

**January 2007 Head of School Report
for the BFCCPS Board of Trustees
As of 1/2/2007**

Overall Year to Date Student Enrollment

	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	06 Final FTE
# of students	405	394	388	388	387	387	388						

Year to Date Enrollment Information by Grade and Wait list

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
July Enrollment	44	44	44	46	46	49	53	47	32
August Enrollment	44	44	43	46	46	48	49	45	29
September Enrollment	44	44	44	46	46	48	42	45	29
October Enrollment	44	44	44	47	46	48	42	45	28
November Enrollment	43	44	44	47	46	48	43	45	27
December Enrollment	44	44	43	46	46	48	43	45	27
January Enrollment	44	44	44	46	46	48	43	45	27
Wait list	34	33	14	7	11	16	0	0	0

The BFCCPS 06/07 budget is based on 385 FTE (Full Time Equivalent) Students.

Grade	# of <i>withdrawals</i>	# accepted off wait list	Date of withdrawal Reasons given for transfer
<i>K</i>	0	0	
<i>1</i>	0	0	
<i>2</i>	0	0	
<i>3</i>	0	0	
<i>4</i>	0	0	
<i>5</i>	0	0	
<i>6</i>	0	<i>No waitlist</i>	
<i>7</i>	0	<i>No waitlist</i>	
<i>8</i>	0	<i>No waitlist</i>	

Enrollment Information Evening

Thursday, January 25 at 7:00pm in the auditorium

Applications

Down 17 from last year at this time (it's early yet)

Staffing Changes:

Hired Alison Lane, morning part-time Kindergarten aide position, started 12/18

State of the School:

- Professional Development: English teachers in grades 5-8 (Jennifer Fairbanks, Debra Gebhardt, and Kristina Salley) and inclusion teacher Kathleen Lallier attended a workshop on reading/literature in the middle grades on Dec. 1
- Student Activities: Student Government is meeting regularly
- Approximately 20-30 Students are participating in BFCCPS Basketball.

- We have been chosen to participate in the Rube Goldberg contest (science and technology competition) again this year. Competition is Sat. April 14th at Fay School. Kevin Buckley is "coaching" team of eight 8th graders and two 7th grade alternates.
- 5th Grade School Store is now on the 5th grade website - items can be purchased every other Wednesday beginning Jan. 10 in the Library from 8:45 until 9:00 in the morning
- 5th and 8th grades went to the Museum of Natural History at Harvard just before Thanksgiving. 8th grade participated in a program about the Geologic History of New England. 5th grade participated in programs about the Mayas and animal adaptations
- Grade 5 fashion show/assembly on the periodic table elements
- 6th grade went to the observatory at Wheaton College on Friday, Dec. 8
- Grades 6-8 went on the first Lifetime fitness field trips on Tues. Nov. 21 - bowling, ice skating, YMCA
- All students, faculty, and staff participated in Read for 2007 on Friday, Dec. 8th - Everyone read a book from 2:26 until 3:00 and it was a great success
- On Wednesday, Dec. 13 twelve 8th grade students participated in the Charlotte's Web read-aloud during recess and received press (see attached)
- Several classes participated in celebrations for various holidays during the month of December. 5th grade had a St. Lucia Day celebration on Wed. Dec. 13, Latin classes celebrated Saturnalia, French classes had holiday celebrations, and some classes had students research present information about different cultural celebrations and then celebrated them all!
- Dec. 13, the first term report cards were sent home
- Fine Arts: "Oklahoma" in full swing, rehearsals going well.
- Ben Benjamin awarded "Who's Who in America 2007"
- Matt Boday and Ben Benjamin attending workshops at the BSO 3 Saturdays in January
- Band Parents donated 15 plants to Forge Hill Retirement Center from poinsettia sale
- Fourteen students signed up to audition for MMEA Central District Band Orchestra and Chorus on 2/3/07
- New offering this trimester in arts block: Adobe Photoshop elements with Kim Ng (Anna Ng husband) and Yearbook with Doris Reynolds
- Curriculum Assembly by Mrs. Weidman's first grade class and Mrs. Henderson's second grade class. Leaves of Virtue given to students from Ms. Ludwig's Kindergarten class, and Mrs. Trotin's second grade class.

Special Education:

Pat Fairbanks to Regional Special Education director's meeting

Preparation continues for DOE Coordinated Program Review January 8,9,10 and Charter School Site Visit January 30, 2006.

Symphony Math continues on a trial basis to the end of January 2006. To date, we have had 166 students access this site.

Technology:

Tech PPD Day planned and in the works for 1/12/07...see attached tentative schedule

a-Special guest speaker from DOE MassOne for introduction to staff

b-Training on wireless classroom use of library lab

c-Future staff tech needs breakout sessions

First Class school Calendar now on the web

Website continues to be updated on a daily basis

5th Grade School Store is now on the 5th grade website

Classroom teachers/ students in grades 5-8 are using software "Inspiration" for writing and organization.

Dates to remember:

Jan. 4 @ 4:00: Middle school basketball game vs. Bridgewater at Mass Premier Courts in Mansfield, MA

January 8-10: Department of Education site visit

Jan. 18 @ 4:00: Middle school basketball game or Practice (TBA) at Mass Premier Courts in Mansfield, MA

January 18: Mid-Winter Concert featuring String Ensemble and wind ensemble

January 30: Department of Education Charter site visit, Details to follow, 8:00am-9:00am interview with all available board members (see attachment)

Feb. 1 @ 4:00: Middle school basketball game vs. Faculty at Mass Premier Courts in Mansfield, MA

Facilities:

Safety update-Locks installed: in the auditorium and the classrooms during Christmas vacation (see memo)