



# BMS BULLDOG WOOF!

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## Calendar

December 16-19—Semester 1 Finals  
December 19—Early Release - 1:30  
December 20-January 6—Winter Break  
January 7—Classes Resume  
January 9—Semester 1 Report Cards Issued  
January 20—Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday—No School  
February 5—3rd Mid-Nine Weeks Ends  
February 10—3rd Mid-Nine Weeks Issued  
February 12—Parent/Teacher Conferences—10am-6pm/  
Student Holiday (No School)



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## SEMESTER 2 SCHEDULES

From December 16 until January 7, students can request elective changes. Students may not request changes to full year courses. Art, Family and Consumer Science, PE, Keyboarding, and Leadership are one semester electives which can be changed. Students will need to use the form provided to them in order to request elective changes. Elective requests will not be accepted via phone or email. No elective change

requests will be accepted after January 7. Not all elective requests can be filled. Art and Family and Consumer Science electives have fees which must be paid at the beginning of the semester.

Semester report cards will be handed out to students during 7<sup>th</sup> hour on Thursday, January 9.

-BMS Administration



## NJHS

NJHS collected toys for Toys for Tots.

Pictured are Tracie Edwards (sponsor), Hyacinth Panganiban (historian), Saryla Rogers (president), Jim Bloodheart (Toys for Tots Representative), Mariana Campos (VP), Sherry Armbruster (sponsor), and MacKenzie Doshier (secretary).



## Office to Home News



If your child is absent from school, you must notify the office *within 24 hours of the absence*. You can call the attendance line 627-2775 Ext 1 to leave a message. If your child misses school for a doctor or dentist appointment, the office needs a note from the doctor to clear the absence.

An unverified absence is when the school does not get a note or phone call *within 24 hours* explaining the student's absence. After 3 unverified absences, parents receive a letter explaining state attendance laws. After 5 unverified absences, parents get a letter telling them that they must meet with a school administrator. The parent and administrator will review state attendance laws. If a student has 10 unverified absences, the parent will get a letter telling them they must report for truancy court orientation with a local judge.

In New Mexico, the law says that parents can be punished through the court system when their children are not in school. Please make sure your child is in school regularly and that you communicate with us whenever your child must be out.

-BMS Administration



PowerSchool

⇒ Did you know that you can access your child's current assignments, grades, attendance, teacher comments, demerits, and other information online?

All you need to do is stop by the front office at Berrendo Middle School and provide an ID.

You will need to show identification to acquire the username and password.

Cell phones are not to be used at school, even at lunchtime. When students arrive, they should turn their phones off and put them away. Thank you.



**FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIANS STUDENTS**

Every Friday in

Room 603 at 7:20 am.

Come join us when you get off the bus!

Don't forget to get your breakfast first!

## BMS 7th Grade Basketball

### GIRLS

Congratulations to the Girls 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Team for an awesome season! The Lady Bulldogs nearly captured the 2019-2020 City Championship, just falling short to Mountain View 23-25 after engineering a great second-half comeback. The team finished the season with a 7-2 regular season record, and a strong 22 point victory in their home playoff game against SMS.

-Coach Rittenhouse



### BOYS

The Bulldogs basketball team had a great season this year. The boys worked extremely hard and battled through the playoffs to get to the City Championship game. The boys played hard but lost to Sierra for the Championship trophy. Overall record for the year was 8-5. We are extremely proud of all your hard work and dedication this season.

-Coach Sanchez

## BMS 8th Grade Basketball



Date	Opponent	Location	Girls/Boys Time
11/18	Marshall	Berrendo	4:00pm/5:30pm
11/21	Carlsbad White	Berrendo	4:00pm/5:30pm
11/23	Artesia	Artesia	10:00am/11:30am
12/2	Gattis	Berrendo	4:00pm/5:30pm
12/5	Highland	Berrendo	4:00pm/5:30pm
12/7	Yucca	Yucca (Clovis)	10:00am/11:30am
12/9	Mt. View	Berrendo	4:00pm/5:30pm
12/12	Sierra	Berrendo	4:00pm/5:30pm
12/14	Mesa	Mesa	10:00am/11:30am
1/13	Lovington	Berrendo	4:00pm/5:30pm
1/16	Carlsbad Blue	Berrendo	4:00pm/5:30pm
1/18	Heizer	Heizer (Hobbs)	10:00am/11:30am
1/23	Houston	Berrendo	4:00om/5:30pm
1/30	1st Round	TBA	TBA
2/1	2nd Round	TBA	TBA
2/3	Quarterfinals	TBA	TBA
2/6	Semifinals	TBA	TBA
2/8	Championship	TBA	TBA

***Yearbooks make unique Christmas gifts. For yearbook information or questions, please contact***



***Ms. Main, room 709 or purchase yours, \$30, there or in the in the office.***

## FINALS

Students will take their semester finals the week of December 16-19, 2019.

Early release on Thursday, December 19th at 1:30.

Classes resume Tuesday, January 7, 2020.

## **ATTENDANCE**

An unexcused absence means that no one notified the school about the child's absence. Parents can clear absences by calling, emailing, or sending a note. In New Mexico, parents/guardians are legally responsible for making sure children are in school and providing the school with an excuse if the student must be out. Unexcused absences are marked in Power School with an "A."

If your child has five unexcused absences, you will be required to meet with a school administrator to explain the absences and to sign an attendance contract.

If your child has ten unexcused absences, you will be required to meet with a school administrator again. The school will refer your child to CYFD for chronic absences. At that time, the school administrator may also choose to begin retention paperwork to hold the student back a grade. Frequent absences often affect a child's ability to pass required courses.

If your child has more than ten unexcused absences, the case will be referred to the district's attendance enforcement team.

We appreciate your support as we enforce the state's Compulsory Attendance laws. To clear an absence, you can call 627-2775, email [bmsattendance@risd.k12.nm.us](mailto:bmsattendance@risd.k12.nm.us), or send a signed, dated note with your child.

## **ART CLASSES**



*Art teaches good judgment, creative problem solving, celebrating perspectives, and many other things. When your art student comes home with paint, chalk or other stuff on them, consider it their artist's badge of honor. They are busy creating and using their minds. Thank you for supporting our art program. –Ms. Main*

## **Scoop for Ol' Coach Guerrero**

### **8th Grade Basketball**

The Bulldogs 8th grade basketball is under way and both teams are doing well. Coach Guerrero is coaching the 8th grade girls' team and Coach Williams is coaching the boys' team.

As of now the girls are 2-2, lost the first game to Clovis Marshall in a buzzer beater 26-24. The girls then had another tough loss to Carlsbad Blue 21-20. The Lady Bulldogs got their first win in Artesia 28-23 followed by beating Clovis Gattis 38-0. The season looks promising for the Lady Bulldogs competing in the Border Conference.

We will take a short break on December 13th, 2019 and resume play on January 13th 2020.

### **PE Classes**

Another semester has squeezed by and the students have been very busy in Physical Education. There are now two physical education classes being offered. Coach Ty Woods is at BMS full time. Students have participated in a pre-test and post-test fitness test and have kept their scores on a fitness paper. They should be able to look at this assessment and see their growth. Currently we are finishing up with net games. Badminton, pickleball, mini tennis and table tennis.



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## BMS offers Lunch and After School Work Sessions

<u>Mrs. Maloney ELA</u> <u>Tutoring</u> <i>Wednesday</i> After School-3:30-4:30	<u>Mrs. Reddell* Math</u> <u>Tutoring</u> <i>Tuesday &amp; Wednesday</i> After School-3:15-4:30
<u>Mrs. Rueffer* Math</u> <u>Tutoring</u> <i>Tuesday &amp; Wednesday</i> After School-3:15-4:30	<u>Mrs. Edwards Math</u> <u>Tutoring</u> <i>Wednesday</i> Lunch as needed After School-3:15-4:30

*\*Please see  
teacher for  
permission  
slip!*