Bloom Alternative High School

September 2023 Parent Newsletter

OUR SCHOOL, OUR VOICE- Student updates

Dear students and families,

We are off to a great start here at Bloom Alternative High School. Our students have shown up and showed out as we kicked off a fantastic 2023-2024 school year! We want to thank all of our parents, students and community members for your support and dedication to our programming. It takes a village!

Here is what you can expect from this edition of our parent newsletter:

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Highlights from the Month



Establishing Community

Communities found creative ways to build trust, establish routines and create expectations for their success this year.



Open House

We had a great turn out for Open House as parents joined us to get a glimpse of the experience their students receive through curriculum, SEL support and PBIS incentives here at Bloom Alternative.



Students were greeted the first week back to school with cheers, applause and a back to school survival kit for students to enjoy.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

September 4- No School (Labor Day)

September 8- CAAEL Flag Football Game (1st game of the season)

September 12- Mid-Quarter Progress reports

September 15- Early Release (12:05pm dismissal)



Transportation Updates

We want to thank you all for your patience and support as we have navigated through our challenges with transportation this year. We will continue to communicate via Robo-call, text message as well as email updates or changes to transportation as we receive them. Just as a friendly reminder, all students are expected to ride the BUS to and from school, unless we have been informed that they will be a car rider. Students are not allowed to walk to and from school at Bloom Alternative High School.

Feel free to reach out if you have any questions or concerns to (708) 754-4095. Thank you for your understanding.

Bus Riders

Students are assigned a **bus stop** within a two block radiance of their home address to and from the Alternative building. This will allow our students ample time in the morning to arrive, eat breakfast and prepare for their period 1 class. Please allow 15-20 minute wait time for the bus to arrive prior to calling the school, as our times may vary in the morning. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns.

Car Riders

We work hard to create an a safe, supportive and nurturing environment and students safe transport to and from school is a top priority. With that in mind, students are able to get a ride to and from school as appropriate, but communication with our building team is key. Please contact our main office if your student will be a dropped off and picked up from school, so that we are aware and keep the lines of communication open.

Parent Leadership Committee

Our parents and guardians are an essential part of helping us to create a safe, supportive, learning environment for our students and staff. With this in mind, we have a wonderful committee of dedicated parents that are part of our village and help to make sure that your voices are heard throughout the school year. However, we are in need of additional parents to support the work that we plan to do for this school year.

If you are interested in being a part of the parent leadership committee, please reach out to Principal Joubert at cjoubert@sd206.org.

Some of the events we are planning for this year:
Family Engagement & Movie Night
Parent Resource Fair
Quarterly Coffee and Conversation with the Principal







Saturday, September 23rd 7:30 am - 12:00 pm

Embrace the Change, **Unlock Your Potential 3.0**



FREE EVENT!

Complimentary breakfast and lunch, raffle prizes, community vendors, breakout sessions, and two (2) free tickets to the Home Football game!

> *Sessions will also be conducted in Spanish and childcare will be available

Hosted by: Bloom Township High School District 206 Board of Education & Superintendent Lenell Navarre, Ed.D.



<u>eserva la fecha</u>

Bloom High School 101 W. 10th Street, Chgo Hts



Unleashing Potential **EMBRACING GROWTH**

El sábado, el 23 de septiembre desde las 7:30 am hasta las 12:00 pm.

¡Abrase el cambio, desbloquea su potencial!



EVENTO GRATIS!

Desayuno y almuerzo complementario, rifas con premios, vendedores de la comunidad, varias sesiones, y dos (2) billetes gratis al partido del fútbol americano de Bloom! *Habrá sesiones en español y cuidado de niños disponible

Organizado por la junta escolar del distrito Bloom Township 206 y el superintendente Lenell Navarre, Ed.D We are excited to offer after-school tutoring this year at Bloom Alternative. Staff will be available to support students in their academic as well as SEL needs during this time.

Tutoring begins on Tuesday, September 5, 2023 at 2:45pm (right after school) and ends at 5:15pm Monday-Thursday. We will also have tutoring and enrichment on Saturdays from 9:00am-11:30am,

Transportation and snacks will are provided daily. This programming will run throughout the school

Pillars of Success for Bloom Alternative High School

which will include days of community service as well as a hot breakfast.

year. Encourage your student to stay and participate!

Unified with our district messaging regarding MTSS, "Success is embracing learning and demonstrating growth," we will be launching our school year with promoting a consistent, positive, trauma-sensitive, safe and supporting learning environment for students, staff and our families.

As a building, we will place a critical focus on the following three areas to ensure the success of every student who walks through the doors her at BAHS.

Instructional planning & Interventions
Student Engagement
SEL & Community Building (with an emphasis on being trauma-informed).

YOUR STUDENTS ATTENDANCE DAILY AT SCHOOL IS CRITICAL IN OUR SUCCESS AS A VILLAGE THROUGH THESE PILLARS!

There will be updates included in our monthly parent newsletter on our progress in these three areas.

Student Recognitions

We would like to give a special shout out to all of our students who have perfect attendance for the month of August:

Rakia Phillips

Iliana Piquion

D'Ashia Robertson

Robert Smith

We would also like to give special recognition to students who have 90% attendance for the month of August:

Julian Balderas

Marissa Duprey

Isiah Hurst

Ricky Lowery

Jaden Stinson

These students are helping to pave the way for our attendance goals of 85% or higher for the month! Thank you to each of you for showing up for your success everyday!

