# The Eagle Express

October 9, 2022



# Dear Freemansburg Community

Thank you to our parents/guardians who attended our PTO meeting last week. If you would like to volunteer for our upcoming events, please make sure you complete your clearances. Any questions, reach out to Ms. Rodriguez in the front office and she can assist you. Looking forward to a great week!

Make sure you are following us on <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, and join our School Dojo page to keep up with what's going on throughout our school!

- Office Hours: 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
- Review BASD's Framework for Citizenship: Building a safe, caring, and respectful learning
  community is very important for us at Freemansburg. Our goal is to teach children that
  they must demonstrate positive behaviors on a regular and ongoing basis. Please review
  the BASD's Framework for Citizenship (English) Spanish).
- Parent/Student Handbook: Our Parent/Student handbook is posted on our website.
- Arrival/Dismissal Procedure: Please visit our <u>website</u> to view our car rider and walker arrival and dismissal procedure.
- **BASD Transportation**: If you have any questions regarding your child's bus route information, please contact transportation at 610-861-0360.

The <u>best way</u> to communicate with me is through email: <u>awoodson@basdschools.org</u> or by calling the school at 610-866-6681

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions, comments, or concerns.

In partnership,

Mrs. Woodson

### Arrival & Dismissal

Parents/Guardians:

If you are dropping your child off at school, it is very important that you drop your child off at the car rider entrance at the school parking lot at the back of the building. We understand that the line can be rather long; however, we are doing the best we can to keep the line moving quickly. Again, please do not drop your child off in the bus loop lane. Please do not pass through the cones on either sides of the bus loop to drop your child off and have them run across the bus lane. Our main priority is safety.

Also, please do not park along the walker entrance loop. You are allowed to park on Monroe Street to walk your child to the walker entrance if you decide to walk them to the door.

You will also see the Freemansburg Police Department out assisting with arrival/dismissal.

Thank you for working with us during arrival and dismissal.

# Birthday Celebration Reminders

Parents/Guardians,

This is just a reminder that in our <u>Student/Parent handbook</u> in regards to student birthday celebrations - No food is allowed in school due to allergies and other health related concerns. Please review the handbook to see other suggestions that are allowed.

Thank you!

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#### **BIRTHDAYS & INVITATIONS**

While most students enjoy celebrating their birthday with their classmates, parents are required to adhere to the following guidelines:

- No food or "goodie bags" will be allowed in school for birthdays.
   Non-food suggestions: Decorative pencils, a classroom game, a hardcover book for the classroom/school library, or school store gift certificates.
- Do not send in balloons, flowers, gifts for the birthday student, candles, etc. These
  items will not be distributed during school hours.
- Do not have items (such as flowers, balloons, food, etc.) delivered/brought to the school. These items will not be distributed during school hours.
- Students are not permitted to hand out party invitations in school unless <u>every</u> student in the class is being invited. If the entire class is not being invited, invitations must be mailed home by the parent.
- Student birthdays that occur during the school year will be announced on the morning announcements. If you do not want your child's birthday announced, please contact Ms. Rodriguez, FB's secretary.

# What's Happening This Week

- October 10th Indigenous Peoples Day/Schools Closed
- October 11th BASD Education Day please see schedule below
- October 12th Picture Day
- October 12th 4th Grade Field Trip

# BETHLEHEM AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT Bethlehem, Pennsylvania FREEMANSBURG ELEMENTARY SC

# FREEMANSBURG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BASD American Education Week

Dear Parents/Guardians:

On behalf of the professional staff at Freemansburg Elementary School, we invite you to visit our school during BASD American Education Week. We are very proud of our learning community: staff, students, and parents.

Target days have been identified for classroom visitations. The intent is to provide you with an overview of our school and our daily educational programs. Please adhere to the schedule. If you are unable to visit during scheduled times and desire to come to the classroom, contact your child's teacher directly to schedule an alternate visitation date and time.

Classroom visits are for adults only. Young children/babies can prove to be disruptive for other parents who are visiting the school, as well as for students and teachers. Please also refrain from using your cell phones during classroom visitations. Additionally, parents are not permitted to attend lunch and/or recess with the students.

Thank you in advance, for your cooperation in these areas.

Your interest in your child's education sends a strong message. We look forward to seeing you during BASD American Education Week.

Sincerely,

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Mrs. Ashlee O. Woodson, Principal

#### Visitation Schedule

When multiple sessions are listed, you are welcome to attend one or all.

#### Visitation Day - Tuesday, October 11th

#### Kindergarten

Session #1 - 9:30-10:15 (ELA) Session #3 - 2:05-2:50 (Math)

#### Specialists

Session #2 - 11:45-12:30 Music - Ms. Borst PE - Mr. Sabo Spanish - Mrs. Arzuaga Santiago

#### Grade 1

Session #1 - 10:00-10:45 (ELA) Session #3 - 2:05-2:50 (Math)

#### Specialists

Session #2 — 1:15-2:00 Music- Ms. Borst PE- Mr. Sabo Spanish – Mrs. Arzuaga Santiago

#### Grade 2

Session #1 - 9:15-10:00 (Math) Session #3 - 12:45-1:30 (ELA)

#### Specialists

Session #2 - 10:05-10:50 Music - Ms. Borst PE - Mr. Sabo

Spanish – Mrs. Arzuaga Santiago

#### Grade 3

Session #2 – 10:00-10:45 (Math) Session #3 – 1:30-2:15 (ELA)

#### Specialists

Session #1 = 9:15 = 10:00 Music = Ms. Borst PE = Mr. Sabo Spanish = Mrs. Arzuaga Santiago

#### Grade 4

Session #1 - 9:30-10:15 (Math) Session #2 - 12:00-12:45 (ELA)

#### Specialists

Session #3 – 2:05-2:50 Music – Ms. Borst PE – Mr. Sabo Spanish – Mrs. Arzuaga Santiago

#### Grade 5

Session #1 - 9:15 - 10:00 (Math) Session #2 - 11:30-12:15 (ELA)

#### Specialists

Session #3 – 2:55-3:40 Music- Ms. Borst PE – Mr. Sabo Spanish – Mrs. Arzuaga Santiago

# Important Dates

#### BASD 2022-2023 Academic Calendar

- October 18th 4th Grade Field Trip
- October 28th School Halloween Parade
- Bethlehem Halloween parade **Sunday, October 30th.** Please save the date! We would love for our students to participate and walk in the parade!

### Bethlehem Halloween Parade

# Freemansburg Eagles

are marching in the

# Bethlehem Halloween Parade

and we want you and your family to join us!!

Theme - Freemansburg Eagles are Soaring to New Heights

**Costume** - Eagles (Students) Bird Watchers (Parents)

Students - Decorating eagle wings and beaks on Saturday 10/29

Parents - Encouraged to wear a hat and binoculars and dressed in a Khaki/Brown outfit.

#### **Important Dates and Times**

- Costume/Float Decorating Party Saturday, October 29th at Freemansburg Elementary School from 10:00am - 12:00pm.
   Refreshments will be provided!!
- Bethlehem Halloween Parade Sunday, October 30th at 1:00pm

# ALL STUDENTS WHO WALK WITH US IN THE PARADE WILL RECEIVE 10 EAGLE BUCKS FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION!

Bring your family! Bring your friends! The more individuals we have walking and representing Freemansburg the better! Let's bring home 1st place!!

Hope to see you on Halloween weekend for lots of fun and school spirit

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Please scan the QR code or click the link to register and sign up

# Check Out the Learning!







Working on vocabulary in Mr. Shellaway's 3rd Grade Class Working on vocabulary in Mr. Shellaway's 3rd Grade Class Math puzzle time in Ms. Williams' 1st Grade Class

# **BASD** Empower

BASD Empower is the name for Bethlehem Area School District's 1:1 Take Home Technology initiative where all students have their own district-provided computing device to access blended, anywhere, anytime learning resources.

#### Chromebook Repair/Replacement Costs

#### GoGuardian

GoGuardian is a Chromebook management solutions software intended to try to keep students safer online and make teaching more efficient. The Bethlehem Area School District uses GoGuardian to filter and monitor websites that students visit in order to attempt to block inappropriate material on the Internet and to assist classroom teachers in keeping students on-task and engaged. While BASD uses GoGuardian as a tool to try to protect students from inappropriate Internet content, BASD does not guarantee that students will not be able to access any inappropriate material on the Internet.

# Counseling Corner

The Student Assistance Program (SAP) is designed to provide a systemic approach to to remove barriers to learning. Please visit the <u>BASD/SAP Parent Page</u> to learn more!

If your child is struggling in a particular class, first contact the teacher to set up an appointment to meet with the teacher and the student. Often, the open dialogue can lead to success for the student because they feel supported at both home and school. Strategies or interventions can be used during class and after school to help a student understand a concept or procedure.

If your child is having a difficulty that can't be addressed by the teacher, contact the school counselor, Mrs. Francis. She can provide assistance or refer you to other sources of support.

Mrs. Francis, School Counselor <a href="mailto:tfrancis@basdschools.org">tfrancis@basdschools.org</a>

Ms. Lowe, Community In Schools Coordinator alowe@basdschools.org

# Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday, November 1st at 6:30 p.m.,** at Freemansburg. We will be giving door prizes for those in attendance! Come join us!

If you have any questions, please reach out to our PTO President, Kirsta Frey, at <a href="mailto:kirstafrey@verizon.net">kirstafrey@verizon.net</a>. We always need volunteers to help with events and in our school!

Please fill out the form below to sign up for our PTO.

• PTO Sign Up

## Health Services

Our school nurses are Mrs. Hamme and Mrs. Miller. If you have any questions in regards to immunizations or medications, please reach out to Mrs. Hamme at <a href="mailto:phamme@basdschools.org">phamme@basdschools.org</a>

#### **Covid 19 Information:**

If your child has tested positive for COVID-19 or has been a close contact of a positive case outside of school within the last 5 days, please complete the Covid Reporting Tool. You will receive an automated email response with further guidance and next steps. Thank you!

• <u>Covid Reporting Tool</u>





# Avoid The Flu!

Drive Thru Flu (and COVID Booster) Clinic

Saturday, November 12, 2022 10am-1pm

Freedom High School Parking Lot 3149 Chester Ave, Bethlehem, PA 18020

Vaccines Offered: Influenza (Fluzone Quadrivalent) Pfizer Bivalent Booster

Free COVID Rapid Test Give Away!

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SIGN UP HERE: https://tinyurl.com/FluDriveThru



For more info call: Bethlehem Health Bureau 610-865-7083



Community Events & News



## **BASD News**

BASD Staff and Faculty:

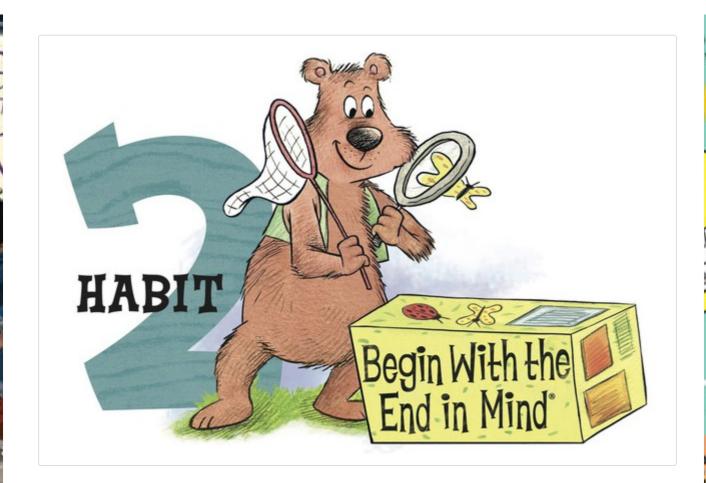
This edition of the BASD eNews features the Air Products Diversity in Education Award winners, our highlighted student at East Hills Middle School, staff member for the Parents as Teachers Program, and a 2018 Freedom High School graduate. Also included is a link to activities in the school, community, youth sporting events, scouting, try-outs and sign-ups. I hope you enjoy this edition of the <u>BASD eNews</u>.

October is Nationals Principal's Month - check out the video BASD staff and students created to celebrate Principals.





Mrs. Woodson's Habit of the Month (The Leader in Me)



I plan ahead and set goals. I do things that have meaning and make a difference. I am an important part of my school and contribute to my school's mission and vision, and look for ways to be a good citizen.



# Contact Mrs. Woodson

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