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Bulldog Briefing

Dr. Keith Miles, Jr. • Superintendent of Schools

Happy Monday Bulldog Team!



I hope everyone had a great weekend celebrating all the special moms in our lives and all of our teachers enjoyed Teacher Appreciation Week 2022! Tomorrow, **Tuesday, May 10th**, we are designating as Principal Appreciation Day. Show your school leaders how much you appreciate their leadership. Then, on **Wednesday, May 11th**, Bridgeton Public Schools will celebrate and acknowledge the hard work of our school nurses. The pandemic has been tough, and our school nurses have done an incredible job supporting the district in navigating changing CDC guidance, mandates, and safety protocols.

Although we have shifted to optional masking, on my visits to schools, I am seeing more staff and students opting to continue with masking than those who do not. Please continue to exercise caution as we are seeing rising cases due to the BA.2.12.1 subvariant and other subvariants of Omicron.



Ready, Set, Read!

Saluting Our District Principals on May 10th!



Steven Morris
BHS



Phil Silva
Broad



Derek Macchia
Buckshutem



Terrence Spencer
Cherry



Monica Poland
Dr. GOF ECC



Karl Brown
Indian

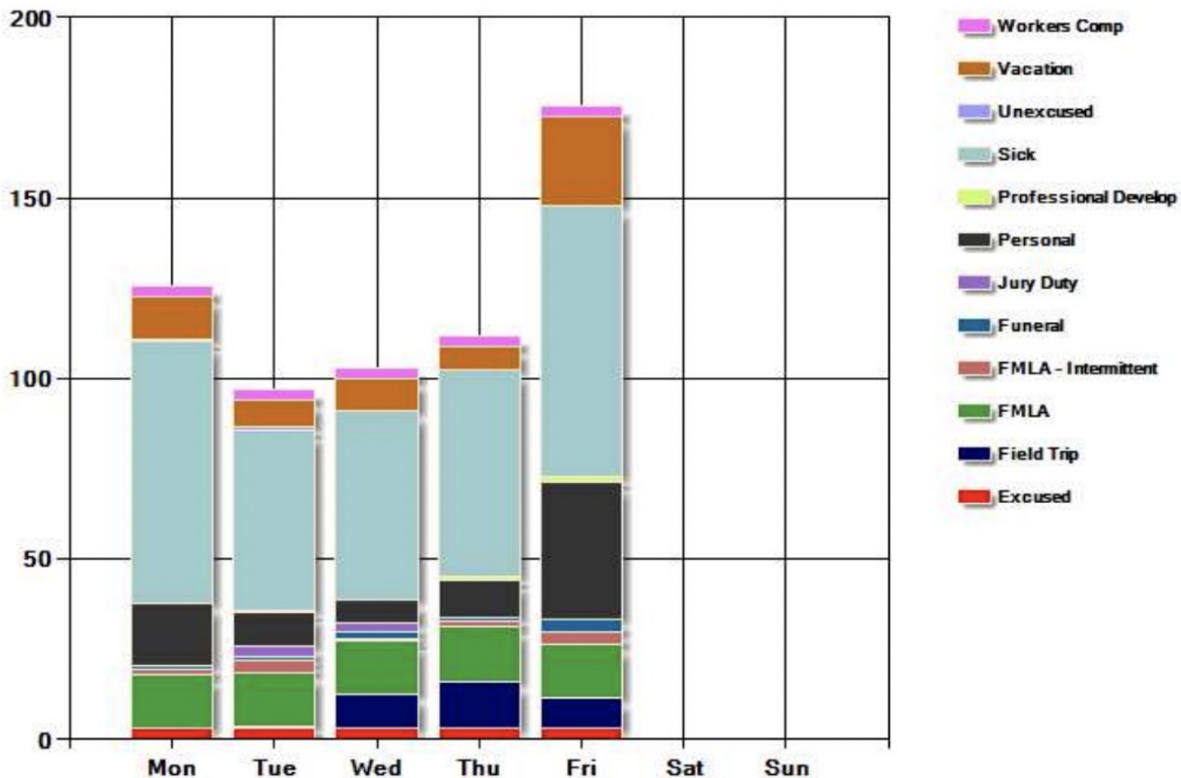


Reina Hernandez
QML



Sam Hull
West/ExCEL

May 2nd – May 6th Staff Attendance



May 2nd – May 6th Fill Rate – 34%

Meetings/Community Engagement May 2 - May 6

- ◆ Individual Check-ins with the School Business Administrator, the Executive Director of Human Resources, the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, Director of Technology, Director of Bilingual/ESL and World Languages, Director of Safety and Security, and the Director of Student Services.
- ◆ Leadership Team Meeting
- ◆ Board Finance Committee Meeting
- ◆ Board Facilities Committee Meeting
- ◆ Pandemic Response Team Meeting
- ◆ Nurses Meeting
- ◆ May Board Meeting and Budget Hearing
- ◆ NJASA Professional Development Committee Meeting
- ◆ Cumberland County Superintendents Roundtable
- ◆ Conversations and negotiations meetings with Association leadership, Business Administrator, Board members, and attorneys are ongoing.
- ◆ Conversations with the Board President, Vice President, and other Board members are ongoing.

Upcoming Dates/Events

- ◆ May 10 - National Principals Day
- ◆ May 11 - National School Nurse Day
- ◆ May 12 - Early College High School Commencement Ceremony
- ◆ May 19 - Administrative Council
- ◆ May 26 - Senior Prom
- ◆ May 27-31 Memorial Day Holiday

Congratulations 2021 - 2022 Retirees!

- ◆ **Virgen Albino**
Dr. GOF ECC
Bilingual Instructional Aide
32 Years of Service
- ◆ **Linda Ballinger**
Cherry Street School
Instructional Aide
22 Years of Service
- ◆ **Donna Bard** (deceased)
Indian Avenue School
Parent Liaison
24 Years of Service
- ◆ **Michael Bubeck**
Quarter Mile Lane School
Grade 8 Mathematics Teacher
25 Years of Service
- ◆ **Hector Camacho**
Cherry Street School
Night Custodian
17 Years of Service
- ◆ **Ines Carrero**
Dr. GOF ECC
Preschool Bilingual Aide
32 Years of Service
- ◆ **Sharon Cassidy**
Bank Street Annex
School Bus Driver
19 Years of Service
- ◆ **Diana Cintron**
Buckshutem Road School
Bilingual Kindergarten Teacher
30 Years of Service
- ◆ **Ann Clark**
Broad Street School
Grade 1 Teacher
25 Years of Service
- ◆ **Carlos Cordero**
West Avenue School
Custodian
12 Years of Service
- ◆ **Raul Cordero**
Buckshutem Road School
Night Custodian
17 Years of Service
- ◆ **Matthew Filler**
Quarter Mile Lane School
Health/Physical Education Teacher
26 Years of Service
- ◆ **Dolores Franco**
Quarter Mile Lane School
School Nurse
12 Years of Service
- ◆ **Sarah Hancock**
Broad Street School
Grade 7 Inclusion Teacher
30 Years of Service
- ◆ **Beverly Heath**
West Avenue School
Instructional Aide
30 Years of Service
- ◆ **Maria Hemple**
Quarter Mile Lane School-PS
Preschool Aide
32 Years of Service
- ◆ **Brandy Hogan**
Buckshutem Road School
Grade 6 Mathematics Teacher
16 Years of Service
- ◆ **Debra Kimble**
West Avenue School
Special Education Teacher
25 Years of Service
- ◆ **Margaret Martinez**
(October 2022)
Broad Street School
Grade 2 Teacher
10 Years of Service
- ◆ **Gina Mason**
Cherry Street School
Grade 5 Teacher
28 Years of Service
- ◆ **Bonnie McClain**
Bridgeton High School
Food Service Worker
41 Years of Service
- ◆ **Elaine Meeker**
Inspira Hospital
Special Education Teacher
17 Years of Service
- ◆ **Quetci Moyet**
Dr. GOF ECC
Bilingual Preschool Teacher
19 Years of Service
- ◆ **Frank Murphine**
Bridgeton High School
Night Custodian
10 Years of Service
- ◆ **Gloria Nakai**
Cherry Street School
Kindergarten Aide
37 Years of Service
- ◆ **Robert Parker**
West Avenue School
Crisis Intervention Specialist
14 Years of Service
- ◆ **Lt. Col. Michael Parks**
Bridgeton High School
Senior Aerospace Science
AFJROTC Instructor
20 Years of Service
- ◆ **Margaret Mary Propert**
Dr. GOF ECC
Preschool Teacher
30 Years of Service
- ◆ **Curtis Randall**
Buckshutem Road School
Grade 5 Science/SS Teacher
15 Years of Service
- ◆ **Leslie Repsher**
Cherry Street School
Grade 1 Teacher
8 Years of Service
- ◆ **Cheryl Riddick**
(September 2022)
Confidential Secretary
23 Years of Service
- ◆ **Jeannine Rinck**
Buckshutem Road School
Special Education Teacher
19 Years of Service
- ◆ **Beth Schofield**
Bank Street Annex
School Bus Driver
28 Years of Service
- ◆ **Kathleen Sharp**
Quarter Mile Lane School
Science Teacher
32 Years of Service
- ◆ **Sherri Smith**
Broad Street School
Grade 1 Teacher
19 Years of Service
- ◆ **Beth Sokolic**
Quarter Mile Lane School
Guidance Counselor
11 Years of Service
- ◆ **Barbara Segrest**
Bridgeton High School
Special Education Teacher
16 Years of Service
- ◆ **Marie Teti**
Broad Street School
Music Teacher
26 Years of Service
- ◆ **Sarah Turner**
Dr. GOF ECC
Preschool Teacher
36 Years of Service
- ◆ **Christal White**
Dr. GOF ECC
School Nurse
3 Years of Service
- ◆ **Brenda Williams**
Cherry Street School
Instructional Aide
30 Years of Service



Gabrielle Enders is a Literacy Leader!

After student teaching at West Avenue School, Ms. Enders started her teaching career in Bridgeton 8 years ago. She previously taught 2nd grade and currently teaches 4th grade at Buckshutem Road School.

Ms. Enders loves reading novels to and with her students, and her favorite read-alouds are *The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything* and *Don't Let the Pigeon Ride the Bus*. You will often find her reading her own book during the independent reading time so that the students see she is a reader too!

Ms. Enders took a leading role in implementing Orton Gillingham phonics instruction, and IMSE featured her, along with a few of her colleagues, in an [article](#). Perhaps that is why one of her favorite literacy activities includes playing Wordle with her students to strengthen their phonics skills. She also loves using the videos and question stems from Achieve 3000.

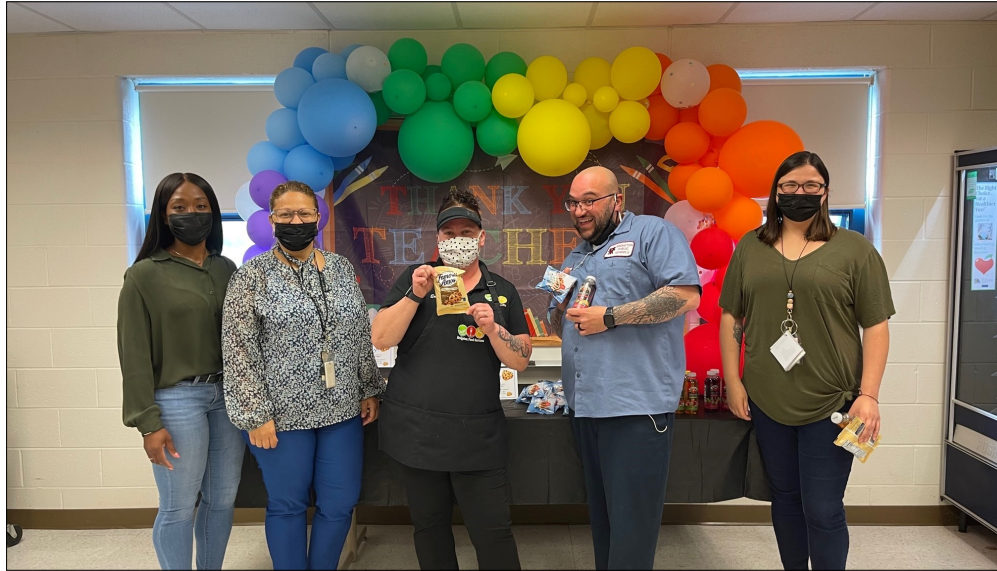
All of Ms. Enders's students track their scores and Lexile growth, and this year alone, all of her 4th graders have completed over 1,200 articles at 75% or higher! On average, the students in the 4th grade grew 75 Lexile Levels within five months.

Ms. Enders would like to remind everyone not to stress themselves out by thinking too far ahead; take it one day or week at a time. She says not to feel guilty about walking away at the end of the day; everything will be there again tomorrow.

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Teacher Appreciation Day At Quarter Mile Lane



Our Board Members



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President



Tyrone Williams
Vice President



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Member



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Member



Albert Morgan
Member



Erica Mosley
Member



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Member



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Member



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Member