

Blackhawk Middle School

February 27th 6:30pm

Parent Empowerment Night

Don't miss this opportunity to enrich your understanding and gain valuable skills through informative staff directed sessions.



Family Fluency Fun! Are you looking for exciting ways to improve how your family reads? Fluent reading is the key to comprehension and is an important skill for readers of all ages. This session will provide real-life, hands-on activities that will make fluency practice fun for the entire family, including live student examples!

Positive Ways for Parents to Cope with Stress

Sometimes the things that cause stress in our life are inevitable and unavoidable. It can be difficult to manage stress particularly when several stressful events happen at one time. However, there are ways to reduce stress and cope with these events as they come up. During this presentation we will discuss sources of stress, how it affects our bodies, practice relaxation techniques and explore stress reducers.

Special Education: Goal Driven Instruction

Join Blackhawk's Speech and Language Therapist, for a look at the Special Education process. We'll discuss the identification of student needs and the determination of eligibility for service; as well as the various levels of service. Parents will see how the data from testing and progress monitoring drives individual goals; and, what to expect from goal updates, which are sent home at the trimester.

The Language of Classroom Assessment

Often time teachers talk a language that is foreign to parents. This session will define the different types of classroom assessments your child faces on a daily basis. With these different assessments come different purposes. Learn what questions to ask teachers to gain more information than a letter grade can provide as to what your child actually knows, understands, and can do.



Students will enjoy supervised FUN activities and entertainment in the cafeteria, and will have a chance to win great prizes! Students must be accompanied by a parent.

The Nutrition and Academic Connection

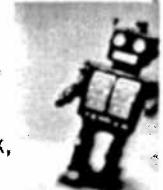
Does your child seem unenthusiastic with school and/or home? Do they have difficulty focusing or remembering information? This may be the information to help you and your family. Research shows that academic success can be directly linked to health and nutrition. Come learn about how to enhance your overall well being and enthusiasm for life. We will provide samples of various healthy beverages to sample as well as literature to help further your knowledge.

Motivating Parents and Adolescents to Read Together

As parents and teachers, we know that reading is important. A shared goal is to see your teenager grow into adulthood with all the skills he or she needs to succeed. How can you encourage your teen to keep reading through middle school and the high school years? How can technology help us reach these goals? This presentation will share ideas and other resources for motivating children and parents to make reading an important part of their lives.



Robotics and Minecraft Are your kids spending countless hours on Minecraft or are you wondering what the Minecraft craze is all about? Do your kids spend time battling the mob, crafting items, looking for gold or diamond pickaxes? We will set your mind at ease and help you understand the world of Minecraft by showing you this popular game and its amazing learning opportunities.



Have you heard about the robots craze at BMS? If not, did you know we have students creating their own robots and commanding them to walk, talk and think through basic programming? Come check out the Lego Mindstorms EV3 robots.

Readers in the HOUSE Sick and tired of asking your child to read? Constantly wondering how to get your teens to love reading and make it a priority? Are YOU looking for ways to carve out time to enjoy reading with your child? If so, come to our session! We have ALL the answers for you! Well, maybe not ALL the answers, but we do have many simple strategies you can use to promote reading at home and to help your middle-schooler become a stronger reader.

