



BORDEN SCHOOL
Achieving Success Together

P.O. Box 40 Borden, SK S0K 0N0
306 997-2090 www.spiritsd.ca/bordenschool

Dear Borden School Families,

The weather has been a gift for Borden Bruins – mild temperatures and plentiful snow are a recipe for joy and fun! I am very proud of the students at Borden School who have responded with resilience and positivity considering the most recent health guidelines put in place by the government. As a school staff, we are so happy to be on the journey of *Learning Everywhere Together!*

- In this update I will share information on the following topics: Christmas Concert, Secret Santa, SCC Elections, Masks/Shields, Technology Campaign, and Important Dates

Christmas Concert:

This year, there will not be a Christmas Concert. Classroom cohorts will not be recording or sharing any videos of Christmas celebrations, songs, plays or sketches.

The restrictions on gatherings make an in-person concert impossible. Our staff have been working with great care and dedication and adding the responsibility of putting a Christmas video together is not practical at this time. On behalf of the Borden School staff, thank you for understanding this decision.

Secret Santa:

Borden School will not be participating in any classroom based “Secret Santa” activities this year. We have decided that, at this time, we don't want to add any financial strain on families, nor do we want to encourage unnecessary shopping trips.

We also politely ask that families and students not give Christmas gifts to staff members this year. On behalf of the Borden School staff, thank you for supporting these decisions.

SCC Elections:

SCC elections will be held between December 14th-18th which is a change from what was shared in November. Borden School family members and community members need to have a nomination form submitted via email no later than December 11th.

Voting for SCC positions is open to Borden School family members and community members. Borden School parents and community members who are interested in

being a voter are invited to submit an email expressing their desire to be a voter by December 11th.

Masks and Face Shields:

With the recent government guidelines extending the expectations regarding masks in schools, it is possible that some students/families may be considering using face shields. Students may choose to wear a face shield, but they are still required to have a cloth or disposable mask covering their mouth and nose as well.

Technology Campaign:

In the early part of the year, Borden School asked for support in our Technology campaign. The response and support that Borden School received was incredible! Our school has been able to cover many of the costs as we are expanding our number of Chromebooks available at the school. Borden School is grateful for the generosity and support.

Important Dates:

December 8 – Virtual SCC Gathering

December 11 – Deadline for SCC Election nominations

December 11 – Deadline for people to make themselves a voter for the SCC Election

December 14-18 – SCC Election window (procedures for voting will be emailed on December 14th)

December 14-18 – Mid-term update provided for students in Grades 9-12

December 18 – Last day of school before the 2-week Holiday break

Conclusion:

I thank you for taking the time to read this letter. If you have questions or would like to speak about anything at Borden School, please reach out to me. I can be reached by email at brody.morris@spiritsd.ca, a phone call to the school at (306) 997-2090, or you can call or text my cell phone which is (306) 371-2888. Your gracious support and kindness are always appreciated!

Brody Morris – Borden School Principal