

The Weekly Comet Update

From Tom Meyer, Superintendent of the Bellevue Community School District

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NO School and Early Dismissal Dates

- March 24: 2-Hour Early Dismissal for Teacher Professional Learning
- April 2-6: No School (Spring Break)
- April 28: 2-Hour Early Dismissal for Teacher Professional Learning
- May 28: Tentative Last Day of School for the 2021-2022 School Year
- May 29: Bellevue CSD Graduation at 4:00 PM (note the time change from previous years)
- August 23: Tentative 1st Day of School for the 2021-2022 School Year

Prom

The Bellevue Community School District has decided the 2020-2021 Junior/Senior Prom will occur for our students on May 1st.

The district will be limiting attendance to Bellevue Juniors and Seniors, and their guests (guests must be at least a junior or senior at another school or under 21 if they are a graduate). In the past, underclassmen have been permitted to attend as guests of Juniors or Seniors, but the district is attempting to keep overall numbers down for social distancing purposes and similar mitigation steps so they will not be allowed to attend this year's Prom.

Thank You!

Thanks to the stakeholders in the Bellevue CSD for supporting and passing the Revenue Purpose Statement for SAVE funds (Secure an Advanced Vision for Education) for our students and their learning opportunities. The support is greatly appreciated by the district, along with the support for the Eastern Iowa Community College referendum passage.

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Student Activities and Academic Highlights

Our students are involved in a variety of activities, and below is some of the special recognition for our students at the high school level:

State Speech

• **Allison Wright** will be going to state with her Literary Program and Solo Musical Theater; **Allison Eggers** is going to state with her Literary Program and Acting pieces; **Bill Wright** is going to state with Radio News Announcing!

Athletics

Girls Basketball - Teresa Paulsen- Elite All-Conference (also named to All District Team); **Audrey Wedeking**- North Division Team; **Kalesia DeShaw**- North Division Team; **Juliana Penniston**- Honorable Mention

Boys Basketball - Colby Sieverding- North Division Team; **Cole Heim**- Honorable Mention

Bowling (All-State) - Tyrelle Kloser - 1st Team (also all district); **Dawson Weber**- 2nd Team (also all district)

Dance

Solo Performances: Division 1 Ratings for **Allison Eggers, Macy Heim, and Adessa Leibfried**



4th Grade Students (left) are flying paper airplanes to work on their prepositional phrases by throwing it across the room, and then finding someone else's airplane to write where they found it using a prepositional phrase.



BELLEVUE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS by the NUMBERS

"The primary aim of education is not to enable students to do well in school, but to assist them to do well in their lives outside of school."

9.6 Enrollment Percent Increase in Bellevue CSD enrollment since 2015

22.4 Percent Increase in Bellevue Elementary enrollment since 2015

40.0 Percent Increase in Bellevue Preschool enrollment since 2015

Technology

700+ The amount of student devices for students in Bellevue Elementary and Bellevue Middle/High School

380+ Chromebooks and Macbooks sent home with students each day for their learning

300+ Student Chromebooks and iPads at Bellevue Elementary School

Course Offerings

70+ Number of college courses and programs available to students during an average school year for both high school and college credit.

140+ High School Courses offered at Bellevue High School, including: Art, Business Education/Computer Science, Driver's Education, English/Language Arts, Family and Consumer Science, Foreign Language, Health and Physical Education, Industrial Technology, Mathematics, Music, Science, Social Studies, Special Education, and Vocational Agriculture

College Courses

1300+ College course credits completed annually by Bellevue High School Students

400+ College courses completed annually

18 Average College Credits earned by Bellevue High School Graduates

77 Percentage of Bellevue High School students receiving an "A" or "B" in college courses

3.17 GPA in College Courses by Bellevue High School Students

0 Dollars it costs students to take online courses while a student at the Bellevue CSD.

Graduation Rate

98+ Percent of students who graduate from high school in four years at the Bellevue CSD.

91 Statewide Graduation Average Percent

ACT Scores

100 Percent of students required to take the ACT at Bellevue High School

\$0 Cost for students and families to take the ACT (The Bellevue Community School District pays for all fees)

22.1 Average ACT score over the last 5 years in relation to the state average number of students taking the ACT

21.7 Average State ACT Score

Miles Traveled

105,000 Miles traveled by school transportation annually for bus routes and student activities

Meals Served

100,000 Lunches served to students each year

17,000 Breakfast meals served annually to students



