# HERITAGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## HERITAGE HAPPENING 10/23/2026




## IMPORTANT ATTENDANCE REMINDER

When reporting your child's absence, please remember to include the reason they will not be attending school. Whether your child is sick, has an appointment, or is absent for another reason, providing this information helps us keep accurate attendance records. This information is also used as we make plans to deep clean and disinfect rooms throughout the building.

Thank you for helping us keep our attendance records up to date!

## VOLUNTEERING AT HERITAGE

If you will be volunteering at Heritage Elementary you will need to complete an ICHAT form two weeks prior to your volunteer date. Teachers will communicate any volunteer opportunities in their weekly newsletter.

## WATCHDOGS

Calling all Watchdogs! We'd love to have you join us as a Watchdog during lunch/recess. Having student's grownups volunteer makes that time extra special for Heritage kids. Your presence makes a difference. Click here to volunteer!

## DROP OFF/PICK UP REMINDER

As we all work to form new routines during morning drop off and pick up, please remember to stay in your vehicle and we will help your student(s) out of and into your vehicle. In the afternoons, please know that the car rider line is only for vehicles. ***Anyone walking up to collect their student(s) will be directed to the office***.

## AT A GLANCE

### CALENDAR

- Oct 30 - Half Day
- Oct 30 - Halloween Parties
- Nov 11 - Veterans Day Program
  - 2nd -4th grade
- Nov 19 - HIP Meeting

### 2026-27 CALENDAR

- 2026-2027 District Calendar

## ATTENDANCE

If your child will be absent, please email the school office heattendance@bcpsk12.net or call Heritage attendance line (616) 878-6800 before 8:30am and state your student's name, reason for absence and teacher. When to keep your child home from school - **Guidelines**.

## CAR TAGS

As a reminder, the car tag that you received at the beginning of the 25/26 school year will follow you through your family's time at Heritage. If you need additional car tags you can purchase them for $5 using this link. Please remember to order your current number.

## HALLOWEEN PARTY INFORMATION

As we look ahead to Halloween, please see some important details and information about the day below:

1.**Costumes**: Please plan to have your student wear their regular clothes to school. Students are welcome to wear school-appropriate costumes during the parade and classroom parties. We ask that all toy weapons (guns, knives, bats, etc.) and dangerous props be left at home. Please also avoid violent costumes or those with blood or gore.

2.**Parade Parking**: If you plan to attend the parade, please park in the rock parking lot located north of the school.

3.**Parade Time & Route**: Our school-wide parade will begin at 10:45 AM (weather permitting), starting with 4th grade and ending with DK/Kindergarten. Parents may line up to watch the parade around the bus loop. After the parade, staff, students, and the four designated parent volunteers per classroom will return inside.

4.**Classroom Parties**: Parties will begin immediately after students return from the parade and will continue until dismissal at 11:40 AM. We're looking forward to a fun and festive afternoon!

## BCFAB CRAFT SHOW

Come support the BC Fine Arts Boosters by shopping at the craft fair. 100% of proceeds go toward the students in the Fine Arts programs. Click here for more details.

If you would like to support by volunteering, there are lots of opportunities for adults and also for students that may need volunteer hours!

Parent/Adult Volunteers - Signup

High School Student Volunteers - Signup

West Middle & Nickels Student Volunteers - Signup

## HIP HIGHLIGHT

Be sure to check out the latest HIP update for fundraiser results, Bingo details and sign up link!

Thank you HIP for all you do for Heritage Elementary!!!

## BC ATHLETICS REVERSE RAFFLE

Save the date for BC Athletics Reverse Raffle. Buy raffle tickets in advance here. Click here for Q&A and here for more information.

## GIRL SCOUTS

Click on the link to learn more about Girl Scouts and how to get involved.

