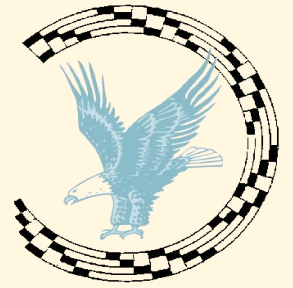


# Blackwater Community School

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## BIG NEWS

(Ge'e -Haichuagith)

Quality Education Begins Here!

March 21, 2022-April 1, 2022

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## Upcoming Events

**Monday - 3-21:**  
(Lunas)

**1st Day of In-person classes**

**Tuesday - 3-22:**  
(Go:k-Thash)

Virtual Learning or In Person  
**ASP/GATE**

**Wednesday - 3-23:**  
(Vaik-Thash)

Virtual Learning or In Person  
**Early Release**

**Thursday - 3-24:**  
(Gi:ik-Thash)

Virtual Learning or In Person  
**ASP/GATE**

**Friday - 3-25:**  
(Vialas)

F.A.C.E. & Preschool ONLY ~ No School

**Monday - 3-28:**  
(Lunas)

Virtual Learning or In Person

**Tuesday - 3-29:**  
(Go:k-Thash)

Virtual Learning or In Person  
**ASP/GATE**

**Wednesday - 3-30:**  
(Vaik-Thash)

Virtual Learning or In Person  
**Early Release**

**Thursday - 3-31:**  
(Gi:ik-Thash)

Virtual Learning or In Person  
**ASP/GATE**

**Friday - 4-1:**  
(Vialas)

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## 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! →
3. Check out the BWCS website and stay in the loop!



**GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY HOTLINE**

**FOR COVID-19**

**(520) 550-6079**

## Bulletin Board

COVID testing at the school for enrolled students on March 18th from 8 AM to 11 AM. Remember students must test within five days of returning to in person learning!

Vaccination Clinic April 12th in the school Gym from 9 AM to 3 PM!



"The only thing predictable about life is its unpredictability." -- Remy (Ratatouille)

# From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents/Guardians

I am so excited to share this news that Blackwater Community School will be opening up for in-person learning starting from March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022. Please keep in mind, as per the requirements of the Governor's Executive Order #13, we will allow only those students who are fully vaccinated as well as their COVID-19 test results are negative (taken 5 days prior to March 21<sup>st</sup>). To make it little bit more convenient for our parents, our school is hosting a Covid-19 testing Clinic at our school on Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 8:00AM till 11:00AM. For more information on how to get your child ready for in-person learning, please read the attached flyers from our Community

Our School staff have been working diligently to ensure our school is a safe place for students for in-person learning. We have piled up PPE related supplies including gloves, face-masks, sanitization packages throughout the campus. All our rooms and offices get fogged every day after midnight. Thanks to our custodial and facilities staff for making sure it is safe to work and learn here at our school. Buses are being sanitized daily after each route.

I would like to encourage each one of you to look into getting your child vaccinated if eligible. Vaccinations and Covid19 testing are being provided by our Community free of cost. Please call Tribal Health Department (THD) at (520) 562-5117/5132 for more information about vaccinations.

Please review the two attached documents with this newsletter. One letter is from our School Health Services (SHS) department asking your permission to share about your child's vaccination status related information with our school to ensure your fully vaccinated child joins in-person classes without any unnecessary delay. Please sign this document (if ok with you), and send this signed letter back to the school either by dropping it off at the front office or with your child if he/she is attending the school for in-person classes.

I hope to see you on this Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup> in our front parking lot from 8:00AM-11:00AM.

Thank you all for your continuing support to our School, we appreciate it very much.

Sincerely,

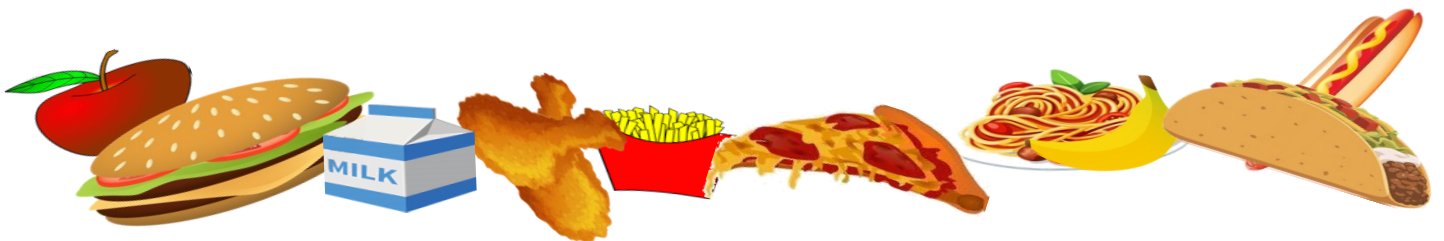
Jack Sharma (Principal)

# BWCS Breakfast & Lunch Distribution

Hot Lunch & Cold Breakfast for the following school days will be available from 11: 45 am- 12: 30 pm in the main driveway at Blackwater Community School.

## *March 2022 Lunch Menu*

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
<b>21</b> Chicken Sand/ Fries /Veggie/ Fruit/Milk	<b>22</b> Taco with Beans Lett/Cheese/ Fruit/Milk	<b>23</b> Corn Dog with Fries/Bbeans/ fruit/Milk	<b>24</b> Mac & Beef Veggie/Fruit/Milk	<b>25</b> Pizza Carrots/Fruit/Milk
<b>26</b> BBQ Chicken Sand with Fries/Veggie/ Fruit/Milk	<b>29</b> Taco with Beans Lett/Cheese/Fruit/ Milk	<b>30</b> Cheeseburger with Fries/ Bbeans/Fruit/Milk	<b>31</b> Sloppy Joe with Chips/Veggie/ Fruit/Milk	<b>1</b> Pizza Carrots/Fruit/Milk



# School Students - In-Person Learning Requirements for Students to Begin In-Person Learning

THERE ARE 2 REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STUDENT TO BEGIN IN PERSON LEARNING  
ON MARCH 21, 2022.



## 1<sup>st</sup> Requirement

**All Students attending class in-person are fully vaccinated for COVID-19.**

### How to Meet Requirement:

1. Determine where your child received their COVID-19 vaccinations.
  - a. If your child received their COVID-19 vaccination from Gila River Health Care, you have three options to confirm your child's vaccination status for in-person learning:
    - i. Parent/Guardian can complete Gila River Health Care (GRHC) Release of Information (ROI) form and submit to school by March 18, 2022 but as early as possible; Or
    - ii. Parent/Guardian can complete Gila River Health Care (GRHC) Release of Information (ROI) form on-site at school on day of testing, March 18, 2022; Or
    - iii. Parent/Guardian can go to Gila River Health Care (GRHC) Medical Records and obtain a copy of their child's vaccination record; or a copy of their vaccination card, and submit to school by March 18, 2022 but as early as possible.
  - b. If your child received their COVID-19 vaccination from any other healthcare provider, the Parent/Guardian can provide a copy of vaccination record from their healthcare provider, or a copy of their vaccination card, and submit to the school by March 18, 2022.
2. Once documents are submitted the School Administration and Gila River Health Care School Health Nurse program will work together to confirm your child's vaccination status.



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Requirement:

**Provide a negative COVID-19 PCR test taken by a licensed health care provider, taken no more than five (5) days before the student's first day of in-person learning.**

### How to Meet Requirement:

#### Option 1 (Preferred):

- Parent/Guardian can test their child with Steward Healthcare on March 18, 2022 at designated school site location and time indicated below.
- Parent/Guardian can opt in to receive their child's test result via email notification. This is the best option to receive your test result immediately. Please ensure you provide and print your email legibly when completing the Steward-Prorenata Consent form.

School Test Site Location	Students Testing	Time
Blackwater Community School	Blackwater Community School Students	8:00 am to 11:00am
Gila Crossing Community School	Gila Crossing Community School & Maricopa Village School Students	8:00 am to 11:00am
Casa Blanca Community School	Casa Blanca Community School Students	12:00 pm to 2:00 pm

#### Option 2:

- Parent/Guardian can test their child with a licensed healthcare provider such as Gila River Health Care no earlier than March 16, 2022.
- Gila River Health Care COVID-19 Drive-Up Testing at Huhukam is available daily from 8am to 8pm. Redtail and Komatke clinics are available Monday to Friday from 8am to 4pm thru drive up or you can schedule an appointment.
- Parent/Guardian must submit test result to School Administration by March 18, 2022.
- Parent/Guardian can test their child with a licensed healthcare provider after March 18, 2022. However test results may not be available by school start date of March 21, 2022.
- Parent/Guardian must submit test result to School Administration as soon as test result available.





## Additional Information

### Steward Healthcare/Prorenata Testing

1. If your child test at the school site location on March 18th, your child will test with the Steward Healthcare/Prorenata team.
2. If you signed up for an email notification of your child's test result, you should receive your child's test result no later than March 20, 2022.
3. If you opted to receive an email notification and did not receive your child's test result by March 20th OR you have questions regarding your child's test result you can contact the Tribal Health Department at (520) 562-5117/5132. Tribal Health will work to answer your questions.

### Gila River Healthcare Testing

1. If your child test at Huhukam, Redtail Hawk or Komatke, your child will test with the Gila River Health Care team.
2. If you have questions regarding your child's test result you can contact the Community's COVID-19 Hotline at (520) 550-6079. The hotline team will work to answer your questions.

### Other Healthcare Entity Testing

1. If your child test with any other healthcare entity, please contact the entity for any test result questions.

### Test Results

1. If Parent/Guardian receives a positive test result for their child, Parent/Guardian must notify the school immediately.
    - a. Parent/Guardian should also contact the Tribal Health Department at (520) 562-5117/5132 to inform of positive result.
    - b. Student cannot begin in person learning until isolation ends and no symptoms for 24 hours and no one in home is under quarantine.
  2. If Parent/Guardian receives a negative test result, Parent/Guardian must submit a copy of the test result to School Administration by March 18, 2022 (if the child did not test at the school test site locations). If the child did test at the school, Steward Healthcare will provide a copy to the School Administration as long as the Parent/Guardian gave consent to do so.
- ❖ School Administration will work with GRHC School Health Nurse to confirm and record test results and vaccination information.
  - ❖ By March 20, 2022, schools will notify the Parents/Guardians if their child can return to in-person learning.
  - ❖ **If test result or vaccinations information is not provided, the student cannot begin in-person.**