The Weekly Comet Update

From Tom Meyer, Superintendent of the Bellevue Community School District

Believe in the Blue! Believe in Learning! Believe in Bellevue!

NO School and Early Dismissal Dates

- March 24: 2-Hour Early Dismissal for Teacher Professional Learning
- April 2-6: No School (Spring Break)
- April 28: 2-Hour Early Dismissal for Teacher Professional Learning
- May 28: Last Day of School for the 2021-2022 School Year
- May 29: Bellevue CSD Graduation at 4:00 PM (note the time change from previous years)
- August 23: Tentative 1st Day of School for the 2021-2022 School Year

Covid-19 Update

The Bellevue CSD is still doing well overall with our COVID-19 numbers for students who are positive or in quarantine over the last several weeks. At this time we have <6 students who are in quarantine, and no positive tests from any of our students.

At the same time, the district is still maintaining our mitigation strategies of requiring a mask, social distancing whenever possible, and other similar things. Thanks for all of your assistance in this process.

Tax Rates

The Bellevue CSD Board of Education reviewed a proposed budget for the 21-22 school year (FY22). At this point, the board is recommending we decrease property taxes by .01084 to 10.87322 (last year's rate was 10.88406). The district has had dropping tax rates for the last six years, and is the lowest out of 20 neighboring schools.

Student Learning and Collaboration









Student learning is based on not only their individual abilities and tasks to accomplish, but also on how they can work with others to develop solutions through collaboration, problem-solving, critical thinking, creativity, and many other areas. Next week I will include some information on learning as a "chef" or as a "cook" while in school.





BELLEVUE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS by the NUMBERS

"The primary aim of education is not to enable students to do well in school, but to assist them to do well in their lives outside of school."

- **9.6** Enrollment Percent Increase in Bellevue CSD enrollment since 2015
- **22.4** Percent Increase in Bellevue Elementary enrollment since 2015
- **40.0** Percent Increase in Bellevue Preschool enrollment since 2015

Technology

- 700+ The amount of student devices for students in Bellevue Elementary and Bellevue Middle/ High School
- **380+** Chromebooks and Macbooks sent home with students each day for their learning
- **300+** Student Chromebooks and iPads at Bellevue Elementary School

Course Offerings

- 70+ Number of college courses and programs available to students during an average school year for both high school and college credit.
- 140+ High School Courses offered at Bellevue High School, including: Art, Business Education/
 Computer Science, Driver's Education,
 English/Language Arts, Family and Consumer Science, Foreign Language, Health and
 Physical Education, Industrial Technology,
 Mathematics, Music, Science, Social Studies,
 Special Education, and Vocational Agriculture

College Courses

- 1300+ College course credits completed annually by Bellevue High School Students
- **400+** College courses completed annually
- Average College Credits earned by Bellevue High School Graduates

- Percentage of Bellevue High School students receiving an "A" or "B" in college courses
- **3.17** GPA in College Courses by Bellevue High School Students
- Dollars it costs students to take online courses while a student at the Bellevue CSD.

Graduation Rate

- **98+** Percent of students who graduate from high school in four years at the Bellevue CSD.
- 91 Statewide Graduation Average Percent

ACT Scores

- Percent of students required to take the ACT at Bellevue High School
- Cost for students and families to take the ACT (The Bellevue Community School District pays for all fees)
- **22.1** Average ACT score over the last 5 years in relation to the state average number of students taking the ACT
- **21.7** Average State ACT Score

Miles Traveled

105,000 Miles traveled by school transportation annually for bus routes and student activities

Meals Served

100,000

Lunches served to students each year

17,000

Breakfast meals served annually to students