



BYRON CENTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Helping Students Build Success Stories



Robert L. Nickels Intermediate

Nickels Intermediate School
Friday Office Communication
December 20, 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:

Nickels office will be closed for Christmas Break 12/23/24 - 1/3/25

Phone number: 616-878-6400

Upcoming Dates

December:

Dec. 23rd - Jan. 3rd - No School - Christmas Break

January:

Jan. 6th - NO Forte

Jan. 9th - NO Forte

Jan. 13th - NO Forte

Jan. 15th - $\frac{1}{2}$ Day of school. Dismissal 11:10 am

Jan. 16th - $\frac{1}{2}$ Day of school. Dismissal 11:10 am

Jan. 17th - $\frac{1}{2}$ Day of school. Dismissal 11:10 am

Jan. 17th - 1st Semester End

Jan. 20th - No School

Jan. 20th - NO Forte

Jan. 21st - Spelling Bee will be held during the school day

Jan. 21st - Bulldog Growl 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm

Wishing you and your Family a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Bulldog Power Holiday Break Camp:



BULLDOGPOWER
Holiday Break
56er Camp

DAYS
\$25 PER ATHLETE | **MON & THU** | **DEC 23, 26, 30 & JAN 2**
10:00AM-11:00AM

#MOVEWELLMOVESTRONGMOVEFAST

**BYRON CENTER HIGH SCHOOL
USE ATHLETIC ENTRANCE
MEET IN WEIGHT ROOM**

This camp will focus on age-appropriate Long Term Athletic Development skills like Jumping Sprinting Strength & Agility

REGISTER:
[HTTPS://BYRONCENTERATHLETICS.COM/REGISTRATIONS](https://byroncenterathletics.com/registrations)
CONTACT:
COACH JOE CHIARAMONTE
JCHIARAMONTE@BCPSK12.NET

BUILDING CHAMPIONS
#BULLDOGPOWER

Middle School Club Baseball Interest Form and Tryout Information:

If your son is interested in trying out for the BC middle school Club Baseball team, please complete this interest form asap (if you haven't already done so).

Tryouts (West Middle School gym) will be held Saturday, January 25th at the following times. If you have additional questions, please reach out to the appropriate coach directly.

12:00-1:45 - 6th Grade (Coach Brian Nealon)

2:00-3:45 - 7th Grade (Coach Dan Kloosterman and DeWayne Reed)

4:00-5:45 - 8th Grade (Coach Dan Sterckx and Phil Meyer)

Cooler Weather Gear:

As the weather turns colder please have your child dress warmly for recess (sweatshirt, pants, winter coat, gloves, hat, boots and snow pants). Students do go outside unless the temperature/wind chill is below Zero.

Thank you for your help in this!

Fall 2024 Nickels Links News:

[Links Newsletter](#)

Bulldog Growl:

[December Edition](#)

[Christmas Recipe Edition](#)

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.

Roundball Bash 2/3/25 - 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm:



2025 BC Booster Round Ball Bash & Silent Auction



MONDAY FEBRUARY 3, 2025

BCHS Main Gym

\$3 Cash Admission (NO Passes!)

Doors open @ 5:30pm

*Silent Auction *Credit Cards accepted**

DODGEBALL

6:00pm - Brown vs Heritage

6:25pm - Countryside vs Marshall

6:50PM - Nickels vs West

BASKETBALL

7:15pm Free Throw/3Pt Competition

\$1 per shot

-SAN2025 committee hosting-

7:30 - HS Staff vs Students

Wear Shirts/Colors to show your support

ELEMENTARY - CLASS SHIRTS

NICKELS - GREY

WEST MS - BLACK

BCHS - ORANGE

30+ Auction Items

Link for Auction coming
soon!!**

**50/50 Raffle
Concessions Open!**



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: [Jan. Lunch Menu](#)

Fresh Baked Cookies will be available every Friday for purchase ~ If your student would like to purchase one they are \$1.00 each.

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

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

Student Pick up and Drop off:

Dear Parents and Guests-

The following diagram shows the directional flow of how pickup, drop-off, and parking will occur before, during and after school at the new Nickels Intermediate building. Please note that the pickup/drop-off lanes directly in front of the building are one way and counter-clockwise. Students should exit to the sidewalk on the passenger side of your vehicle. Please be sure to pull forward if space allows along the curb. Once your student is safely dropped off, it is ok to pull out into the exit lanes.

Please also note that there are two exit lanes heading back out to the main drive where you will turn right to exit to 84th St. Please continue to use the designated drop off/pick up loop when dropping off or picking up your student at school. **Please do not use the bus loop (west of the school), the main drive between West and Nickels or the parking lot to pick up or drop off your student.**



For the 2024-2025 school year, our bus transfer (bus rodeo) location is at Heritage Elementary. Students at Nickels will get on a bus and ride over to the bus transfer, then get on their home bus before traveling home. In the past, some parents came to the bus transfer area (bus rodeo) to pick up their kids. We are asking that you avoid picking up your students from the bus transfer area. Our bus riders will load and unload buses on the far west side of the building in a separate and protected lot designated for this purpose. When picking up your student at the end of the school day please exit towards 84th street.

