



# Bruning Buzz

January 2024

**School Resumes:** School resumes on January 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Alert Now:** Parents will be notified of emergency weather closures through the Alert Now system. This system sends an automatic phone call to each household. Please listen to the message, before calling the school. The message may be on a delay, so when the message rings through, please wait for the message to start. It is very important to keep your contact information up to date. This system will also be used if school is closed at an early time for weather or any emergency. Any phone number changes need to be sent to the office and the classroom teacher. The system is only as good as the information programmed.

**E-Learning:** The Wilmington School District 209U will utilize E-Learning days when there is a need for an emergency day. Students will be given a Chromebook for E-Learning usage. The Chromebooks will be sent home with a full charge and should last 1-2 days. Students usernames and passwords will be sent home in the event of an e-learning day. Students will be expected to be online at the appointed time and complete the work assigned. Please refer to the schedule that was sent home earlier this year. The work packet will be sent home with the students prior to the emergency day. If you have any questions, please reach out to your child's teacher.

**Recess:** Students go outside for recess if it is not raining and the temperature is above 15 degrees Fahrenheit. Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather. When it snows, children need snow pants and boots to play in the snow. Shoes will not count as boots!

**AIMS Benchmarking:** The winter session of AIMS Web Benchmarking for math and literacy will begin on January 8<sup>th</sup>.

**No School:** There is no school on January 15<sup>th</sup> in honor of Martin Luther King Day.

**School Board Meeting:** January School Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room.

**Pre-School Screening:** Our second Pre-School screening day will be held on January 19<sup>th</sup>. If you have a child that is 2 years 10 months and you would like them screened for pre-school please call the SOWIC office at 815-741-7777 to schedule an appointment. We encourage all age eligible children to be screened.

**Career Week:** Career Week is the week of January 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will have activities planned for each day. Teachers may be reaching out to parents to see if anyone would be interested in presenting to your child's classroom about your occupation.

**Book Blast:** We will be doing another Book Blast this year. Our Book Blast will begin on January 22<sup>nd</sup> and run for two weeks. The books are all new this year, with many award winning titles. More information will be coming soon.

**Progress Reports:** The 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester progress reports will be available electronically on Skyward Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>. Our 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester ends March 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Important Dates:**

- 1/15/24: No School
- 1/19/24 Pre-School Screening
- 1/22/24 Book Blast begins
- 1/22-1/26 Career Week
- 1/26/24 2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester mid-terms available electronically
- 1/31/24: "Paws"ative Reward Drawing