



BHM SCHOOLS
Buffalo Hanover Montrose

March 1, 2022

Greetings BHM Families,

We are excited that we have turned the calendar to March and we are able to say that we are experiencing a drastic reduction in the number of COVID cases in our district. Last week, we were able to post on our dashboard that there were zero student cases and only four staff members who currently had COVID. We are so thankful to our staff and families who have helped to make our schools a safe place for students and staff so that in-person learning can take place.

As I mentioned before, we are turning the calendar to March this week and are now looking at just over three months of school left in the 2021-22 school year. Our staff continue to take on additional duties and lose prep/planning time due to the lack of substitutes. All staff are experiencing these pressures on a day-to-day basis along with the additional work necessary when students are absent.

Due to the continued lack of substitutes and need for our staff to provide instruction to our students during their planning and preparation time, we have determined that our staff need additional time for staff work. **We will change Friday, March 18, 2022 to a staff-only day, with no students in attendance.** We wanted to make you aware of this change at this time so you can make arrangements for your children for that day. KidKare will be open as an additional non-school day for currently registered families. Please register online if you need child care for this day.

Thank you for supporting us as we continue to provide a place where our students can ***dream, believe and achieve!***

Sincerely

Scott Thielman
Superintendent