



# The Blazer Post

Jennifer Randel, Principal

Jim Curtis, Assistant Principal



June 2019



**School Office Hours**  
Mon - Fri  
7:45am - 3:45 pm

**Last Day of School**  
**June 7, 2019**  
**is an early release**  
**day**

[Useful Links](#)

[School Website](#)

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**Upcoming Friday**  
**Spirit Assemblies**  
**June 7**  
**at 8:30am**  
**in the**  
**amphitheater**



## School Notes

Buchanan Families,

*"We're Buchanan Elementary.  
We take pride in our diversity.  
We're the Blazers brave and strong.  
We know right from wrong."*

The first line of our school song gives me goose bumps, because not only are we Buchanan Elementary, we are a family. We are the village that's raised each other. We are compassion that accepts everyone's diversity. As a community, we are Blazers that forge ahead with pride and unity. As individuals, we are unique and special.

*"We're Buchanan Elementary.  
Teachers, parents, and community.  
Expectations always high  
As a team we try."*

The greatest gift Buchanan has given me is the people that make up this family. Through our years together, through the peaks and valleys, through the successes and challenges...I have been privileged to walk this journey with every staff member, parent, and student that has come through our doors. I have been blessed by all the relationships we've built and all the love I feel from everyone.

*"Honest and truthful  
Patient and kind  
We are the Blazers  
Blazing the trail of knowledge."*

Our Blazer is a mascot that represents leadership, innovation, friendship, and teamwork. Blazers shine bright, run fast and strong, forging ahead with courage and integrity. Blazers are the leaders that blaze a trail for others to follow. I am proud to have run with such leaders and trailblazers. I am honored to have blazed a trail with each and every one of you!

*"We're Buchanan Elementary.  
We promote accountability.  
Confident in what we do.  
Our future's bright with you."*

Buchanan is a community, a tribe, a village that prepares our students for the future. Together we work hard to learn values, skills, and lessons that will help each other shine and light up the world with our brightness!

*"We're Buchanan Elementary,  
Where we foster curiosity,  
We are life-long learners, too.  
We'll make our dreams come true."*

We are Buchanan Elementary, and we are a family. We are a family from the past, to the present, and forward to the future. Our family is strong, our family is loving, our family together is the future. We are Blazers. We are Buchanan Elementary...

Thank you to each and every one of you who have walked this journey with me through the years. Words cannot express the love and emotions I have for this Buchanan family. Together, as a community, you have assisted in making my dreams for Buchanan Elementary come true.

Good things are happening at Buchanan Elementary!

Jennifer Randel and Jim Curtis

Growth Mindset Quote

*"Have a great day, or not, the choice is always yours. Have a great day, Buchanan Blazers."  
—Jennifer Randel*

## Congratulations to Our Employees of the Year



Teacher of the Year  
Nicole Torres

Classified Employee of the Year  
Mary Teaze



Here are a few important dates to keep in mind as the end of the school year approaches:

May 20-24 The last week for story time. All library books are due this week.

May 28 The library is closed and all library materials are **due**. If your child is missing library items a notice will be sent home this week. Please check their backpack for books or notices. Registration for the new school year will be delayed for any outstanding library fines or materials.

**Parents of 5th grade students-** Please be sure your child has turned in all library books and text books. Registration at any of the MVUSD Middle Schools will be delayed for students missing library or classroom materials.

If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Nelson at 951-696-1428 X2788 or [bnelson@murrieta.k12.ca.us](mailto:bnelson@murrieta.k12.ca.us)



Last Day of School  
Friday - June 7th  
Early Release Day



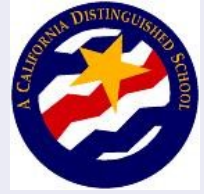
Summer Break - No School  
June 10  
Thru  
August 13



# Buchanan Elementary SSC Meeting

## May 15, 2019

### 3:30 pm E8



Attendance: Jim Curtis, Jennifer Randel, Earlene Carrithers, Christy Neilson, Julie Dalen, Mary Livingston, Christine Reischlein, Anna McCandless, Carolyn Fitch, Monica Farmer-Hajduk

**Call Meeting to Order 3:30 by Mrs. Reischlein**

#### Approval of Minutes and Agenda

- Minutes of March 12, 2019 motion to approve by Julie Dalen, seconded by Mary Livingstone
- Agenda of May 15, 2019 motion to approve by Christy Neilsen, seconded by Anna McCandless

#### Action Items 2019-2020 BES Expenditures:

- LCAP - Academic Achievement, Intervention/Prevention/Enrichment, Professional Development, and Engagement- School Culture and Climate are the four goals.
- Council reviewed each expenditure budgeted - \$181,425 projected budget.
- Motion to approve by Monica Farmer-Hajduk and seconded by Carolyn Fitch. Motion voted on and passed unanimously.
- Discretionary - Council reviewed each expenditure budgeted - \$68,935 projected budget. Motion to approve by Julie Dalen and seconded by Christine Reischlein. Voted and approved unanimously by SSC board.
- Title 1 Funding - \*potential for new funding in the 2019 - 2020 school year
- 2019-2020 SSC Members \*Parent - 1 parent opening for the 2019 - 2021 school years  
Resignation from Tricia Layne (parent) due to her daughter moving to middle school/  
read by Jennifer Randel/Resignation accepted by Christine Reischlein

Openings: 2parents/1 classified/1 certificated

New SSC members will be announced in June Newsletter

#### New Business

Next Meeting date - Fall 2019

V. Adjourned at 4:25pm by Tricia Layne

School Site Council

New Members for  
2019-2021



Congratulations to the following parents elected to the School Site Council: Mrs. Hajduk and Mrs. Henry

Congratulations to Mrs. Miller who was elected as the teacher representative and to Mrs. Carrithers as the classified representative.

## MVUSD Health Services



### TK and Kindergarten Enrollment Requirements

#### Pre School Parents:

**All Preschool students going to TK or Kindergarten**, need to have their last set of shots in order to have complete immunization in compliance to state requirement prior to starting TK or Kindergarten.

**Preschool students going to TK** - along with complete immunization, need a Dental Exam Report Form completed by a dentist or a signed Dental Waiver prior to starting TK.

**Preschool students going to Kinder** - along with complete immunization, need either a Physical Exam Report Form completed by a doctor and Dental Exam Report Form completed by a dentist *or* a signed Physical Waiver and signed Dental Waiver prior to starting Kinder.

#### For TK Parents:

**All TK students going to Kindergarten** - along with complete immunization, need either a Physical Exam Report Form completed by a doctor and Dental Exam Report Form completed by a dentist (if not on file yet) *or* a signed Physical Waiver and signed Dental Waiver (if not on file yet) prior to starting Kinder.

If a Physical Exam Report Form completed by a doctor *or* a signed Physical Waiver was turned in upon TK enrollment, an updated one is needed prior to starting Kinder since "physical exam may be done up to a maximum of six months prior to entry into Kinder".

Forms/Waivers are available on our website under Kindergarten Registration or in the office.

***\*\*\*If you have received a notice from the health office regarding needed immunization, it is important to complete them and bring the proof of shot to the health office in August or before, to get your teacher assignment\*\*\****

Please contact the Health Office at 951 696 1428 x2793 with any questions.



## Lost and Found

**All lost and found items are outside the office by the amphitheater. Items not claimed by Friday, 6/07/19 after school will be donated to charity.**



## Author and Artist of the Month Winners



The following students were honored at our May 17th Friday Spirit Assembly. Their work is being showcased in our library.



### Artist of the Month

TK: Student in (McKenzie)

Kinder: Student in (Miller)

2<sup>nd</sup>: Sarina Green (Zeitman)

4<sup>th</sup>: Student in (Adams)

1<sup>st</sup>: Maddy Nguyen (Cato/Caskey)

3<sup>rd</sup>: Student in (Nickoloff)

5<sup>th</sup>: Student in (Corbett/Rench)

### Author of the Month

TK: Carlee Hill (McKenzie)

1<sup>st</sup>: Gabriel Busto (Davis)

3<sup>rd</sup>: Addison Riche (Morgan)

5<sup>th</sup>: Student in (Nechaev)

Kinder: Student in (Miller)

2<sup>nd</sup>: Student in (Knott)

4<sup>th</sup>: Student in (Adams)



## The Blazer Way - Be Safe ~ Bicycle & Scooter Information

If you ride a bike or scooter to school, bring a lock and lock it up in the bike rack. We would love to trust that everyone is honest and will leave other people's possessions alone, but this is not always the case. The best way to keep your bike or scooter safe is to lock it up.

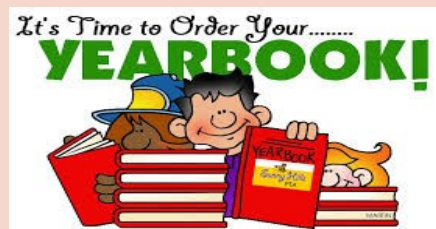
Also, California law requires that all students must wear a helmet when riding a bike or scooter. Students without a helmet will be sent to the office to call home for a helmet. Remember, this is to protect that incredible brain inside each student. Wear a helmet and be safe!

## Hey BLAZERS! Get your YEARBOOK

Order envelopes have been sent out! Order your yearbook NOW. Cost is \$30.00 CASH ONLY.

We have less than 80 yearbooks left, so order yours now!

Envelopes are available in the office.



## To Buchanan's PTA Board

Just a note of sincere gratitude to our wonderful PTA for all the support they have provided for our students, staff and families.

A special shout out to Mrs. Neilson for heading up this special team of caring adults who truly make Buchanan Elementary a wonderful place for your children.



## Procedure For Teacher Assignment Notification for the 2019-2020 School Year

Teacher assignment notification for the 2019-2020 school year for all students in grades Transitional Kindergarten thru 5th grade will take place August 6th during the hours of 12:00pm to 3:30pm and 5:00pm to 7:00pm in the MPR.

Please visit our school website at [murrieta.k12.ca.us/buchanan](http://murrieta.k12.ca.us/buchanan) after July 22, 2019 to complete the parent portal data confirmation. An automated phone call will also be sent out to remind you to complete the data confirmation, so make sure the office has your current phone number and email address on file. **All data must be updated and a current utility bill in the parents name dated June or July presented** to receive your child's teacher assignment. During the August 6th teacher assignment pick up, we will verify residency and that all sections of the parent portal data confirmation is complete. Once we verify everything has been completed, you will receive your child's teacher assignment for the 2019-2020 school year.

Parents are highly encouraged to complete the above information prior to August 6<sup>th</sup>. Waiting until the last moment will result in long lines and possibly delay your student starting school on August 14<sup>th</sup>. We also highly encourage those of you with new students to Buchanan Elementary to enroll your child beginning Monday, July 29, 2019 thru Friday, August 9, 2019 when our office reopens from the summer break.



## Student Lunches and Cafeteria Meals

***Parents - please clear up any negative balances on your student's lunch account before the end of school.***

*Due to parent concerns and health/food allergies, students and parents should not share lunches with other students. Parents who join their student during lunch time will eat with their student at the tables under the blue canvas cover.*

Student Meal Prices:	Breakfast - Full Pay \$1.75	Reduced price \$.30
	Lunch - Full Pay \$2.75	Reduced price \$.40
	Milk or Juice - \$.50	Bottled Water - \$.75



Parents can make payments to lunch accounts at [www.myschoolbucks.com](http://www.myschoolbucks.com)

## Important Safety Reminders

**Drop-off** is 8:00-8:25am for grades 1-5.  
Morning TK/K begins promptly at 8:20 am,  
Afternoon TK/K begins promptly at 11:00am.

Each morning when the **8:25am TARDY BELL rings**, staff members will be at each entry gate to give out tardy slips and teachers will send any student not in class or on their line to the office for a tardy slip.

**Pick-up** is 2:35 pm for grades 1-3.  
Grades 4-5 is 2:40 pm. Afternoon K is 2:35 pm. **No staff** is available to watch students **before** 8:00am and **after** 3:00pm.

**Students need to be picked up by 3:00pm.**  
If you need supervision after 3pm, child care is available on campus for a fee. Please call our Family Services at 951-304-1623 for more information if you are interested in before or after school child care.

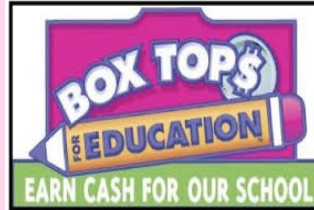
### Safety in the Loop

Please remember to keep moving up in the loop as cars leave and do not leave your car unattended. Our goal is to keep our children safe!



**Give your child the best start to the day— Be a H.E.R.O. Here, Everyday, Ready, On time**

Remember, the bell rings to line up at 8:20 am each morning for grades 1-5. Please be sure to drop your children off at school on time. Prompt attendance is crucial to maximize student learning. Arriving to school just five minutes late each morning adds up to nearly *three full days* of missed instruction over the course of the school year! Thank you for your support.



## Box Top Contest

The Box Top Contests will return next year. Continue to save Box Tops and turn into your teacher.

Thank you to everyone who turned in Box Tops and supported our school this year.

Have a great summer!

[Check the Box Tops for Education website](http://www.boxtopsforeducation.com)

## Celebration Policy

Per MVUSD policy regarding food allergies, any food brought on campus to be shared with other students needs to have prior approval from school personnel.

As an alternative suggestion to food for student celebrations (i.e. birthdays), you may donate a book to the classroom or school library honoring your student.

Another idea is to bring in a goody bag (**with no food items**) or a **non-food treat** for each student in the class.

Thank you for adhering to this policy for the safety of all students and staff.



## Field Trip Chaperones and Volunteers

All volunteers and chaperones must register in the office and get their tag **BEFORE** they may volunteer in a classroom or chaperone on a field trip. Please bring your government issued ID as the office needs to run it through the RAPTOR system **each time you volunteer or are on campus.**

Thank-you for taking the time to volunteer!







# Buchanan Elementary

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 NOT Early Release All TK/K attend the Early Bird time 5th Grade Field Trip	4 4th Grade Field Trip	5 5th Grade Breakfast	6 5th Grade Field Trip 8:45am Lumsden & McWhorter Show 10:00am Torres, Miller & Aspan-Martin Show	7 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL Early Release Day Spirit Assembly 9:30am 5th Grade End of Year Awards	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
<div style="border: 2px solid blue; padding: 5px; color: red; font-weight: bold;">           School Office Open 9:00 am - 2:00 pm - June 10 - 14         </div>						
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	<div style="border: 2px solid blue; padding: 10px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">           The School Office is closed            June 17th - July 26th            Office re-opens July 29th            9:00am-3:00pm         </div>				29







Murrieta Valley Unified School District  
**2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR REGISTRATION  
TIMELINE**

- November 5 School Sites Accept **NEW** Intra-District Trans requests.  
*\*Intra-District = A transfer between schools in the MVUSD*
- January 7 District accepts **New** and **Renewal** Inter-District Transfers
- February 4 Online Pre-enrollment begins for all students new to the Murrieta Valley Unified School District, including Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten students.
- February 12 Final day of Open Enrollment for New or Renewal of **Inter**-District transfer requests.
- February 12 Final day to submit **(NEW) INTRADISTRICT** transfer requests at the School Site.
- March 4 Onsite enrollment appointments begin for Transitional Kindergarten, Kindergarten and **New** enrollees. Please contact the school site to make an appointment to complete registration and turn in documents *such as*, birth certificate/verification of age, immunization records, verification of residency and more depending on the grade level of your student.
- June 10 Open Enrollment **INTRA**-district and **INTER**-district Transfer notifications to parents will be sent no later than this date.

**\*All other transfers that are turned in after 2/13/19 will be considered case by case**

**NOTE:** Intra Transfer Requests between schools within the Murrieta Valley School District are processed at the school site. Please submit the request at the school site that you are requesting.

Please check the [district website](#) for [Enrollment/Registration Information](#).

We hope that this information will help in your planning for the 2019-2020 school year. If you have any questions, please contact your school office.

Thank you,

**Administrative Team**  
**Murrieta Valley Unified School District**