

Burlington Elementary School

Board Report

September 8, 2026

- Current Class Enrollment as of 9/8/26

PreK AM	30
PreK PM	29
KDG	53
1 st Grade	46
2 nd Grade	45
3 rd Grade	49
4 th Grade	61

- Back to School Events were held on August 18th. This meet and greet opportunity allows families to drop off school supplies in preparation for the 1st day and find classrooms ahead of the first day. We changed the format for AM preschool students and held their event in the morning—at a time frame like the school session they will be attending. There was a positive response to this change! The evening come and go event always brings positive vibes to the building as well. The attendance for this night is shown below.

Grade Level	Attendance	Percentage
PreK Spring	26/28	92.8%
PreK Totty	26/27	96.3%
Kindergarten	50/53	94.3%
1 st Grade	43/45	95.5%
2 nd Grade	44/45	97.7%
3 rd Grade	45/49	91.8%
4 th Grade	54/60	90.0%

- Beginning of the year benchmark testing is complete for literacy and math. BES utilizes Aimsweb Plus for our testing. This data is sorted our Title team and then MTSS services are determined. We have been fully utilizing our additional staff funded by the Mobilizing Literacy Grant to complete this process. Letters regarding instructional groups will be sent home this week and services will begin this week as well. Literacy data as required for state reporting will also be pulled from these benchmark tests.
- The 21st Century program is underway along with the changes to our program. We had a few bumps the first week with no Friday session, but in week 2, this was not an issue. Enrollment capacities are full in the following grade levels: Kindergarten and 4th grade. Open slots are very limited in 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. We currently have 5 fifth grade students attending and have had communication with parents of this grade level requesting homework help. Our average daily

attendance is currently 57. Our program will have on-site evaluations by Greenbush and Kansas Enrichment Network in October. Required reports for the conclusion of the last grant cycle have been submitted.

- BES has had to change course with menu offerings at BES, going down to 2 lunch options at this time due to staff shortages. We are hopeful these spots will be filled soon, and 3 choices can continue. We have a lot of students participating in all food service offerings: breakfast, 2nd chance breakfast and lunch.
- New para-educator hires have been in the process of required testing (ACT WorkKeys) to meet the highly qualified status as required by the Kansas State Department of Education. Paras at BES must be highly qualified since we are a Title 1 Schoolwide building and meet these qualifications:
 - Have a high school diploma or a GED certificate and
 - Complete 48 hours at an institution of higher education* OR
 - Obtain an associate's (or higher) degree OR
 - Pass a State approved assessment that assesses the ability to assist in instructing reading, writing, and mathematics (or reading, writing, mathematics readiness).
- The BES Parents are Active Within Schools (PAWS) group is working hard to support our students! They have sponsored spirit wear t-shirts for all students to kick off the year with Wildcat Pride and are also currently sponsoring a mum fundraiser where they hope to fund expenses for student field trips. This group provides many positives to our school system.