



Byrom Buzz

The Byrom Newsletter

December 2, 2010

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If your child should be absent or late, please call our ATTENDANCE LINE (503) 431-4320

Dear Byrom Students and Families,

Positions Open to Serve On Byrom's Site-Council:

In January of 2011, new members will be elected to serve on Byrom's Site Council.

What is the Byrom Site Council?

This Council is a group composed of teachers, parents/guardians of students, classified employees, and the school Principal. The Council is charged with the goal of improving student learning at the school site.

What are the Council's responsibilities?

1. The primary purpose of the Council is to enhance student academic achievement.
2. The Council provides input into the developing and monitoring the school's Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP).
3. The Council works collaboratively with building staff to meet the goals set forth in the CIP.
4. The Council helps develop and administer grants that are available to the school.

What is the composition of the Site-Council?

1. Each 'subgroup' elects members of the group to serve on the Site-Council (e.g. Teachers elect teachers; classified employees elect classified employees; parents elect parents; etc.).
2. Byrom's Council consists of (7) teachers; (2) classified employees; the school principal; and (4-6) parents/guardians (We currently have two parents serving on our Site-Council).

What is the election process for parents/guardians interested in joining Byrom's Site-Council?

<u>Date</u>	<u>Action</u>
12-2-2010	Byrom Buzz sent home
12-3 -12-17-2010	Interested parents acquire an application from the office. You may come by to pick up the application, or ask to have one mailed, emailed, or sent home with your child.
12-16-2010	Applications are brought to the office and given to the school principal (or one of our secretaries).
1-6-2011	Names of applicants are included in a Special Edition Byrom Buzz. Each candidate will provide a brief description of why they would like to serve as a Site-Council member (less than 100 words). The Buzz will include a 'ballot' to vote for Site Council candidates.
1-13-2011	Up to four nominees will be elected to serve on Byrom's Site-Council. The expectation is that service will be for two years, beginning in January of 2011, and lasting until December of 2012.

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What would I do if elected to serve on the Site-Council?

1. Attend Site-Council meetings. This year, all meetings are on Monday, from 2:45-3:45pm, at the school. The dates for the meetings are: January 24th, February 28th, March 28th, April 25th, and May 23rd.
2. Participate fully in discussions around Council responsibilities.

Anything else I should know?

1. I would suggest reading Byrom's CIP, posted on our school's website. In our CIP, you will notice particular attention to closing the academic achievement gap. Specifically, we are very interested in finding ways to close our biggest gap, that of the academic performance of our Hispanic students who are also learning to speak English (Hispanic English Language Learners). These students take tests that are all in English, so they have a double challenge in learning both academic content and doing so in a language that is not their first language.
2. If you have any questions, please contact me.

I look forward to meeting our new Council members in January of 2011!

Mr. Fraise

Current Site-Council Members:

Kim DeMarchi	Parent
Letitia Peterson	Grandparent
Rachel Pelissier	Teacher, Kindergarten
Rick Fraise	Principal



DATES TO REMEMBER

- December 2nd – 1st Grade Program 8:45am & 7:00pm- Cafeteria
- December 3rd – Byrom Choir Performance 7:15 pm
Tualatin Tree Lighting at Tualatin Commons
- December 13th – Byrom Choir Concert 7:00 pm- Library
- December 20-31st – WINTER VACATION!!!!
- January 3, 2011 – School Resumes-Regular Schedule

Dear Byrom families,

Thank you for your participation in the "Original Works" program and supporting our school. It was a great success. The money raised helps fund field trips, Art Literacy and other important activities that benefit our children.

Thanks to all the kids for their amazing VanGogh artwork and the Art Lit. volunteers that helped out in the classrooms.

A special thanks to Heather Magnuson, Megan Patton and Chris Gordin, our Art Lit. team for their many hours of planning and hard work.

Also thank you to Bev, Linda and Esmeralda for all of their help and cooperation.

All orders will arrive the second week in December and will go home with your child, unless other arrangements have been made in advance with me.

Thank you,

Julie Welborn
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Scouting For Food

On Saturday, Dec. 4th, Byrom's Cub Scout Pack 35 and BSA Troop 530, along with local scouting units will be "scouting for food" by collecting non perishables in Tualatin, and surrounding communities. This is a national event. All items collected will be donated to the Tualatin Food Pantry. Please place items in the plastic bag provided and leave on your porch, or simply drop it off at the Tualatin Food Pantry between 10 am - 2:00 p.m. located on the east side of Rolling Hills Church. Thank you for your support!

Tualatin High School Softball Clinic

Tualatin High School, in association with Tualatin City Little League Softball, will be hosting a Holiday Softball Clinic on Wednesday, December 22nd from 11:00am-2:30pm. This clinic will be designed for girl's ages 5-14, with the girls split into groups by age/ability level. The camp will be run by Tualatin High School coaches and players, and will cover the basics of hitting, fielding, throwing and catching. The cost of this camp will be \$10.00 and one can of food, which will be donated to the Tualatin Schoolhouse Food Pantry.

The girls should come with their own equipment, if possible, including glove, helmet and bat.

For more information, or to register, please visit www.tualatinCITYsoftball.com or contact playeragent.tcll@gmail.com.

Sign-ups for the upcoming softball season are now open. Please visit the above website for more information.

****SCRIP — Does your office give out gift cards for the holidays? If so, ordering through the scrip program is a quick easy way to get all your gift cards, while making money for Byrom.****