



Dayton's Bluff Achievement Plus Elementary School

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Hello Dayton's Bluff Families:

Once again it's conference time at Dayton's Bluff Achievement Plus Elementary. Do you know the date and time of your conference? Can't make your scheduled conference time? Please contact your teacher or the school office at 651-293-8915.

To help you make the most out of the time you spend with your child's teacher during conferences, we have included some conference tips below:

What should you talk to the teacher about?

- **Progress.** Find out how your child is doing by asking questions like: Is my child performing at grade level? How is he or she doing compared to the rest of the class? What do you see as his or her strengths? How could he or she improve?
- **Assignments and assessments.** Ask to see examples of your child's work. Ask how the teacher gives grades.
- **Your thoughts about your child.** Be sure to share your thoughts and feelings about your child. Tell the teacher what you think your child does well. Explain what he or she needs more help with.
- **Support learning.** Find out what services are available at the school to help your child. Ask how the teacher will both challenge your child and support your child when he or she needs it. Ask what else you can do to help your child learn.



How should you follow up?

- **Make a plan.** Write down the things that you and the teacher will each do to support your child. Write down what you will do, when, and how often. Make plans to check in with the teacher in the coming months.
- **Schedule another time to talk.** Communication should go both ways. Be sure to schedule at least one more time to talk in the next month or two.
- **Talk to your child.** The parent-teacher conference is all about your child, so don't forget to include him or her.

Conference Tips obtained from: Harvard Family Research Project, Website: www.hfrp.org

Upcoming Events

November 5 – 8:00-9:00 a.m.

DB Connects – Coffee and Donuts, Rec Center Multi-purpose room

November 11 – 4:30-6:00 p.m.

DB Connects – Games, Rec Center field

November 18 – 3:00 p.m. –

8:00 p.m. School Conferences

November 18 – No School

8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. School Conferences

November 25-26 – No School

Thanksgiving Break

December 1 –

Picture Retake day

Election Day

This year Election Day, **Tuesday, November 2 students will be in Distance Learning.** This means there will be no in-person school that day and students will bring their iPads home and expected to participate in class activities from home.

Question? Contact your child's teacher.

DB Connects

What is DB Connects?

- Make connections with other parents
- Connect with some DB staff
- Have fun with other school families!

Join some DB staff and other parents for fun and Bocce

When: Thursday, 11/11

Time: 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Where: DB Rec Center field at 800 Conway St.



ALSO...

Gathering on the field not for you? Feel free to join us for Coffee and Donuts!

When: Friday, 11/5

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Where: DB Rec Center Multi-purpose room at 800 Conway St.

We are making plans to get together each month - Save the Dates!

First Friday morning of each month for coffee and treats and/or Second Thursday night of every month for games and activities. (Dates may be subject to change)

Watch for more information in your student's Orange Thursday Folder!

Parent Information

Need Resources?

We have created a section under the "Families" tab on the Dayton's Bluff website (daytonsbluff.spps.org) called "School and Community Services". Click the link below to find many available resources to assist you and your family with any needs that may arise, <https://www.spps.org/domain/16212>.

Nutrition Services:

Please fill out the [Application for Educational Benefits](#) if you haven't done so already. While this doesn't affect the cost of their meals this fall, this information is vital in securing classroom funding.

Title I Information:

Find the **Dayton's Bluff Report Card** on the MN Dept of Education website by clicking on this link https://rc.education.mn.gov/#mySchool/orgId--10625433000_p--3.

Access our **2021-22 Family Engagement Plan** by clicking on this link <https://www.spps.org/Page/17471>.

Read our **SCIP (School Continuous Improvement Plan)** goals for 2021-2022 school year by clicking on this link <https://www.spps.org/Page/17507>.

Contact Cindy at cindy.torguson@spps.org with any questions.

Partners

Neighborhood House

The Family Center at Dayton's Bluff is located just outside the school's main office.

The Family Center offers a variety of services and resources, such as:

- Employment Information
- Computers and printers with internet access
- Food Shelf
- Clothing
- Access to SNAP
- Bridging
- Housing help and much more!

Contact Greta in the Family Center at 651-789-2574.

Kids Corner

Can you find all the words in this puzzle?

CIRCUS WORDSEARCH

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i t c j u g g l e r
x r l x o c d a n z
b l o e c a n n o n
v m w a c r o b a t
u m n h k k y m q r
e l e p h a n t r i
f v s w i n g k v n
r u n i c y c l e g
d y t r a p e z e u
j p x i z l i o n p
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elephant	trapeze
juggler	swing
ring	acrobat
clown	cannon
lion	unicycle