



Discovery School #67
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Week 18

Mon., 1/10	Tues., 1/11	Wed., 1/12	Thurs., 1/13	Fri., 1/14
F Day	A Day	B Day	C Day	D Day

ATTENDANCE RATE **Our school's attendance goal is 96%*

	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	School
Weeks 1-17	92.24%	90.48%	92.49%	92.67%	92.89%	92.2%	88.02%	90.6%	87.54%	89.12%	90.77%

CELEBRATIONS

- The student PBIS team planned a spirit week with Mrs. Krauss, the Guidance Counselor. The calendar of events will be shared this week and will be included in the Week 19 memo.

CONTACTING TEACHERS VIA SCHOOL PHONE

Please avoid calling teachers directly via classroom phones during school hours. Rather, call the main office and the message will be relayed.

COVID TESTING

If you want your child/children tested at school, you must register and resubmit consent. Here is the link:
[Quadrant Program Consent Form](#)

Testing will occur on Monday, Jan. 10th at 9:30 AM. Parents/guardians were notified via email as teachers may not have sent home the notification letter prior to the snow days.

AT-HOME TEST – POSITIVE RESULT

If a child tests positive, regardless of vaccination status, he/she must isolate for 10-days. Please inform school of the test date and self-report the positive test result on the ECDOH website. Here is the link:
<https://www3.erie.gov/covid/form/form-to-report-a-positive-covid->

LABORATORY TEST – POSITIVE RESULT

*Inform school/daycare facility

*Provide a copy of the results to school (be sure to include the test date and test site)



AT-HOME TEST – NEGATIVE RESULT

If a child tests **negative**, but is symptomatic, the at-home test result does not suffice for a child to return to school. **A symptomatic child may only return to school if they:**

- Obtain a negative test result from a laboratory rapid antigen test (provide school a copy of the results)
- Obtain a negative test result from a laboratory PCR test (provide school a copy of the results)
- Get a medical clearance note with an alternate diagnosis (provide school a copy of the letter)
- Quarantine for 10-days (contact school – 816-4922)

WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS

Theme: Be Your Best You! Share Kindness!

IT DEPARTMENT (1515 South Park Avenue) - Student Device & Technical Support

Monday, Thursday, Friday: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

OPEN EARLY on Tuesdays: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

EXTENDED HOURS on Wednesdays: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

PARENT SCHOOLGY ACCOUNTS

Click here if interested in establishing a parent account on Schoology.

If you experience issues, please call the IT Dept. at (716) 816 – 7100.

PARENT PORTAL

The Office of Parent and Family Engagement (OPFE) is proud to partner with the IT Department and schools to significantly propel BPS Parent Portal usage! Based upon feedback, IT has developed an easier way for parents to access the Portal to proactively monitor their child’s academic progress, attendance, and more. These instructions will soon be shared with families.

Our ask of principals is to: Encourage your parents to share their email address which is required to access the portal. <https://www.buffaloschools.org/Page/93811>

Discovery’s 2021-2022 Calendar can also be accessed on our website via the Calendars Tab.



January’s Trait is Caring *Wear red on Fridays

Word of the Week: 1/10-1/14 Kind * 1/17-1/21 Compassion * 1/24-1/28 Charity

January 12 – **Wellness Wednesday – Be the Best You! Share Kindness!**

January 17 – MLK, Jr. Day – School will be closed

January 19 – **Wellness Wednesday – Be the Best You! Share Kindness!**

– Early Release Day (11:30 AM dismissal)

January 20 – SBMT (3:10 PM via Zoom)

January 26 – **Wellness Wednesday – Be the Best You! Share Kindness!**

January 27 – Virtual Parent teacher Conferences (5-7 PM)

January 28 – 20-week grades close



Students will be released from school 3-hours early (11:30 AM dismissal) these 4 days.

BOE newly approved Early Release Days (ERDs) – These dates are Discovery 67 specific! **These 2 half-days were NOT included on the original 2021-22 BPS Calendar.**

Wednesday, January 19 and Monday, February 28

Here are the links to the district’s ERD calendars in case you have children at other BPS:

[Jan Early Releases.pdf](#)

[Feb Early Releases.pdf](#)

[March Early Releases.pdf](#)

BPS Scheduled ERDs – These dates are districtwide!

Tuesday, April 5 and Wednesday, May 4

Discovery’s Procedures

ARRIVAL

Doors open for students at 8:00 AM. Please do not drop students off early as we do not have staff to supervise students.

BITMOJI CLASSROOM - LINK

Mr. Zeis will post the daily AM announcements. The resource also has links to the monthly newsletters, the lunch menus, and other school-related information. Please check it out!

Listed below is a concise summary of The Buffalo Public School’s high standards for a successful September and beyond. We will need and expect, your strict adherence to effectively implement these protocols:

School-Based COVID 19 Safety and Protection Protocols:

Masks	Masks are required for ALL staff and students inside of our school , regardless of vaccination status. No exceptions. If students do not have a mask, the school will provide the student with a mask.
DAILY Student Health Screener	Please be sure to <u>submit an electronic daily health screener</u> on behalf of your child before they come to school. Please do your part to keep our school community safe. Robo texts and emails via School Messenger will be sent daily.
COVID-19 Testing	To ensure safety for all, parents will need to <u>SIGN OFF TO CONSENT</u> to ensure that their child(ren) can participate in randomized less invasive PCR testing at no charge.
Social Distancing	Schools will adhere to the CDC distancing requirement of a minimum of 3 ft. amongst persons.
When Your Child is Ill	When your child is ill before the start of the school day, it is required that you keep your child home. If your child becomes ill during the school day, the student will report to the school’s CARES Room and you will be contacted to pick the child up, as quickly as possible.

DISCOVERY’S WEBSITE <https://www.buffaloschools.org/Page/44648>

Please refer to our website as it contains information about our school, upcoming events, scheduled days off, etc.



DISMISSAL Thank you for your patience!

Buses will arrive at 2:30 PM and depart at 2:45 PM.

Walkers: 2:30 PM (PK-2), 2:35 PM (3-6), and 2:40 PM (7-8)

Walkers/students that get picked up will exit in the front of school. Signage is displayed.

Students in Grades PK-3 MUST be signed out by an adult. Please bring identification!

FAMILY HANDBOOK <https://www.buffaloschools.org/Domain/3688>

Newly enrolled students received a Discovery School Family Handbook. An electronic copy of the booklet is available on our school’s website.

FIRST VIEW

Yellow Bus Tracker App - First View

<https://firststudentinc.com/innovation/on-board-bus-technologies/firstview-bus-tracking/>

PARKING LOT

Please do not attempt to pull in the driveway. Visitor parking is not available during arrival/dismissal due to busses having to pull in/out the driveway.

TRANSPORTATION

Please send in a note if you choose NOT to have your child ride a district provided bus. Last minute requests for picking up children and requests for alternate bus assignments will not be accepted.

Discovery is not able to provide temporary bus passes. All bus changes must be submitted to the district and will require 10-14 days to process. Please plan accordingly.

Transportation Contact Numbers

Discovery School #67 – Mrs. Coleman –	816-4922
District Transportation	816-4895
200 buses	874-0544
300 - 400 buses	835-5410
500 buses	826-4771
600 buses	896-1171
700 - 900 buses	894-4778

DISCOVERY’S BIG ROCKS

1. Integrate Daily Independent Reading and Writing Opportunities to Allow for Demonstration of Deep Understanding
2. Triangulate Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment to Facilitate Active Student Engagement
3. Differentiate to Deliver Data-Driven, Culturally and Linguistically Responsive Instruction