

BELMONT SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

Superintendent's Update

November 23, 2021

TESTING, VACCINATION, AND HEALTH UPDATE

Belmont Health Team Activity

School Department:

1. Test and Stay, Pool Testing on going in our schools.
2. The National Guard is no longer in our schools.
3. Pool testing will change at the elementary level from an in school swab to an at home swap process after Thanksgiving.
4. This will result in less classroom disruption and a reduce work load on our nursing team.

Belmont Health Department:

1. Had one successful 5-11 year old vaccination clinic.
2. Will host a second 5-11 year old vaccination clinic this week.
3. Has and will continue community testing after Thanksgiving and Winter recess.

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- ▶ Update on Initial 5-11 Year Old Vaccination Rate

Grade	% vaccinated (1 dose)
K	52.50%
1	49.30%
2	48.50%
3	52.80%
4	56.60%
5	50%

The Health Department will be able to vaccinate roughly an additional 168 additional children in the 5-11 age group this week.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF AND HIRING

▶ Burbank:

- ▶ Two finalist candidates were interviewed by the community and staff last night (Monday 11/22/21).
- ▶ Feedback forms were provided to all school community members who were on the call and the input will be reviewed to support the decision on the chosen candidate.
- ▶ Our goal is to make an offer to one of the candidates by tomorrow.

▶ Butler:

- ▶ Two finalist candidates were interviewed by the community and staff last week (Thursday 11/18/21).
- ▶ Feedback forms were provided to all school community members who were on the call and the input will be reviewed to support the decision on the chosen candidate.
- ▶ Our goal is to make an offer to one of the candidates by tomorrow.

Both positions are interim roles and appointed by the superintendent

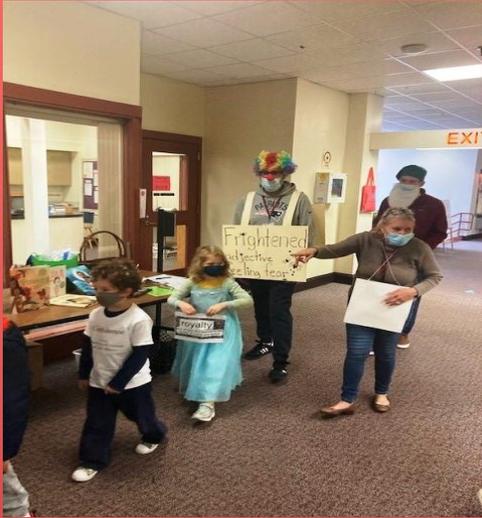


Chenery Solar Panels Installation – Thank You Facilities
and Belmont Light

BELMONT HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC PROGRAM

- BHS bands will be in concert with the internationally acclaimed **Boston Brass** on **December 2 at 7:00 p.m.**
- This concert is the FIRST concert in the new auditorium! This will be a fun and unique evening of music.
- Please go to the [POMS website](#) for more information about this event and ticket purchase.





- **All of the elementary school PTA/PTO co-sponsored** a virtual visit on October 26 from author Art Coulson who wrote *Look, Grandma! Ni, Elisi!* Mr. Coulson is Cherokee from Oklahoma and comes from a family of storytellers. He spoke about American Indian culture and the inclusion of Indigenous voices.
- **Wellington** held their fourth Annual Fun Run on October 29. The PTO run was a huge success, raising almost \$17,000 to support school enrichment.
- **Butler** held a Vocabulary Day Parade on October 29. At this annual event, children are invited to wear or bring in costumes to illustrate or demonstrate a vocabulary word. Principal Danielle Betancourt says it was wonderful to see the children displaying their word power creatively with clever words and costumes that showed the words.



Good News Update – All Schools!

- **Burbank** held a virtual Library Night on November 10. They encouraged children to cuddle with their favorite stuffed animal and wear their favorite pajamas while they listened to some Burbank teachers read aloud their favorite stories.
- **Winn Brook** third graders launched their mystery unit in reading this month. To create the mood, some teachers dressed as spies in trench coats and played music from the Pink Panther movies as a fun way to be inspired to learn to look for clues as they read their mysteries.
- **CMS Community Service Club** were in full force, helping clean the leaves from the Chenery campus this fall. The club does many wonderful community service-minded activities throughout the year.

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