

April 7, 2025

It's April! Please take a moment to read the following announcements and reminders:



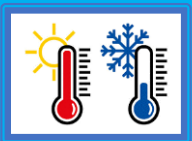
- Oklahoma state testing will begin the week of **April 14**. Our 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders will have their chance to shine in English Language Arts and Mathematics.
- Star Reading and Star Math assessments will follow state testing. We can't wait to see how much our students have grown!



- It is especially important to be present and on time throughout the testing weeks. You may wish to allow a few extra minutes for your child to enjoy breakfast at school. Since classes start at 7:50, all students who plan to eat breakfast should be in the cafeteria by **7:35**.



- With Oklahoma storm season upon us, please know that Grand follows established safety routines and remains weather-aware at all times. ***In the event that we shelter in our designated safe rooms at BWECC, we will remain secured there until the storm danger has passed.*** As the safety of all is paramount, no check-outs will occur in the midst of our sheltering procedures.



- Speaking of weather . . . please make sure your child dresses for the Oklahoma temperatures. Springtime here often brings summer-like weather one day followed by winter-like weather the next. We go outside for recess every day unless it's raining, so your child may want to keep a jacket in their backpack just for the sudden changes.



- Our students are working hard to achieve 100% attendance. At the end of each month, students with 100% attendance for that month will enjoy a special treat at recess. Grand is always looking for fun ways to recognize and celebrate excellent attendance. Do you have an idea to share? Let us know!



- Stay tuned for details on special events and outings as we near the end of our school year. Watch for permission slips, opportunities to join us at school, and more. Spring is a busy time and we are looking forward to lots of learning and other fun!

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