

Bennet Elementary District OR 1

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With December quickly approaching, we are continuing to build children of character at Bennet Elementary. In the month of December, we will focus on the "Responsibility" Pillar for Character Counts.

Responsibility is: Do what you are supposed to do • Plan ahead • Persevere: keep on trying • Always do your best • Use self-control • Be selfdisciplined • Think before you act — consider the consequences • Be accountable for your words, actions, and attitudes • Set a good example for others.

So far we have discussed, practiced and demonstrated the pillars of **T**rustworthiness and **R**espect.

Our first semester will come to an end on December 21<sup>st</sup>. We will be dismissing on December 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:10 for Winter Break and return January 3<sup>rd</sup>. There will be NO afterschool Rec. on December 21<sup>st</sup>

Have a wonderful weekend. As always, please contact me if you have any questions, comments or concerns at <u>walter.lin@districtor1.net.</u> Mrs. Walter

### \*There will not be a Bennet Booster meeting for December.

### Santa's Overflow

**Saturday, December 1**<sup>st</sup>, from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM, the Bennet Elementary Gym will open up for a clothing and toy pick up. Anyone is welcome to pick out clothing, shoes, toys....for free.

Santa's helpers will be available from 10:00 AM-2:00 PM to help wrap gifts. If you would like to volunteer or have items to give, please contact Lillie at 402-440-2871 or check out Mom's Food Pantry on Facebook.

# Music News –Winter Concert – Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup>



Our K-3 concert will be at 6:30 PM on Thursday, December 6th at the High School. Students should arrive at 6:20 PM.

Our 4-6 concert, including band and Bennet Singers will be at 7:45 PM at the High School. Students should arrive at 7:35. Band students need to arrive and go into the music room at 7:25.

PLEASE allow parents exiting the gym from the K-3 concert to do so before entering.

There is no dress code, but we encourage students to wear holiday colors.

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#### **Music Concert Rehearsal**

We will have our Winter Concert rehearsal at the High School on Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. K-3 will rehearse from 9:00–9:45 AM. Grades 4-6 will rehearse from 9:45-11:00. All students will report for classes at Bennet Elementary that morning and will be shuttled to the HS for rehearsal. All students will return to Bennet Elementary by shuttle following rehearsals.

#### Winter Weather

Winter is here and this is a great time to remind everyone that supervision at the High School begins at 7:30 AM for those students eating breakfast or being shuttled to the Elementary. **Supervision and breakfast begin at 7:50 AM for elementary students.** Students should not be arriving at school before these times unless they use the before

school program. **Cool weather is headed our way!** Coats, hats, and mittens will be needed most days for recess. It is helpful if you can put your child's name in coats. We can easily return items to your child if there is a name on the tag. Please visit our Lost and Found for items that are missing.

# School Closing Due to

### **Inclement Weather**

Each winter we have school days when we are faced with the dilemma as to whether school will start on time, start late, or should be canceled altogether. This decision is never easy to make, but we want you to know that we have our students' safety foremost in mind. With that said, be aware that we will monitor road conditions closely and will use that information to make the determination about a school closing or late start. We will check roads beginning at 4:30 AM so that we can arrive at a decision by 6:15 AM. If a decision is made to close school or to have a late start, we will notify families via the District School notification system and KFOR radio 1240 AM. These are the primary contacts with late start or closing information. In addition, we will notify channel 10-11 television for the Lincoln market and Channel 6 television in the Omaha market. Our website and Twitter feed will be updated, as quickly as we can in order to get information out in a timely fashion.

I would remind you to update your contact information with the school. This includes your email, home phone and mobile phone information. If our information is incorrect or missing, we will be unable to contact you via the District Notification system in case of a weather closure.

## **Upcoming Events**

### December

- -6<sup>th</sup> Winter Concert at PHS
- -10<sup>th</sup> BOE Meeting @ 7:00 PM
- -21<sup>st</sup> End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter
- -21<sup>st</sup> Early Dismissal 1:10 PM

# Palmyra Library Movie Night



The Palmyra library is hosting a movie night at the Palmyra Activities Center on Friday, November

30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. There will be snacks during the movie.