



The TRAILBLAZER

BROKEN ARROW ELEMENTARY

March 4, 2019

ISSUE NO. 203

Get Ready for Kindergarten Round-Up!

When: Monday, April 15

Time: 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

What to expect: Incoming Kindergartners will have some fun activities planned while the parents/guardians will meet in the MPR for a brief welcome from Mr. Horne, our Principal, and an introduction from our PTA President.

There will be teachers and staff available to assist with completing the enrollment packet (if you have not yet completed one), as well as assist in making copies of birth certificates, immunizations, proof of residency, etc.

Kindergarten Round Up



Enrollment packets will be available for pick-up from the School Office on March 1. They are also available on the

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ATTENTION: VISITORS

ALL VISITORS AND PARENTS MUST SIGN IN AND WEAR A BADGE

- Please refrain from making unnecessary trips to classrooms.
- Please leave items in the office for students to pick up.
- Contact the teacher if you wish to schedule a visit.

THE BROKEN ARROW WAY



Broken Arrow Elementary School
5901 Alden Shawnee, Kansas 66216

<http://brokenarrow.smsd.org>
913-993-2300 (Office)
913-993-2388 (Attendance Line)
Principal — Mr. Ryan Horne

REGULAR SCHOOL HOURS
Breakfast 7:40 -8:00 am
School Hours: 8:10 a.m. - 3:10 pm
Office: 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

If arriving after 8:10 am, all students must enter through the Front Doors. Back Door will be locked at 8:10 am.

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SMSD website: <https://www.smsd.org/families/enrollment>.

It is really important to get your Kindergartner enrolled early. An early headcount provides us with the necessary resources to ensure we have teachers ready to go for the Kindergartners' start in August.

Please keep watching your emails for updated information on Kindergarten Round-Up.

Thank you for your assistance!



Have You Marked Your Calendars for “NO SCHOOL DAYS”?

Friday, March 8 (Teacher workday)

Monday – Friday, March 11-15 – Spring Break

Friday, March 29 (Teacher workday)



Please remember to keep sending in your Box Tops! Every clip helps us reach our goal.

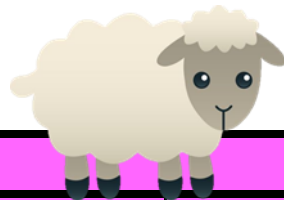
Also remember to check your expiration dates as we cannot submit expired box tops. Let's make this second semester successful!

Our goal for the year is to raise \$1,000.00 so keep

BROKEN ARROW / PTA CALENDAR



MARCH 2019		
Day/Date	Event	Time
Tuesday, March 5	Tyke Time for Incoming Kindergartners	9:00 am
	Chess Team	3:10 – 4:30 pm
Thursday, March 7	Marble Club	3:10 – 4:30 pm
	Site Council Meeting in the Library	5:30 pm
	PTA Meeting in the Library	6:30 pm
	6 th Grade Honor Band Festival @ SMNW	TBD
Friday, March 8	NO SCHOOL K - 8	
Monday-Friday March 11 – 15	SPRING BREAK NO SCHOOL	
Monday, March 18	4 th Quarter Begins	
Tuesday, March 19	Chess Team	3:10 – 4:30 pm
Thursday, March 21	Marble Club	3:10 – 4:30 pm
Monday, March 25	Board of Education Meeting at CAA	6:00 pm
Tuesday, March 26	Chess Team	3:10 – 4:30 pm
Wednesday, March 27	Tyke Time for Incoming Kindergartners	1:30 pm
Thursday, March 28	Marble Club	3:10 – 4:30 pm
Friday, March 29	NO SCHOOL – Teacher Prof. Dev. Day	



APRIL 2019		
Day/Date	Event	Time
Tuesday, April 2	Chess Team	3:10 pm
Thursday, April 4	Marble Club	3:10 pm
Tuesday, April 9	Chess Team	3:10 pm
	Fine Arts Fair & Open House	5:00-7:00 pm
Thursday, April 11	Marble Club	3:10 pm
Monday, April 15	Kindergarten Round-Up	6:00 – 7:30 pm
Tuesday, April 16	Chess Team	3:10 pm
	PTA Skate City Party	6:00-8:00 pm
Thursday, April 18	Harry Potter Night	6:00-8:30 pm
Friday, April 19	NO SCHOOL	
Monday, April 22	Board of Education Meeting @ CAA	6:00 pm
Tuesday, April 23	Chess Team	3:10 pm
Thursday, April 25	Site Council Meeting in the Library	5:30 pm
	PTA Meeting in the Library	6:30 p.m.
Friday, April 26	PTA Walk-a-Thon	TBD
Tuesday, April 30	Chess Team	3:10 pm

Pre-K Enrollment

Pre-K Enrollment began February 19 and is continuing until the classes are full. It is a first come, first served basis so it will be very important to have all of the forms completely filled out and the necessary paperwork attached for you to enroll your student:

- Child's birth certificate
- Immunizations
- Proof of resident (copy of your lease or mortgage statement)
- 2 current major utilities
- Parent/guardian driver's license

If you have any questions, please call the School Office at 913.993.2300.



Recess Guidelines

Per District policy, there will be no outdoor recess when:

- The temperature is 15 degrees or below.
- The wind chill index is 0 degrees or below.

There is falling moisture.

The only other time your child would not go outside for recess would be with a doctor's note.



Skating Party!



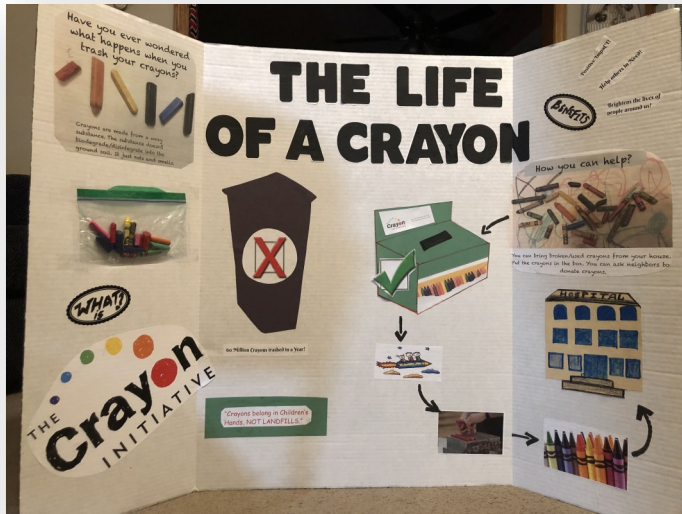
A big shout out to all Broken Arrow families for making the Skate party a successful event. We had a record turn out of 135 skaters including parents and siblings. Thanks to Mr. Horne for being there and the ex- BA students for skating with us to support the PTA!



The winner of the Golden Skate trophy was Mrs. Lorenz 's 3rd grade class with a participation of 14 students, followed by Mr. Izard's class with a participation of 9.

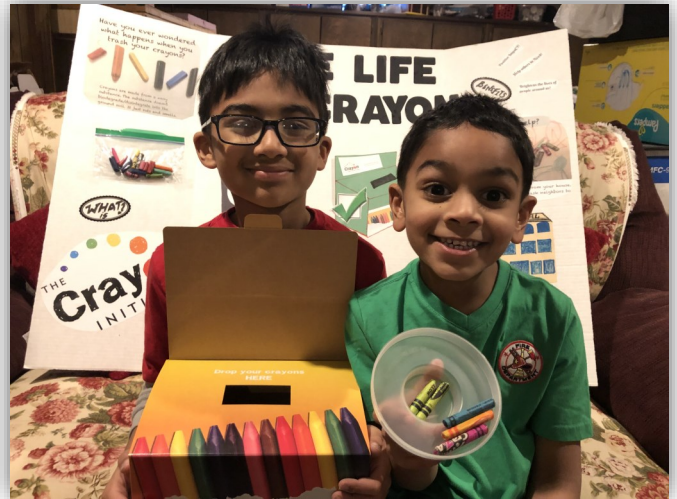
Join us for the next PTA Skate Party on April 16!

The Crayon Initiative



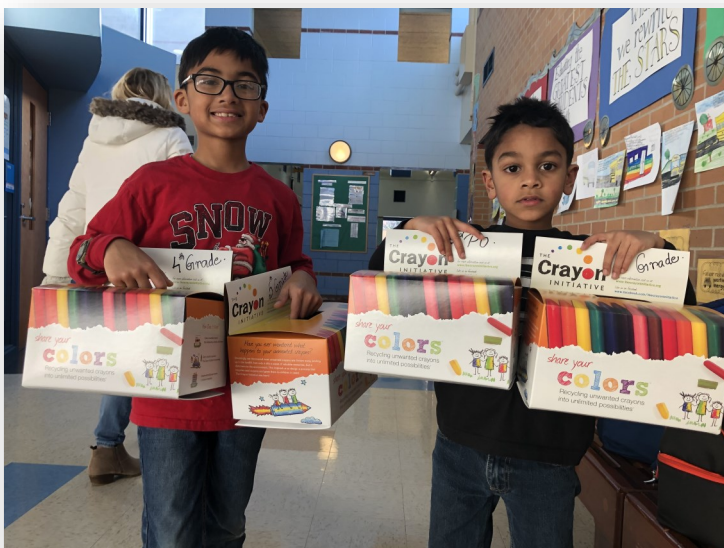
The Crayon Initiative has launched at Broken Arrow! The Crayon Initiative is a school crayon recycling project by Gabriel Mathew (3rd grade) and Nathaniel Mathew (Kdg).

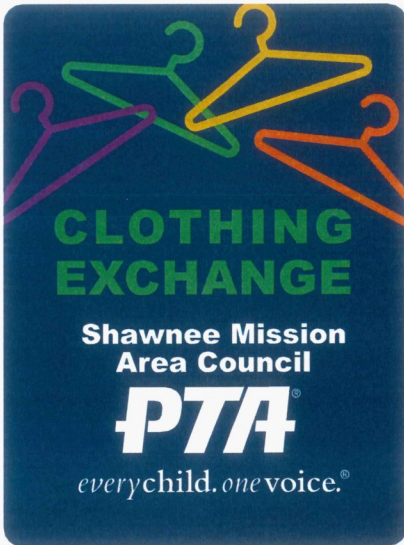
Crayon Initiative collection boxes are placed in each classroom for students to donate used/broken/old crayons that will be collected at the end of April. The crayons will be shipped to the Crayon Initiative to recycle and make new crayons that will be donated to children's hospitals.



Gabriel and Nathaniel, advocates of the crayon initiative, will answer any of your questions!

Thank you Gabriel and Nathaniel Mathew!





The Clothing Exchange follows the SMSD school calendar. If there is no school in session, the Clothing Exchange is closed. www.smsd.org

MONDAYS	9am-11am	5pm-7pm
8/13/18		x
8/20/18	x	
8/27/18	x	
9/3/18	CLOSED	CLOSED
9/10/18		x
9/17/18	x	
9/24/18	x	
10/1/18	x	
10/8/18		x
10/15/18	x	
10/22/18	x	
10/29/18	x	
11/5/18	x	
11/12/18		x
11/19/18	CLOSED	CLOSED
11/26/18	x	
12/3/18	x	
12/10/18		x
12/17/18	x	
1/7/19	x	
1/14/19		x
1/21/19	CLOSED	CLOSED
1/28/19	x	
2/4/19	x	
2/11/19		x
2/18/19	CLOSED	CLOSED
2/25/19	x	
3/4/19	x	
3/11/19	CLOSED	CLOSED
3/18/19	x	
3/25/19	x	
4/1/19	x	
4/8/19		x
4/15/19	x	
4/22/19	x	
4/29/19	x	
5/6/19	x	
5/13/19		x
5/20/19	x	



SHOP:

Each child, enrolled in the Shawnee Mission School District, can receive 5 new pairs of socks and 5 new pair of underwear each semester (Aug-Dec & Jan-May).

ID required **PROOF OF RESIDENCY:**
 > driver's license
 OR
 > utility bill

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PROOF OF SMSD eligibility:
 A notice with family member name & SMSD School/Program name, such as
 >current report card
 >Skyward account (phone login)
 >current student ID card
 >signed letter with SMSD letterhead

VOLUNTEER:

The Clothing Exchange is made possible with SMSD PTA volunteers, in addition to monetary donations. It is staffed 100% by volunteer parents and families throughout SMSD. Each of our PTA units contribute to volunteering, as well as monetarily supporting the Free Socks & Underwear Program.

Do you know of a group needing service hours? Volunteer Opportunities include:
 >sorting clothing >hanging clothing >assisting shoppers

DONATE:

- Please ensure all items are clean and ready to wear.
- Donations may be left outside the Clothing Exchange doors—Door #6 (in the back of the building). A bin is available.
- Please contact the chair for larger donations.
- All donations are tax deductible. Donation receipts are available.

Consider adopting the Clothing Exchange for your OUTGROWN or USED items.

Consider adopting us for NEW items and donations: socks, underwear, hats, gloves, PJs and coats.

Consider a CLOTHING DRIVE, or a mitten, coat or boot drive.

LOCATION:
 BROADMOOR CENTER
 6701 West 83rd Street
 Shawnee Mission, KS 66204
 (Entrance to the Clothing Exchange is through Door #6, located in the back of the building.)

CONTACT:
 SARAH BAKER, CE Chair
 913-706-9958
 PTAClothingExchange@yahoo.com
<https://sites.google.com/smac-pta.org>

Music Happenings!



1st Grade program: First Grade students will present “Creatures Great and Small” at **6:30 pm** on **Tuesday, April 9** in the gym during the Fine Arts Festival. Enjoy viewing your child’s artwork before heading to the gym for the performance. Students should be in their places on the risers at 6:20 pm dressed in nice school clothes for the program. I’m looking forward to seeing you there!



Fine Arts Festival Recital: If your student is currently studying an instrument, please consider signing him or her up for the recital being held during the Fine Arts Festival. The recital will be at **5:30 pm** on **April 9**. A sign-up sheet will be available right after Spring Break.

Reminder! The 5th and 6th Grade Band, Choir, and Strings Concert is on **Wednesday, May 8 at 2:00 pm**.

Thank you, parents, for your support of the music program throughout the year!

Lorinda James • Music Teacher

WALK-A-THON



We are busy planning the Walk a Thon that is scheduled for April 26th! We are still in need a few more people to help plan and get everything ready for that day. If you would like to help, please email me. More information will be sent home to families about this fundraiser soon, so please keep a look out for it.



Nurse's Notes

NEW IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment has issued new vaccination requirements for the 2019-2020 school year. The new requirements affect Kindergarten, 1st grade, 7th grade, and 11th grade students.

- Hepatitis A: Kindergarten and first grade students must have one dose to attend school. Second dose must be given 6 months after initial dose.
- Meningococcal (Serogroup A,C,W,Y): 7th and 11th grade students must have one dose to attend school. 7th grade students will receive a second dose in 11th grade. For 11th grade students, only one dose is required.

A full listing of immunization requirements can be found here:

http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/download/2019_2020_School_Requirement_K-12.pdf

TO RECAP — For the 2019-2020 school year:

Hep A will be required for all KG & 1st graders (1 dose to attend, 2nd dose 6 months later or by 2nd SMSD exclusion date)

Meningococcal will be required for all 7th and 11th graders (1 dose to attend). 7th graders will get their 2nd dose in 11th grade. 11th graders will only be required to have one dose.

If you have any questions, please contact Jamie Knight, Broken Arrow Nurse, at 913.993.2302.

Immunizations for Middle School

The following are requirements for entering 7th grade:

- **Tdap:** A single dose of Tdap is required for grades 7-12 if no previous history of Tdap vaccination regardless of interval since the last Td. Please ensure that your student has had a Tdap vaccination prior to the first day of 7th grade.

Please consider having your child receive the **HPV vaccine**, a cancer vaccine. It is NOT required but recommended for preteen children of 11-12 years of age. Please consult your child's doctor for questions.

Please provide copies of all immunizations or a note from your doctor that your student has had these immunizations before the beginning of school August, 2019. Contact your school nurse if you have questions or need additional information. Note: For information about Johnson County Department of Health and Environment immunization clinics or services visit their website, <http://health.jocogov.org>.

Jamie Knight • Broken Arrow Nurse

Tyke Time for Incoming Kindergartners!

Tyke Time for Kindergartners is an event at Broken Arrow Elementary, sponsored by our PTA, which provides a wonderful opportunity to network with other parents as your child makes new friends.

There will be some fun activities and snacks for the kids and information about Kindergarten for the parents. Mr. Horne, our Principal, and our Kindergarten teachers will also make a visit during that time.

Wednesday, March 27 • 1:30 p.m. • MPR

We hope you can attend one of the sessions!



TEAM UP! JOIN PTA



BIRTHDAY BILLBOARD IS GOING ON YEAR ROUND! IT IS NEVER TOO LATE TO SIGN UP YOUR CHILD! PLEASE CONTACT

Broken Arrow PTA

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From the PTA President

Dear Trailblazer Families,

With the seasons getting ready to change, the PTA has been hard at work planning our spring events! Our next PTA meeting will be on March 7th at 6:30 pm in the library. We will have an administrator from Trail Ridge Middle School to give some information for our 6th grade families and also answer any questions that parents may have. This is a great opportunity to help your child get ready for middle school.

We are also working hard on our Nominating committee for board members and committee chairs for next year. If you are interested in helping out in any way next year with the PTA please consider coming to this meeting to get more information. We are looking for volunteers of all levels. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like more information on how you can help, please email me.

Thank you,

Sarah Alberico

PTA president

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baptapresident@gmail.com

Check out our New PTA Online Store!

<https://squareup.com/store/broken-arrow-pta-2>

We are now on:



HELPFUL LINKS:

- **Volunteer signups:** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d49afa722a6fc1-committee>
- **PTA Website:** <http://www.brokenarrowpta.org/>