

Bridgeton Public Schools

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Superintendent's Winter Edition

Bulldog Briefing

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Happy Monday Bulldog Team!

January is School Board Recognition Month! I would like to highlight our new Board President and Vice President installed at last week's January 3rd reorganization meeting. Ms. Erica Williams-Mosley, BHS Class of 1993 is our new Board President, and Ms. Markida Taylor BHS Class of 2003 is our new Board Vice President. The three of us have already met to begin collaborating, and I look forward to working closely with Ms. Williams-Mosley, Ms. Taylor and other Board members to close out the 2022-2023 school year strong! We salute the service and dedication of all our Board members committed to moving *our students* and district forward.

As you may have noticed, this morning, Bridgeton Public Schools launched free online tutoring for all students grades 3-12. Live tutoring services are now available on weekdays from 3-11 pm and weekends from 10-5 pm. Flyers and information were emailed to all district staff this morning by Dr. Celeste Merriweather, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction. At your leisure, please review this important resource, and share it with students and families on your Dojo message boards as an additional resource for any student needing additional support. Today's rollout supports our commitment to ensuring that every student who needs a tutor has access to one.

Finally, I have included a special treat for all of you, compliments of Bi-lingual Master Teacher, Joel Howard. Please use the QR code provided on this page to access a project entitled *The Sounds of Cumberland County* which includes Joel's newest single, *Long Walk*. In addition to teaching in Bridgeton, Joel has written over 400 songs, published several books, written over 1200 poems, and has produced two albums. Also featured is former QML 3rd grade teacher Margie Perrotti (now retired), who serves as a member of the Millville Woman's Club Chorus, singing *Light That Sparkle*.

The Sounds of Cumberland County 2022 Now Available on Bandcamp.com Scan for FREE download here:

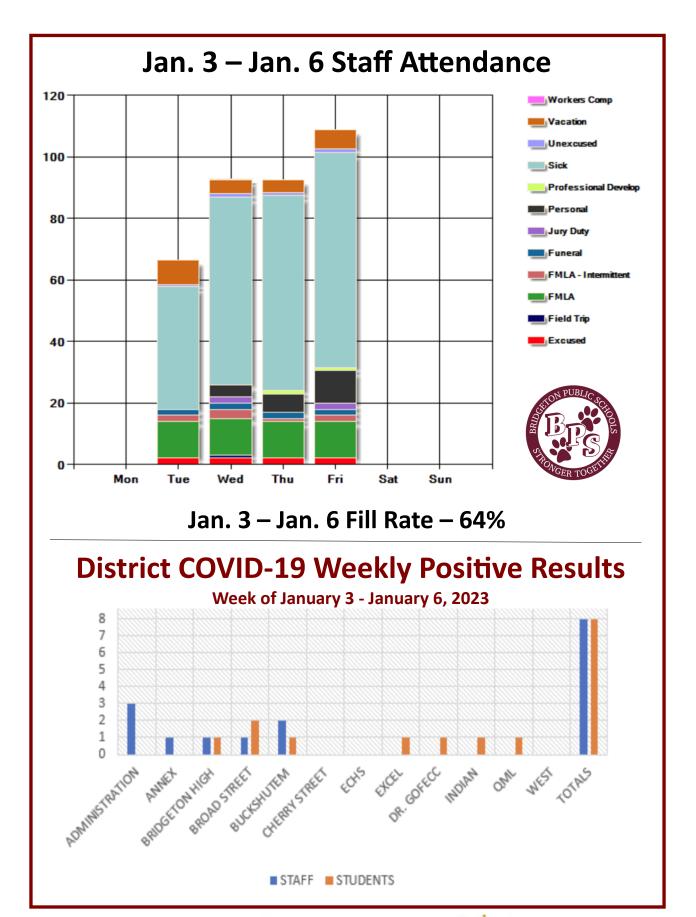








Ready, Set, Read!



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La'Nirah Jones-Snetter, gr. 12 Winter Cheerleading

Congratulations to BHS student athletes La'Nirah Jones-Snetter and Michael Brantley! Both were nominated by their coaches for all of their hard work and commitment to their respective sports in the Month of December. They also have good academic standing and display the kind of character and leadership we are looking for in all of our Student Athletes. Both Athletes of the Month are seniors.



Michael Brantley, gr. 12 Winter Boys Track

Cumberland County, NJ

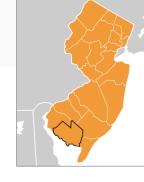
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COMMUNITY RISK LEVEL (i)



HIGH



Cases >



230.1

Weekly new reported cases per 100k

Admissions >



20.7

Weekly COVID admissions per 100k Patients >



8.4%

Patients with COVID of all beds







Kylie Grotti: Literacy Leader!

Kylie Grotti is a Literacy Leader! Ms. Grotti has worked in the Bridgeton Public School District for four years as a Science and Social Studies middle-grade teacher. While she is not a language arts teacher, her building administration recommended her as a literacy leader for incorporating literacy skills within her instruction.

Ms. Grotti works closely with her language arts colleagues to ensure that she includes and reinforces literacy skills. One of Ms. Grotti's favorite books to read in her social studies classroom is *Weslandia* by Paul Fleischman. She says it is a cute story about a boy that creates his own civilization. The students enjoy the story, which ties in perfectly with studying ancient history.

Ms. Grotti also utilizes Achieve 3000, with Mondays designated as "Achieve Day" in Social Studies. She says the students take pride in increasing their scores. They track their individual progress and meet monthly to celebrate growth or discuss where they need to go next. Ms. Grotti and her colleagues also create competitions and whole-class incen-

tives, which the students love.

Ms. Grotti's favorite part of teaching is building relationships with her students. She advises all new teachers not to get overwhelmed trying to do everything perfectly in their first year. You learn as you go and improve with each year.

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Holidazzle Virtual Dance Show Now Online



Upcoming Dates/Events

- 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
- ♦ Jan. 10 BHS Working Group Meeting, 9:00 am
- ♦ Jan. 10 Great School NJ Meeting, 10:00 am
- Jan. 10 Board Finance Committee Meeting,
 4:15 pm
- ◆ Jan. 10 Board Facilities Committee Meeting,
 4:45 pm
- ♦ Jan. 10- Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 pm
- ♦ Jan. 11 Leadership Meeting, 8:30 am
- Jan. 11 Principal Data Review Meetings,
 9:45 am
- Jan. 12 All Principals Check-in with Superintendent, 2:30 pm
- Jan. 13 Superintendents Leadership Network,
 8:45 am at Rowan University
- ♦ Jan. 13 Mid-year Budget Review, 2:00 pm

Meetings/Community Engagement January 3 - 6

- Meetings held with the Executive Director of 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 Leadership Meeting
- ♦ BOE Reorganization Meeting
- ♦ Agenda Review Meeting
- Board Curriculum Committee Meeting
- ♦ Student Government Meeting
- ♦ Bus Transportation Remote Demonstration
- Board Policy Meeting
- ♦ All Principals Check-in with Superintendent
- ♦ Superintendents Roundtable
- Budget Meeting



Students Bring Holiday Cheer to the 'Manor'



Before the winter break, students from Indian Avenue School visited senior residents at the Cumberland Manor nursing facility. Children assisted the residents with arts and crafts and also offered a selection of holiday songs.











Our Board Members



Ms. Erica Williams-Mosley
President



Ms. Markida Taylor Vice President



Ms. Angelia Edwards Member



Mrs. Dionne Edwards
Member



Rev. Dr. Albert Morgan Member



Mrs. Mary Peterson Member



Mr. Kenny SmithBey Jr. Member



Dr. Colleen Turner Member



Mr. Tyrone Williams Member

