

The Falcon Brief

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March/April 2021

From the Principal's Desk...

Greetings Falcon Families,

As we close out the month of March we are entering the final quarter of the 20-21 school year. You should have previously received information regarding our final exam schedule. The schedule is also included in this letter. Our spring break will begin on Monday, March 29 and school will resume on Monday, April 5.

RE-ENTRY PLAN

I am excited about the progress that we have made with our re-entry plan and we are looking forward to welcoming an additional wave of students after spring break. If you are interested in your student returning to in person instruction after spring break (April 5) please call or email Ms. Torrence at 414-371-7006 or storrence@brownderschools.com. We will welcome students back weekly on Mondays only, after spring break. We need a few days to plan for students returning to in person instruction, so all requests should be by the Thursday prior to a Monday return. We will continue with a 4-day in person hybrid schedule. Wednesdays will remain virtual for the remainder of the school year.

With the return of additional students, it is imperative that students remain informed regarding our safety policies. In order to ensure the safety of all students and staff, we ask that families review the safety protocols posted on our school website [BDHS Reopening FAQs - In Person](#). Students must wear masks properly, practice social distancing, and wash hands frequently. Safety is our top priority!

HOMECOMING/PROM/GRADUATION

While there have been struggles, I feel confident that we are on a path toward a greater sense of normalcy. We are planning for homecoming the week of April 19-23. The activities will consist of a spirit week, and a tailgate spread throughout the campus right before the football game on April 23.

In surveying the junior and senior class regarding options for Prom, 45% voted for no prom in 2021, 39% voted for "other" activity in place of prom (picnic, skating, comedy show) and 16% voted to have a prom in the

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fieldhouse with a dinner and photo. Based on the student selection we will not host a prom for the 2021 school year. We will host a comedy show with a cookout catered by Saz's on Friday, May 21st for our senior class.

I am happy to announce we will have an in-person graduation on May 29, at 1pm in the fieldhouse. Attendance will be limited to parents and guardians. The graduation will have a live feed to allow for all to view the ceremony. Our awards recognition will be embedded into the ceremony to allow for the recognition of honor graduates and scholarship announcements.

ASPIRE/FORWARD TESTING

Brown Deer High School will be administering the ACT Aspire to all 9th grade students on **Wednesday**, April 14th and 10th grade students on **Wednesday**, April 21, 2021. The ACT Aspire is a summative assessment that measures what students have learned in the areas of: English, Reading, Math, Science, and Writing. It is an online assessment, Per ACT Aspire guidelines, virtual administration is not an option. ACT Aspire scores predict how a student will perform on the ACT when they reach 11th grade.

Lunch and snacks will be provided on testing day. Please complete this [Act Aspire transportation survey](#) for 9th and 10th-grade students if your child needs bus transportation on the day of testing. Bus transportation will only be provided for students who qualify for transportation. Students should arrive at the field house entrance by 7:45 am. It is imperative that students are on time as the ACT Aspire guidelines prevent students from taking the test after the scheduled start time.

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Please remember that progression in high school is based on credits earned. I encourage families to monitor their students' academic progress closely during this time. Students who don't earn the required credits put their graduation at risk. If your student needs additional support please reach out to his/her school counselor so that we can arrange for those supports.

As always, I would like to thank students, and parents for all of their support during these challenging times. As we continue to move forward, we encourage parents to be vigilant in monitoring student grades through Skyward.

Respectfully,
Tosha Womack
Principal

Our Mission: At Brown Deer Middle/High School, we are not only preparing our students for the world, we are preparing them to LEAD the WORLD!

BDHS SCHOOL COUNSELING UPDATES

Seniors

Graduation is quickly approaching, as preparation for the graduation ceremony has begun. It is important for your child to finish the year strong and make sure they are meeting all requirements for graduation. Please check Skyward on a regular basis to make sure your child is not falling behind on his/her course work.

All senior business must be taken care of before graduation tickets will be issued. This includes:

- CTEERS survey
- Senior survey
- Student fees

Your Senior should also be checking out scholarships. They can go to the Brown Deer Middle High school website under Counseling Services to link to scholarship websites and to view other scholarship opportunities. It is very important to make sure your son/daughter is getting all documentation for colleges and scholarships submitted by their deadlines.

Juniors

All Juniors recently took the ACT. Results should be emailed and/or mailed home sometime in the month of April. There is another opportunity to take the ACT exam again on Saturday, June 12th. The registration deadline for the test is Friday, May 7th. Students that would like to retake the ACT will need to register on the act website (my.act.org). If you have any questions, please contact your child's counselor. There is also an ACT testing date on July 17th.

Sophomores

All Sophomores will be taking the ACT Aspire test on April 21. The test will mirror the actual ACT test that they will take Junior year and done all in one day.

Freshmen

All Freshmen will be taking the ACT Aspire test on April 14th.

All Students

AP Testing: The first AP testing window is from May 3-17 with an alternate testing window May 18-28. Please consult with your child's AP teacher to check the date and time of the test.

STUDENT SUPPORT TEAM

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TERM 3 EXAM SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, MARCH 25TH	
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Teachers available for additional help
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Period 1 - Review/Help and EXAM
11:10 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.	LUNCH
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Period 2 - Review/Help and EXAM
2:05 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Additional Help - if needed

FRIDAY, MARCH 26TH	
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Teachers available for additional help
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Period 4 - Review/Help and EXAM <i>*If you have a black/gold class you will have class instead of an exam</i> 9:00 a.m. - 9:55 a.m. - GOLD class 10:00 a.m. - 10:55 a.m. - BLACK class
11:10 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.	LUNCH
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Period 5 - Review/Help and EXAM
2:05 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	MAKE UP EXAMS

2020-21 CALENDAR

**** Calendar subject to change. Please always check the BD website for all updates****

April 2021

3/29-31 Spring Break – No School
1-2 Spring Break – No School
5 School Resumes
6-5/7 State Testing
9 Report cards mailed
14 Aspire testing 9th grade
21 Aspire testing 10 grade
28 No School-Professional Learning Day



May 2021

3-7 State Testing
3-17 AP (Advanced Placement) Exams
19 No School Professional Learning Day
21 Locker cleanout 12th grade only
21 Senior Night
24 Senior Exams – Gold Day
25 Senior Exams – Black Day
26 Senior Exams –G/B & makeup
28 Locker cleanout 9th – 11th grade
29 Senior Graduation 1pm Field House
31 No School Memorial Day

June 2021

1 Exams Gr 9-11
2 Exams Gr 9-11
3 Exams Gr 9-11
4 Early Release 11:15am
4 Last Day of School
11 Report Cards Mailed
14- 7/16 Summer School

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Reception Office
(414) 371-7000

Athletic Office
(414) 371-7007

Health Office
(414) 371-7024

Attendance Office
Please phone in your child's absence
(414) 371-7020
24 hours day, 7 days a week
Please leave the student name, date of absence,
and reason for absence.

Office of the Principal
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