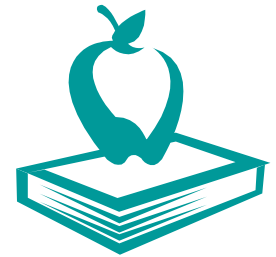


Let's Go Bulldogs!



Barhitte News

Barhitte Mission Statement

February 2016

The Barhitte Elementary Staff create a positive learning community which provides the opportunities and tools for each child to reach their full potential

Upcoming Events

- ⇒ 2/3/16 Late Start
Wednesday 9:25-3:30
- ⇒ 2/5/16 Honor's Assembly
4th & 5th Gr. 2:00
- ⇒ 2/5/16 Report Cards are
sent home
- ⇒ 2/9/16 School Board
Meeting 6:00 Admin-
istration Building
- ⇒ 2/10/16 Student Count
Day
- ⇒ 2/10/16 Regular School
Day 8:25-3:30
- ⇒ 2/10/16 Science Fair at
Barhitte 5:00-7:00
- ⇒ 2/12/16 Valentines Day
Classroom Parties 2:00-
3:00
- ⇒ 2/15/16 No School Mid-
Winter Break
- ⇒ 2/16/16 PAWsitive Par-
ents Meeting 5:30
- ⇒ 2/17/16 Late Start
Wednesday 9:25—3:30
- ⇒ 2/24/16 Late Start
Wednesday 9:25-3:30

Barhitte Vision Statement

*L*ove learning

*E*xcel in all we do

*A*chieve goals together

*D*o what is right



Barhitte Code of Conduct

A major component of the educational program at Barhitte Elementary is to prepare students to become responsible workers and citizens by learning how to conduct themselves properly and in accordance with established standards.

Expected Behaviors:

Each student shall be expected to:

- ◆ Abide by national, state and local laws as well as the rules of the school;
- ◆ Respect the civil rights of others;
- ◆ Act courteously to adults and fellow students;
- ◆ Be prompt to school and attentive in class;
- ◆ Work cooperatively with others when involved in accomplishing a common goal, regardless of the other's ability, gender, race, religion, height, weight, disability, or ethnic background;
- ◆ Complete assigned tasks on time and as directed;
- ◆ Help maintain a school environment that is safe, friendly, and productive, and
- ◆ Act at all times in a manner that reflects pride in self, family, and in the schools

Lunch Program

We know that financial situations can change quickly in today's difficult economic times.

If you are in need of financial help with school lunches please contact the Barhitte Office to have an application sent home.

Kids receiving free or reduced lunches are not singled out in any way in the cafeteria and lists are very confidential.

***Breakfast is free to all students regardless of need*



Artsonia Art Gallery

How Does Artsonia Work?

From Mrs. Browning

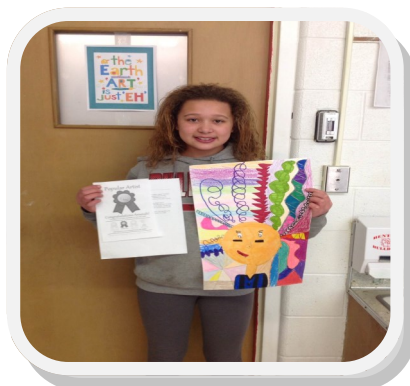
This school year has flown by in my classroom! Your little artists have created many beautiful pieces that are all displayed on artsonia.com. We have a lot to be proud of (and to brag about) this year on artsonia. I want to thank those of you who actively participate. The rankings are based on the number of artworks, fan club members, comments to your children and other students-it means so much to them.

Artist of the Week—Each week, artsonia randomly picks artworks to be voted on for Artist of the Week Awards. The winners are chosen by a voting process from Wednesday through Saturday, and are announced on Sunday. The winning students receive a \$50 gift card for art supplies and the art teacher receives a \$100 gift card as well.

I am often asked two questions about artsonia. One is “How can I help” or “Can I help”? My answer is “Yes, you can help by participation on the site”. This is done by checking and approving comments that go into your child’s guestbook and joining fan clubs. You cannot do this unless you register as a parent or confirm registration if I registered you.

I am so proud to display your child’s work and thank you so much for your support of the arts in our district.

Mrs. Browning



Arianah Vanover, 5th Grade



Kourtney Hoffner-Bertolucci, 4th Grade

Ways to Show Children That You Care...



Notice them. Smile a lot. Acknowledge them. Seek them out. Ask them about themselves. Look in their eyes when you talk to them. Listen to them. Play with them. Giggle together. Be nice. Tell them their feelings are okay. Set boundaries that keep them safe. Be honest. Listen to their stories. Hug them. Forget your worries sometimes and concentrate only on them. Play outside together. Stay with them when they are afraid. Delight in their discoveries. Share their excitement. Follow them when they lead. Give them space when they need it. Discuss their dreams and nightmares. Laugh at their jokes. Answer their questions. Tell them how terrific they are. Use your ears more than your mouth. Hold hands during a walk. Apologize when you've done something wrong. Listen to their favorite music with them. Keep the promises you make. Display their artwork at home. Catch them doing something right. Give them your undivided attention. Ask for their opinion. Let them solve most of their problems. Meet their friends. Let them act their age. Praise more: criticize less. Admit when you make a mistake. Marvel at what they can do. Tell them how proud you are of them. Unwind together. Ask them to help you. Applaud their successes. Tell them stories in which they are a hero. Read aloud together. Delight in their uniqueness. Let them make mistakes. Include them in conversations. Respect them. Join in their adventures. Visit their schools. Be understanding when they have a difficult day. Be silly together. Hang out together. Make time to be with them. Accept them as they are. Trust them. Create a safe, open environment. Be available. Cheer their accomplishments. Do what they like to do. Build something together. Encourage them to think big. Love them no matter what.



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Principal's Corner

Hello Barhitte families,

On January 18th, we kicked off revisions to our Positive Behavior Support program. Bulldog Bucks are now referred to as BARK bucks. Each letter represents expectations and how your child can earn them. **B**e safe, **A**ct responsibly, **R**espect yourself and others and **K**indness towards all. Students can redeem these BARK bucks each Friday for rewards for their positive behavior. At the end of each month, all earned BARK bucks go into a school-wide drawing for a prize. Reinforcing these expectations at home would be beneficial for our partnership to help your child succeed.

Mrs. D. McCollum

Congratulations Pack 160!!

Cub Scout Pack 160 has four Barhitte students that will be recognized at the Arrow of Light Ceremony. This is the highest achievement in Cub Scouts.

The achievements of Connor Jones, Nathan Mobley, Michael Richard and Nate Williams will be celebrated on January 30, 2016 at 1:00 p. at the VFW Post #2777.

Congratulations boys you make us proud!!

