### Let's Go Bulldogs!



# **Barhitte News**

## Promotion, Placement and Retention of Students

Promotion to the next grade is based on the following criteria:

May 2016

- 1. Current level of achievement
- 2. Potential for success at the next level
- 3. Emotional, physical, and/or social maturity

Parents will be informed by the classroom teacher if a child is not performing satisfactorily in their academics and promotion is in question. If the student is to be retained, a letter will be sent to the parent(s) before the end of the school year.

Some parents like to request teachers for their child. It is extremely difficult to honor all requests for specific teachers due to class sizes, number of special education students, Title I students, retentions, and teacher assignment changes. Children are placed in classes by a team of professionals. They examine student data to make decisions to meet all of our students' needs.

For all of the above reasons, it is not necessary to make a teacher request. However, if you feel there are additional factors to be considered for your child, you may make a request for the next school year during the specific dates that will be set and advertised each spring. The principal will make the final decision after careful consideration of all the factors mentioned above. While all requests will be considered it may not be possible to honor all request.

To make a request, a parent must fill out a request form located in the office in early May specifying the educational reasons for requesting a teacher. The form is the only acceptable way to make a request. Sometimes teachers leave or transfer to another position during the summer after class lists are made. If this happens, the class lists will not be changed

#### **Upcoming Events**

- ⇒ 5/4/16 Late Start Wednesday 9:25-3:30
- ⇒ 5/6/16 1/2 day for Students and Staff, Dismissal 11:40 am
- ⇒ 5/10/16 School Board Meeting 6:00 pm
- $\Rightarrow$  BOGO Book Fair 5/9/16-5/13/16
- $\Rightarrow$  5/11/16 Late Start Wednesday 9:25—3:30
- ⇒ 5/11 Progress Reports are sent with students
- $\Rightarrow$  5/18/16 Late Start Wednesday 9:25-3:30
- $\Rightarrow$  5/25/16 Late Start Wednesday 9:25-3:30
- ⇒ 5/30/16No School— Memorial Day



#### **Great Job Readers!**

The students at Barhitte Elementary Really snuggled in to their favorite reading chairs and red a lot during the month of March. Their goal, help their class record the largest number of hours so their class could tape Mrs. McCollum to the wall. The students at Barhitte Elementary school read a grand total of 684 hours!

Coming in third place with 89 hours read was Mrs. Jensen's class, second place with 185 hours read was Mrs. Wolfling's class, and narrowly taking first place by only 2 hours was Mrs. Robert's class with 187 hours read.



#### **April Library Class of the Month**

Congratulations Mrs. Willliam's class Library Class of the Month two months in a row



#### **Barbitte Artists**

Kourtney Hoffner-Bertolucci and Elijah Hairston have earned the highest honors in our school for their art portfolios on the Barhitte gallery through Artsonia.com: Portfolio award for over 3 entries: Popular artist award for having a large fan club: Rave review award for over 5 comments and a Hall of Fame award for having all previous honors. Please congratulate Kourtney and Elijah when you see them.





#### Student Valuables

Students are encouraged not to bring items of value to school. Items such as jewelry, expensive clothing, electronic equipment, and the like, are tempting targets for theft and extortion. The school cannot be responsible for their safe-keeping and will not be liable for loss or damage to personal valuables.

#### **Schools of Choice**

Have you moved recently or are you planning on moving this Summer?

Students who move out of the School District are required to fill out a Schools of Choice Application. The application must be completed by September 8, 2016 and are available at all District Offices.



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#### **Principal's Corner**

The fifth graders tested over a two week period the ELA (English Language Arts), Math and Social Studies MSTEP state test and completed the last portion on April 28th. The third graders are taking the ELA and Math portions of the MSTEP test this week and next week. The fourth graders will begin their testing (areas of ELA, Math and Science) on May 10th and will test over the course of two weeks. Please make sure your child gets plenty of sleep and healthy meals to help them focus.

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# Daddy Daughter Dance





