's longest-serving custodian, recently was featured in *Front Runner New Jersey*. Mr. Martin has been employed for 38 years and is working at Cherry Street School.**



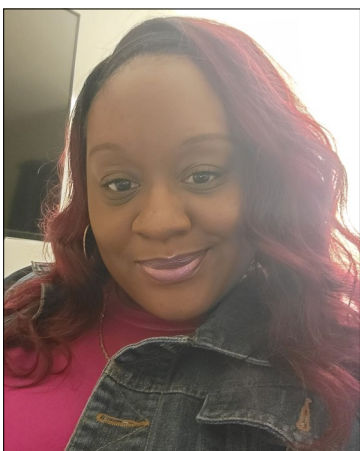
# STRONGER TOGETHER

This week, we showcase our Community and Parental Involvement Specialists and Parent Liaisons.

## CPIS and Parent Liaisons



**E. Deionne ThrBak**  
Director of  
Innovative Programs and  
Community Partnerships



**Ariel Broughton**  
Broad  
CPIS

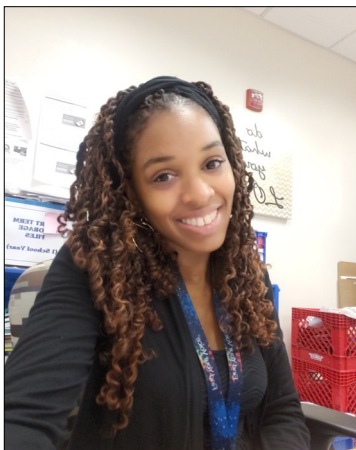


**Christal Griner**  
Broad  
CPIS

# CPIS and Parent Liaisons



**Dominique Williams**  
BHS  
CPIS



**Chloe Williams**  
Buckshutem  
CPIS



**Jenifer Boyd  
Cherry**  
Parent Liaison



# CPIS and Parent Liaisons



**Jessica Vega**  
**GOFEC**  
**CPIS**



**Donna Bard**  
**Indian**  
**Parent Liaison**



**Sheree Silva**  
**QML**  
**CPIS**



**LaCoya English**  
**West**  
**CPIS**



# Our Board Members



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Vice President



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Member



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Member



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