

Middle School Guidance



Welcome Back, Welcome Back, Welcome Back!

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Being in a musical state-of-mind, I chose to use the television show theme back in the mid to late 70's, "Welcome Back, Kotter" for the title of my August 2010 Newsletter. If you don't remember the show, or never heard of it, Google it or listen to it through iTunes. Search "Welcome Back" by John Sebastian.

With the start of the new school year in just a few weeks, it is my wish that everyone had a safe, relaxing summer vacation, spent time with family and friends as well as getting away on an extended vacation. The custodians have once again, made Berlin Middle School shine! Please be sure and "thank" them for their efforts. It is very meaningful coming to the cleanest school in the county! The 2009-2010 P.S.S.A. results are back and have been thoroughly examined. Once again, the students and staff rose to the occasion and per-

formed extremely well. Thank you everyone for your efforts. The success is greatly appreciated. With the start of the 2010-2011 school year approaching rapidly, there are a few staff changes that will be noticed this year. Miss Lynn Will (5th grade) and Mr. Ron Pritts (7th and 8th grade) will be taking a leave of absence. Replacing Miss Will in fifth grade will be Mr. Tanner Prosser. Mr. Prosser was the alternative education teacher for grades seven through twelve. Mr. Ben Polakoski will be filling the shoes of Mr. Pritts. Mr. Polakoski was the long-term substitute last year for Miss Will. Welcome to the middle school! The teachers have been busy as bees preparing their classrooms for the arrive of the students as well as gearing up for what should be another successful school year.

Students will also notice some curriculum changes this year as well. Mr. Mudry continues to refine our curriculum to provide all students with a quality education. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone again as well. Let's make the 2010-2011 school year the best school year to date!

Quote of the month

"The Key to Success is to learn to do something right, and then do it right every time!"



**Have a Great
School Year!**

Points of Interest:

- ✓ - Absent from school? Check out the teacher lesson plans by logging into the Logic House Parent Portal.
- ✓ - Excuses are due the day students return to school. A grace period of three days is allowed before becoming illegal.
- ✓ - Bullying information can be found at: <http://www.bbsd.com/bullying>

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Important Upcoming Events

The following are a listing of important dates to remember:

August 18, 2010 - New Student Registration. [Kindergarten through twelfth grade] (9:00 - 2:00)

August 27, 2010 - Teacher In-Service Day.

August 30, 2010 - Teacher In-Service Day.

August 31, 2010 - First student

day of the 2010 - 2011 school year.

September 2, 2010 - School picture day (Kindergarten through twelfth).

September 6, 2010 - Labor Day. No School.

October 1, 2010 - First Nine Week Grading Mid-Term.

October 8, 2010 - Homecoming.

October 11, 2010 - ACT 80 Day. No school for students.

November 2, 2010 - End of First Nine Week Grading Period.

