

News from Bonnie Branch Middle School

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News from BBMS... January 28

Hello BBMS Families,

We hope that you are doing well and that the new year has started off strong for your entire family. Students just finished the second marking period, which marks the halfway point of the school year for them. Are you happy with their progress? Do you have any concerns? **Please get in touch with your teachers, counselor or an administrator so we can help.** Our goal is to see every student meet their full potential as they prepare for high school and strong communication will help us know who may need some extra support. **Two ways you can check on progress in the near future will be grades (Report Cards come home February 5) and MAP testing (February 6 to 9 for Reading; February 12 to 15 for Math).** Both are good indicators of readiness for being successful in high school courses.

Now here are some dates to remember; please mark your calendars. We really hope to see many BBMS families at these events. We have many chances for students to excel and enrich their middle school experience. Please see some of those events that are coming soon:

Jan 30 - HC Drugfree Presentation at Howard High School. 7pm.

Feb 1 - Gifted and Talented Students go to Oakland Mills HS for a "Code Slam" event.

Feb 3 - Bonnie Branch "Math Counts" team competition at McDonogh School. Owings Mills, Maryland. 9:00am to 2:30pm.

Feb 7 - Music with the Sharks Recital. 7:00pm. Come here students and all their musical talent (and maybe parents and staff will play too)!! A snow date has been set for February 13.

Feb 7 - PTA Meeting. 7:00pm.

Feb 9 - National History Day at BBMS!

Feb 21 - Poetry Slam at BBMS. Come hear students present poetry, dance, and step! We have some talented students who will share their powerful works in poetry,

while entertaining us with their routines. 6:00pm to 8:00pm. A snow date has been set for February 28.

Feb 23 - Gifted and Talented Students Film field trip to American University, Washington, DC.

Feb 23 - SNOW BALL DANCE sponsored by the PTA!!!

March 16 - International Night. This event is being sponsored by the PTA and our Student Council. We hope to bring our entire community together in an event that celebrates the rich diversity of our school and community. We are blessed to be able to share this richness with each other and hope you save the date and stop by. Maybe you want to help with the planning and share your stories too!

April 21 - 7th Grade Sponsored 5K - tentative date. Hold your calendar open! More details coming soon.

Go Sharks!

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