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Blackwell Elementary News



Provide Feedback about LWSD

Each year, the district invites parents and community members to provide feedback on general school and district questions. The survey is anonymous. Schools and the district use this information in planning for the future and in continuous improvement processes.

This year's survey is now open: tell us what you think! Please [click on this link](#) to take the survey. The survey will be open through December 16.

The district also surveys parents on specific programs and planned strategic work: that survey will be open for in February.



Yearbook Orders

Doing a Little Holiday Shopping Online? Don't Forget To Order A Yearbook For Your Bobcat

Over 200 Blackwell families have yet to order their yearbook. Are you one of them? Don't wait any longer....the yearbook order deadline is January 20th.

To ORDER: Did you already place your order through the PTSA website? Check your account [HERE!](#) If not, please proceed to order online by visiting ybpay.lifetouch.com, using Yearbook ID Code: 5479417.



Back to School!

A reminder that the first day back after break is TUESDAY, Jan. 3rd.



Taking Vacations During the School Year

Taking vacations during the school year can be convenient and fun for the family, however these lost days can cause children to miss valuable learning.

Here's How You Can Help:

- Keep a copy of the [school calendar](#) and make sure that you schedule your vacations during the year in a way to make sure children miss as little school as possible. Winter Break (December), Mid-Winter Break (February) and Spring Break (April) are all great times to take trips during the school year.
- If you choose to take your child out of school for a vacation, please contact your child's teacher **and** Lisa Nelson (lnelson@lwsd.org) the school secretary prior to your trip. Parents need to create plan for their children's academic success during the trip. Teachers can hold school work for your student to complete when they return. Please keep in mind that many learning experiences cannot be recreated outside of the school environment, and may not be able to be made up.



SBA Testing Schedule

Parents, to aid in planning, please make note of the important test dates coming up in May:

3rd Grade May 2-4, May 9, May 16
4th Grade May 8, May 10-11, May 15, May 17
5th Grade May 3, May 8, May 10-11, May 15, May 17



Calendar

1/3 - School Resumes
1/16 - No School MLK Holiday
1/19 - PTSA Talent Show
1/23 - Java with Jim 9:05am
1/24, 26, 27 - Half Days for Conferences (Noon Release)

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