



# Bowen Elementary Newsletter

April 2024

## A Message From the Principal



Hello Bowen Families,

We have entered the final quarter of the school year, and we know that the days go by quickly during this time of the year. I want to highlight some important information for you as we head to the conclusion of the school year.

First, a reminder that ALL students need to be registered online for the upcoming school year. You can register your child(ren) at [kentwoodps.org](http://kentwoodps.org). If you need assistance registering, please stop into the office for help.

Second, end of the year testing takes place beginning this first week back from Spring Break... This includes M-Step testing for Grades 3-5 and iReady testing for ALL grades. We need your help to ensure students are getting a good night's sleep during the testing period. In addition, start each morning with words of encouragement; assure students they have been working hard all year and they are ready to do well on their assessments.

We will continue to keep you informed about important information as we progress toward the end of this school year.

Educationally Yours,  
Mary Campione



## Shamrock Shuffle Rescheduled!



The Shamrock Shuffle has  
been rescheduled:

**FRIDAY,  
APRIL 12**

Bowen Elementary

## Mark Your Calendar!



- April 8 5th Grade EKHS Aquatic Lesson
- April 8-10 KCHD Hearing & Vision Screening
- April 9 Mileage Club Kick-off
- April 11 PTC Meeting 5:30pm
- April 12 PTC Spring Dance 6 - 8pm
- April 18 Kindergarten Visitation 10am & 6pm
- April 19 Used Book Sale
- April 23 Mrs. Serrell's Field Trip to the Farm
- April 24 2nd Grade Field Trip Celebration Cinema
- April 26 PTC Popcorn Sale
- April 26 Family Roller Skating Night

## Attendance

A gentle reminder to call the Bowen Office at (616) 455-5220 when your child will be absent. We participate in the Strive for Five Campaign and encourage families to have students at school on time all five days of the week. Our Attendance Team monitors attendance patterns to communicate with families and celebrate amazing attendance achievements!

## PBIS Golden Ticket Raffle!

Students will have an opportunity to earn Falcon Reward Raffle Tickets after Spring Break! Students who are caught soaring above and beyond our Bowen expectations will earn a ticket to bring home with their awesome behavior described on the back. Students will then rip off the raffle ticket portion to enter a raffle for amazing prizes to celebrate their behavior! Celebrate your child's success if they earn a ticket and make sure to encourage them to try their best!



## Summer School Information

Dates: June 10 – July 25  
(no school July 1–4)  
Monday–Thursday  
Time: 9am–12pm  
Location: Bowen Elementary



Classroom teachers will be making phone calls to encourage students to participate before sending home a registration form. Summer School is for students who need extra support in Reading and Math.

## Building Healthy Communities



This month, students will explore the importance of breakfast, and what makes a healthy breakfast. Students will also learn how people eat breakfast around the world. Check out BHC's parent tip sheet on [Flavor Remix](#) to 'spice up' some of your usual meals!

## Kindergarten Visitation

**Bowen**  
**Kindergarten Visitation**  
Please Attend One Time  
10am or 6pm  
April 18  
Please bring your future Y5 or Kindergartener!  
Questions?  
Call: (616) 455-5220

## Spring Assessment Calendar

- Week of April 8 – 3rd Grade & 5th Grade M-Step Reading
- Week of April 15 – 4th Grade M-Step Reading & 5th Grade M-Step Math
- Week of April 22 – All School iReady Reading Testing
- Week of April 29 – All School iReady Math Testing & 4th Grade M-Step Math

Make sure to prepare your child for a successful assessment week they are getting enough sleep, drinking lots of water, and trying their best!

## The Scholastic Book Fair Update!

Thank you to everyone who shopped and volunteered! We appreciate the support to keep our Bowen Falcons reading. Mark your calendars for our final Book Fair on May 13–17.

