



BROOKFIELD BROADCAST

Brookfield Public Schools Newsletter

"Create Your Tomorrow"

**Back to School Edition
Summer 2019**

NEWS WITH NUMBERS

20 Presentation Stations at BHS
(science, math, social studies)

1 Mobile World Language Lab at WMS

6 Chromebook Carts for HHES & CES

450 Chromebooks for the 1 to 1 Device Program, Grades 8-12

NEW SCHOOL PROJECT Design Development

The New School Project is now in the "Design Development Phase". During this phase, the conceptual design details and features will be finalized. We invite community members to review these design details and provide feedback to the architect, Board of Education, and Municipal Building Committee. To help this participatory process, there will be public engagement forums held at 6pm on September 26th, October 22nd, and November 19th at Huckleberry Hill Elementary School. Those unable to attend any of these meetings can email feedback to newschoolproject@brookfieldps.org.

The Board will be establishing a School Naming Committee. Be on the lookout for the opportunity to make suggestions for the name of the new school.

IMPORTANT DATES

Wed 8/28 First Day of School

Mon 9/2 Labor Day - School Closed

Mon 9/30 Rosh Hashanah - School Closed



View the School Calendar at bit.ly/BPS19-20Cal

INNOVATIONS & LEARNING

New Mobile World Language Lab at Whisconier

Students at Whisconier Middle School will have the opportunity to expand upon their learning of Spanish and French with our new World Language Mobile Lab. Spanish and French use in the classroom will increase since communication begins as soon as both students and teachers are logged into the platform.

Students will benefit from being quickly paired up with peers for speaking practice, which will maximize class time. Teachers will be able to record and collect students' work products in one step, review them at any time, and give feedback using text, audio or video. Furthermore, our students will be able to review their work products with teachers' comments any time to self-reflect, correct and move forward.

Social & Emotional Learning Initiatives at BPS

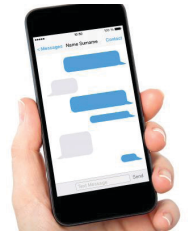
- R**ecognizing emotions in self and others
- U**nderstanding the causes and consequences of emotions
- L**abeling emotions accurately
- E**xpressing emotions appropriately
- R**egulating emotions effectively

In Brookfield we prepare students beyond academics, athletics, and the arts. We have a responsibility to make sure our young people have the social and emotional life skills to navigate their world inside and outside of the classroom, so that they continue developing into healthy adults. District leadership is committed to helping students and educators incorporate social and emotional practices into the school experience throughout Brookfield Public Schools. To learn more about our initiatives, check out our video online at: www.tinyurl.com/y2f22mom.

BACK TO SCHOOL TIPS FOR PARENTS

Receive Texts to Stay Informed

You can now receive school alerts by registering your cell phone number in the PowerSchool parent portal at powerschool.brookfield.k12.ct.us/public/.



Additional Electronic Payment Option for Families

Parents are now able to make various payments online using MySchoolBucks, the same system that is used to make payments to children's school lunch accounts. Notifications will be sent from school when payments can be made for programs, items, and field trips through MySchoolBucks.

Enrollment is easy! If you are already using MySchoolBucks to pay for school meals, your account is ready to go! Just log in and click on School Store. If you don't have an account follow the steps below:

1. Go to www.MySchoolBucks.com and register for a free account.
2. Add your students using their school name and student ID.
3. Make purchases with your credit/debit card or electronic check.

If you have any questions, contact MySchoolBucks directly by visiting myschoolbucks.com and clicking "Help", sending an email to support@myschoolbucks.com or via phone at (855) 832-5226.

OPEN HOUSE DATES

9/5	Brookfield High School
9/12, 9/19, & 9/24	Whisconier
9/11, 9/16, & 9/17	Huckleberry
9/3, 9/10	Center Elementary

"Brookfield's Best" COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT Thank You BPS School Staff!

Thank you BPS Custodial and Maintenance staff for all your hard-work in preparing our spaces for another amazing year of learning!



Our CES Team



Our HHES Team



Our WMS Team



Our BHS Team



Our District Maintenance Team

BHS US News & World Report National Ranking

Brookfield High School ranked among top high schools in the Nation according to US News and World Report. Over 23,000 high schools in the US were ranked on a portfolio of six variables including: College Readiness, Math and Reading Proficiency, Math and Reading Performance, Underserved Student Performance, College Curriculum Breadth, and Graduation Rate.



We are proud of Brookfield High School's administration, faculty, staff, and students for the prestigious honor of being identified by U. S. News and World Report, as a "Best" High School and are excited to display a U.S. News Best High Schools award badge.

TEACHER OF THE YEAR



Congratulations to Ms. Samantha Hannon, Center Elementary School, on receiving this distinction. We are so proud of your dedication and accomplishments!