

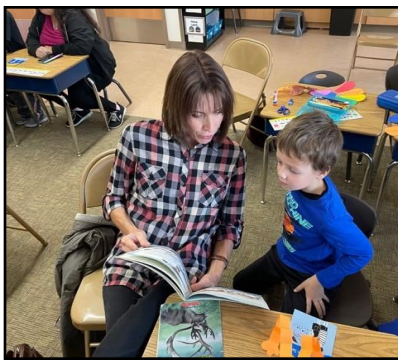
The Cub Reporter

Tucker Tidbits for Elementary
Kathy Tucker, Elementary Principal

It's hard to believe that the holiday season is already here, and soon it will be time for Christmas break. The Christmas season always brings with it an appreciation for others. Parents, thank you for giving us the opportunity to teach your children. We appreciate all you do on a daily basis such as helping with homework, checking backpacks daily, signing Cub books, keeping kiddos home when they are sick, communicating with teachers, and for just being there supporting and loving your children. Students, thank you for trying your best and striving to learn more. Remember to make learning a priority as we bring the first semester to a close, and thank your teachers for all they do for you on a daily basis. Teachers, thank you for always striving to improve as instructors, giving of yourselves continually, working hard and putting in extra time to achieve excellence, and for caring and loving our students. We are so blessed and thankful for the school/parent/community partnership that we experience here as Big Sandy Bearcubs!

Grandparents Day!!

Our elementary "Grandparents Day" was a huge success with over 118 grandparents attending. Teachers planned educational activities for students to complete with their grandparents. Thanks to all who made this a memorable event for all of our students and their families!



Santa Visit

Santa will be coming to our school on Dec. 19th. Please see page 16 for more information. Thank you to our NHS for making this possible.

YEARBOOK NEWS

The 2022/2023 yearbooks can now be ordered online! They are hard-covered and all-color. The cost is \$50. Please either go to the link below to order your yearbook: <https://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A01065722> or fill out the order form on page 15

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Santa Claus

Santa Claus will be coming to our school on December 19th. Thank you to our National Honor Society for making this possible. Santa will also be available at the fire station in Simla on Dec. 11, 2022 from 2 to 4 p.m. for pictures. A parade will take place at 6 p.m. that night as well.



Christmas parties will be held on December 22nd. Classroom teachers will be hosting these parties.

Toys for Tots

A local family desires, once again, to make toys available to all students at Christmas time. This requires much time, hard work, and organization. Thank you, Kim, Kayla, and family, for helping our students and families!



Come One, Come All for some yummy food!

Before the Christmas program, our Future Business Leaders of America chapter will be hosting a chili supper for all elementary students and their families. The dinner will begin promptly at 5 p.m. and will run through 7 p.m. The dinner will cost \$4 per person, and the money will help sponsor FBLA students at their district and state competitions. Come join us, sit back, relax, and enjoy visiting with your family and others!

Elementary Christmas Program

The elementary will be presenting their annual Christmas program on Wednesday, December 7, under the direction of Mrs. Weber. Each program should last 30 to 45 minutes. The K-2 program will be from 6 p.m. to 6:40 p.m. while the 3rd-5th grade will be 7:00 p.m. to 7:40 p.m. The students have worked diligently to prepare for this performance. Don't miss out on this opportunity to usher in the Christmas season!

Cub's Den News

Cub's Den leaders met with their groups on November 4th. The November theme for the month is "Thankfulness." Leaders taught a lesson on how we should all be thankful and how to verbalize that consistently with others.

First Semester

Our first semester ends on Thursday, December 22nd. Report cards will be sent home after we return from our Christmas break. If a teacher has a concern about a student's progress, then parents will be contacted. Please make sure to have your child read and complete his/her homework on time while making quality work a priority.

Accountability Committee

Our district has several people who serve on this committee. It is comprised of students, staff, parents, community members, and business owners. We appreciate the time and effort that these folks give to help make our schools better!

Our next accountability meeting will be on Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at 3 p.m. in the library.

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<< DECEMBER STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Miralinda Rivera Osorio is our December Student of the Month. She is in Mrs. Thieman's third grade class. Miralinda is an extremely hard worker and has made much progress while excelling in reading and math. Another great trait is that she never gives up! Thanks, Miralinda, for being such an awesome bearcub!

JANUARY STUDENT OF THE MONTH >>

Our January Student of the Month is Aubrey Boyd. She is in Mrs. Cox's second grade class and was chosen because she is also an incredibly hard worker. Aubrey has improved in all areas and always strives to please her teacher and classmates. Way to go, Aubrey!



Thanks to...

- All veterans for serving our country
- Mr. Tucker and his class for providing the Veteran's Day video during lunch.
- All parents for being a support for your children and our school
- All elementary students for a great first semester of learning
- Accountability committee members
- All Big Sandy Staff for helping our students experience much success

Have a very Merry Christmas and a blessed holiday season! May it be filled with lots of laughter, hugs, and time spent with family and friends!

"No amount of money or success can take the place of time spent with your family." - Author unknown

Music Notes
Danielle Weber, K-12 Music
Elementary Christmas Program



Elementary Christmas Programs are happening on December 7th!

Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd graders are doing an adorable play called "A Bugz Christmas." The bugs are eager to put on their annual Christmas production, but oh no! The Termites have decided to show up and eat all the Christmas decorations. Will they find a solution in time for their production? Come and find out on December 7th at 6:00 p.m.!

The 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders are putting on a very mature play on December 7th at 7:00 p.m.! They are going to be presenting "A Dickens of a Christmas," based on the beloved novel "A Christmas Carol." This is bound to be full of fun, ghosts, and a grumpy old Scrooge. Will Scrooge find the meaning of Christmas before it is too late?

Middle and High School Christmas Concert

The middle and high schoolers will be presenting their Christmas concert on December 14th at 6:30 p.m.. The bands and choirs have been working super hard to put on this wonderful concert for you! It is sure to be quite a festive celebration with a huge variety of music. Look forward to seeing you there!

From the Principal's Desk
Sammi Swennes, Secondary Principal

Year-to-Date

CONGRATULATIONS to our high school football team for being second in the state! They won their league and state playoff games and advanced to the state championship game! It has been 27 years since we have played in the state championship game! Congratulations boys on this achievement!!



CONGRATULATIONS to our final four high school volleyball team. They won their region and advanced to the state volleyball tournament where they made it to the semi-finals. They were one of four 1A teams left playing in the state of Colorado!! Congratulations girls!!

Basketball Season

Basketball season is well under way for our junior high teams. They will continue to have games in December and January, and the Black Forest League Junior High Basketball Tournament will be held in Calhan on January 20th and 21st.

The High School Basketball teams start their season this weekend in the Limon Tournament. The varsity girls will play at 4:00 p.m., varsity boys at 5:30 p.m., JV girls at 7:00 p.m., and JV boys at 8:30 p.m.

Wrestling

High School Wrestling will start their season on Saturday, December 3rd in Fowler.

Choir and Band Performance

Junior High and High School Choir and Band will be having a winter performance on December 14th at 6:30 p.m.

State Spirit Competition

The winter high school dance/cheer team will be competing in the State Spirit Competition on December 10th—GOOD LUCK GIRLS!!

Christmas Break

We hope that Thanksgiving was a restful time for you and your family. We all look forward to the Christmas Season and the end of the first semester. The winter break will begin on December 23rd and we will return to school on January 10th.

The administration and staff would like to wish you and your family a Happy Holiday season---we are blessed to work with your kids every day and appreciate everything that you do to support your child's education at Big Sandy Schools!

Future Business Leaders of America

Congratulations to our new FBLA officers and inductees!



Superintendent/Board Notes
Steve Wilson, Superintendent

State Playoff Competitions

Congratulations to the players, coaches and teams for the successes during the state playoff competitions! As we start to get into the busy winter extra-curricular schedules, even though it is so busy, I am reminded of how good it is compared to a couple of years ago when we did not have these activities going on.

Electric School Buses

Out of 8 electric buses that were given to school districts in Colorado by the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency), Big Sandy School District will be receiving 3 of them. This grant will be paying for the buses as well as infrastructure that goes along with charging the buses. We have been doing a lot of research on this topic the past six months and will continue to learn about this fast evolving subject. On the grant that had a quick turnaround for application, we did get a little over \$20k to help with school operations.

Elbert County Commissioners

When the Elbert County Commissioners held a communication meeting for our community at the school last month, there was lots of talk about new oil wells in the northwest part of the county and that these oil wells are producing much more oil than expected with much more revenue coming into the county than anticipated.

School Board

Our school board appointed Scott Lutz to finish off the one year remaining on a current term; next November, this director position will be voted on for a new 4-year term.

Veteran's Day Assembly

Our students remembered our veterans on Veterans Day; thank you to our Veterans, Mr. Tucker, Mrs. Hamacher, teachers, principals, cooks and students for making this day special.

Grandparents Day

Thank you to the elementary students and staff for hosting "Grandparents Day" this year. Although Joan and I have 12 grandchildren, this was the first year we have had 3 of them within Simla Elementary School. Thank you all for a special day.

Governor's Preliminary Budget

The Governor's Preliminary Budget was introduced in November. He proposes to cut the Budget Stability Factor by \$35 million...this would still leave approximately \$300 million being taken away next year from K-12 schools from what was put into Colorado's Constitution, passed by Colorado voters in the 2000 election. The legislative session will take the current Governor's Budget as a starting point and then will be working on it throughout the legislative session which will start in January.

School Safety

Hopefully, we will be getting some moisture soon. When that time comes, please be careful when driving and walking around the school during the snowy season. Although our custodians do a great job with snow removal, please let our children know to use extra caution on inclement weather days.

Contact Information Changes

Please also let Alisa Easler in the office know of any contact information changes in phone numbers or e-mail addresses so that we can keep in contact especially with short notice communications such as school late-starts or cancellations.

We look forward to the many school activities this winter. We are very thankful for the good start to our school year and thankful for our students and staff at Big Sandy Schools!

We hope you and your families have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Go Cubs!

SENIORS

It's the first of December! Hopefully seniors have applied to their top choices for college and have been receiving notifications of acceptance. I encourage all of our seniors to work hard in the weeks before Christmas to get their college applications submitted.

In Senior Seminar, our Senior Projects are wrapping up! 8-page research papers will be handed in soon! Based on their research, each student is also creating a PowerPoint presentation to give before a panel of judges from our community Dec. 19th – 21st. The senior who is judged to have the best overall presentation will win a gift card! This year we again required a job shadow experience for each senior. I hope that this was a valuable time in helping our students get a first-hand and practical look at the day-to-day requirements of their career choice. Parents – thank you for helping your student complete this requirement! In January we hope to begin a Personal Finance unit in conjunction with Farmers State Bank as well as continuing to work on scholarship applications.

FAFSA

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is available now online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Financial information needed to complete the FAFSA comes from your families completed 2021 tax forms. This is a free process so if you encounter any charges being requested then you have accessed the wrong site. In order to sign your completed FAFSA you will need a FSA id. The process for obtaining this is found at www.fsa.ed.gov. I am always willing to help you go through these applications and provide as much guidance as I can!

ACT

The next test date for the ACT is February 11th. The regular registration deadline for this test is January 6th. Register at www.actstudent.org. The test fee for the ACT is \$63.00. See Mr. Thieman to see if you qualify for a fee waiver.

SAT

The next test date for the SAT is March 11th. The regular registration deadline for this test is February 10th. The test fee for the SAT is \$55.00. Register at www.sat.org. See Mr. Thieman to see if you qualify for a fee waiver. All juniors will be taking the SAT at Simla on April 12th at no charge as part of the State's assessment program.

ALL SECONDARY STUDENTS – CHANGING YOUR SCHEDULE

December 22nd marks the end of the 1st semester! If you would like to change your schedule for the 2nd semester, you must pick up a schedule change form from my office. 4 signatures are required: Teacher from the class that you are dropping; Teacher from the class that you are adding; Parents; and Counselor. Forms will need to be handed in by Friday, December 16th.

ALL SECONDARY STUDENTS - ASVAB

The ASVAB (Military Readiness Assessment) is tentatively planned for Monday, January 16th at the school. High school students can sign up in my office to take this optional assessment. There is no cost.

In your holiday traveling, make time to stop and visit some college campuses along the way. One of the best ways to learn about a college is to set foot on campus. Remember that my office is always open to talk about whatever that you would like. Stop by anytime! May you all have a Merry Christmas and I am looking forward to a great New Year!

Congratulations Sixth Grade!

Congratulations to the following students for placing in the Sixth Grade Double E Soil Conservation Poster Contest! Jessie Jorgenson placed first, so her poster advanced to the State Level Competition and will be competing against all of the other poster winners within the state of Colorado. Jessie also received a personalized jacket for her first place accomplishments. Kinlee Cox (Not Pictured) placed second and Noah Stodola placed third. Each winner was recognized at the 50th Annual Double E Soil Conservation District Meeting and Dinner where they each received cash prizes! In addition, every sixth grader who participated in the Poster Contest will receive a seedling tree in the spring to plant! Thank you to Double E Soil Conservation District for all that you do for our community and for helping teach our students about conservation.



Noah Stodola and Jessie Jorgenson

Nurse's Notes

Margaret (Maggie) Volosin, BSN, RN

Final reminder:

PLEASE provide current immunization documentation and exemptions to the school prior to Christmas break. Letters will be sent out the week after Thanksgiving to those who do not have an immunization record on file at the school, those that do not meet compliance requirements, and those who do not have a CURRENT exemption on file for the 2022-2023 school year. Non-medical exemptions must be provided for each school year and expire yearly on June 30th. If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to me while I am at the school on Tuesday's each week or anytime by email.

Respiratory Illness:

As I am sure you are all aware this year's respiratory illness season has come in with a vengeance. According to Children's Colorado Bug Watch RSV (see Attached) is the primary culprit, but Influenza A, COVID-19 and other respiratory pathogens are also out there too.

RSV is a common respiratory virus that normally circulates in the fall and spring. For most children, especially those older than 5 years RSV is like a common cold. For the younger population, infants, toddlers, those under 5 years of age and those with underlying respiratory disease, RSV can become more severe, with some requiring hospitalization. With that it's important to monitor your children closely and keep them home when they are sick. Encourage good respiratory hygiene and etiquette in your home and at school. Encourage good hand hygiene as well as a healthy diet and lots of water to make sure their bodies are in prime working condition.

Please review the following pages of the most up to date version of "How sick is too sick" from CDPHE as your guideline in determining if your child should be in school or not.



How Sick is Too Sick?

When Children and Staff Should Stay Home from School or Child Care

Evaluation of a sick child must consider which diseases are currently circulating among students, staff, and the community. Known exposure to cases or an outbreak of a contagious disease (including but not limited to those listed here), even without a confirmed diagnosis, may necessitate more stringent return to school requirements.

During Colorado's ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic, children and staff who have symptoms consistent with COVID-19 should receive testing, and follow the [COVID-19 isolation guidance](#) until testing is completed or if they test positive. If the individual tests negative for COVID-19, the individual should then follow the recommendations for their disease or symptoms using the below guidance.

There are four main reasons to keep children and adults at home:

1. The child or staff is at risk of infecting others with COVID-19 or another contagious illness, either because of symptoms or recent close contact.
2. The child or staff member does not feel well enough to take part in usual activities. For example, a child is overly tired, fussy or will not stop crying.
3. A child needs more care than teachers and staff can give while still caring for the other children.
4. The child or staff member has symptoms or an illness is on this list, and staying home is required.





Guidance for COVID-19 Symptoms	Child or staff member must stay home?
<p>COVID-19 symptoms which must be fully resolved before a child or staff member returns to school</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feeling Feverish, having chills or Fever (Temperature of 100.4°F or greater. Babies who are 4 months or younger need to see a doctor right away for a fever of 100°F or higher) • Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing • Nausea, Vomiting/Throwing Up • Diarrhea (Frequent, loose, or watery stools (poop) compared to normal ones that are not caused by food or medicine) • Cough* 	<p>Yes - These symptoms are often present in individuals with COVID-19 and other contagious infectious disease, and a person with any of these symptoms (whether new or worsening from baseline) should first receive a diagnostic test for COVID-19.</p> <p>When to seek emergency medical attention</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trouble breathing • Persistent pain or pressure in the chest • New confusion • Inability to wake or stay awake • Pale, gray, or blue-colored skin, lips or nail beds, depending on skin tone <p>These are not all possible symptoms. Please call your medical provider for any other symptoms that are severe or concerning to you. Call 911 or call ahead to your local emergency facility. Notify the operator that you are seeking care for someone who has or may have COVID-19.</p> <p>If all symptoms are consistent with the usual symptoms of a known chronic condition and the child is otherwise well enough to return to school, no further evaluation is necessary.</p> <p>If the test is positive, or the individual has not yet been tested, the individual should follow CDPHE's isolation guidance, https://covid19.colorado.gov/isolation-and-quarantine. Further guidance for the school or child care can be found at https://covid19.colorado.gov/practical-guide-for-operationalizing-cdc-school-guidance.</p> <p>If the test is negative AND the symptoms are explained by a specific illness other than COVID-19, then the child or staff can return to school or child care following exclusion guidelines for that illness.</p> <p>If the test is negative and the illness is not explained by a new illness or a known chronic condition, the ill individual should still stay home until symptoms have been resolved for at least 24 hours without medication.</p> <p>*Students and staff may return if the cough is not fully resolved following discussion with a care provider.</p>
<p>COVID-19 symptoms which must be improving before a child or staff member returns to school or child care</p>	<p>Yes - These symptoms are often present in individuals with COVID-19, and a person with any of these symptoms (whether new or worsening from baseline) should receive a diagnostic test for COVID-19. If all symptoms are consistent with the usual symptoms of a known chronic condition and</p>





- Sore throat
- Runny nose or congestion
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- Fatigue
- New Loss of Taste or Smell**

the child is otherwise well enough to return to school, no further evaluation is necessary.

If the diagnostic COVID test is positive, or the individual has not yet been tested, the individual should follow CDPHE's isolation guidance, <https://covid19.colorado.gov/isolation-and-quarantine>. Further guidance can be found at <https://covid19.colorado.gov/practical-guide-for-operationalizing-cdc-school-guidance>.

If the diagnostic test is negative and the symptoms are explained by a specific illness other than COVID-19, then the child or staff can return to school or child care following exclusion guidelines for that illness.

If the COVID test is negative and the illness is **not** explained by a new illness or a known chronic condition, the ill individual may return to school as long as all symptoms are improving and cough, shortness of breath, fever, diarrhea and vomiting have fully resolved.

**Loss of taste or smell can persist for weeks or months. This condition does not need to be resolved or improving before an individual returns to school or care.





Guidance for Symptoms Not Due to a Specific Disease, Following a Negative COVID Test	Child or staff must stay home?
<p>Diarrhea Frequent, loose, or watery stools (poop) compared to normal ones that are not caused by food or medicine.</p>	<p>Yes - Unless the diarrhea is related to an existing chronic condition, is explained by a diagnosed condition not requiring the person to stay home, or is consistent with the person's baseline.</p> <p>The child or staff member may return to school or child care 24 hours after their last episode of diarrhea unless the diarrhea is caused by an illness that requires them to stay home longer. If the diarrhea is explained by a specific illness, then the child or staff can return to school or child care following exclusion guidelines for that illness.</p>
<p>Fever Fever is a temperature of 100.4°F or greater. Babies who are 4 months or younger need to see a doctor right away for a fever of 100°F or higher.</p>	<p>Yes - The child or staff member may return to school or child care if the fever has been resolved for 24 hours without fever reducing medications unless the fever is caused by an illness that requires them to stay home longer. If the fever is explained by a specific illness COVID-19, then the child or staff can return to school or child care following exclusion guidelines for that illness.</p>
<p>Flu-like Symptoms Fever Sore throat Runny nose or congestion</p>	<p>Yes - Children and staff may return to school or child care as long as they are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications and other symptoms are improving, unless the symptoms are caused by an illness that requires them to stay home longer. If the symptoms can be explained by a specific illness, then follow the exclusion guidelines for that illness.</p> <p>In consultation with a healthcare provider, additional evaluation for flu-like illnesses, sore throat, and upper respiratory symptoms may be appropriate, including evaluation for strep throat.</p>
<p>Vomiting/Throwing Up</p>	<p>Yes - Unless the vomiting is related to an existing chronic condition or is explained by a diagnosed condition not requiring the person to stay home. If the vomiting is unexplained and inconsistent with the person's baseline state of health, the child or staff member may return 24 hours after their last episode of vomiting. If the vomiting can be explained by a specific illness, then follow the exclusion guidelines for that illness.</p> <p>If a child with a recent head injury vomits, seek medical attention.</p>





Guidance for Specific Diagnosed Illnesses	Child or staff must stay home?
Chicken Pox	Yes - until the blisters have dried and crusted (usually 6 days), or in immunized people without crusting, until no lesions within 24 hour period.
Conjunctivitis (pink eye) Pink color of eye and thick yellow/green discharge	No - children and adults do not need to stay home unless they have a fever or are not able to participate in usual activities. Call your doctor for advice and possible treatment.
COVID-19 (clinical diagnosis, symptoms without testing, or a positive diagnostic test)	Yes - children and staff who have suspected COVID-19 or who have been diagnosed with COVID-19 must be excluded and follow CDPHE's isolation guidance . Guidance for schools and child care settings can be found here: https://covid19.colorado.gov/cases-and-outbreaks-child-care-schools .
Fifth's Disease (parvovirus)	No - the illness is no longer contagious once the rash appears.
Hand Foot and Mouth Disease (Coxsackie virus)	No - unless the child or adult meets other exclusion criteria, is drooling uncontrollably and has mouth sores or is not able to take part in usual activities.
Head Lice or Scabies	Yes - children may stay at school or child care until the end of the day but cannot return until after they have had the first treatment.
Hepatitis A, Salmonella, Shigella, or Shiga-toxin Producing E. coli	Yes - children and staff may return to school or child care when cleared by the health department.
Herpes	No - unless there are open sores that cannot be covered or there is uncontrollable drooling.
Impetigo	Yes - children and adults need to stay home until 24 hours after antibiotic treatment has started.
Influenza	Yes - children and staff should remain out of school or child care until they are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications and other symptoms have been improving for 24 hours.
Norovirus	Yes - exclude children and staff for at least 48 hours after their last episode of vomiting and/or diarrhea.
Ringworm	Yes - children may stay at school or child care until the end of the day but cannot return until after they have had the first treatment. Keep the area covered for the first 3 days if participating in activities with person to person contact.





Guidance for Specific Diagnosed Illnesses	Child or staff must stay home?
Roseola	No - unless there is a fever or behavior changes.
Croup, RSV (Respiratory Syncytial Virus)	Yes - Children and staff should remain out of school or child care until they are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications and other symptoms have been improving for 24 hours.
Strep Throat	Yes - for 12 hours after starting antibiotics unless the doctor says that it is okay to return to school sooner.
Other Vaccine Preventable Diseases Measles, Mumps, Rubella (German Measles), Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	Yes - Children and staff can return to school once they are no longer contagious (see Infectious Disease Guidelines). Public health consultation may be necessary.
Yeast Infections Thrush or Candida diaper rash	No - follow good hand washing and hygiene practices.
Other Symptoms or illnesses not listed	Contact the child care center director or school health staff to see if the child or staff member needs to stay home (see Infectious Disease Guidelines).

This document was developed in collaboration with pediatricians, medical epidemiologists and public health professionals.

The information presented is intended for educational purposes only. It is not intended to take the place of your personal doctor's advice and is not intended to diagnose, treat, cure or prevent any disease. The information should not be used in place of a visit, call or consultation or advice of your doctor or other health care provider.

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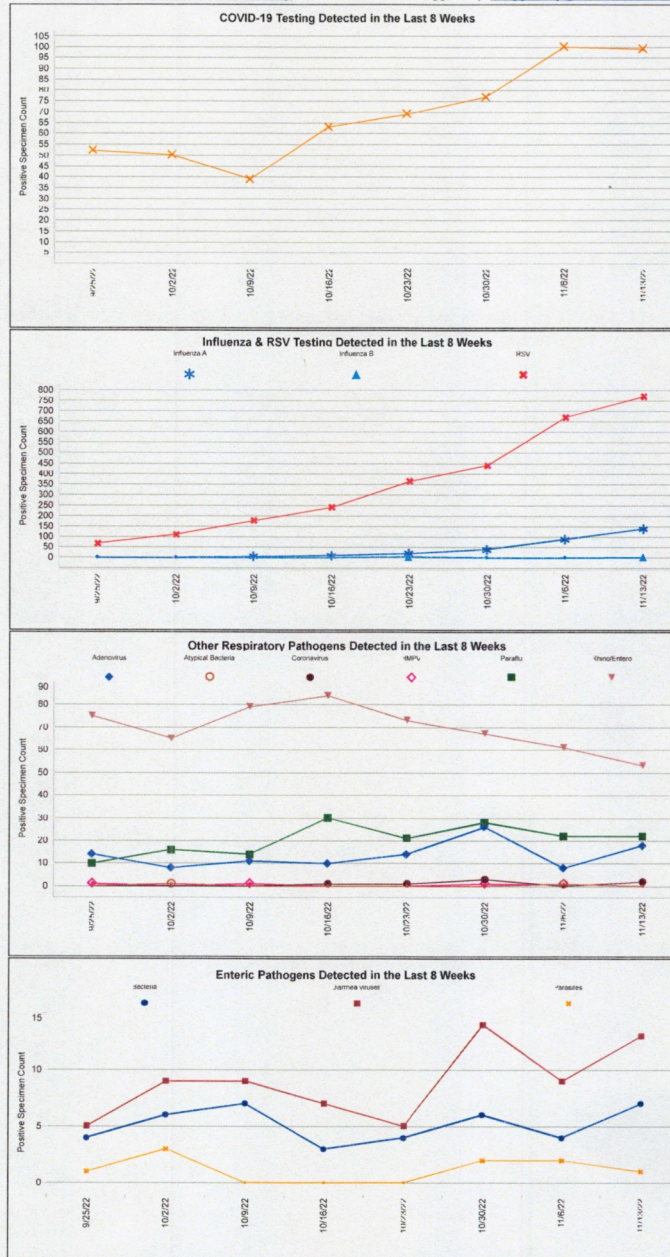
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Bug Watch

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Late Breaker: In collaboration with CHCO, CDPHE released updated, temporary emergency guidelines for child care facilities serving children < 5 years old to help prevent the spread of RSV and to protect pediatric hospital capacity during this respiratory surge: 1) 72-hr exclusion from onset of symptoms for children with new respiratory symptoms, 2) consider masking for everyone 2 years and older, especially for staff with any, even mild, respiratory symptoms, 3) consider masks for all staff in facilities where respiratory illness is circulating, 4) encourage annual flu vaccinations and all recommended doses of COVID-19 vaccines, 5) reminders to cover coughs and sneezes, 6) increased handwashing, 7) avoid touching faces with unwashed hands, and 8) increase cleaning and disinfection of commonly touched surfaces and shared toys.



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YEARBOOKS ON SALE!!

The 2022/2023 Yearbook can now be ordered! You can either order online at: <https://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A01065722> or fill out the order form below and return it to the school soon. These will be on a pre-order basis, so be sure and reserve your copy early.



Yearbook Order Form



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The High School Journalism/Yearbook classes are hard at work on an 88-page, hard cover, full-color, ALL-SCHOOL Yearbook. We know you will not want to miss getting your copy! Please either order online at: <https://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A01065722> or fill out the form below and return it to the school with your check made payable to Big Sandy School Yearbook.

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****Yearbooks will be available for pick-up in August 2023****

December 1, 2022

Dear Elementary Parents,

Santa Claus is coming to Big Sandy School on Monday, December 19, 2022. Your child will have the privilege of visiting with Santa. To remember this special time in your child's life, the NHS chapter will be taking pictures for FREE of each child with Santa Claus, so be looking for pictures coming home on Thursday, December 22, 2022. If you would like a family or sibling photo with Santa, please email Mrs. Bauer at mbauer@bigsandy100j.org.

Thank you,
National Honor Society
Big Sandy School Chapter



Elbert School Driver Education

December Class, 2022

Rick Kolm, Instructor

Driver Education will be offered, at Elbert School, December 26th, 27th, 28th and 29th. Class will be from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The class will consist of thirty (30) hours of classroom instruction and, in the twelve months to follow, six (6) hours of behind-the-wheel training. **Classroom attendance is mandatory in order to pass and test for your permit.**

Fourteen-year-olds may sign up for the class if their 15th birthday is on or before June 29th, 2023. The Colorado State Permit Test will be given to those students that are within 30 days of their 15th birthday or are 15 years old at the end of class on Thursday, December 29th.

Students must hold their permit for one year; complete fifty (50) hours of driving with their parents; complete their driving log; and complete six (6) hours driving in the driver education vehicle in order to receive their license on their 16th birthday.

The fee for the course will be \$395.00. This includes thirty hours of classroom instruction, six hours behind-the-wheel training and the permit test. For students who have their permit and need six hours behind-the-wheel training, a fee of \$295.00 will be charged. For students who want to take the four-day, 30 hour course, a fee of \$175.00 will be charged.

Driving sessions must be completed during the twelve months students are required to hold their permits. The driving sessions will be scheduled individually through Mr. Kolm. Driving sessions will begin and end at Elbert School (unless you have made prior arrangements). Transportation to and from class and driving sessions will be the responsibility of the parent.

RESERVATIONS FOR THE CLASS CAN BE MADE BY CONTACTING RICK KOLM AT 303-243-0814 or by email to rkolm@comcast.net. Class size will be limited to 30 students.

Please fill out the contract below and return to the Elbert High School office or mail it to Rick Kolm, 806 Ute Avenue, Kiowa, CO 80117.

Students need to pre-register for the class to attend.

To complete the class in the time required, students should bring a lunch and snacks.

There will be breaks and students are required to stay in designated areas.

Payment for the class is due on the 26th of December with this enrollment form. Checks are made out to Elbert School.

Any questions, text Rick Kolm at 303-243-0814. Thank you for your interest in Elbert School Driver Education.

Elbert School Driver Education Contract

Student _____

Cell _____

Parent _____

Cell _____

Date _____

Email _____

"This agreement constitutes the entire contract between the school and the student, and any verbal assurances or promises not contained herein are not binding on either the school or the student."

Services: Mr. Kolm will provide 30 hours of classroom instruction at Elbert School or an approved alternate location.

The permit test will be given to students at the completion of class or anytime 30 days prior to their 15th birthday.

In the 12 months following the class, students will spend 6 hours behind the wheel either alone or with a partner supervised by Mr. Kolm in the driver education vehicle.
"Under this agreement Mr. Kolm may not provide behind-the-wheel training to more than two individual students per session."

Payment: Parents or Guardians agree to pay \$395.00 to the program prior to the start of class. Checks are to be made out to **"Elbert School"**. No Refunds

Insurance: Will be provided by Elbert School.

Attendance: Students will be **required to attend** all scheduled classes to pass the class and test for their permit.

Parent Signature Date

Student Signature Date

Mr. Kolm Initial



DECEMBER 2022

Big Sandy 100J

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Menu Subject to change



Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

5

6
Tacos
Rice, Lettuce, Cheese
Salad bar, Fruit
Churro, Milk

7
Ham and Cheese slider
Soup, Crackers
Salad bar, Fruit
Milk

8
Burritos
Green chili w/pork
Lettuce, Cheese, Salad bar
Fruit, Milk

9
Sloppy Joe
Chips, Baked Beans
Salad bar, Fruit
Milk

12

13
Chicken Fajita
Refried Beans, Cheese
Lettuce, Salad bar
Fruit, Milk

14
Chicken Noodles
Whipped Potatoes
Green beans, Salad bar
Fruit, Milk

15
Spaghetti
Lettuce, Salad bar
Bread Stick, Fruit
Milk

16
Pig in a Blanket
Chips, Baked Beans
Salad bar, Fruit
Milk

19
Hamburger
French Fries
Lettuce, tomatoes, Cheese
Salad bar, Fruit
Milk

20
Chicken nuggets
Pasta w/Vegetables
Carrots, Salad bar
Fruit, Milk

21
Turkey, Stuffing
Whipped Potatoes, gravy
Corn, Salad bar
Dinner roll, Fruit
Milk

22
Turkey Sandwich
Chips, Baked Beans
Carrots, Salad bar
Fruit, Milk

23
Break Starts
23-9th

26

27

28

29

30

Merry Christmas Have a wonderful Winter Break!



JANUARY 2023

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2	3 Break	4	5	6
9	10 Pancakes Egg, Sausage Carrots, Salad bar Fruit, Milk	11 Tater Tot Casserole Green Beans, Dinner roll Salad bar, Fruit Milk	12 Vegetable Beef Soup Cheesy Bread sticks Carrots, celery Salad Bar, Fruit Milk	13 Sloppy Joe Chips, Baked Beans Salad Bar, Fruit Milk
16	17 Mac and Cheese w/ Ham Corn, Dinner roll Salad Bar, Fruit Milk	18 Hamburger Gravy Whipped Potatoes Green Beans, Bread slice Salad bar, Fruit Milk	19 Taco w/ Rice Lettuce, Cheese Salad Bar, Fruit Milk	20 Chicken Patty Sandwich Chips, Baked Beans Salad Bar, Fruit Milk
23	24 Chicken Fajita Refried Beans, Cheese Lettuce, Salad bar Fruit, Milk	25 Lasagna Bread stick Salad Bar, Fruit Milk	26 Chicken Ala King Biscuit, Broccoli Salad Bar, fruit Milk	27 BBQ Pork sandwich Chips, Baked Beans Salad bar, Fruit Milk
30	31 Hamburger/Hotdog Lettuce, Tomatoes, Cheese French Fries Salad bar, Fruit Milk			



HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!
2023



December 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4	5 -JH Basketball-Simla @ Elbert 4pm -HS Matchwits @ Miami Yoder 5:30pm	6 JH Basketball-Limon @ Simla 4:30pm	7 -FBLA Chili Dinner 5pm -Elem. Christmas Programs: K-2 at 6pm 3-5 at 7pm	8 JH Basketball-Simla @ Liberty Tree 4pm	9 HS Basketball-Simla @ Holyoke 4pm	10 -HS Wrestling-Limon Invitational -HS Basketball-Simla @ Merino 2pm
11	12 JH Basketball-Calhan @ Simla 4:30pm	13	14 Secondary Concert 6:30pm	15 JH Basketball-Kiowa @ Simla 6pm	16 HS Basketball-Simla Holiday Hoops Tournament 4pm	17 -HS Basketball-Simla Holiday Hoops Tournament 11am -HS Wrestling-John Mall Invitational
18	19 School Today	20 HS Basketball-Simla @ Peyton 4pm	21 BOE	22 -End of 2nd Quarter -End of 1st Semester	23 No School	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

**CHRISTMAS
BREAK**



January 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 HS Matchwits @ PPCS 5:30pm	10 School Resumes -Accountability 3pm -SAC 4:15pm -HS Basketball-Simla @ Byers 4pm	11 CHRISTMAS BREAK	12 JH Basketball-Simla @ Hanover	13 HS Basketball- Burlington @ Simla 5pm	14 -Father Daughter Dance -HS Wrestling- Wiggins Invitational
15	16	17 JH Basketball-BFL Pigtail Games	18 -JH Basketball-BFL Quarterfinals -BOE	19 HS Basketball-Simla @ DHPH 4:30pm	20 JH Basketball-BFL SemiFinals	21 JH Basketball-BFL Tournament
22	23 HS Matchwits- Alternate Date 5:30pm	24 HS Basketball-Simla @ Limon 4:30pm	25 District FBLA Conference	26	27	28 -HS Wrestling- Stratton Invitational -HS Basketball-Simla @ Akron 2pm
29	30	31				