



The Weekly Growl

Brown Elementary School

Byron Center Public Schools

October 10, 2025

Conference Link

Conferences will be held on October 21 and 23. Please use this [link](#) to sign up!

School Bus Safety Week

Join us as we celebrate School Bus Safety Week October 20-24 with a fun-filled Spirit Week! Check out the dress up days [here](#).

LINKS Sweatshirts

The LINKS Program at West Middle School is selling LINKS sweatshirts this year. [If you are interested in ordering one, please see the following link.](#) Contact Katie Tromp at West Middle School if you have any questions. Her email is ktromp@bcpsk12.net. Funds can also be turned in to Marlies Adamson (social worker) or Rachael Van Huis (resource room teacher) at Brown. Please include your child's name/homeroom teacher on your order envelope.

BCHS Career Speakers

Byron Center High School is looking for individuals from the community, who would be willing to come in and talk about their careers with a group of our Senior English Students as they look towards their next step after graduation. We set aside 25 minutes from 1:25 PM - 1:50 PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays for career presentations. If you or anyone you know would be interested, please contact Pam Gillespie at pgillespie@bcpsk12.net or 616-878-6635 for more information.

Book Fair

We are excited to have a Scholastic Book Fair at Brown Elementary during the week of Parent/Teacher Conferences (October 20-24)! Your child will have a chance to visit the Book Fair with their class during their Library time. You can either sign up for the eWallet on the Book Fair site or send in money with your child. The Book Fair will also be open to parents during Parent Teacher Conferences: October 21 from 5:00pm to 8:00pm and October 23 from 1:00pm to 6:00pm. We'd love to see you there! Please visit the Book Fair homepage at: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/brownelementaryschool9>. If you would like to help with the Book Fair, please sign up [here](#)!

Special Dress Up Days

Attached are the [Special Dress Up Days for the year!](#)

Cub Scouts

Join Scouting Night on Tuesday, October 28. See more information [here](#).

Kindergarten Dental Screening

This year Kent County Health Department will be conducting Kindergarten Dental Screenings. This screening is for Kindergarten students only. Brown Elementary is scheduled for screening on Thursday, October 16. Please take a look at the [Parent Resource Page](#) for more information. Each child will receive a take-home oral hygiene kit and a completion form from KCHD.

If a parent/guardian wishes to opt out, please provide a written request to the school office (brattendance@bcpsk12.net) before Wednesday, October 15.

Bulldog Bash Fundraiser

Thank you to all who have already donated! Reminder to register your child for our annual fundraiser if you haven't already: getmovinfundhub.com/event-webpage/67363b5086921
If you would like to help the day of the run please sign up [here](#)! More information to come regarding the day of the run.

2025 Bond Proposal

Byron Center Public Schools has a [bond proposal](#) on the ballot in the upcoming November 4 election. The district's bond would enhance academic learning environments, fine arts spaces and athletic facilities, while also supporting districtwide technology upgrades and improvements to the transportation center. For more information about the bond proposal, please visit the district's website.

Attendance

If your student will be absent or needs to leave early for an appointment please contact the teacher along with our attendance email: brattendance@bcpsk12.net

Upcoming Dates

October 13: Picture Retakes

October 17: [Fire Up the Flavor-Cops, Trucks and Chili](#)

October 20-24: School Bus Safety Spirit Week

October 21 & 23: Parent/Teacher Conferences

October 22: Sweats/Athletic Clothing Day

October 23: ½ Day of School (Dismissal at 12:00pm)

October 24: Bulldog Bash Run (1st/4th: 1:35-2:05, 3rd/2nd: 2:15-2:45, DK/K: 2:55-3:25)

October 30: PJ Day for reaching Fundraiser Goal

October 31: ½ Day of School (Dismissal at 12:00pm)

November 10: PUP Meeting

November 26-28: No School