

SCHOOL BOARD

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ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

School district offices are located at Hughes Educational Center, 806 N. Washington St., Bismarck, ND, 58501. Call the Reception Desk, (701) 323-4000 or fax (701) 323-4001. The Reception Desk is staffed 7:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday-Friday. Community Relations Office is (701) 323-4091. TDD Relay Service 1-800-366-6888.

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 Supt.'s Blog under Administration on the left.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

The Bismarck School Board holds a regular meeting on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 5:15 p.m. in the Tom Baker Room at the City/County Building, 221 N. 5th Street in Bismarck. The meetings are televised live on Government Access Channel 2. The Board is made up of five members, and elections are held in June. The annual meeting and installation of the new board is in July.

STAFF

The Bismarck Public School District is one of the largest employers in Bismarck. The following is a breakdown of staff hired as of the beginning of the 2015-2016 school year (individuals vs. FTE):

Teaching Staff..... 1,050
 Support Staff..... 943
 Professional Support Staff..... 93
 Administrators..... 53
 TOTAL..... 2,139

SCHOOLS

There are 28 educational facilities in the BPS district: 17 elementary schools, 3 middle schools, 3 senior highs, 1 alternative high school, Bismarck Technical Center, Career Academy, Adult Learning Center, and a preschool Bismarck Early Childhood Education Program (BECEP) that includes Head Start and EC Special Needs.

2015-2016 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS (K-5)

Centennial (450)..... 323-4290
 2800 Ithica Dr. Michele Svihovec
 Grimsrud (233)..... 323-4150
 716 St. Benedict Dr. Willie Nelson
 Highland Acres (142)..... 323-4160
 1200 Prairie Dr. Shawn Oban
 Liberty (583)..... 323-4320
 5400 Onyx Dr. Terry Kuester
 Lincoln (533)..... 323-4310
 3320 McCurry Way Shelly Swanson
 Miller (395)..... 323-4170
 1989 N. 20 St. John Alstad
 Moses (348)..... 323-4180
 1312 S. Columbia Dr. Dr. Jason Hornbacher
 Murphy (471)..... 323-4190
 611 N. 31 St. Matt Fricke
 Myhre (261)..... 323-4200
 919 S. 12 St. Alivia Wamboldt
 Northridge (445)..... 323-4210
 1727 N. 3 St. Kathy Rooke
 Pioneer (250)..... 323-4220
 1400 E. Braman Ave. Jim Jeske
 Prairie Rose (179)..... 323-4280
 2200 Oahe Bend Brenda Beiswenger
 Roosevelt (131)..... 323-4240
 613 Ave. B West Shawn Oban
 Saxvik (222)..... 323-4250
 523 N. 21 St. Linnett Schmidkunz
 Solheim (517)..... 323-4260
 325 Munich Dr. Charles Dalusong

Sunrise (619)..... 323-4300
 3800 Nickerson Ave. Lynn Wolf
 Will-Moore (254)..... 323-4270
 400 East Ave. E Brad Barnhardt
 BECEP (ages 0-6)..... 323-4400
 720 N. 14th St. Michelle Hougen

2015-2016 MIDDLE (6-8) & HIGH SCHOOLS (9-12)

Horizon Middle School (953)..... 323-4550
 500 Ash Coulee Dr. Dr. Tabetha Rabenberg
 Simle Middle School (953)..... 323-4600
 1215 N. 19 St. Russ Riehl
 Wachter Middle School (872)..... 323-4650
 1107 S. 7 St. Lee Ziegler
 Bismarck High School (1,331)..... 323-4800
 800 N. 8 St. David Wisthoff
 Century High School (1,349)..... 323-4900
 1000 E. Century Ave. Steve Madler
 Legacy High School (815)..... 323-4850
 3400 Calgary Ave. Tom Schmidt
 South Central High School (104)..... 323-4520
 406 S. Anderson St. Joe Kalvoda
 Adult Learning Center..... 323-4530
 1200 College Dr. Dale Hoerauf
 Bismarck Technical Center..... 323-4340
 1200 College Dr. Dale Hoerauf
 Career Academy..... 323-4340
 1221 College Dr. Dale Hoerauf
 Life Education..... 323-4003
 806 N. Washington St. Peggy Lutovsky

ENROLLMENT

Bismarck Public Schools is the largest school district in North Dakota. The following is a breakdown of the 2015-2016 opening day enrollment:

Kindergarten..... 992
 Elementary (1-5)..... 5,041
 Middle School (6-8)..... 2,778
 Senior High (9-12)..... 3,599
 *TOTAL..... 12,410
 *Adult Learning Center & BECEP are not in the total.

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE

Listed below is the class size in September 2015:
 Kindergarten..... 19.9 Fourth Grade..... 22.1
 First Grade..... 18.8 Fifth Grade..... 21.8
 Second Grade..... 19.0
 Third Grade..... 18.8 TOTAL..... 19.7

ATTENDANCE

The average daily attendance in Bismarck Public Schools during the 2014-15 school year was 96.1%. The annual drop-out rate at Bismarck High and Century for that year was 1.4% or 39 students. The total number of graduates from BHS, CHS and our alternative high school, South Central, was 794 in May of 2015.

BUDGET

The average instructional cost to educate a child in Bismarck in 2014-2015 was \$10,424. The average cost per pupil in North Dakota was \$10,131 in 2014-2015, which is the most recent data available.

The school district's budget in all funds for 2015-2016 is about \$150 million. Based on an estimated mill levy, the owner of a median \$100,000 home in Burleigh County would pay \$467 in school taxes. Here is a breakdown of last year's budget:

REVENUE (2014-15)

State.....	\$102,216,532.....	71.7%
Local	\$ 29,442,150.....	20.6%
Federal.....	\$ 10,920,134.....	7.7%
TOTAL.....	\$142,578,816.....	100%

EXPENSES (2014-15)

Salaries/Fringe Benefits	\$118,140,161.....	85%
Purchased Services.....	\$ 7,450,028.....	5%
Supplies & Materials.....	\$ 4,815,117.....	3%
Capital Improvements.....	\$ 6,200,223.....	4%
Utilities.....	\$ 2,246,594.....	2%
Other Expenses	\$915,520.....	1%
TOTAL.....	\$139,767,643.....	100%

FOOD SERVICE

Bismarck Public Schools maintains an affordable food service program. Applications for free & reduced price meals are available at Food Services, (701) 323-4090, and at all school buildings. Meal costs for 2015-2016:

Elementary Breakfast.....	\$1.15
Elementary Lunch.....	\$2.00
Middle School/Senior High Breakfast.....	\$1.25
Middle School/Senior High Lunch.....	\$2.50
Adult Breakfast.....	\$1.75
Adult Lunch	\$3.25
Reduced Breakfast.....	\$.30
Reduced Lunch.....	\$.40

BUSING

Free busing is provided based on the distance the child lives from the school, and for preschool children, some special education students, and youth who live outside of the city limits. Call (701) 323-4502.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

All elementary schools have after school child care for a fee. Call the school to see which program is offered.

Bismarck Public Schools does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, color, national origin, religion, age or disability in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs and activities. Call 323-4091 or TDD 1-800-366-6888.

2015-2016 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Aug. 24-26	Staff Development/Work Days
Aug. 27.....	First day of school
Sept. 7	Labor Day - no school
Oct. 21.....	Staff Development Day - no school
Oct. 22-23	Teacher's Convention - no school
Nov. 11	Veteran's Day - no school
Nov. 25 ...	Parent/Teacher Conference Day Off - no school
Nov. 26-27.....	Thanksgiving break - no school
Dec. 22	Last day of school before holidays
Jan. 4	School reconvenes after holidays
Jan. 18	Martin Luther King Day - no school
Feb. 16.....	President's Day - no school
Feb. 16.....	Staff Development Day - no school
Mar. 23	Storm Make Up Day - potentially no school
Mar. 24.....	Easter break - no school
Mar. 25.....	Good Friday - no school
Mar. 28 ...	Parent/Teacher Conference Day Off - no school
Mar. 29	Staff Development Day - no school
Apr. 29.....	Storm Make Up day - potentially no school
May 30.....	Memorial Day - no school
June 2	Last day of school
June 2	Adult Learning Center Graduation, 4 pm, CA
June 2	South Central High School Graduation, 7 pm, CA
June 3	Teacher Work Day/Storm Day
June 5	CHS Graduation, 1 pm, Civic Center
June 5	BHS Graduation, 5 pm, Civic Center

2016 SUMMER SCHOOL (grades 1-12)

June 13-July 26	Camp Adventure Elementary Summer School
June 13-July 1	Middle School/Senior High Session #1
July 4-5.....	No summer school classes
July 6-26.....	Middle School/Senior High Session #2

REPORT CARDS

K-5 grade trimesters end Nov. 20, Feb. 26, and June 2; 6-12 grade nine weeks end Nov. 1, Jan. 17, March 27, and June 2. Report cards are distributed at parent conferences or a week after the grading period ends.

EMERGENCY CLOSINGS

The Superintendent may close schools in hazardous weather or other emergencies. If schools are closed due to weather, the Superintendent will contact the local news media by 5 a.m. Once school starts, buildings will NOT be closed unless directed to do so by authorities. Parents should use good judgment to determine whether students should attend. For school emergency information, go to www.bismarckschools.org or listen to KFYR AM radio.

NORTH DAKOTA STATE ASSESSMENT

NDSA test scores: advanced & proficient students only:

Grade	Reading %	Math %	Science %
	ND/BPS	ND/BPS	ND/BPS
3	77/78	87/88	-----
4	75/76	79/79	66/68
5	69/71	81/81	-----
6	71/73	78/78	-----
7	75/80	67/72	-----
8	74/79	66/72	60/60
11	67/73	59/67	64/64

(Reading/math scores from fall 2013; science fall 2014.)

These American College Test scores are *mean scores*.

'14/15	BHS	CHS	ND	USA
ACT:	19.8	21.6	20.6	21.0

2015-2016

Thumbnail Sketch



Mission: *All students will have the academic, social, and personal skills to be career, college, and community ready.*

Vision: *Together, we inspire a passion for learning, discovery, and excellence.*