BBMS and Beyond 2019-2020

March 2020 – It's a busy spring!

As an International Baccalaureate World School, Barbara Bush Middle School is committed to developing inquiring lifelong learners equipped with the knowledge and skills to become active, responsible, and caring global citizens.

 We continue to recognize Students of the Month for being respectful, responsible and caring towards their peers. Our most recent recipients are Camryn Carrington, Paarth Dutta, and Madison Ball!



In recognition of Black History Month, we've heard poetry from Ranchview High School students and held our own Poetry contest! Great events for all ages!



In our Visual Arts contest, we congratulate the following

IB artists:

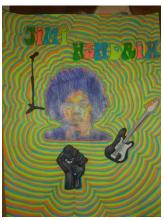
1st Place: Gabrielle Gadson 7th Grade 2nd Place: Trinity Feleen 8th Grade

3rd Place:

Kayla Finney 6th Grade









Another group of students to recognize are those who exemplify the attributes of being principled as defined by the IB Learner Profile. Principled leaders acting with integrity and honesty, with a strong sense of fairness and justice, and with respect for the dignity and rights of people everywhere. We take responsibility for our actions and their consequences. Guest speaker: Mrs. Stacy Carroll from Advanced Academic Services.







Service as Action

You can support our IB World School with our spring activities!

National Jr Honor Society is collecing Soles for Souls! This international organization takes your gently use or new shoes and shares them with people in developing countries. Check out the video at

https://youtu.be/3YqW1q_o-B4 and donate your shoes today! Collection boxes are in the front office!

Our Student Council is leading a collection of small toys for the **ABLE Foundation**! This foundation supports families when their children are hospitalized for several weeks. They have a shopping area where parents can go get small toys for their children. So please bring us: Coloring books, Barbie dolls, small cars, bouncy balls, crayons and stickers! Drop them off with Ms. Devine in the front office!

Has your student completed some service activities on his/her own? Each spring, Barbara Bush Middle School extends a "Service Learning Award" to a student who has completed an extra amount of service, through school or out-of-school activities. Through their service in action, MYP students will:

- Become more aware of their own strengths and areas for growth
- Undertake challenges that develop new skills
- Persevere while working collaboratively with others

Click on the link below to complete a google form about service your child has completed. OR go to the new school website and find the link under "student life". Congrats to all of our Broncos who serve others!

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MYP Standards

The MYP Curriculum requires our teachers to grade certain major assignments with specific rubrics that are on an 8 point scale vs. a traditional 100 point scale. You can see these grades when you log in to Parent Self Serve and look at specific assignments that make up your student's grade in each subject. These grades are NOT averaged into the overall grade, but are reported there so you know how your student is doing compared to other IB schools around the world. Finally, in partnership with Ranchview High School, we have developed and implemented policies and procedures consistent with IB expectations . These include

- Inclusion/Special Educational Needs Policy
- Academic Honesty Policy
- Assessment Policy
- Language Policy

All of these policies can be found linked on our website at https://cfbisd.edu/schools/middle-schools/barbara-bush-middle-school/campus-information/ib-myp-at-bbms-and-rhs/

Note to Parents and Students: As we embark on more distance learning, students may be asked to create websites or multi-media presentations or essays that include ideas from others. Proper citation and giving credit to others' for their intellectual work is an important skill to practice right now. Please take time to scan through the **Academic Honesty policy** with your student. The link is shown above. Below is a link to a presentation about the importance of citations. https://youtu.be/CDGdqoCyAtw

All IB students around the world learn about Approaches to Learning Skills. By developing these skills, students become life-long learners and more internationally minded.

- Collaboration,
- communication.
- self-management,
- thinking and
- research

are the five big categories of skills. Talk about using these skills in your job and in your life as you solve

problems. Help your Broncos develop into life long learners!

The link below will take you to a spreadsheet of articles and videos that can help your students learn about these different skill areas and develop them into life long learners.

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