



BURK BOBCAT NEWSLETTER

September 25, 2020

HALF DAY FRIDAY

October 2

Students dismiss at 11:55 a.m.

Annual Update **for 2020/21 School Year!**

If you have not already done so, please complete the Annual Update in Infinite Campus. This must be completed by all parents at the beginning of EACH year to ensure that we have updated contact information, address changes and emergency contacts.

Please log in to your Infinite Campus parent portal and complete your student's Annual Update today. Please contact our office if you need assistance, as it is essential that we have your correct contact details.

[Click here to log in to the Infinite Campus parent portal.](#)
[Click here for instructions on how to log in to Infinite Campus and troubleshooting resources.](#)

Bobcat Families,

This year, Gilbert Public Schools received an additional 5.9 million dollars in Federal funds based on income guidelines directly related to student free & reduced lunch eligibility. Taking the time to complete a Free & Reduced Lunch Application means GPS can continue providing additional academic support and services for students (even if your child decides not to participate in the lunch program). Through these programs, Burk is able to have our Title 1 Math and Rdg programs, after school programs, Family Nights, etc.

Thank you for taking the time to complete an online application and to help ensure our school district receives its fair share of Federal funds. Click here to watch a short video to learn how important these funds are to our schools and all of our students.

[Title 1 Free and Reduced Lunch Video](#)
[20-21 Free/Reduced Lunch Application](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday - Wear College Colors

Wednesday - 1 hr Early Release @ 1:55 p.m.

Friday - Wear Burk Bobcat Colors

Friday - Half Day Early Release @ 11:55 a.m.

Fall Break - October 5-12, school resumes on Tues 10/13



Mask Up Bobcat Families

All students and visitors are required to wear a mask while on campus. This includes when coming to parent pick up/drop off areas. Thank you for keeping our Bobcats safe!

PARENTS

Please see the Early Release/Half Day Schedule and Student Drop Off/Pick Up Map on the last 2 pages of the Newsletter



Burk T-Shirts



Show your school spirit and pick up your Burk shirt in the office. T-shirts are the same comfortable fabric as last year! Child sizes for \$10 and adult sizes for \$12. Exact change if paying cash please, no change will be available. If paying check, please make your check payable to: Burk PTO.

SOCIAL WORKER CORNER

The Elks Club is providing Families of Gilbert Schools with food boxes. These food boxes include perishable and non-perishable items. These food boxes will be distributed from various Gilbert schools. Families are welcome to go to any location. Families are welcome to come weekly, or as needed. Please contact me if you and your family would benefit from this food resource.

Please click here for the Social Worker Google Site for messages from Ms. Palmerin, family resources and more:
[Ms. Palmerin Burk Social Worker Google Site](#)

SUCCESS PROGRAM/SUPPLY LIST

We will be continuing with our Burk Success Program this year. Grade level materials have been supplied for all students in 1st through 6th grade. If you have not done so already, we are asking that you please make a monetary contribution to cover the cost of the supplies needed for your student(s). Kindergarten materials are not part of our Success Program and are not supplied by Burk. Please see the links below for supplies and pricing information. Please send exact cash or a check written out to Burk Elementary. Thank you!

[Kindergarten Supply List](#)
[1st and 2nd Grade Supply List](#)
[3rd through 6th Grade Supply List](#)

Attention 5th and 6th Grade Students!!!

Want to learn how to play an instrument? Have you played an instrument before and want to continue? We'd love to have you in band or strings! In 5th grade, we start at the very beginning, with the basics. In 6th grade, we start from where we left off in 5th. If you are a 5th grader interested in learning a new instrument, we'd love to help you get started! If you are a 6th grader with previous instrumental experience and musical knowledge, please jump in and join us! If you are a 6th grader without any prior experience, but you are still interested, please reach out to us! We'd love to talk with you about your options! Check out this website below to learn more.

<https://sites.google.com/gilbertschools.net/instrumentalmusic>
amelia.lucas@gilbertschools.net (strings) lisa.dektor@gilbertschools.net (band)

School Meals

Effective immediately, the USDA has extended free meals for children through December 31, 2020 to help ensure all children have access to nutritious food as the country recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic. Gilbert Public Schools will provide combo meals at no cost to children 18 and younger for breakfast and lunch. A combo meal includes and entree, fruit vegetable and milk. Incomplete meals and a la carte items will be sold at regular price.

[September Menu](#)
[October Menu](#)

However, please don't delay in filling out your free/reduced lunch application for 20-21 here:
[20-21 Free/Reduced Lunch Application](#)

Cool Cats of the Week

Harrison Barr
Lauden Billington
Jaxon Bowersock
Bella Torres
Kaira Tanimoto-Hartless
Caitlin Standage
Viviana Cutler
Ali Flores
Blaize Sobczyk
Andrew Lopez
Branlin Asay
Myah-Linn Anderson
Damani Willis
Adam Lopez



SHOUT OUTS!

We would like to recognize these individuals for exemplary Bobcat Behavior:

Mia Acosta	Soffia Ameziane
Laker Buesing	Eduardo Garcia
Jacob Ciesla	Sophie Henninger
Isaac Gonzalez	Evelyn Madsen
Paul Mah-Araiza	Jase Stokes
Moroni Sanchez	Journi Stokes
Bella Torres	Abby Sullivan
Charli Vaughn	Isaiah Weber
Preschool Students	Makayla Wolfgang

Keep up the great work Bobcats!



Happy Birthday!



We would like to wish the following Bobcats a very happy birthday:

9/29 - Noah Fuentes
9/30 - Aliana Flores
Sue Helen Reyes
Sophia Henninger
Jason Rojas Marino
10/2 - Miles Miller
10/3 - Rhett Bingham
Nathan Ramirez
10/6 - Rilee Kirk
10/10 - Octavia Forrest
Morgan Richard
10/12 - Isaiah Cooper
Juan Borrego

Caught With Character



Soffia Ameziane
Levi Charles
Chloe Dorner
Jaida Fredia
Nick Gippe
Oliver Nunez
Jayden Johnson
Elliot Lewis
Slayde McConnell
Brooklyn Reed
Morgan Richard
Angel Rojas

Half-Day Schedule 2020-2021

Dismissal Time 11:55 a.m.

- Wed. Sept 16, 2020
- Wed. Nov 18, 2020
- Wed. Feb 3, 2021
- Thurs. May 27, 2021 (Last Day Of School)

Please Keep This Schedule For Future Reference

No Pre-School on Half Days

Early Release Wednesday Schedule

Dismissal Time 1:55 p.m.

- Wed. Aug 12, 19, 26, 2020
- Wed. Sept 2, 9, 23, 30, 2020
- Wed. Oct 14, 21, 28, 2020
- Wed. Nov 4, 2020
- Wed. Dec 2, 9, 16, 2020
- Wed. Jan 6, 13, 20, 27, 2021
- Wed. Feb 10, 17, 24, 2021
- Wed. Mar 3, 17, 24, 31, 2021
- Wed. Apr 7, 14, 21, 28, 2021
- Wed. May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2021



BURK DROP OFF AND PICK UP

