



BYRON CENTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Helping Students Build Success Stories



Nickels Intermediate School
Friday Office Communication
August 16, 2024

Important Information:

Attendance Line:

Please call the attendance line at 616-878-6400 or email nickelsattendance@bcpsk12.net, if your student will be absent, running late, or needs to be picked up for an appointment during the school day. If we are unable to answer, please leave us a detailed message with your name, the name of your student, the reason for the absence, or the time your student will be arriving or need to be picked up for an appointment. Thank you for your help in this.

[Nickels website](#)

School Hours:

Full Day: 7:55 am - 2:50 pm

Half Day: 7:55 am - 11:10 am

Office hours:

Monday - Friday: 7:30 am - 3:30 pm

Phone number: 616-878-6400

Upcoming Dates

August:

Aug. 19th - Nickels Open House 4:30 - 6:00 pm

Aug. 21st - First Day of School - Welcome Back Students!

Aug. 23rd - Meet the Football Team
Tailgate night 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Aug. 30th - Sept. 2nd - No School - Labor Day

September:

Sept. 4th - School Picture Day

Sept. 5th - Student Fall Fundraiser Begins

Sept. 26th - Nickels FIT - Volleyball Night
- More details to come

Nickels Family Open House 8/19:

We hope that you will join us on August 19th for our parent and student open house. This is a drop-in style open house, so feel free to drop by anytime between 4:30 - 6:00 pm to meet your homeroom teacher, see your classroom, receive a welcome packet and get a feel for where you'll be going on the first day of school.

Nurses Corner:

Hi everyone, this is Amy Voiles, your child's school nurse. I will be at the open house on Monday from 4:30-6p. I will be collecting medications, forms, and emergency action plans. If you need anything prior to that please feel free to email me avoiles@bcpsk12.net I look forward to meeting you and partnering with you this school year.
[About Me- Nurse Amy](#)

Medication Consent Form 24/25

Medication Policy Reminders:

1. If your student needs to take medication while at school they MUST have a medication consent form completed.

Prescription meds require BOTH a parent/guardian AND a physician signature. Over the counter (OTC) meds require a parent/guardian signature only. No student will be administered medication without the proper consent forms.

2. Please remember that students are NOT allowed to self carry ANY medications (prescription or OTC) per our district policy UNLESS it's an emergency medication and we have the appropriate forms completed and signed.

3. All medications must be stored in the office and brought to school by a parent/guardian. They must be in the original container with the appropriate label (and not expired). We will not accept any medications in baggies, envelopes, ect.

Amy Voiles RN-BSN Direct Phone: 616-878-6414 Fax Number: 616-345-1924

Homeroom Informational Letter:

Homeroom and returning students registration letters have been mailed. Please call the office at 616-878-6400 if you have any questions.

- Returning Students Registration letter: Please use the snap code on this letter to complete your students registration by the first day of school. This letter replaces the paper demographic form you may have completed in previous years. Please log in and review the information and update emails, phone numbers or other information as necessary. If you have multiple households, only one household is required to complete the online information. [Returning Students Registration Link](#)

**BYRON CENTER PRESEASON
FOOTBALL TAILGATE**

**MEET THE
TEAM**

NIGHT

AUG 23

6:30 - 8:00 PM
@ BYRON CENTER FOOTBALL FIELD

**ENTIRE BULLDOG
COMMUNITY IS INVITED!**

FOOD & FELLOWSHIP (6:30-7:30 PM)	GAMES & CONTEST (6:50-7:35 PM)	SIT IN HOME STANDS (7:35 PM)	PLAYER INTRODUCTIONS (7:35-8:00 PM)
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 **DON'T FORGET TO
WEAR YOUR BLACK,
WHITE OR ORANGE!**

Playing catch with any ball including footballs will not be allowed in the football stadium during high school football games. Please make sure your child does not bring a ball to the event.

[Suggested supply list for the upcoming school year 24/25:](#)

[5th Grade Supply List](#)

[6th Grade Supply List](#)

[6th Grade Band/Orchestra:](#)

If you are a 6th grade Nickels Family member inquiring about how to obtain an instrument, please use this QR code! This should take you to a folder that includes all information about getting an instrument. I am hoping this will help you!



Nickels FIT Kickoff: Join the Fun and Get Involved!

We are excited to kick off another great year with the Nickels Family Involvement Team (FIT)! Here's a glimpse of what we have planned and how you can participate:

Upcoming Events:

- **5th & 6th Grade Harvest Parties:** Celebrate the season with fun-filled harvest parties.
- **Monthly Classroom Leadership Lunches:** Encouraging leadership and community in our classrooms.
- **Fall & Winter Family Tailgates:** Join us for family fun at our seasonal tailgates.
- **Reading Month Celebrations:** Engaging activities to foster a love of reading.
- **And Much More!** Stay tuned for more events listed on our Facebook page and in weekly office communications.

Support Our Amazing Staff: FIT organizes appreciation events and surprises for our incredible staff throughout the school year. Our staff is the best, and we love to let them know it!

How to Get Involved:

- **Donate:** We accept cash, checks, or online donations. Visit our [fundraising page](#) to contribute and help us reach our goal.
- **Become a Sponsor:** Own a business and want to support our students and teachers? Consider sponsoring Nickels FIT. Various sponsorship levels are available. Click here to fill out our [Sponsor Interest Form](#) or email admin@nickelsfit.org to get started.
- **Volunteer:** We love volunteers! Keep an eye on our Facebook page for signups or email admin@nickelsfit.org to let us know you're willing to help. Whether you join a committee or volunteer for an event, there's a spot for you!

Meet the 2024-25 FIT Board:

Kristi Maines- *President*

Lauren Brock- *Vice President*

Amy Bale- *Treasurer*

We are looking for a few ambitious parents to shadow our board members this year to take over FIT for the 2025-26 school year. Please email admin@nickelsfit.org if this is something that interests you!

Stay Connected: Like us on [FACEBOOK](#) for the latest updates and event information. Let's make this year the best one yet!

NICKELS FIT

(FAMILY INVOLVEMENT TEAM)

SCHOOL EVENTS

WE ORGANIZE A VARIETY OF EVENTS SUCH AS THE 5TH & 6TH GRADE HARVEST PARTIES, MONTHLY CLASSROOM LEADERSHIP LUNCHEONS, FALL & WINTER FAMILY TAILGATES, READING MONTH CELEBRATIONS & SO MUCH MORE! UPCOMING EVENTS WILL BE ALWAYS BE LISTED ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE AND IN THE WEEKLY OFFICE COMMUNICATION.

TEACHER SUPPORT

MOST IMPORTANTLY, FIT ORGANIZES APPRECIATION EVENTS & SURPRISES FOR THE INCREDIBLE STAFF AT NICKELS THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR.

OUR STAFF IS THE BEST & WE LOVE TO LET THEM KNOW IT!

Upcoming Events

SEPTEMBER

26TH- NICKELS VOLLEYBALL NIGHT!

JOIN US AS WE CHEER ON OUR LADY BULLDOGS!
FREE ENTRY FOR NICKELS STUDENTS & FAMILIES,
AND ALL NICKELS STUDENTS GET SOME SPECIAL BULLDOG SWAG!

OCTOBER

8TH & 10TH- PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

KEEP AN EYE ON OUR COMMUNICATION VIA EMAIL OR OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR MORE INFORMATION, AND SIGN UP TO DONATE ITEMS FOR STAFF MEALS!

NOVEMBER

1ST- 5TH GRADE HARVEST PARTY

8TH- 6TH GRADE HARVEST PARTY

NEW THIS YEAR! STUDENTS WILL STAY AFTER SCHOOL FOR A FALL CELEBRATION!

How to Support

NICKELS FIT

DONATE DIRECTLY!

WE ACCEPT CASH, CHECK, OR YOU CAN DONATE ONLINE! JUST VISIT OUR FUNDRAISING PAGE, SELECT YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM, AND DONATE! SHARE OUR PAGE WITH YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS TO HELP US REACH OUR GOAL! PLEASE VISIT WWW.GIVEBUTTER.COM/7172024 OR SCAN THE QR CODE!

BECOME A SPONSOR!

DO YOU OWN A BUSINESS AND LOVE TO SUPPORT STUDENTS & TEACHERS? PLEASE CONSIDER SPONSORING NICKELS FIT! THERE ARE MANY SPONSORSHIP LEVELS TO CHOOSE FROM. SCAN THE QR CODE OR EMAIL ADMIN@NICKELSFIT.ORG TO GET STARTED!

VOLUNTEER WITH US!

WE LOVE VOLUNTEERS AND COULD NOT MAKE THESE EVENTS HAPPEN WITHOUT YOU!! KEEP AN EYE ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR SIGNUPS OR EMAIL ADMIN@NICKELSFIT.ORG TO LET US KNOW YOU'RE WILLING TO HELP!
WE'VE GOT A SPOT FOR YOU!

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!  @NICKELSFIT

Job Opportunities at BCPS:

[Current Openings at Byron Center Public Schools](#)

District School Calendar 24/25:

[24/25 District Calendar](#)

24/25 6th Grade Sports Information:

<http://bcwestmsathletics.com/>

[24/25 Middle School Sports Informational Flyer](#)

Byron Center Sports Passes Available For Purchase:

Passes will be available for purchase in the Athletic Office (8500 Burlingame Ave.) again this year. Normal office hours will be from 8:00am - 2:00PM for purchase. (Lunch from 12:00-12:30). These passes can be used at all regular season MS and HS home events.

Adults \$50

Students \$25.00

Family Max payment of \$150.00

Cash or Checks payable to BCPS. If you have any additional questions please feel free to reach out at 616-878-6642.

Breakfast and Lunch are FREE for K-12 BCPS students during the 2024-2025 school year!

Second meals and a la carte items are not included, and must be purchased separately.

Please fill out an application if you think you may qualify because it will benefit you and your school! Free/reduced students receive reduced fees for sport fees, testing fees, and possible EBT cards. Applications for the 2024-2025 are open online [here](#).

Lunch Menu: [Aug. Lunch Menu](#) [Sept. Lunch Menu](#)

[HOW TO CREATE A FAMILY PORTAL ACCOUNT ACCOUNT](#)

[HOW TO MAKE A DEPOSIT TO FAMILY PORTAL ACCOUNT](#)

