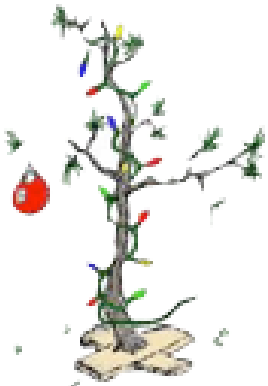


December Newsletter



11th Annual Blue Ridge Food Drive

Blue Ridge Elementary students have set an ambitious goal of collecting 500 items for our annual food drive. Collection boxes will be placed in each classroom and will be available during the Christmas Program on December 13th. All nonperishable food will be donated to the Dickinson County Food and Clothing Bank. **NON EXPIRED** canned goods, granola bars, rice, beans, soups, canned fruit, canned meats, pasta meals, and canned milk are appreciated. Please do not send food in glass containers. Food will be collected from November 26th through December 14th. Thank you for taking time to celebrate the holiday season through the gift of giving to our community!

Holiday Music Program

Mark your calendars for these Christmas music programs!

Enterprise - Thursday December 6th @ 7:00 PM

Blue Ridge - Thursday December 13th @ 7:00 PM

Please be aware that our front doors will not open for students, families, or guests until 6:40 as staff are not present to supervise students in their rooms. We also ask that the parking lot in front of BR be kept open for our guests that have limited mobility.

*Thank you to the Dickinson County Sheriff's Dept. for assisting with parking for the program.

From Your Blue Ridge PTO

Below is a reminder of the upcoming PTO dates for the 2018-2019 school year. There will not be a PTO meeting for the month of December. All meetings begin at 5:30 PM.

January 14, 2019

February 11, 2019, February 25, 2019

March 25, 2019

April 29, 2019

Please Help Us!

* If your child is absent, please notify the office by 8:30 AM. Absences will be unexcused until you call and verify the reason for their absence.

* Medications of any kind are not to be sent with students to school. Parents must bring the medications, along with a Dr.'s signed permission form, to the office. This is for **prescription and non-prescription** forms of medication, i.e., cough drops, Tylenol, etc. Let us know if you need a 'Permission to Give Medication' form sent home for you and your Dr. to fill out for this school year.

* **Please monitor your child's breakfast/lunch account.** If your child's account drops into a negative balance, please make a payment ASAP by sending money to the office or by utilizing the E-funds pay on line system. Parents are encouraged to make monthly payments on the last Friday of each month for the following month. Guidelines and delinquent payment procedures can be found on page 33 of the on-line student handbook.

