



PTA Bulldog Newsletter

September & October 2019

Mark Your Calendar!

September

- 2 - No school (Labor Day)
- 5 - PTA meeting 9:30 am
- 6 - August & September birthday table
- 10 - School picture day
- 12 - Fundraiser Kickoff
Assembly 10:30 am
- 12-20 - Fundraiser
- 13 - Community Council 2:00 pm

October

- 4 - Reflections entries due
- 5 - October birthday table
- 10 - PTA meeting 9:15 am
- 16 - Classic Skate Night
- 18 - Reflections/Fundraiser
Assembly
- 21-25 - Fall Recess
- 28 - No school (Grade Transmittal Day)
- 29-Nov. 1 - Red Ribbon Week
- 31 - Halloween Parade



We are excited for another great year at Bluffdale Elementary! The PTA sponsors exciting programs and activities at our school, and we need your help to make those programs possible. **Our fundraiser is coming up soon!**

We are so lucky to have the BYU Dunk Team coming to kick it off for us on **Thursday, September 12**. This year, per parent feedback, we are focused on direct donations and keeping all the money we raise in our school. On September 12, all students will be bringing home a direct donation envelope. Every student who brings back a signed envelope will get a lanyard and clip-on collectible. We are going to need the support from all our parents to reach our minimum goal of \$21,900. This is the amount we need to send all students on field trips and run all the amazing programs we have at our school.

We will also have Wasatch Savings Books available for students who want to sell them. Thank you for making Bluffdale Elementary a great place to be!



Battle of the Books is back! This year, second graders are also invited to take part in the Battle! Ask your teacher for a reading list and start reading!

A Message From Our Principal

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new school year! Our theme this year is "Leaders Shine." Our students will shine by being positive, helpful, kind, accepting of others, including others, and building friendships. Students will learn about these initiatives through The Golden Gate Program. Golden Gate is a set of initiatives that instruct students in the various attitudes, perspectives, soft skills, and pro-social behaviors needed to function effectively in school and their personal interactions. If you would like more information on this program, please visit goldengatemovement.org.

We are well on our way to having a great school year! Thanks for having such amazing kids!

-Mrs. Egan

This year's Reflections theme is "Look Within". Students may submit entries in the following categories: Literature, Dance Choreography, Music Composition, 2D Art, 3D Art, Photography, and Film Production. For more information and entry forms go to PTA.org/reflections.



Entries are due October 4.

Bluffdale PTA Board

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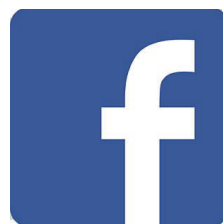


Would you like to be more involved at Bluffdale Elementary? We need you! Find out how you can participate on our committees and at upcoming events! Contact Sara Smith (saramsmithes@hotmail.com), Amy Ghiz (amymghiz@hotmail.com), or Michelle Cameron (shellycameron@gmail.com).

**We welcome our
new assistant
principal,
Mrs. Martinez!**

Mrs. Martinez has been in education for 7 years and worked for Granite District in the following areas; teacher, coach, 1-year

administrative intern and homeless liaison. She was born and raised in Los Angeles, CA. She moved to Utah the last six months of her senior year in High School. Mrs. Martinez is the first person in her family to graduate high school and attend college. She graduated from the University of Utah. Mrs. Martinez was motivated by a teacher to break the cycle and start thinking about college. She has a passion in being a role model for students and motivating them to work hard and dream big. She is married and has been with her husband for 13 years; he works for Unified Police as an officer. Mrs. Martinez has two boys: an 11-year-old and 5-year-old. Family is everything to her, and she loves fishing and spending time with her boys. Fishing and cleaning always are a way to relax. Chocolate is her weakness!



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