

**SCHOOL BOARD**

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**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES**

School district offices are located at Hughes Educational Center, 806 N. Washington St., Bismarck, ND, 58501. Call the Reception Desk, (701) 323-4000 or fax (701) 323-4001. The Reception Desk is staffed 7:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday-Friday. Community Relations Office is (701) 323-4091. TDD Relay Service 1-800-366-6888.

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Website: [www.bismarckschools.org](http://www.bismarckschools.org).  
 Supt.'s Blog under Administration on the left.

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS**

The Bismarck School Board holds a regular meeting on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 5:15 p.m. in the Tom Baker Room at the City/County Building, 221 N. 5th Street in Bismarck. The meetings are televised live on Government Access Channel 2. The Board is made up of five members, and elections are held in June. The annual meeting and installation of the new board is in July.

**STAFF**

The Bismarck Public School District is one of the largest employers in Bismarck. The following is a breakdown of staff hired as of the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year (individuals vs. FTE):

Teaching Staff ..... 1,055  
 Support Staff ..... 978  
 Professional Support Staff ..... 97  
 Administrators..... 57  
 TOTAL ..... 2,187

**SCHOOLS**

There are 28 educational facilities in the BPS district: 16 elementary schools, 3 middle schools, 3 senior highs, 1 alternative high school, Bismarck Technical Center, Career Academy, Adult Learning Center, and a preschool Bismarck Early Childhood Education Program (BECEP) that includes Head Start and EC Special Needs.

**2016-2017 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS (K-5)**

Centennial (447).....	323-4290
2800 Ithica Dr.	Michele Svihovec
Grimsrud (252).....	323-4150
716 St. Benedict Dr.	Willie Nelson
Highland Acres (161).....	323-4160
1200 Prairie Dr.	Dr. Shawn Oban
Liberty (639).....	323-4320
5400 Onyx Dr.	Linnett Schmidkunz
Lincoln (580).....	323-4310
3320 McCurry Way	Shelly Swanson
Miller (393).....	323-4170
1989 N. 20 St.	John Alstad
Moses (377).....	323-4180
1312 S. Columbia Dr.	Dr. Jason Hornbacher
Murphy (571).....	323-4190
611 N. 31 St.	Matt Fricke
Myhre (285).....	323-4200
919 S. 12 St.	Tyler Hanson
Northridge (432).....	323-4210
1727 N. 3 St.	Kathy Rooke
Pioneer (250).....	323-4220
1400 E. Braman Ave.	Jim Jeske
Prairie Rose (180).....	323-4280
2200 Oahe Bend	Brenda Beiswenger
Roosevelt (140).....	323-4240
613 Ave. B West	Dr. Shawn Oban
Solheim (501).....	323-4260
325 Munich Dr.	Charles Dalusong
Sunrise (642).....	323-4300
3800 Nickerson Ave.	Lynn Wolf

Will-Moore (262).....	323-4270
400 East Ave. E	Brad Barnhardt
BECEP (ages 0-6).....	323-4400
720 N. 14th St.	Michelle Hougen

**2016-2017 MIDDLE (6-8) & HIGH SCHOOLS (9-12)**

Horizon Middle School (996).....	323-4550
500 Ash Coulee Dr.	Dr. Tabby Rabenberg
Simle Middle School (1,031).....	323-4600
1215 N. 19 St.	Russ Riehl
Wachter Middle School (868).....	323-4650
1107 S. 7 St.	Lee Ziegler
Bismarck High School (1,229).....	323-4800
800 N. 8 St.	David Wisthoff
Century High School (1,233)	323-4900
1000 E. Century Ave.	Steve Madler
Legacy High School (1,125).....	323-4850
3400 E. Calgary Ave.	Tom Schmidt
South Central High School (116).....	323-4520
406 S. Anderson St.	Joe Kalvoda
Adult Learning Center.....	323-4530
1200 College Dr.	Dale Hoerauf
Bismarck Technical Center.....	323-4340
1200 College Dr.	Dale Hoerauf
Career Academy.....	323-4340
1221 College Dr.	Dale Hoerauf
Life Education.....	323-4003
406 S. Anderson St.	Peggy Lutovsky

**ENROLLMENT**

Bismarck Public Schools is the largest school district in North Dakota. The following is a breakdown of the 2016-2017 opening day enrollment:

Kindergarten.....	998
Elementary (1-5).....	5,162
Middle School (6-8).....	2,895
Senior High (9-12).....	3,703
*TOTAL.....	12,758

*\*Adult Learning Center & BECEP are not in the total.*

**AVERAGE CLASS SIZE**

Listed below is the class size in September 2016:

Kindergarten.....	20.4	Fourth Grade.....	22.3
First Grade.....	19.8	Fifth Grade.....	22.0
Second Grade.....	18.7		
Third Grade.....	19.3	TOTAL.....	20.3

**ATTENDANCE**

The average daily attendance in Bismarck Public Schools during the 2015-16 school year was 96.6%. The drop-out rate at Bismarck High and Century for that year was 0.7% or 19 students. The total number of graduates from BHS, CHS and our alternative high school, South Central, was 822 in June of 2016.

## BUDGET

The average instructional cost to educate a child in Bismarck in 2015-2016 was \$9,926. The average cost per pupil in North Dakota was \$10,523 in 2015-2016, which is the most recent data available.

The school district's budget in all funds for 2016-2017 is \$159 million. Based on an estimated mill levy, the owner of a median \$100,000 home in Burleigh County would pay \$449 in school taxes. Here is a breakdown of last year's budget:

### REVENUE (2015-16)

State.....	\$ 107,007,124.....	71%
Local .....	\$ 31,166,031.....	21%
Federal.....	\$ 12,667,289.....	8%
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$150,840,444.....</b>	<b>100%</b>

### EXPENSES (2015-16)

Salaries/Fringe Benefits .....	\$126,926,703.....	83%
Purchased Services.....	\$ 7,849,933.....	5%
Supplies & Materials.....	\$ 6,043,803.....	4%
Capital Improvements.....	\$ 8,959,772.....	6%
Utilities.....	\$ 2,480,000.....	2%
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$152,260,211.....</b>	<b>100%</b>

## FOOD SERVICE

Bismarck Public Schools maintains an affordable food service program. Applications for free & reduced price meals are available at Food Services, (701) 323-4090, and at all school buildings. Meal costs for 2016-2017:

Elementary Breakfast.....	\$1.15
Elementary Lunch.....	\$2.00
Middle School/Senior High Breakfast.....	\$1.25
Middle School/Senior High Lunch.....	\$2.50
Adult Breakfast.....	\$1.75
Adult Lunch .....	\$3.25
Reduced Lunch.....	\$.40

## BUSING

Free busing is provided based on the distance the child lives from the school, as well as for preschool children, some special education students, and youth who live outside of the city limits. Call (701) 323-4502.

## AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

All elementary schools have after school child care for a fee. Call the school to see which program is offered.

*Bismarck Public Schools does not discriminate on the basis of sex in the education programs or activities which it operates, and that it is required by Title IX and Part 86 of the Dept. of Education regulations not to discriminate in such a manner. This requirement not to discriminate extends to educational programs and activities, as well as to employment. Questions? Call 701-323-4071.*

## 2016-2017 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Aug. 22-24 ..... Staff Development/Work Days  
 Aug. 25 ..... First day of school  
 Sept. 5 ..... Labor Day - no school  
 Oct. 19..... Staff Development Day - no school  
 Oct. 20-21 ..... Teacher's Convention - no school  
 Nov. 11 ..... Veteran's Day - no school  
 Nov. 24-25..... Thanksgiving Break - no school  
 Dec. 22 ..... Last day of school before holidays  
 Dec. 23... Parent/Teacher Conference Day Off - no school

Jan. 3 ..... School reconvenes after holidays  
 Jan. 16 ..... Martin Luther King Day - no school  
 Feb. 20..... President's Day - no school  
 Feb. 21..... Staff Development Day - no school  
 Mar. 10..... Possible Storm Make Up Day, no school  
 Mar. 13 ..... Staff Development Day - no school  
 Apr. 14..... Good Friday - no school  
 Apr. 17... Parent/Teacher Conference Day Off - no school  
 May 25..... Last day of school  
 May 25 ..... SCHS graduation, 4 pm  
 May 25 ..... ALC graduation, 7 pm  
 May 26 ..... Teacher Work Day/Storm Day  
 May 28 ..... CHS graduation, 1 pm  
 May 28 ..... BHS graduation, 4 pm  
 May 28 ..... LHS graduation, 7 pm

### 2017 SUMMER SCHOOL (grades 1-12)

June 5-July 18 ..... Camp Adventure Elementary Summer School  
 June 5-June 23..... Middle School/Senior High Session #1  
 July 3-4..... No summer school classes  
 June 26-July 18 ..... Middle School/Senior High Session #2

## REPORT CARDS

K-5th grade trimesters end Nov. 18, Feb. 17, and May 25.  
 6-12th grade nine weeks end Oct. 28, Jan. 13, Mar. 24, and May 25. Report cards are distributed at parent conferences or a week after the grading period ends.

### EMERGENCY CLOSINGS

The Superintendent may close schools in hazardous weather or other emergencies. If schools are closed due to weather, the Superintendent will contact the local news media by 5 a.m. Once school starts, buildings will NOT be closed unless directed to do so by authorities. Parents should use good judgment to determine whether students should attend. For school emergency information, go to [bismarckschools.org](http://bismarckschools.org) or listen to KFYR AM radio.

### NORTH DAKOTA STATE ASSESSMENT

NDSA test scores: advanced & proficient students only:

Oct. 2015	Reading	Math	Science
Grade	ND/BPS	ND/BPS	ND/BPS
3	46%/44%	51%/54%	-----
4	43%/41%	43%/49%	66%/68%
5	49%/48%	37%/41%	-----
6	43%/49%	36%/38%	-----
7	43%/44%	38%/35%	-----
8	42%/46%	35%/40%	60%/60%
11	55%/63%	37%/41%	64%/64%

(Reading/math scores spring 2015; science fall 2014.)

These American College Test scores are *mean scores*.

'14/15	BHS	CHS	ND	USA
ACT:	20.5	22.5	20.6	21.0

# 2016-2017

# Thumbnail Sketch



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*College, career,  
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Mission: *All students will have the academic, social, and personal skills to be college, career, and community ready.*

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