

February 1, 2024



Jackson County School District #91 (Butte Falls)

February 2024 Contains a Bonus School Day!

Dear Butte Falls Charter School Parents and Community Members,

Winter showed up with gusto the second week of January! That made for some anxious moments for students, families and our community.

While the superintendent is ultimately responsible for making school delay and closure decisions, we have a team of people that live along Butte Falls Hwy, in Butte Falls, and out Fish Lake Road who help inform that decision. It is a tricky call because families (and staff members) who live below the snow line can't easily know the road conditions the last 4 to 8 miles before Butte Falls Hwy reaches Butte Falls. Thank you for your patience and trust as we strive to keep everyone safe and try to maintain our regular school schedule.



Thank you to the Jackson County Roads Department for keeping the main roads passable!

The heats on, the lights work, the kitchen is serving, and classes are in session. The severe weather was challenging but our students showed up and school happened! 01/8-11/23

Severe weather affects families in different ways. If weather keeps you from getting your student to the bus (or to school), please call the school office (541-865-3563) and let us know. Our older students have Chromebooks and can sometimes work on assignments from home, if necessary.

For students who live in town and walk to school, we encourage them to give themselves a little more time for the walk. Please let us know if your student (or a friend of theirs) needs additional winter weather clothing.

Live from the Pit - Middle School Girls Basketball! Our Middle School Girls Basketball season is well underway. The Lady Loggers showed tremendous energy and heart in their first several games of the season. The team is large enough to have a Varsity and a Junior Varsity squad. Check our District website (www.buttefalls.k12.or.us) for the updated schedule of games. Thank you to Head Coach Billie Jean Myers and Assistant Coaches Kirsten White and Bonnie Freeman!

We are excited as our middle school programs flourish and anticipate the return of more high school programs in the coming years.

Come enjoy our teams as they compete! We have stepped up our game in the hospitality department. This season our freshman class is providing a nice variety of items to eat in the gym concession stand. Hot dogs, hot chili, hot nachos, hot popcorn, ice cream, soda pop, and candy always taste better at a basketball game! We are open to suggestions for other culinary options!



Time out! Time to re-hydrate and refocus!



Lady Loggers run and shoot! 01/18/24

Middle School and High School Wrestling are also underway. Coach Jason Haskell (HS) and Ted Birdseye (MS) have more wrestlers this year. Meets are scheduled around the region. Check our District website (www.buttefalls.k12.or.us) for upcoming matches.

Here are some important upcoming District dates. Please check the District News and Events at our website (www.buttefalls.k12.or.us) for any updates.

- **February School Board Meeting** – 6:00 p.m., Monday, February 12, at District Office
- **Valentine’s Day** – Wednesday, February 14 (Just sayin’!)
- **President’s Day – No School** – Monday, February 19
- **Possible Snow Makeup Day** – Friday, February 23 (If we have a Snow Day closure before then)
- **Leap Day** – Thursday, February 29 (Regular school day on an irregular school date!)
- **March School Board Meeting** – 6:00 p.m., Monday, March 11, at District Office
- **Spring Break – No School** - March 25-28
- **School resumes** – Monday, April 1 (A regular school day - no foolin’!)
- **Last Day of 3rd Quarter** – Thursday, April 4
- **First Day of 4th Quarter** – Monday, April 8
- **April School Board Meeting** – 6:00 p.m., Monday, April 8, at District Office

Thank you for your support and encouragement for our students and staff! We hope to see you at our community and sports events!

Sincerely,

Dr. Phil Long, Superintendent

What you focus on gets done!