

March 2006
Head of School Report for the BFCCPS Board of Trustees

Overall Year to Date Student Enrollment

	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	06 Final FTE
# of students	402	390	384	384	381	380	378	378	378				

Year to Date Enrollment Information by Grade and Wait list

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
July Enrollment	44	46	44	46	47	49	47	46	33
August Enrollment	44	46	44	46	46	49	46	41	28
September Enrollment	44	45	44	47	46	49	46	36	27
October Enrollment	44	45	44	47	46	49	46	36	27
November Enrollment	44	44	44	47	46	48	46	35	27
December Enrollment	44	44	43	47	46	48	46	35	27
January Enrollment	44	44	44	47	46	47	46	33	27
February Enrollment	44	44	44	47	46	47	46	33	27
March Enrollment	44	44	44	47	46	47	46	33	27
Wait list	47	22	24	27	6	0	0	0	0

The withdrawal table below represents all withdrawals between 2/09/06-2/15/06:

Grade	# of withdrawals	# accepted off wait list	Date of withdrawal Reasons given for transfer
		<i>No withdrawals this</i>	<i>month</i>

Staff Changes

Julie Christensen- status change from short term to long term

Jeanmarie Sette has returned

Hired: Artur Duque as Elizabeth Clayton's replacement, will start employment on 3/20(hard copy distributed at Board meeting). Elizabeth Clayton has assigned her other duties throughout our staff and will be communicating the details to our families in a letter home as soon as all the details are finalized.

Technology

Sketchpad-Sketchpad is a geometry software program. It deals with geometry, linear functions, and some algebra for grades 5 - 12. The program is very dynamic, hands-on, and fun. Several of our Grade 4 – 8 teachers and HOS attended trainings. We received a grant from the PCO to buy the program and BFCCPS paid for the training and 2 books.

Curriculum News

MCAS Week of March 27 ELA Grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8

Science Consultant -Deb Staub has begun her hands on in class science K-4 labs.

National French Test was taken by Grade 6 on 2/27, Grades 7 & 8 on 3/7

In School Enrichment and Assemblies

2/10 Potato Hill Poetry, Grades 5-8

2/17 Grades K-4 Assembly

3/3 Abraham Lincoln, Grades K-5

Basketball Program and Middle School News

Game at the Dana Barros Health Facility in Mansfield, Friday 3/3, Faculty/Staff/Parents vs. the team

Educational Field Studies

Grade 4 Commonwealth Museum in Boston on 2/10

Grade 4 Higgins Armory in Worcester on 3/2

Grade 8: JFK museum on 3/2

Community Connections

2/14 Karen Bohlin spoke about Character Development at the Dean Campus Center

2/17 Grade 6: Franklin Senior Center

Wednesday March 1st, Mr. Benjamin visited the Foxboro Regional Charter School and met with the Art, Music, Band, Administration and Guidance to talk about how our Fine and Performing Arts Department works and how they can move ahead to form their own department and mirror BFCCPS

Fine Arts Department

2 Physical Fitness Trips:

2/17: 6th grade: YMCA (Spin bikes, track and gym)

7th grade: Norfolk Ice Skating Rink

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3/10 and 3/11 King and I

The production of "The King and I" was a huge success. The cast and crew performed to standing room only audiences each night!!! Congratulations to the Cast and Crew and to the Faculty of the Fine and Performing Arts Department.

Displayed in the halls of the school are final projects from the Arts Block Photography Class. This first offering of this nature was a huge success. Mr. Perna is planning on offering the class again in the 3rd trimester.

Mr. Benjamin will be meeting with members of the yearbook photography staff to organize the taking of pictures to enhance the School's web site.

March is "Music in our Schools" month. The month long celebration of BFCCPS music will be capped off with the World's Largest Concert on March 30th

Mr. Benjamin and Mrs. Clayton will be working with the grade 5-8 and specialists' staff in the production of the trimester 2 report cards utilizing Administrator Plus and Grade Quick Software.

Professional Development

K-4 Accomplishments: PowerPoint presentation during regular scheduled faculty meeting by Pat Fairbanks (copy will be handed out at Board meeting)

2/14 Grades 3 & 4 and SPED staff DIBELS training

Ellen Williamson And Pat Fairbanks: DOE training on planning for the homeless

Kristin North: Writing across the curriculum for students with a language learning disability

Pat Fairbanks: Beyond Grade Three: Teaching Reading Still Matters

Pat Fairbanks: Law Seminar with Stoneman, Miller and Chapman: Student Records and confidentiality

Michelle Ludwig and Sue LaRiviere: MCAS Alternative workshop

Robin Mayer and Pat Fairbanks: CORE Knowledge National Conference in San Antonio, TX

MCPSA Faculty registered for Professional Development day at The Best Practices Conference, sponsored by the MA Charter Public School Association.

Lottery

Held on 2/10, about 40 people attended

Enrollment numbers:

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Rec'd as of 12/7	14	5	1	4	0	2	2	0	0	29
Rec'd as of 1/10	52	13	12	11	10	7	5	5	0	115
Rec'd as of 2/7	136	52	33	27	31	22	16	12	2	331
2005	131	31	36	35	12	15	13	6	2	281
Difference between '05 & '06	+5	+21	-3	-8	+19	+7	+3	+6	0	49

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	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Avail seats	44	0	0	0	0	2	1	4	15	66
Accepted	44	0	0	2	0	5	4	8	2	65
Declined	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	6
Waitlist	46	34	20	20	22	17	11	2	0	172

