



Blaine County School District #61

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to Blaine County School District! It is a privilege to partner with you on your child's education. We are committed to becoming a *world-class, student-focused community of teaching and learning*. We work hard each day to ensure our children are prepared for college and career, to be life-long learners, and to be good citizens. This is a sacred trust and we are honored to be able to play this part in your child's life.

We commit ourselves to striving to ensure every student in BCSD is supported in order to achieve at the highest level in a personalized and challenging learning environment. Across our district in all eight of our schools, our staff is incredibly talented and dedicated to ensuring all students are successful.

Your partnership in helping your child succeed in school is critical as well. Frequent communication with your child's teachers and administrators will help us work together and send a powerful message to your children that we are working together to support their learning. We look forward to seeing you at parent-teacher conferences, school events, before or after school, and out in the community. If at any time you have questions about expectations for your child's learning or their progress in meeting these expectations, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We strongly encourage you to also check in with your child daily about what they are learning in school. Ask them:

- What are they reading?
- What is the author telling them (both in fiction and nonfiction text)?
- Do they agree with the author or not? Why?
- What problems are they debating or working to solve in their class?
- How does their learning help them prepare for success in life?

Helping your child be reflective and make connections in their learning is a great way to help your child become responsible for their own learning so they grow up to be life-long learners.

Again, welcome to Blaine County School District. We are pleased to be your partner in your child's education. Together, we will soar to new heights!

Sincerely,

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