



# Bearcat Beat Newsletter

## PARENT CENTER

Brookland Schools is committed to working with parents in order to provide the highest quality educational experience possible for all students. One of the best resources to help with this goal is our parent center. It offers many pamphlets to assist you and your student on a variety of issues. The parent center also offers a guide to helpful parent resource books located in the library. Computers are also available in the parent center for parents to use. The parent resource link on the Brookland home page offers many fun and interesting ways you can participate in your child's education. The Junior High and Senior High Parent Centers are both located in the lobbies of the counselor's offices of their respective buildings. For questions about the Parent Centers or how you can become a volunteer, please contact Mrs. Katrina Haustein, Jr. High Parent Center Director (khaustein@bpsbearcats.com) or Dr. Melany Bowman, Sr. High Parent Center Director (mbowman@bpsbearcats.com).

## News

### DISTRICT CALENDAR

Brookland Public Schools will adhere to the following calendar for the 2016-17 school year:

- Aug. 15 – School begins
- Sept. 5- Labor Day (no school)
- Oct. 14 – End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter
- Oct. 17 – Begin 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter
- Oct. 20 – Parent Teacher Conferences (2-8 pm)
- Oct. 21 – No School
- Nov. 18 – Professional Day (No school for students)
- Nov. 21 – 25, Thanksgiving Break
- Dec.19 – Jan. 1, Christmas Break
- Jan. 2 – Return to school
- Jan. 11 – End 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter
- Jan. 12 – Begin 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter
- Jan. 16 SCHOOL DAY
- Feb. 16 - Parent Teacher Conferences (2-8 pm)
- Feb. 17 – Snow Day #2 (no school if not used)

- March 17 – End 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter
- March 20 – 24, Spring Break
- March 27 – Begin 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter
- May 24 – End 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter
- May 25 – Required PD or Snow Day #3
- May 26 – Snow Day #4
- May 30 – Snow Day #5

\*\*Any additional snow days over 5 will be made up at the end of the school year.\*\*



The regular registration deadline for the February ACT is Friday, Jan. 13, 2017.

The High School Cheerleaders are now selling raffle tickets for a 50 in Samsung 4K Full HD Smart TV. The drawing will be held during half-time of the Senior High Boy's game vs. Westside on January 31, 2017. Please see any Senior High Cheerleader or Ms. Moore to purchase tickets. Tickets are \$5 for 1 or \$20 for 5 tickets. The TV will be on display during the Jr. High and Sr. High home games and tickets will be sold at these games as well. They will be sold up until 5 minutes before half-time the night of the game. Thank you in advance for your support



## Free Tutoring Available

English- Monday and Wednesday in Ms. Watson's room  
 Science- Wednesday and Thursday in Mrs. Herring's room  
 Math= Tuesday and Thursday in Mr. DuBose's room  
 All times are 3:00-4:00.



## FCCLA Events

Brookland FCCLA attended the District 3 FCCLA Leadership meeting at Jonesboro High School on December 1st. There were nearly 800 students from Northeast Arkansas in attendance. 10th grader Molly Coleman assisted in leading the meeting as the District Vice President of Programs. 9th grade Kaylyn Tucker was inducted as the 2017-18 District President. Madison Dugger presented a National FCCLA

update at the meeting as the National Officer Candidate.  
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Brookland was recognized on their efforts to provide toys for children at **Le Bonheur** Children's Hospital. Also, Loriece Russell and Madison Dugger were recognized for their work and their advancement to state competition with FCCLA STAR Events.



## Homecoming Information

The 2017 Basketball Homecoming theme is: **SUPERHEROES**



### **The 2017 Basketball Homecoming Dress-Up Days are as follows:**

- Monday:** Pun Day  
Monday: Dress up as your favorite pun ie. holy cow, holy guacamole, etc.
- Tuesday:** Country vs. Country Club Day  
Tuesday: Dress in camouflage or in

preppy clothes and bring tennis rackets or golf clubs

- Wednesday:** Superhero Day  
Wednesday: Dress as your favorite superhero. Can be from real life or from comic books (police officer, fireman, batman, spiderman, etc.)
- Thursday:** Generation Day  
Thursday: Dress up as any age as

you want to. Old person, kid, baby, mom, dad, etc

**Friday:** Spirit Day



## The 2017 Basketball Homecoming Court

**7th Grade Maids**  
Cate Ford  
Ali Tuetken

**9th grade Grade Maids**  
Aisha Mahmoud  
Savannah Spades  
Angel Stacey

**11th Grade Maids:**  
Taylor Hammett  
Bethany Colbert

**8th Grade Maids**  
Molly Adkins  
Lexie Wolfe

**10th Grade Maids:**  
Kaylee Adkins  
Mallorie Lovrien

**12th Grade Maids:**  
Meredith Greathouse  
Hannah Grogan  
Ashton Mooneyham



## Operation Christmas Child

The seventh graders participated in Operation Christmas Child this December. The students read *The Pearl* by John Steinbeck during the second nine weeks which is a story that follows a poverty stricken family on a journey to protect a valuable pearl they have found. Through Operation Christmas Child, students gathered school items, hygiene products, as well as

small toys and games to send to underprivileged children around the world. They were able to send approximately 50 boxes plus shipping costs to various regions. Way to go seventh graders. It's a great time to be a Bearcat! #classof2022

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The eighth graders and softball team led by Coach Karen Coffee

Sanders and parents put together boxes of treats and homemade goodies to send to our troops who will be celebrating the holidays away from their families.



## Bearcats in Service

Members of the Sr. High Football team served as Salvation Army bell ringers at the Mall at Turtle Creek



Members of the Spanish Honor Society volunteered at the Food Bank of Northeast Arkansas

The Junior High Student Council went to the Salvation Army in early December to assist in preparing gift bags for Northeast Arkansas struggling families with young children.



The 4th annual FFA Dinner and Auction will be held January 28th at 6 pm at the Brookland Baptist Church. Dinner will be BBQ sandwiches and Smoked Chicken Dinner Plates are \$10. There will be numerous items available for bid in our live auction.



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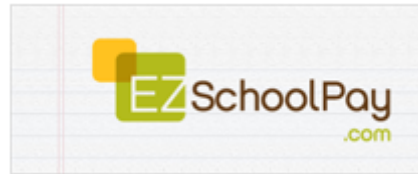
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**Brookland High School**

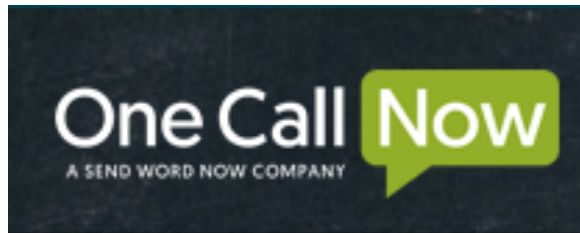
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Brookland Public Schools is offering an online service, EZSchoolPay, to help you manage your child's school meal account. By utilizing [www.EZSchoolPay.com](http://www.EZSchoolPay.com) you can send payments directly to your child's meal accounts and Receive alerts of low balances as well.. The mobile app is available for iPhone, iPad, and Android devices. Getting started is easy! Visit [www.EZSchoolPay.com](http://www.EZSchoolPay.com) and the website will guide you to create an account and link your student(s) before entering a credit/payment. Your EZSchoolPay.com Student ID# is their 4 digit school lunch number. If you do not know your child's lunch number, please contact Mrs. Kimberly Wall at [kwall@bpsbearcats.com](mailto:kwall@bpsbearcats.com) .



One Call Now is a free service that allows you to receive school-sponsored updates, reminders, and emergency alerts. Go to <http://brooklandbearcats.org/notification-services.php> and click on ONE CALL NOW. Create an account with the appropriate information and you will stay informed through text alerts throughout the year.

## Brookland Schools Vision Statement

To empower all students with the knowledge and skills through rigorous curriculum and to actively meet the challenges of a growing community through diverse educational opportunities.

