

BETHLEHEM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

VISION: At Bethlehem Elementary School, students will show individual academic growth as measured by benchmark assessments. Instruction will be data driven and provide opportunities for enrichment and/or intervention. This will be achieved through research-based teaching strategies, authentic learning tasks and experiences as well as multiple opportunities for success.

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General Information

Transportation: Route information is available by calling Berry Transportation 636-6100.

Starting Time: 7:50 a.m.

Dismissal Time: 2:30 p.m.

Absentee Policy: When a child is going to miss a day, the parent can call the school after 7 a.m. The parent of any child absent with an unreported excuse will be called shortly after the beginning of the school day. All excused absences must be accompanied with a written note/doctor's note.

Parent Group

B.E.S. NEST: The B.E.S. NEST is our group of parent volunteers. They are instrumental in raising funds to further the educational process in the school. Among the types of assistance they provide are time as volunteers and funds for school equipment, materials, and enrichment programs for students. Funds are raised through fundraising activities. Funds are used to provide cultural enrichment activities for children and for educational equipment and supplies.

Website: <http://besnest.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BESNEST>

Extracurricular Activities

Boys and Girls Intramurals

Chorus

Instrumental Music

Lego Mindstorm Club

YMCA Track

STARS

Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts

Winter Activities Program

WYLD (Wilderness Youth Leadership Development)

Curriculum

Grading Periods: Standards mastery reported three times a year.

Testing: Students in grades 3-6 take ELA & Math AIR assessment and grade four students take the Science AIR assessment. Students in grade K-6 complete benchmark testing three times per year. Assessments used include the STAR and DIBELS.

Response to Instruction (RtI)

Bethlehem Elementary School uses a Response to Instruction model to meet the academic and behavioral needs of all students. Through the RtI process we use the benchmark results, and students immediately receive support that will help ensure their success in the area of literacy, math and/or behavior. We target students who are behind as well as those who are excelling at grade level expectations.

OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES

OCCUPATIONAL & PHYSICAL THERAPY

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST

SPEECH PATHOLOGIST

HEARING/VISION SPECIALIST

SCHOOL NURSE

GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

READING SPECIALIST

MATH SPECIALIST

BEHAVIOR SUPPORT TEAM

SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

Yearly Happenings

Title I Family Night

Enrichment Programs

Book Fair

School Library Media Center

The school library media center is a place for creativity and collaboration it is the core of effective learning and plays a vital role in collaborative planning and curriculum development. Our program has a unique outlook on the needs and abilities of all the members of the school learning community. The media specialist is the go-to person for technology in our school, we work hard to not just make it about the equipment, but the integration of the tools into the everyday curriculum. In our media center, we have 28 computer stations , 7,000+ books and a MakerSpace where students can experiment with a variety of media – both high and low tech – and engage themselves in Do it Yourself (DIY) projects. We have a 3-D printer, Lego Robotics, multiple programming software, Arduino, Raspberry Pi and Makey-Makey equipment available.

Trauma Sensitive School

Over the past three years BES has become a trauma sensitive school. This means that as a staff we recognize that some of our students have experienced or are experiencing trauma. Because trauma changes your brain, we recognize that we need to support all students through the challenges they are facing emotionally and academically. We have a Student Support Center and as a staff practice Conscious Discipline. It is important to all of us that BES is a safe and caring place.

Special Features

- An aesthetic appearance and a warm, friendly atmosphere.
- An energetic and enthusiastic teaching staff sincerely committed to the challenge of providing a strong, sound educational program for children.
- A “child-oriented” school where learning is based upon success-oriented experiences.
- An extensive fine arts program, which provides art instruction for children in a wide variety of media and experiences.
- Vocal music instruction with two evening musical concerts and a school chorus composed of fourth, fifth, and sixth graders.
- Instrumental music instruction, beginning at the fourth grade level with two evening concerts and a fourth, fifth and sixth grade band.
- An excellent Behavior Support Team composed of the psychologist, RtI coordinator, special education coordinator, guidance counselor, classroom teacher, and principal, which diagnoses, plans, and recommends the best educational program for children with social, emotional, or academic problems.

School Breakfast/Lunch Policy

Food service is provided by Café Services. Meals are ordered each day and paid for through the Mealtime Program.

Breakfast Schedule: 7:15 – 7:40 a.m.

Lunch Schedule: 11:15 – 11:40 a.m.
12:05 – 12:20 p.m.

Price: \$1.70 – Breakfast; Free – Reduced Breakfast
\$2.50 – Lunch; 40¢ – Reduced Lunch
60¢ – Milk; 60¢ - Orange Juice;
(All prices subject to change.)

History

Built: 1931

School Colors: Blue and White **School Mascot:** Eagle

Special Facilities: Media Center, Gymnasium, Multi-use Room

Enrollment: 154

Average Class Size: 13

Staff

1 principal
1 administrative assistant
1 office computer coordinator
11 general education teachers
1 preschool teachers
2 special education teachers
1 library media technologist
.5 physical education teacher
.5 health teacher
.5 art teacher
.5 music teacher
.5 reading specialist
.5 RtI coordinator
1 Enrichment Teacher
1 Title I math specialist
9.5 special education paraprofessionals
1 school nurse
1 guidance/student services coordinator
.5 trauma care coordinator
.2 psychologist
.2 speech pathologist
1 custodians

The Bethlehem School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, height, weight, religion, marital status or disability in its programs and activities.