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#### Calendar

# Web-Based Parent Teacher Student Conference Scheduling is Open

Thu Feb 18, 2016

- ♥ 7:30am Bryant Choir
- ▼ 12pm Gr. 5 Band Lessons
- ♥ 5:30pm BFO Exec. Board Mtg.
- ◆ 6:00pm BFO General Mtg. All are welcome.
- ♥ 6:00pm Girl Scout Troop 7345

# ◆ 6:00pm Bryant Skate Party

Fri Feb 19, 2016

▼ 2pm Gr. 5 Band Lessons

Mon Feb 22, 2016

- ♥ 3:05pm Gr 5 Orch. rehearsal
- ♥ 6pm Girl Scouts 3rd Grade

Tue Feb 23, 2016

- ♥ Orchestra Lessons
- 6:30pm Elementary String Festival at Hempstead

Thu Feb 25, 2016

- ♥ 7:30am Bryant Choir
- ▼ 12pm Gr. 5 Band Lessons
- ♥ 3:05pm Gr. 5 Band Ensemble
- 4pm Leisure Services Boys' Basketball GAME at Bryant
- ♥ 6pm Girl Scouts Gr. 5



**Dear Parents and Guardians,** 

Please consider attending the Bryant Family Organization's meeting tonight at 6pm in the library. Our instructional coach, Mr. Nick Hess, will be sharing information and answering your question on standards-based grading. The session is called, "E, M, N, B, C, H, S, & U... What do all those letters mean?"

There is also a skate party tonight from 6-8pm at Skate Country.

You might want to view the article on page 2, "Steps for Growing Respectful and Responsible Kids". Keystone AEA and the Parent & Educator Connection are offering a free parent workshop presented by Patricia Wells, Director of Creating Student Success (and former Director of the Iowa Behavioral Alliance).

~Vicki Sullivan, Principal

## PARENT-TEACHER-STUDENT CONFERENCES

#### Web-based scheduling is open!

Thank you! 54% of students are already scheduled for conferences.

Look for a BRIGHTLY colored paper note that was sent home last Friday. It includes a username and password along with directions on how to schedule your child's conference.

Please call us at 552-3403 if you need assistance.



# E, M, N, B, C, H, S, & U

Please consider attending the next Bryant Family Organization meeting on Thursday, Feb. 18 at 6pm in the library. Our instructional coach, Mr. Nick Hess, will be sharing information and leading a discussion on standards-based grading called, "E, M, N, B, C, H, S, & U... What do all those letters mean?"

# **CONFERENCES**

At each PTS conference, student and teacher will be prepared to celebrate student's strengths, share areas for improvement, and engage in goal setting to focus everyone's time and energy for the final trimester of the school year. We look forward to seeing you at conferences on March 2 or 3! How can you help? If you have immediate questions or concerns about your child's progress, communicate with the teacher now. If you have specific questions or concerns that you'd like to discuss at conferences, please let the teacher know in advance so he/she can be prepared.

# JUMP ROPE FOR HEART





On **Feb. 29, March 1 and March 2**, our school will hold a Jump Rope for Heart event during physical education classes. **YOU CAN HELP SAVE LIVES!** It's Jump Rope for Heart season, and we are learning about how to take care of our hearts, spreading the message to friends and family, and helping others when we can! The American Heart Association's goal is to improve the cardiovascular health of Americans. Through the Bryant Jump Rope for Heart event students will have the opportunity to help donate to the American Heart

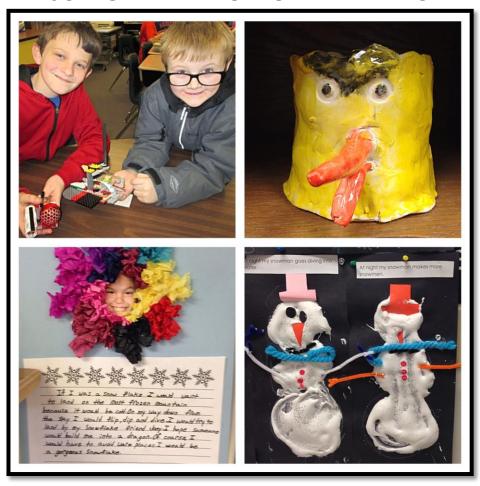
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Association to fight against heart diseases and stroke - #1 and #5 causes of death in our country. Jump Rope for Heart is a voluntary event. These events are held at schools nationwide and not only help students learn about the benefits of regular physical activity and heart health, but also raise funds to support vital heart and stroke research as well as educational programs. Below is a link where you child has the opportunity to send emails and raise life-saving donations online.

Bryant Donation Page: http://jumphoops2016mwa.kintera.org/bryantelemdubuqueia

(Click on "Join a Team") Please join us in teaching our students the importance of being heart healthy for life and consider donating to the life-saving mission!

### **JOYFUL ADVENTURES IN LEARNING!**



# STEPS FOR GROWING RESPECTFUL AND RESPONSIBLE KIDS

DATE: March 10, 2016, 6-8pm AUDIENCE: Parents, Educators and Community Providers LOCATION: Elkader AEA, Conference Rooms D1-D3 (Teleconference participation available as well)

Keystone AEA and the Parent & Educator Connection is proud to offer a free parent workshop presented by Patricia Wells, Director of Creating Student Success (and former Director of the Iowa Behavioral Alliance). The workshop will help parents find simple methods that help their kids be respectful and responsible while ensuring strong positive relationships with them and keep peace at home.

Join us to learn how to:

- View discipline problems as a chance to help your child learn new, socially appropriate ways to behave.
- Use common socials skills for children and youth to guide your discipline efforts.
- Clarify your personal expectations for your child/youth at home, creating more peaceful routines.
- Strengthen your child/youth and increase desired behaviors through the use of effective praise.
- Look at misbehavior as a teaching opportunity and to peacefully correct your child/youth.