Blackwater Community School

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**BIG NEWS** 

(Ge'e -Haichuagith)

**Quality Education Begins Here!** 



August 24- September 4, 2020 Shopol Es'big Mashath- Vashai Gakidag Mashath

### **Upcoming Events**

(Lunas)

Tuesday - 08.25:

Monday - 08.24:

(Go:k-Thash)

Virtual Learning

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Wednesday - 08.26: Virtual Learning

(Vaik-Thash)

Thursday - 08.27:

(Gi:ik-Thash)

Friday - 08.28: (Vialas)

Virtual Learning Virtual Learning Monday - 08.31: (Lunas)

Tuesday - 09.01:

(Go:k-Thash)

Wednesday - 09.02: (Vaik-Thash)

Thursday - 09.03:

(Gi:ik-Thash) Friday - 09.04:

(Vialas)

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## **BWCS Breakfast & Lunch Distribution**

BWCS will officially begin our Breakfast and Lunch Distribution Program Monday, August 10th serving Hot Lunch & Cold Breakfast for the following school day in Districts 1, 2, & 3. Please be sure to bring a box or basket if you are picking up meals for multiple students.

### Location:

District 1	D1 Annex Building 11:45 am - 12:30 pm
<b>District 2</b>	D2 Service Center <b>11:45 am - 12:30 pm</b>
<b>District 3</b>	D3 Boys & Girls Club 11:45 am - 12:30 pm

August 2020 Lunch Menu				
MON	TUE	W E D	THU	FRI
24 Cheeseburger, Corn, Peaches, Milk	25Teriyaki Chicken & Rice, 3 Bean Salad, Banana, Milk	26 Cheese/Pepperoni Pizza, Caesar Salad, Oranges, Milk	27 Turkey Taco & Potato Wrap, Celery, Apples/ Applesauce, Milk	28 Pasta & Meat Sauce, Dinner Roll, Baby Carrots, Mandarin Oranges, Milk
31 Corn Dog, Baby Carrots, Apples/ Applesauce, Milk				

#### Virtual Classes are

#### **Real Classes**

Please don't forget that while things may look a little different this year, Virtual Learning has the same expectations as On-Site Learning. Attendance is recorded daily and every child

is expected to attend their scheduled classes. Help us make it a great year!





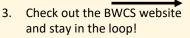
element of FUN!"

~Mary Poppins Mary Poppins

### Have you checked out the website lately?

1.Download the QR Code reader app in your Apple or Google Play store (Free to download!)

2. Scan the code!





#### GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY HOTLINE FOR COVID-19

(520)550-6079

### **Principal's Letter**

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Blackwater Community School has officially been in session since July 22, 2020. All students are working from home virtually through an online platform called Google Classroom. Our teachers for Preschool, Kindergarten and Culture have been preparing assignment packets for students in these grades as well. Even though it has been a month since we virtually opened the doors for new school year 2020-21, our enrollment is still open and we have plenty of laptops and iPads still available to accommodate all new or returning students.

If you have not enrolled your child yet, please do so at your earliest convenience by calling (520)215-5859. The school will be happy to deliver and pick up the enrollment packets from your residence if needed. If your child is being re-enrolled, you do not need to fill out the entire package, just complete the front orange color page and you will be done. It is that easy.

School administration has been observing online interaction between teachers and students and sometimes between parents and teachers. It is great to see parents are trying their best to help out their child (ren) on academics and during social-emotional learning. From what I have seen, it appears our students, parents and teaching staff are trying their best to stay focused for almost seven-eight hours a day on computers, but it is becoming increasingly difficult for all to go through this monotonous schedule for five days a week.

The administration team, with the feedback from our teachers and parents, have been working to come up with a very creative and more productive schedule that will also help to break this monotony. What you will notice starting next week (week of August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020) is a change in the schedule that will help keep our students motivated throughout each day. The new schedule allows online direct instruction and small group learning from 8:00am-1:00pm. This allows students 1:00pm-3:00pm to continue to work on daily assignments, get 1:1 help from teachers or work on project based learning (book reports, science projects, online supplemental resources, or extended learning). Teachers will have the flexibility to work with additional small groups and call parents while being available for student support. Please see the revised schedule on the next page of this newsletter and let us know how it is working. Your continuing feedback is very valuable to us.

Finally, I am setting up virtual meetings with parents and guardians through video conferencing to talk to you directly. These meetings will be set up for grade levels. Please check your emails on Monday. If you have not provided your email address to school, please call the school and share your email address.

Thank you again for your continuing support to our school, we appreciate it very much. Stay safe and take care of yourself and your loved ones.

Sincerely,

Jack Sharma

# Updated Student Schedule Effective 8/24/2020

Blackwater Community School Virtual Daily Schedule				
8:00-8:45	Reading			
8:45-9:15	Reading Small Group			
9:15-9:45	Social Emotional Learning Skills			
9:45-10:30	Math			
10:30-11:00	Math Small Group			
11:00-11:15	Brain Break			
11:15-11:45	Writing			
11:45-12:30	LUNCH			
<b>*12:30-1:00</b>	Specials: Library, Culture, PE, and Technology			
*1:00-3:00	Independent Work Time & Teacher Office Hours			
* Wednesday Early Release for Students-Professional Development for Teachers				