

Topper Dispatch

Pennsylvania System of School Assessment

Just a reminder the students in grades 3 & 4 will be taking the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment for Math/Reading beginning the week of April 7th. The Pennsylvania System of School Assessment for Science will be given to grade 4 students the week of April 26th.



The following tips include:

- Encourage your child to get a good night's sleep.
- Make sure your child eats breakfast.
- Try to **schedule appointments accordingly**— not to conflict with the testing schedule. For example: If a student starts a test and leaves for any reason (appointment, family emergency, etc.), he/she will not be allowed to continue/complete said section of the test.
- **Read all directions carefully.**
- Pay close attention to words in **heavy type**.
- Encourage your child to read all of the answers in multiple-choice questions before making selection.
- Eliminate obvious incorrect choices.
- When doing math problems, have your child explain how he/she got the answer (**problem solving process**). **Show and tell your work.**
- Have your child support essay responses and opinions with information provided in the passage.
- Your child may find it helpful to read all of the questions first before reading the passage. (Set a purpose for reading.)

PSSA Testing

Reading/Math April 7th-16th
(Grades 3 & 4)
Science Week of April 26th
(Grade 4 only)

These strategies, in addition to being helpful for the assessment, may be used daily by students as they continue their journey as life-long learners.

Kindergarten Registration

Brandywine Heights Area School District's Kindergarten Screenings for students who will be 5 years of age on or before September 1, 2010 will be held on the following dates:

Longswamp Elementary- May 11
 District-Topton Elementary- May 12 & 13

Residents of the Borough of Topton, Rockland Township, and District-Township, please call Julie Umberger at District-Topton Elementary, (610) 682-5171, and residents of Longswamp Township please call Debby Sabastro at Longswamp Elementary, (610)682-5151, to obtain the registration materials. The staff will be able to take your calls between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.



Free/Reduced Lunches

If you now receive Food Stamps or TANF Cash Assistance you are eligible to apply for the free and reduced lunch plan. In addition, if your total family income falls within the eligibility guidelines, you may also apply for this plan. If you have any questions regarding your eligibility, please contact Mr. Ross McGovern at (610)682-5114. If you feel you might qualify, please ask for an application and one will be sent to you. All requests are kept confidential.

Lunch Tickets

Please consider purchasing lunch tickets for your child's use at lunch in the cafeteria.

1. Students do not need to be responsible for carrying lunch money each day.
2. The cafeteria line moves quickly allowing all students more time to eat lunch.

Students may purchase lunch tickets in the morning on the first day of the week. Your child's name is written on the tickets to prevent loss or misuse. Tickets can be used at anytime before the end of the year to purchase a lunch for your child. Everyone benefits when you buy lunch tickets each week.

***Please make checks payable to: BHASD Cafeteria Fund**

Dates to Remember

March

Upcoming Events:

March 1, March 5, March 8(kdg, 1st gr.): StarLab

March 3: PTC Mtg. 6:30

March 8 – 12: Book Fair

March 8: Night of Music Dress Rehearsal @ M.S.

Gr. 2, 3 &4 – AM

March 9: Night of Music @ M.S.

Gr. 2&3 – 6:30

Gr. 4: 7:45

March 11: Evening with the Superintendent"

7pm, MS Auditorium

March 12: Early Dismissal

March 18 – Parent Night 6 – 7:30pm

March 19: The Respect Program Assembly

K-2: 9:30 – 10:30

3&4: 10:30 – 11:30

March 23: Open House Gr. K-4 6:00 – 7:00

March 26: Miss Schoch's classroom play

March 29: Market Day 6:30

*Snow Make-Up Days will be March 29th, 30th, 31st & April 1st

*Additional Snow Make-Up Day-TBA

April 2 – 6: Easter Vacation

April 6: PTC Advisory Mtg. 8:15

April 7: PTC Mtg. 6:30

April 12 – 16: PSSA Testing

April 15 – Parent Night 6 – 7:30pm

April 19: Flying Hunters: Hawks & Owls Assembly

K-2: 9:15 – 10:05

3&4: 10:15 – 11:15

April 23: Prime Time Reading 7:00 – 8:30

April 26 – 29: PSSA Science Testing



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