



# Coosa Elementary School

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Good afternoon families! Thank you for taking the time to read through this week's Bobcat Brief.

**Temperature Checks:** Beginning Monday, October 19, 2020 all students and school staff will have their temperature taken when entering the building. Any adult visiting the building will also be required to have their temperature checked. Anyone with a temperature 100.4 or above, will not be allowed to remain in the building. (This communication was also sent by BCSD on 10.15.2020)

**Masks:** We are seeing an increasing number of students not wearing masks to school. Please remind your child to wear their mask daily. Students should be wearing their masks when they exit the car or load the bus.

**CogAT and IOWA (2<sup>nd</sup> grade only)** Testing will take place the week of October 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. Virtual students already received separate communication concerning these assessments. State guidelines require that these assessments are administered within the building. Testing for virtual students that are opting to come to the building to test will be on October 21<sup>st</sup> ONLY.

**Training on Platforms:** As a reminder, the tech department has developed a series of videos that teach students how to use various platforms. Teachers provide assistance when needed. Seesaw is used by our Pre-K -2<sup>nd</sup> grade students and Google Classroom is used in grade 3-5 to access and submit assignments. Below is a tutorial about both of these platforms.

SeeSaw: <https://sites.google.com/beaufortschools.org/elearningresources/tutorials/seesaw?authuser=0>

Google Classroom: <https://sites.google.com/beaufortschools.org/elearningresources/tutorials/google-classroom?authuser=0>

**Book Fair:** Our Online Scholastic Book Fair begins next Tuesday, 10/20! The book fair benefits our school library and will run Tuesday, 10/20 through Monday, 11/2. All orders will be delivered right to your home and there is free shipping on orders over \$25. Here is the link to our Online Book Fair: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/coosaelementaryschool>.

**Picture Day:** Students are not required to wear uniforms on picture day. However, they should wear appropriate attire that meets all other BCSD dress requirements. A-Day and Virtual students will take pictures on October 27<sup>th</sup> and B-Day students will take pictures on October 29<sup>th</sup>. Virtual students should arrive on the 27<sup>th</sup> using the schedule below based on teacher.

Virtual Schedule by teacher:

8:00- Quinn	9:30- Mack	10:30- Cruikshank
8:30- Kelleher and Williams	10:00- Turner	11:00- Bryant
9:00- Horne		

**Unity Week** will start Monday October 19<sup>th</sup> and goes through the 23<sup>rd</sup> – traditionally, we celebrate Red Ribbon Week in conjunction with National Anti-Bullying month. This year our theme will be celebrating Unity in conjunction with making good choices. We are encouraging our students to share how they are



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participating in Unity Week even on days that they are attending virtually or working on their independent learning. We will be posting to Facebook and encouraging our families to share how they are participating at home.

*Together we **"CAN"**-Do Anything!*

Monday – Put your best foot forward – wear your crazy socks

Tuesday – UNITY DAY – we encourage everyone to wear Orange to support the prevention of bullying

Wednesday – We CAN give negative choices the slip – PJ and slippers day

Thursday – UNITY DAY – we encourage everyone to wear Orange to support the prevention of bullying

Friday - Team up against bullies – Wear your favorite sports team shirt or jersey

**Progress Reports:** Progress reports were emailed to families last Friday. If you did not receive your child's progress report, please contact the school to verify we have your correct email address from the information you provided during the enrollment process.

**School Library Available:** Last week Mrs. Kabel and Mrs. Little will start traveling class-to-class to check out books to students from the school library! Our virtual AND hybrid learners can hold or reserve books from the library! This gives students a chance to check out specific books from the school library. Hybrid students will have holds delivered to their classrooms and virtual learners can pick up their books on Wednesdays from the school office.

Here are step-by-step instructions on how to hold or reserve a school library book: <https://bit.ly/3dd8yPb>

Here is a video explaining the steps: <https://bit.ly/3dfF0QU>.

Please email Mrs. Kabel with questions: [ashley.kabel@beaufort.k12.sc.us](mailto:ashley.kabel@beaufort.k12.sc.us).

**Meal Distribution:** At this time, all BCSD students are eligible to receive meals daily. Meal pick up will take place in the front horseshoe on Tuesdays and Fridays from 3:30-4:30.

**Fire Drills:** Students participated in their first fire drill of the school year this week. We will continue to conduct practice drills monthly. We also conducted our first earthquake drill with our B- Day students this week.

**Change in Transportation:** If your child's mode of transportation changes, please send in a note with your child. The note should include: Student's name, date, details about the transportation change, and your name. We will contact you via the number in Power School to validate the change.

**Same Day Change in Transportation:** We realize that emergencies arise. If your child's mode of transportation changes after the start of the school day, an email must be sent to [cestransportation@beaufort.k12.sc.us](mailto:cestransportation@beaufort.k12.sc.us) containing all the information above. The office will call to confirm receipt of the change.

Thank you,

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