

Masters of Destiny....September 4, 2020

Bighearted Bobcats:

**No School, Monday, September 7, Labor Day.

**Pictures are next Friday, September 11th. We will snap stills of our beautiful children by class all day. Re-takes will be in October 28th.

**We have water bottles in the office for learners if they lose or forget them. Please just ask the teacher to pick one up for any that may be in need.

**A message from Mr. Lease at the Boys and Girls Club:

"Starting on Tuesday, September 8th, the Boys & Girls Club of Brookings would like to inform 4th and 5th grade families that two Club staff will be at Camelot by the northwest side of the playground. From this meeting spot each day, these Club staff members will walk with the 4th and 5th grade students straight to the Club to make sure that they get there safely.

Thanks,

Tim Lease CEO

Boys & Girls Club of the Northern Plains, Inc."

**Looks to be chilly and rainy to start the week on Tuesday, Let's keep our learners warm and dry next week as the Autumnal roller-coaster begins.

**Next week, if you are late too school - after 8:05 - please come to the front door. All other entries will be closed at 8:05. Thanks so much for your perfect drop-offs and pick-ups this week!!! It was very smooth transition generated by your patience and care !!! Tremendous - an example of Brookings doing it right!

**Pairs and Pods will continue, but as we evaluate safety balanced with student comfort, we will make attempts to make adjustments so our learners can have a depth of social experience. Our learners are terrific in finding a rhythm with their partners, but like any ubiquitous relationship - we may need to take some breaks, We will keep reviewing. As you always do, encourage and support your learner to stay diligent and kind to those they are assigned for now. It will keep us safe and keep us in school.

*** Coach Wooden was often heard saying, 'the more concerned we become with things we can't control, the less we will do with the things we can control.' How appropriate for this time. We can control cautionary safety(mask, wash, distance, repeat), our work ethic, our sincerity and selflessness to others...but most of all, we can control our attitudes with*

perspective of future and hope. Each day, I am grateful for this position, where I swim in the possibility offered by this community, these children and these professionals. I am swept in the current of optimism, natural in an environment that is all dreams and promise. We are truly the masters of our destiny, when that destiny actually lives inside each Bobcat who exude the goodness of this place. A comfort to know that then, anything is not just possible, it is probable. Thanks so much for that horizon of hope every day.

Willing and loyal servant to the Camelot and Brookings Community - Kevin

"Do the right thing, because it is the right thing to do."