## **CARDINAL UPDATE - 9/21/2023**

## **REMINDERS:**

- Friday, September 29 Homecoming Parade at 4:00 p.m. & Homecoming Game at 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 4 Early Release Day (ES: 12:50 p.m., MS: 12:55 p.m., HS: 1:00 p.m.)
- Thursday, October 19 No School Teacher Inservice Day
- Friday, October 20 No School

Hello Brodhead Cardinal Families.

It has been a fun first couple of weeks in the Brodhead Schools. Our sports seasons are well under way and Homecoming Week is already next week. It is always an exciting time for our students. Dress-up days, the Powderpuff Game, tailgating, and of course, the Football game make for some great memories. We hope to see a big crowd at our annual Homecoming Parade at 4:00 p.m. on Friday and the Homecoming Football Game at 7:00 p.m. against Adams Friendship.

I want to give a huge thank you to our PTO, Kid Connection, for organizing their annual Walk-a-Thon for our Elementary School today at 1:30 p.m. It has turned out to be an amazing fundraiser over the years, which allows Kid Connection to offer some wonderful events for our students and provide our Elementary with additional funds to buy items our general budget does not allow for. It looks like it will be a perfect day for the event with sunny skies and temperatures around 80 degrees.

I was asked by Nurse Laura to send out a reminder that our Board did pass our <u>"Illness Protocols"</u> in September of last year, and those do include procedures for positive tests for COVID-19. A positive COVID test still requires a quarantine from school with a return after 5 days of isolation if no symptoms or symptoms are resolved after 5 days (date of first symptoms is day 0) and no fever for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication. It is recommended, but not required, to wear a mask around others for the next 5 days.

Wednesday, October 4 will be our first Early Release Day of the year. This is a day for our teachers to meet with their teams and continue working on the yearly goals and initiatives of our District. Our Elementary School will be dismissed at 12:50 p.m., Middle School at 12:55 p.m., and High School at 1:00 p.m. Thank you for adjusting your family schedules to support this time for our teachers.

Looking a little farther ahead, note that we will not be having school on October 19 (Teacher Inservice Day) and October 20. The day off on Friday, October 20 was put into our calendar for a couple of reasons. One reason is that this is the typical week of our annual Middle School field trip to Washington DC. Those students on the trip would miss school on that Friday, so it made sense to put this day in the calendar as a No School day. Another reason for the day off is to put in a scheduled break at this time of the year. With the next extended time off being Thanksgiving, it allows a break in the calendar for our staff and provides what equates to a four-day weekend if families wish to take a nice break at a great time of the year.

Have a great rest of the week and enjoy the awesome temperatures! It is a nice little stretch of weather as fall quickly approaches.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (608) 897-2141 or by email at <a href="mailto:dnovy@brodhead.k12.wi.us">dnovy@brodhead.k12.wi.us</a>. As always, thank you for all you do to support the Brodhead School District.

GO CARDS! Respectfully,

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