



The Weekly Growl

Brown Elementary School

Byron Center Public Schools

April 25, 2025

Summer 2025 Tennis Camp

The Byron Center Tennis Program will be hosting a K-8th grade Boys and Girls Summer Tennis Camp for youth tennis players ages 5-15. Check out more information [here](#)!

Summer 2025 56er Camp

We are once again offering a 56er BulldogPower camp this Summer. This is for upcoming 5th and 6th grade students. Find more information [here](#) and register with this link:

<https://byroncenterathletics.com/Registrations>

Robotics Summer Camp Opportunity for students finishing 4th-6th grade

Code Red Robotics is offering our NRG Summer Camp once again this year. Camp will take place June 2-5 and 7 in the robotics space at Byron Center High School. NRG is a competitive robotics program for grade 4-6 students where each student builds and modifies their own Arduino robot to play a game. Parents attend each session with their student to assist and serve as a drive coach. In addition to robot work and drive practice, first time students complete STEM challenges, and returning students learn basic programming for their robots. The summer camp culminates in a tournament complete with qualification matches, playoffs, and an award ceremony. Sessions on Monday-Thursday, June 2-5 will take place 6:30-8:30 pm. Saturday, June 7 will be the tournament, 7:45 am-3:00 pm. Cost for first time students is \$150.00 (cost includes Arduino robot kit, a carrying case, and a shirt) and \$50.00 for returning students.

If you would like to register your child for camp, please use this link to the [NRG Summer Camp Registration Form](#). There is a link to the camp schedule included in the form.

If you have any questions or need more information, please email linda.baas@codedrobotics.com. Join us as we have fun with robots and play the game Save the Ducks!

Staff Appreciation Week

It's time to spoil our staff at school. We have some fun things planned everyday, but need a little help. We are looking for gift card donations to give to the staff. Please use this [link](#) to sign up. Thank you!

Calling All Rock Star Parents & Students

Help Us Chalk the Walk for Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week!

It's almost time for Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week, May 5–9! Let's kick off our "Brown Rocks!" celebration by showing our amazing school staff some love—rock 'n' roll style!

When: May 4, 3:00–6:00 PM

Where: Sidewalks around Brown Elementary entrances

What to Bring: Chalk, creativity, and your best rockin' messages

Bring some chalk and come anytime between 3:00 and 6:00 PM to grab a spot and decorate! We want to fill the sidewalks with colorful notes, drawings, and shoutouts to let our awesome teachers and staff know just how much they ROCK.

Let's make sure they're greeted with a backstage-worthy welcome Monday morning!

April 28 Autism Awareness Month Celebration

In March, students and staff at Brown Elementary learned about Down Syndrome by participating in shared learning experiences through our school's LINKS program. The Brown family also celebrated World Down Syndrome Day on March 21st by wearing colorful socks and appreciating the differences that make each one of us unique! This month, we will be highlighting Autism Awareness Month on April 28. Autism is a neurotype, or a unique way that the brain experiences, understands, and interacts with the world. To expand from awareness to acceptance, we are asking students and staff to wear the color red, a color that autistic individuals have chosen, which symbolizes passion and heart. Please join us in celebrating and advocating for inclusion and acceptance of the autistic community!

Staff Lounge Donations

It's time to stock the teachers lounge again. Please review the available slot [here](#) and click on the button to sign up. Thank you!

Summer 2025 Sports Camps

Dates and times of SUMMER 2025 SPORTS CAMPS are now listed under **Other Info** on our webpage: byroncenterathletics.com

Registrations will begin Monday April 14th.

District Calendar

Click [here](#) for the 2025/2026 District Calendar.

Important Dates

Please see the following important dates: [25-26](#) and [26-27](#)

Attendance

If your child will be absent from school please call the office at 616-878-6200 or email our attendance line at brattendance@bcpsk12.net

Upcoming Dates

April 25: Brown Carnival 6pm

May 5-9: [Staff Appreciation Spirit Week](#)

May 7: 3rd Grade Folk Dance Night

May 15: Dynamite Dawgs Run

May 26: No School-Memorial Day

May 28-30: ½ Day of School