

Panther Families,

Thank You to all who were able to attend the Carnival on Friday. It was an amazing turnout and we raised over \$8,000 for Spiritridge PTSA. It was a tremendous time, and everyone seemed to be having a fun time. Big Shout Out to our PTSA for all their hard work and efforts – so many of you came together to make it work!! This is what community is all about

We are at our last full week of school. It has been a long year full of challenges and growth for students, staff, and families. Your support has been wonderful, and we do not take it for granted. Let’s end the school year with positive memories and experiences for our students. Please remind your students about our Panther Principles: *Show Respect, Solve Problems and Make Good Decisions*. These last days of school can involve many emotions for students and we are here to support them as we transition through the end of school and into summer.

We got this – TOGETHER

KEY DATES FOR END OF YEAR EVENTS:

June 17	Fri	5 th Grade Celebration 9:30-10:45 outside <i>Immediate family members of current 5th grades students only please</i>
June 20	Mon	Field Day: 1:05-1:55 K/2/4 and 2:15-3:05 1/3/5
June 21	Tue	Last Day - School Dismisses at 11:05

JUNE 21 – LAST DAY OF SCHOOL 2 HOURS

Spiritridge 9:05-11:05

June 21, 2022 is a two-hour day for students. All schools start at their regular times and dismiss two hours later. Please see this link for the 2-Hour Day Start and End times: [BSD 2 Hour Schedule for 6-21-22.xlsx](#).

LIBRARY BOOK RETURN

All library books are due back by June 15th. Look for an email from our librarian, Mrs. Gehrke, in the next two weeks with a list of the books that have been checked out to your child(ren). Email Mrs.Gehrke with any questions gehrkee@bsd405.org.

Thanks for your help wrapping up an amazing year in the Spiritridge Library

#TOGETHER

SPIRITRIDGE NEWS

Field Day – June 20, Monday Volunteers needed

- 1:05-1:55 = K/2/4
- 2:15-3:05 = 1/3/5

See PTSA Website to sign up: <https://spiritridge.org/Home>

TECH COLLECTION - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As we wrap up the school year the principal and technology team are looking for parents to volunteer collecting the computers. Two adults are needed at each time frame - please sign up at the link below

- June 14 Tue 1:00-3:30
- June 15 Wed 8:30-12:00
- June 16 Thur 12:30-3:30
- June 17 Fri 8:30-12:00
- June 20 Mon 8:30-12:00

[Sign Up Here](#)

SCIENCE KITS: [Order your Kits Here](#)

Kits will be available for pick up at the Family Science Night as well as the Carnival.

RIGHT AT SCHOOL SUMMER PROGRAM – See Attached Flyer

**RIGHT AT SCHOOL BEFOR/AFTER SCHOOL FALL REGISTRATION
OPEN NOW– See Attached Flyer**

[Spiritridge Elementary Student Placement Profile 2022](#)

(Current K-4th graders only)

Each year we seek to gather as much information from our current families about plans for their child next school year. This information helps us in creating balanced classrooms and finding the best class assignments for students.

Any information you share will be used to assist teachers and school leaders in our Student Placement process.

Thank you for taking a few minutes to complete the following Student Placement Profile on your child or children currently enrolled in grades K -4 at Spiritridge. Please submit your response before June 1 if possible. ***You will need to complete a separate form for each child.***

[Spiritridge Elementary Student Placement Profile 2022](#)

BSD NEWS:

JUNETEENTH

BSD Equity and Family Engagement teams are proud to sponsor the next event in the “Black History Beyond February” speaker series. Dr. Quintard Taylor, Ph.D., will present and engage in discussion on the history and importance of Juneteenth. Juneteenth is the oldest nationally celebrated commemoration of the ending of slavery in the United States and the nation’s newest federal holiday.

Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022

Time: 5:15 - 6:19 p.m.

Location: MS Teams

[Register online now.](#)

[Learn more and access the event flyer.](#)

CHANGE OF ADDRESS – MOVING

Have you moved in the past year? Are you planning to move over the summer?

In the event of an emergency, it is important that the school district have an up-to-date address for your student(s). If you have moved, please submit a [change of address form](#) to SPResidency@bsd405.org

Please include the [documents needed to establish residency.](#)

If you will be moving over the summer, please submit the change of address information, within 5 days of your move, to SPResidency@bsd405.org Student Placement will work with you regarding your student’s school. Thank you!

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TRANSPORTATION SURVEY – CITY OF BELLEVUE – Closes June 13

The City of Bellevue is seeking travel data on how students travel to and from

school. This annual survey will help them evaluate strategies for the Bellevue SchoolPool program, which aims to reduce drop-off and pick-up congestion at schools.

Please consider participating in their short, five-question survey for each school-aged child. The survey closes after Wednesday, June 8. [Complete the survey.](#)

If you have questions, please contact Stela Nikolova, Bellevue SchoolPool Program Lead, at snikolova@bellevuewa.gov.

BOARD LISTENING SESSIONS

The Directors of the Bellevue School Board welcome the community to join in a series of engagement opportunities that seek to center community voice, help shape district direction, and inform the leadership profile for the next district superintendent.

What are Listening Sessions?

Listening sessions are conversations for students, staff and community members to engage directly with BSD's School Board Directors.

Who Should Participate?

Everyone is invited — students, staff, families and community members. Some of the session will be held in-person and some are virtual. The session on May 5 will be a large community session with all five board members in attendance. The remaining sessions will be smaller group sessions with two Board Directors in attendance.

Why should I participate?

Participants can expect to talk with Board members on important topics that help shape district direction and inform the profile for the next district superintendent.

Registration is required for all sessions, and attendance links will be sent to participants prior to each session date. Session dates and times are listed on the [Spring BSD Board Listening Sessions](#) webpage. Registration is also available through the district website or by [clicking here](#).

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RIGHT AT SCHOOL SUMMER CAMP 2022

June 27-August 26 7:00am-6pm \$252/week

Explore, discover and get messy – an exciting new adventure awaits at RAS Summer Camp at Lake Hills and Somerset. Learn more at this link:

[RAS.NEWS/SUMMER](https://ras.bellevuewa.gov/news/summer)

2022-23 Enrollment Now Open

It is time to enroll new students:

New student enrollment (including incoming kindergarteners) for the 2022-2023

school year is now open at <https://bsd405.org/schools/enrollment/>. While you may enroll your students later, enrolling now helps the district ensure we have the correct staffing to support your students with the smallest classes possible.

If your student is already enrolled in a BSD school, you do not need to submit a new enrollment. They will automatically move up to the next grade.

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Bellevue Virtual Academy Enrollment 2022-23

The Bellevue School District is thrilled to announce that the Bellevue Virtual Academy (BVA) is the district's 30th school! Starting with the 2022-2023 school year, BVA will be renamed and offer a permanent online learning option for BSD students in grades kindergarten through 12. It will be a choice school, and students will need to apply to join the program. Families may apply to the program for the 2022-2023 school year by completing [this form](#). **Applications are due back by the end of the day Sunday, April 10, 2022.** Once accepted, students will be able to stay through graduation and receive a diploma from the new school.

To help families learn more about online learning and enrollment for the 2022-23 school year, the district will host an [Online Information Session](#) on **Tuesday, March 29 at 6:00 p.m.** Additional resources include

- [Online Application - Apply Now](#)
- [Read the 2022-2023 school year FAQ](#)
- [Learn more about the online program](#)
- Hear from [students](#) and [teacher-mentors](#) as they share why BVA was important to them in the 2021-2022 school year.

[BSD Preschool Registration](#)

BSD Preschool Registration is now open! Please click [here](#) to register!

Contact elp@bsd.405 with questions.

- Convenient locations in BSD elementary schools
- Qualified and caring BSD educators
- Tuition assistance for qualified families
- Spanish and Mandarin curricula
- Preschool – K curricula alignment for kindergarten readiness
- A fun first school experience that promotes adaptive and social skills

Extended childcare hours available

HELPFUL LINKS

- **BSD calendars** - <https://bsd405.org/wp-content/pdf/calendar/2021-2022-family-staff-calendar.pdf>
- **BSD website:** <https://bsd405.org/>
- **School website:** <https://bsd405.org/> then select “Schools”, school level and your school
- **Resources for Student/Family well-being** – a list of well-being resources can be found on the counseling department website - <https://bsd405.org/services/counseling/well-being-resources/>
- **Covid-19 Health and Safety** - <https://bsd405.org/services/health/covid-19-health-and-safety/>
- **Nutrition Services:** <https://bsd405.org/services/nutrition-services/>
 - Free & Reduced priced meals application will become available on **August 16, 2021.**
 - Sign up - <https://bsd405.org/services/nutrition-services/free-reduced/>
- **School Bus Information** (for elementary and middle school students): <https://bsd405.org/departments/transportation/> (the Transportation Dept will assist with any questions regarding bus service);

[BSD OFFICIAL NOTICES](#)

The 2021-2022 Official Notices, Weapons Policy and Truancy Laws are available on the district website. English, Spanish and Simplified Chinese versions can be found on the [Official Notices page](#).

Noticias Para Familias de BSD y LWSD Spanish Newsletter

Did you know that BSD partners with the [Bellevue Schools Foundation](#), [Lake Washington School District](#), [Lake Washington Schools Foundation](#) and [Eastside Pathways](#) to produce a weekly video newsletter that shares thoughtful and culturally-relevant content with our Spanish-speaking families? The newsletters include up-to-date news from the district, information on district or school-related programs and how to access them, and ways to continue navigating the school system. Additionally, the newsletters are delivered by native Spanish speakers from BSD and LWSD.

[Learn more about the newsletter](#)

[Watch the September 20-24 Video Newsletter](#)