### **Building Brilliant Knowledgeable Scholars Academy News**



"Knowledge flows like spring water from the wise" -Proverbs 15:2

All School Newsletter December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Issue

### **Calendar of Events**

December 1<sup>st</sup>- 3<sup>rd</sup> -Winter Break (CLOSED)

**December 22<sup>nd</sup>** 

-Christmas Musical: Musical Begins at 6pm

December 24<sup>th</sup> – January 3<sup>rd</sup> -Christmas Break (SCHOOL CLOSED. CENTER OPEN FOR EXTENDED CARE ONLY December 27<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>) -School resumes Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

**December 31<sup>st</sup>** -New Year's Eve

January 1<sup>st</sup> -New Year's Day

### **School Schedule:**

7am-8:15am: Breakfast 8:15am-8:30am: Daily Morning Announcements 8:30am: Class Begins 11:30am-1pm: Lunch/Recess 3pm: Dismissal



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## **BBNS Academy Headlines**

#### **December Student of the Month:**

Our December Student of the month was (drum roll please).....



# Isaac Esqueda

Isaac is a 9-year-old 3<sup>rd</sup> grade scholar that loves to sketch, draw, and play ball. In his spare time, Isaac loves to build/make things. In fact, for Christmas this year, Isaac would like some Legos. Isaac was awarded the December Student of the Month award because he has grown in leaps and bounds from where he first began both academically and socially. We love that Isaac is inclusive and often steps up as a leader. If there is ever anything to be done around the school, Isaac is always the first to volunteer and to go around to the teachers to make sure that they have everything that they need to do their work. Here at BBNS Academy, we had all our students and staff vote for who they believe should be the student of the month, and Isaac won the popular vote amongst his peers and with the staff. Congrats Isaac!



Let's congratulate our 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade teacher Mr. Chris for winning our December Teacher of the Month Award! Our students and staff chose Mr. Chris because they love his sense of humor. Also, they love how he can tell his jokes and riddles, but still gets back to business when it's time. In this, Mr. Chris teaches balance for our students to model. Thank you, Mr. Chris, for all that you do for BBNS Academy.

# **BBNS Academy Headlines Continued....**

# **Upcoming Events:**

### I. SCHOOL PROGRAMMING COMING SOON!

Starting soon, BBNS Academy will be hosting a new athletics program, music program, computer programming w/ lab, and S.T.E.M program.

*Athletics Program:* For our athletics program, we will be offering the sports Track and Field, and Bowling for grades 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>. This program will have fees associated with it.

*Music Program:* For our music program, all students from kindergarten to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade will be learning the fundamentals of music and the piano through private sessions and lessons. For grades 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>, they may choose to have trumpet lessons rather than piano lessons if interested. This program will have fees associated with it.

*S.T.E.M:* For our Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics program, students grades 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> will be learning about STEM through hands-on projects after-school. This program is FREE.

*Computer Programming:* Our computer programming class will be a structured class including curriculum and computer lab time. This program will be open to our students in grades Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Additionally, our 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades will be issued their own personal laptop. This program is FREE.

More information about our programs will be coming out soon! Thank you so much for being here with us for this ride of growth.



### II. SECRET SANTA:

This year, BBNS Academy will be participating in a secret Santa gift exchange. Each class will pull a classmate's name from their homeroom and that will be the person that they will SECRETLY purchase a gift for to give at our big exchange. This event is just to spread holiday cheer. This event isn't meant to be a competition or a stressor, so we ask that you spend no more than \$10 for your child's secret Santa recipient. The secret Santa gift exchange will take place on the evening of Wednesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Christmas Musical (see pg.7 for more information).

# <u>Agenda Reminders:</u>

FUN FOOD FRIDAY ORDER PAYMENTS ARE DUE THURSDAY OR FRIDAY MORNING

4<sup>th</sup> INSTALLATION OF TUITON: December 6th, 2021

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### TIS' THE SEASON OF GIVING!



# The TRUE meaning of CHRISTmas:

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this." -Isaiah 9:6-7 (ESV)

For thousands of years mankind waited for the coming of Christ; they longed for their King to arrive and free them from oppression. The Old Testament is full of prophecies, including this one from Isaiah 9. The Bible is full of Scripture pointing directly to the One who would save mankind from their sins. When Isaiah described His coming, he described His coming as an infant. But this child would grow and establish a Kingdom of righteousness forevermore. When we celebrate Christmas, we are celebrating the moment in history when prophecy was fulfilled. God came to be with us.

Because when Jesus came, he also left us with the gift of salvation. His birth is significant because of His death. For thirty-three years Jesus lived a life free from sin so that He could be the perfect sacrificial lamb for the atonement of our sins. On Calvary, Christ paid the price and overcame death so that we could have victory over sin and condemnation. So, when that precious baby was born and placed in the manger, it wasn't just another birth. It was the beginning of God's redemptive plan for humanity. An act He didn't have to take part in, but He chose to out of love.



# Check out who shares a Birthday month with Jesus!

**BBNS Academy** 



<u>Students:</u> 16<sup>th</sup>: Leo Watashe 17<sup>th</sup>: Amarri Nettles

### <u>Staff:</u>

1<sup>st</sup>: Miss Laila 7<sup>th</sup>: Ms. Ruthie 22<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Graham 28<sup>th</sup>: Mrs. Chanel

To help celebrate your child's special day, parents can bring in decorations and party favors. Along with, any food items

(birthday cake, ice cream, chips, cookies, drinks, etc.), However, due to COVID-19 regulations, the food items must be store brought.

# <u>Methods of Payment</u>

Below are our methods of payments that you may use to pay your tuition, transportation fees (*if applicable*), textbooks, fun food Friday, or any other expenses or fees pertaining to the school.

All checks and money orders are to be made out to BBNS Academy, or you may cash app us at \$BBNSAcademy2.



# It's Lunch Time!

# Check out our Lunch Menu for the Month of December!

WEEK OF DECEMBER 6 <sup>th</sup>							
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
Breakfast	Assorted Cereal,	Toast, Eggs, Fruit, Milk	Oatmeal w/ Raisins,	Assorted	Pancakes,		
	Milk, Fruit		Toast, Milk, Fruit	Cereal, Milk,	Sausage,		
				Fruit	Milk, Water		
AM/ PM	Assorted Snacks	Assorted Snacks	Assorted Snacks	Assorted	Assorted		
Snack				Snacks	Snacks		
Lunch	Chicken & Rice	Tostada (Meat, Refried	Macaroni and Cheese	LEFT OVER	FUN FOOD		
	Soup, Turkey	Beans, Lettuce,	with Hotdogs, Mixed	THURSDAY,	FRIDAY		
	Sandwich, Peas and	Tomatoes, Salsa, Sour	Veggies, Pineapples,	Pears, Milk,			
	Carrots, Crackers,	Cream, Cheese) Fruit	Milk, Juice, Water	Juice, Water			
	Peaches, Water,	Cocktail, Milk, Juice,	(Alternative: Chicken				
	Juice, Milk	Water	Rings)				
	(Alternative:	(Alternative: Turkey					
	Grilled Cheese)	Sandwiches)					

### WEEK OF DECEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast	Cereal, Fruit, Milk	Waffles, Peaches, Milk	Rice, Egg & Cheese,	Cereal, Fruit,	Breakfast
			Toast, Pineapples, Milk	Milk	Burrito, Hash
					Browns,
					Applesauce,
					Milk
AM /PM	Assorted Snacks	Assorted Snacks	Assorted Snacks	Assorted	Assorted
Snack				Snacks	Snacks
Lunch	Tuna Sandwiches,	Chicken Fajitas, Rice,	Hamburgers (Lettuce,	Chunky	FUN FOOD
	Potato Chips Pickles,	Fruit Cocktail, Milk,	Tomatoes, Cheese,	Chicken &	FRIDAY
	Lettuce, Pears, Milk,	Juice, Water	Onions, Pickles), Fries,	Veggie Soup,	
	Juice, Water.	(Alternative: Tuna	Milk, Juice, Water	Crackers,	
	(Alternative: Pizza)	Sandwich)	(Alternative: Beef	Pears, Milk,	
			Stew and Corn Bread)	Water, Juice	
				(Alternative:	
				Grilled	
				Cheese)	

#### WEEK OF DECEMBER 20th

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast	French Toast, Milk	Assorted Cereal, Milk,	Chocolate Chip	Sausage, Eggs,	CLOSED
		Fruit Cocktail	Pancakes, Peaches,	Biscuits (w/	
			Milk	Cheese), Milk	
AM/PM	Assorted Snacks	Assorted Snacks	Assorted Snacks	Assorted	CLOSED
Snack				Snacks	
Lunch	Baked Chicken,	Nachos (Meat, Cheese,	Ham and Cheese	LEFT OVER	CLOSED
	Macaroni and	Lettuce, Tomatoes, Sour	Sandwiches, Chips,	THURSDAY,	
	Cheese, Peas and	Cream, Salsa, Peaches,	Carrots & Ranch,	Pineapples,	
	Carrots, Milk,	Milk, Juice, Water	Apple Sauce, Milk,	Milk, Juice,	
	Juice, Water	(Alternative: Ham and	Juice, Water	Water	
	(Alternative:	Cheese Sandwich)			
	Peanut Butter and				
	Jelly)				

SCHOOL WILL NOT BE IN SESSION

FROM DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>-JANUARY 3<sup>rd</sup> DUE TO OUR CHRISTMAS BREAK. However, our center WILL BE OPEN December 27<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> for childcare services (6am-6pm) during the Christmas break. School will resume Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022.

### **RAISING AWARENESS AND SUPPORT:**

For our annual fundraisers for the 2021-2022 school year, we've asked for our students, parents/guardians, and staff to participate in either selling African American Expression items, or Double Good Popcorn. Thanks to your collaborative and great efforts

thus far, BBNS Academy will be able to purchase much needed educational materials and outside equipment items for our school!



**December 2021** 

February 2022



AS AN INCENTIVE TO THE STUDENTS, WE AWARD THE WINNING CLASS WITH A SPECIAL SKATE PARTY. WE HAVE TALLIED UP THE ITEMS SOLD, AND THE WINNING CLASSROOM FOR OUR DECEMBER 2021 FUNDRAISER IS.....

Mr. Chris' 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class

# **BBNS ACADEMY MERCHANDISE**

# (WINTER EDITION):

It's about that time! It is getting colder, and winter is coming. So, BBNS Academy will <u>now</u> start taking orders for Academy Sweaters, cardigans, hoodies, and Pull-overs! Please refer to the chart below to see the merchandise that we will be ordering this winter. PLEASE keep in mind that this is our last bulk order for the school year. **PLEASE RETURN ALL ORDERS FORMS AND FORMS OF PAYMENT BY MONDAY, DECEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>**. Thank you so much in advance for your order and patience.



# **CHRISTMAS MUSICAL:**

Happy Holidays from BBNS Academy! We are thrilled to enter this Christmas and holiday season with you! We thank God for keeping all of us safe and healthy throughout the year, and we are believing that He will continue to cover us this holiday season. We are excited to announce that we will be spending our Holly Jolly Christmas with our scholars this year! Now is the time where we cue the egg nog, gingerbread cookies, and give a holly jolly shout of excitement because we will be hosting a **Christmas Musical**! This musical will take place on **Wednesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>** at **Katy Cavin's Community Center (308 E 5th St, O'Fallon, IL 62269)**. Our musical will begin at **6pm** and feature each one of our classes (Pre-K through 8th Grade) performing classic Christmas carol/jingles and dances, select students performing musical instrumentals, delicious dinner and desserts that will be catered in, and a gift exchange where BBNS Academy will be giving away gifts to both our students and parents. We will be sending home lyrics to your student's songs. We encourage you to practice with your students at home daily so we can make this a night that you will not want to miss!



# BBNS ACADEMY SAYS THANK YOU FOR AN AWESOME YEAR, AND MERRY CHRISTMAS!



BBNS Academy is a family loving community that equips, trains, and inspires Brilliant Knowledgeable Scholars. Our vision at BBNS Academy is to teach the young scholars intellectually, socially, and spiritually, that there are distinctive ways of working to accomplish things so they can be successful in whatever path the Lord directs.