Happy New Year! We hope that all our Bulldog families had a wonderful Winter Break. Even with all of the uncertainties, we are looking forward to the next half of this school year. We are grateful to have your students on campus with us, learning with their teachers and peers.

This is often a time of great academic gains for students. The excitement of the holidays are over and kids are ready to settle into the routines and structures of school again. While there is nothing typical about this school year, we expect that our students will flourish this year, just as they have in years past.

At this time of year, we hear a lot of talk about New Year’s Resolutions. At Blue Oak, we believe that goal setting is an important component to success. Setting any type of goal allows people to be reflective and also proactive in the areas of positive growth. Encourage your child to set a goal for themselves that has to do with school. It is a good idea to write the goal down, so you can celebrate success towards the goal as it happens. Help your child to be reasonable about the goal they set. We want kids to work hard toward attaining the goal, but be careful not to set a goal that is so difficult that they throw in the towel.

We are looking forward to a PAWS-Itive 2021!

Hybrid Schedule through January
On December 16th, the BUSD School Board voted to keep the instructional day in the current hybrid model until at least February 1st. This means that on January 4th, when school resumes, your child will attend in their currently assigned AM or PM cohort. The board will meet again on January 20th to review the possibility of a more full reopening on February 1st.
**Birthday Announcements**

Would you like to have your child’s birthday announced in lights? If so, we can wish your child a HAPPY BIRTHDAY on our marquee! Simply, pop into the office, fill out the form and pay $20. Please fill out the form three days prior to your child’s birthday. The money raised goes straight back to the Bulldogs! It is a win-win!

**Ins and Outs of the Parking Lot**

In an effort to ensure that everyone is aware of the ins and outs of the parking lot, let’s review!

All traffic flows one way through the parking lot. Entrance into the lot occurs across from the church, by the marquee. There are two lanes of traffic. Students should exit the vehicle only when the car is pulled as far forward as possible and directly next to the curb.

No vehicles should be left unattended in the drop off/pick up lane to ensure that the flow of traffic is moving.

All vehicles exit at the stop sign, making ONLY a right hand turn.

These rules are in place to ensure the safety of our Lil’ Bulldogs as they get from their car to the classroom and vice versa.

Thank you for helping to keep our parking lot safe and friendly!

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**Kindergarten & New Student Registration**

Hard to believe it is already time to be thinking about next school year!

If you have a kindergarten or transitional kindergarten aged student (or a student who will be new to Blue Oak), it is time to gather the necessary information to get them registered for the 2021/2022 school year.

Online Early registration begins on January 19th. You can access this through our school website: [https://www.buckeyeusd.org/boes](https://www.buckeyeusd.org/boes)

On February 8th, registration packets will be available for pick up at the school office and available for download on our website.

Registration packets are only accepted at the school for which you reside. If you are uncertain as to your school of residence please visit [https://www.buckeyeusd.org/](https://www.buckeyeusd.org/) click on “Parent Resources” and then “District Boundaries”.

A registration packet is considered complete when the school has:

1. Registration forms filled out
2. Copy of birth certificate
3. Current immunization record
4. Residence verification (two forms)

Please contact our front office with any questions (530) 676-0164 or email out school registrar, Karen Varags at [kvargas@buckeyeusd.org](mailto:kvargas@buckeyeusd.org)