

Briarwood Newsletter

Briarwood Family
Newsletter

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November 4, 2019

Message from Mr. Lash

Choir and Band Highlights

The annual East Area Choral Festival was amazing and the students put on an outstanding show. It is always fun to watch elementary, middle, and high school students perform together. Thank you to Gina Sapp for preparing our students to shine bright!

Lo más destacado del Coro y Banda

El Festival Coral del Área Este anual fue increíble y los estudiantes organizaron un espectáculo excepcional. Siempre es divertido ver a los estudiantes de primaria, secundaria y preparatoria actuar juntos. ¡Gracias a Gina Sapp por preparar a nuestros estudiantes para brillar!



The 5th & 6th grade band members, under the leadership of Kent Setty, put on a great show at their first concert of the year. The students sounded great and I am excited to see how much more they will grow over the remainder of the school year.

Los miembros de la banda de 5to y 6to grado, bajo el liderazgo de Kent Setty, dieron un gran espectáculo en su primer concierto del año. Los estudiantes sonaron geniales y estoy emocionado de ver cuánto más crecerán durante el resto del año escolar.



Important Dates

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- Monday, November 4 – Friday, November 8: **Spirit Wear shop open for orders**
- Monday, November 11: **Veteran's Day and Grandparent's Day, 9:00am**
- Wednesday, November 13: **"Becoming Digitally Wise" meeting, 7:00pm at Briarwood**
- Thursday, November 14: **Picture retakes**
- Thursday, November 14: **Dining Partners with Panera at Corinth, 4:00-8:00pm**
- Monday, November 25 – Friday, November 29: **NO SCHOOL**

Briarwood YouTube Channel

Are you interested in the daily news at Briarwood? You can now watch our daily announcements online on the Briarwood YouTube channel. The sixth-grade students under the leadership of Connor Morris are using the TouchCasts app to create the daily newscast. I encourage you to subscribe to our channel by clicking [BriarwoodYouTubeChannel](#).

Canal de Briarwood en YouTube

¿Estás interesado en las noticias diarias en Briarwood? Ahora puede ver nuestros anuncios diarios en línea en el canal Briarwood de YouTube. Los estudiantes de sexto grado bajo el liderazgo de Connor Morris están utilizando la aplicación TouchCasts para crear el noticiero diario. Te animo a suscribirte a nuestro canal haciendo clic [BriarwoodYouTubeChannel](#).

Inclement Weather/School Closing

Whenever Shawnee Mission schools must be closed because of bad weather during the winter months these procedures will be used:

- 1. Prior to the School Day** If the decision is made prior to the day of closing, the news media will be informed before 10:00 p.m.
- 2. If the decision is made after 10:00 p.m.** of the night prior to the day of closing, the information will be provided to radio and television stations for the 6:00 a.m. and 6:30 a.m. newscasts.

You can also find school closing information on the SMSD website, www.smsd.org, Twitter, [@theSMSD](#), and Facebook, [@thesmsd](#).

Mal clima / cierre de escuelas

Cuando las escuelas de Shawnee Mission deben cerrarse debido al mal tiempo durante los meses de invierno, se utilizarán estos procedimientos:

- 1. Si la decisión se toma antes del día del cierre**, los medios de comunicación serán informados antes de las 10:00 p.m.
- 2. Si la decisión se toma después de las 10:00 p.m.** de la noche anterior al día del cierre, la información se proporcionará a las estaciones de radio y televisión para los noticieros de 6:00 a.m. y 6:30 a.m.

También puede encontrar información sobre el cierre de escuelas en el sitio web de SMSD, www.smsd.org, Twitter, [@theSMSD](#), y Facebook, [@thesmsd](#).

Notes from the Front Office!

THANK YOU to all the Halloween party guests that honored our request not to park in the circle drive during the party. We were able to get the buses out quickly and on time in spite of all the visitors to our building.

Lost & Found is growing—again! **Please mark** all your winter coats, gloves & stocking caps with your child's name. We do look for names and try to return them if we can. We sent a very large bag of jackets to the SMSD Clothing Center last week.

Do you recognize these Bulldogs?
Thanks for another great Halloween parade!



Last Chance for Briarwood Spiritwear!

The online store is open for a limited time – **Monday, November 4th – Friday, November 8th**! There is some new winter merchandise and all orders will be delivered before the holidays!

Shop now at: <http://twSPORTSWEAR.com/> - look for the "Briarwood" link at the top of the page



Picture Day RETAKES

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH

THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE TO BE INCLUDED IN THE YEARBOOK!

Absent on picture day?

You can order a package online or by bringing your order form with cash or check on retake day.



Don't love your picture?

Simply return your original package on retake day and your child can retake their portrait.

Order forms are available in the front office, or you can order online at:

Inter-State.com/order

Order Code: 40545C

Please let your teacher know
if your child will participate on retake day.

Earn Money for Briarwood While You Shop on Amazon!

Go to <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7152153> and designate Briarwood as your charitable organization. Briarwood will earn .5% from most purchases.

Bookmark the website to use each time you shop!

<https://smile.amazon.com>



All of your account information will remain the same, but you'll be raising money for Briarwood as you shop. To date, Amazon has donated over **\$595** to the Briarwood PTA from YOUR shopping!

Grade Level Parent Parties

Don't forget to RSVP for your Grade Level party! Looking forward to seeing you there!

Kindergarten: Saturday, November 16

3rd Grade: Friday, November 15

4th Grade: Friday, November 22

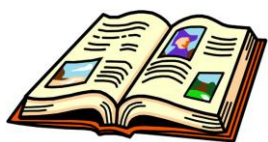
6th Grade: Saturday, November 9



And, a big **THANK YOU** to the Second Grade parents who raised over **\$2800** for the Briarwood PTA at their party Saturday night. This almost covers our **Cultural Arts** budget for the entire year! Our Cultural Arts chair, Jill Brooks, works closely with Kansas City Young Audiences and other local organizations to bring special programming to Briarwood for ALL of our students each year.

We appreciate your generosity!

Calling All Photographers!



Send the yearbook and social media teams your photos! Please send us pictures from school-specific events. We love field trips, class parties, and anything that is a part of your Bulldog's school day.

The upload process is easier this year than it's ever been before. You can scan this code and it will take you directly to the upload page, or you can go to plicbooks.com/go/imSjR



All of the photos you send us could get used in the yearbook and/or on Briarwood PTA's social media accounts or website. Please help us showcase our awesome school!

FOOD SERVICE....Did you know.....

Did you know some ways you can help encourage healthy meals for your student?

- **Explore** – Encourage your child to try new foods at home and school.
- **Encourage breakfast** – Breakfast fuels learning. School Breakfast is available at all schools. No advance registration necessary! All students are welcome every day!
- **Know the options** – Schools offer a variety of selections at meals. Talk with your child about healthy choices.
- **Encourage good nutrition** – Encourage your child to take and eat the fruits, vegetables, whole grains, lean proteins, and low-fat milk offered in school meals.
- **Taste for yourself** – Take time to visit your child at school and enjoy a nutritious school meal.
- **Be a healthy role model** – Eat a wide variety of healthy foods with your children.

Don't forget – if your child receives free or reduced meals, they are eligible for one breakfast and one lunch per day as part of this benefit. All breakfast and lunch meal choices are available for all students regardless of eligibility status.

The school breakfast menus, lunch menus, and other nutrition information are available on the district's website at <https://www.smsd.org/about/departments/food-service>.

You're Invited!

Becoming Digitally Wise

All SMSD Families Welcome!



WEDNESDAY
NOV. 13, 2019
7-8PM
BRIARWOOD
ELEMENTARY
5300 W. 86TH ST.

**Briarwood Elementary PTA Presents:
Becoming Digitally Wise**

All SMSD Families are Welcome!

All of our children use school issued devices; learn how to encourage balanced usage of technology to maximize learning and minimize the negative effects of "too much screen time". Medical experts **Susan Dunaway MS, LCPC, BCN** and **Amanda Bruce, Ph.D.** will share research and answer questions. Hear updates from Briarwood Elementary parent, Erica Frans; a Digitally Wise Parents SMSD spokesperson and member of the SMSD Digital Learning Task Force. Please bring your questions and your friends to learn from this amazing panel!

BRIARWOOD ELEMENTARY



CELEBRATES VETERANS and GRANDPARENTS

Monday, November 11, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

9:00 Reception for Veterans/ Grandparents in cafeteria

9:30 Veterans and Grandparents invited to an outdoor ceremony (in case of bad weather, ceremony will take place in gymnasium)

10:00-10:30 Grandparents proceed to grandchildren's classroom(s) for a visit, Veterans invited to cafeteria

Details

- **NO RSVPs; please share this flier with your child's grandparents.**
- **If your child's grandparents are unable to attend, feel free to invite another special friend or family member.**
- **Grandparents may split time between classrooms.**
- **Questions - Contact Katie Enger (katieenger@hotmail.com) or Vanessa Watkins (vanessa.sincoc@gmail.com).**
- **Please note that the parking lot is reserved for teachers, staff, those with handicap designation, and Veterans and grandparents that have more difficulty walking. Please avoid arriving early.**

BRIARWOOD ELEMENTARY



Celebración para Veteranos y Abuelos Lunes 11 de noviembre a las 9AM

Horario de eventos:

9AM: Veteranos y Abuelos están invitados a una ceremonia en el exterior de la escuela (en caso de mal tiempo la ceremonia tendrá lugar en el gimnasio).

10-10:30AM: Los abuelos procederán a ir en la clase de sus nietos para visitar la clase, los Veteranos están invitados a la cafetería.

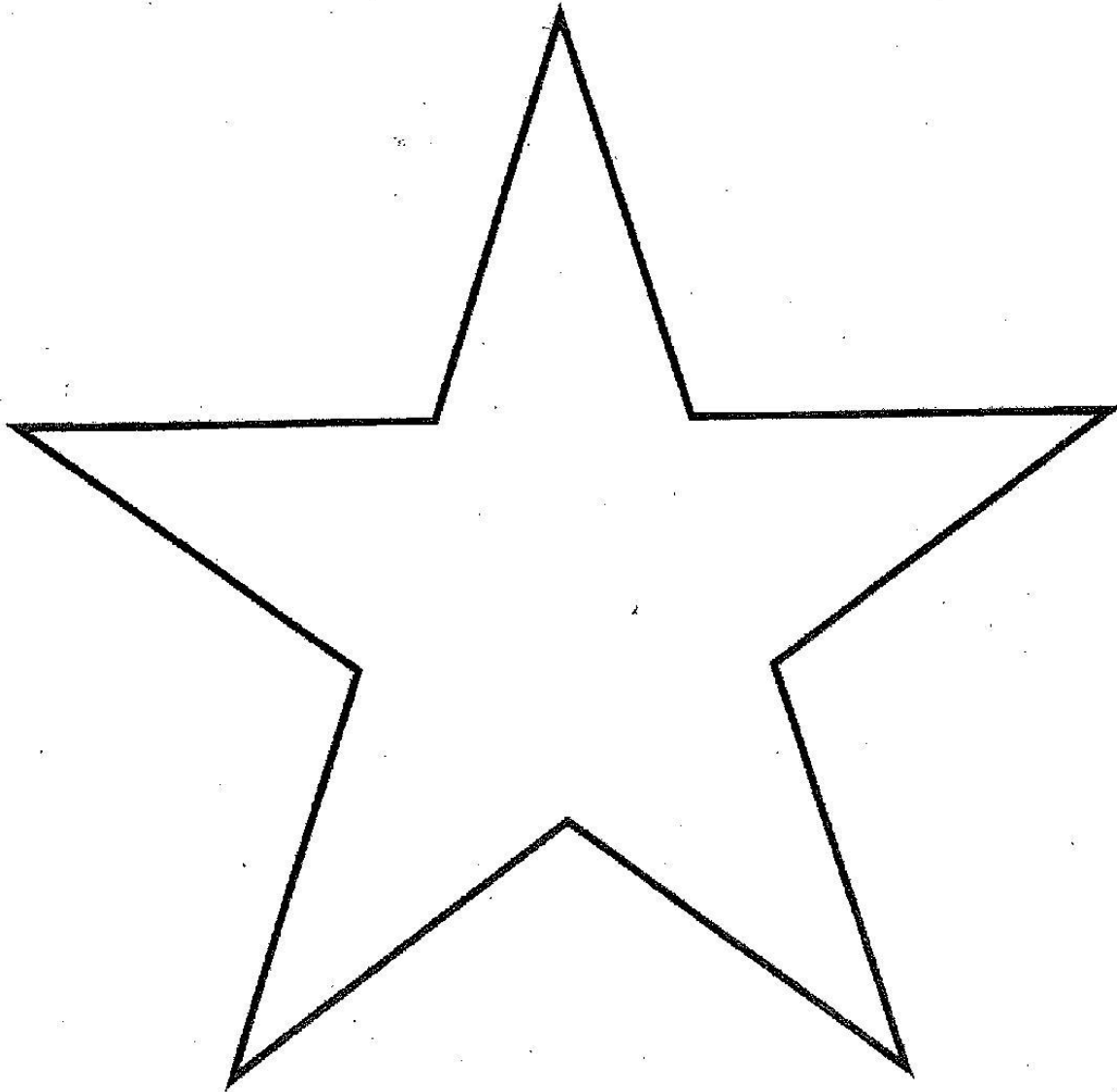
Detalles:

- No necesitan confirmar su asistencia, por favor compartir este folleto con los abuelos de tus hijos.
- Si los abuelos de sus hijos no pueden asistir, sus padres, otros familiares o amigos especiales son bienvenidos.
- Los abuelos pueden compartir tiempo entre varias clases.
- Preguntas Katie Enger (katieenger@hotmail.com) y Vanessa Watkins (vanessa.sincock@gmail.com).
- Noten que el parqueo está reservado para los profesores, el personal, los discapacitados, los veteranos y los abuelos con más dificultad para caminar. Por favor evitar llegar muy temprano.

VETERAN'S DAY

at Briarwood Elementary School

We observe Veteran's Day on November 11th of each year. It honors all who have served our country in a branch of the military. To help us celebrate Veteran's Day in our school, use the STAR pattern below to name a veteran in your life. Decorate your star, cut it out, and bring it into school for our "Wall of Honor".



Please make sure your star is returned to your child's teacher by November 17th

Dining Partners

Give back to Briarwood! Join us on Thursday, November 14th from 4PM-8PM at Panera located at 8300 Mission Road! Just bring a copy of this flyer, or have the digital version ready on your phone, and 20% will go back to Briarwood. Ordering online for rapid pick-up or delivery? You can order online **ALL DAY** and use the digital code "PRFUND" as your Promo Code to have a portion of your proceeds donated to your organization! Yay!



HELP SUPPORT

BRIARWOOD ELEMENTARY

WHERE 8300 Mission Road, Prairie Village, KS 66206

WHEN Thurs, Nov 14th

FROM 4:00pm - 8:00pm

Bring this flyer or show an electronic version to the cashier when you place your order and we'll donate a portion of the proceeds from your purchase.*

Ordering Online for Rapid Pick-Up or Delivery?*

Enter "**PRFUND**" as your Promo Code to have a portion of your proceeds donated to your organization.

Learn more at Fundraising.PaneraBread.com

* Gift card purchases and catering orders are excluded and will not count toward the event.
Rapid Pick-Up and Delivery only where available.

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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT VAPING
AND THE NEW MARIJUANA

Up in Smoke

- **SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF MARIJUANA USE AND VAPING**
- **HOW TODAY'S MARIJUANA HAS CHANGED**
- **RESOURCES FOR PARENTS**

WED, NOVEMBER 13TH 2019 | 6 P.M.
INDIAN WOODS MIDDLE SCHOOL

Register: <http://bit.ly/smsdupinsmoke>

Margaux Guignon, Certified Reciprocal Prevention Specialist, joined the First Call team in August of 2015 and has been the Director of Prevention Services there since 2017. Passionate about prevention education for youth, Margaux is the president of the MO Statewide Substance Use Prevention Network and is also a certified Missouri Recovery Support Specialist.

FREE CHILDCARE -- Open to all SMSD parents



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VAPING (FUMAR CON VAPOR) Y DE LA
NUEVA MARIHUANA

Up in Smoke–Fumando

- SEÑALES Y SINTOMAS POR USO DE MARIHUANA Y VAPOR
- CÓMO HA CAMBIADO LA MARIHUANA DE HOY
- RECURSOS PARA LOS PADRES

MI, 13 DE NOVIEMBRE DEL 2019/6:00P.M.

Indian Woods Middle School

Inscríbese aquí:

<http://bit.ly/smsdupinsmoke>

Margaux Guignon, Especialista Certificada en Prevención Recíproca, se unió al equipo de First Call en agosto de 2015 y ha sido Directora de Servicios de Prevención allí desde 2017. Apasionada por la educación preventiva para jóvenes, Margaux es la presidenta de la Red Estatal de Prevención de Uso de Sustancias de MO y también es Certificada en Missouri como Especialista de Apoyo y Recuperación.

**CUIDADO INFANTIL GRATIS - Abierto a todos los
padres de SMSD**



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The NEW and improved Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to our school's earnings online.

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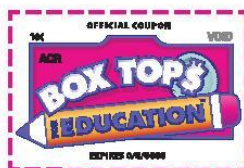
Use the app to snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase.



EARN CASH FOR OUR SCHOOL

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Open Enrollment Event

NOV. 14th **6-8pm at Shawnee Mission North 7401**
Johnson Dr, Overland Park, KS 66202

WHAT TO BRING:

- Income information
- Social security numbers
- Immigration documents
- Birthdays
- Employer phone number
- Username and password if you're re-enrolling

Open enrollment is only 6 weeks this year
November 1st – December 15th

Can't make it to these events?

Apply online: [Healthcare.gov](https://www.healthcare.gov)

Apply by phone: 1-800-318-2596

Make an appointment: 913-735-9008



KANSAS ASSISTERS NETWORK

¿Aun necesita seguro medico? **¡Obtenga ayuda GRATIS hoy!**

Asista a un Evento de Inscripción

NOV. 14th

6-8pm Shawnee Mission North

7401 Johnson Dr, Overland Park, KS 66202

QUE TRAER:

- Información de ingresos
- Números de seguro social
- Documentos de migración
- Fechas de nacimiento
- Numero telefónico del empleador
- Nombre de usuario y contraseña si está volviendo a inscribirse

**Este año, “Inscripción Abierta” durará 6 semanas, desde
01 de Noviembre al 15 de Diciembre**

No puede venir a estos eventos?

Aplica en línea: [Healthcare.gov](https://www.healthcare.gov)

Aplica por teléfono: 1-800-318-2596

Haz una cita: 913-735-9008



KANSAS ASSISTERS NETWORK

2019-20 PTA Executive Committee

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via social media!



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