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## CALENDAR

### The Week Ahead

#### Mon Oct 31

- Orchestra Group Rehearsals 3:05pm

#### Tue Nov 1

- Band Group Rehearsal 3:05 pm
- Leisure Services Volleyball 3:00-4:30pm
- Girl Scouts Troop 7345 Grades 2/3 6:30-7:30

#### Thurs Nov 4

- Leisure Services Volleyball 3:00-4:30pm

## Mark Your Calendars

Site Council

**ST Math Presentation**

**Thurs, November 16**

**6:00-7:00pm**

No School

on

**November 23, 24, and 25.**

## BRYANT FAMILIES,

It was great to have such wonderful attendance at parent, teacher, student conferences. 98% of our families attended the conferences. I know that schedules are busy and that it sometimes takes much effort to attend the conferences, but we are glad you did!

Conferences are not the only times that you receive communication from the teachers. Teachers utilize a variety of different formats to communicate with the families so they know what is happening in the classroom. In addition, progress reports go home three times a year, and there will be another conference time in the spring. These are just the more routine and formalized times that communication occurs between the teachers and parents. If ever you should have questions, please be sure to give your child's teacher a call, or send an email. Don't wait until conference time!

With gratitude,

*Chris McCarron*

Principal

## Fall Music Concert!

The students in kindergarten, second and fourth grades did a great job with their fall concert. This year's choir also had its debut and dazzled us with their songs. It is a treat to hear the joy in the voices of all of our performers and to see the pride in their eyes. There also are many parents who let that same pride show! We celebrate the gifts of these students.

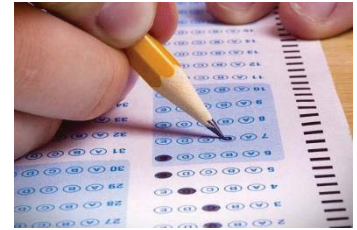
A special thanks to Mrs. Sellers for her work to prepare the students for the concert. Although we see Mrs. Sellers in front of the students, there are also many other staff members behind the scenes who help to make the evening a success. From the other specialists, to classroom teachers, paraprofessionals, and custodial staff, everyone plays a special role in these events.

**“Music is the art of thinking with sounds.”**

Jules Combarieu

## ITP

Students in grades 3-5 begin the ITP, the Iowa Testing Program. This is the new form of what many of us know as Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS). This is an assessment that measures the students' performance on a grade assessment. There are a number of assessments that teachers schedule over a period of a couple weeks. The classroom teachers will include the dates of the assessments in their classroom communications with you.



So, how can you prepare your child for these assessments? Like every day for school, create a schedule that allows your child to get a good night's rest, make sure that your child eats breakfast each day, and encourage him/her to do the best they can. You can share with your child that there may be challenging questions, but by persevering and doing their best, that they will do well.

Throughout the school, we will be testing between November 3<sup>rd</sup> to November 22<sup>nd</sup>. While we always want students to be here each day and to arrive on time, it is especially important during this time.

## LEARN ABOUT ST MATH

When: Thursday, November 10

Time: 6:00-7:00 pm



The Site Council meets each month to help to provide guidance and feedback regarding the educational programming here at Bryant. The Site Council reviews student achievement data for our school and provides Ms. McCarron with parental insight to all that happens here.

Since we started a new component within our math instruction this school year, Mrs. Bridget Hamilton, the DCSD math coordinator, will be coming to Bryant to provide information to the Site Council regarding this new math program. She will share how this program supports our current math practices and helps our students to develop conceptual understanding in math. This program is utilized in kindergarten through fifth grades. ***For this meeting, we welcome any parents who might want to learn more about ST Math to join us.*** If you would like to learn about ST Math, please consider joining us for this session.