



**Discovery School #67**  
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## Week 17

<b>Mon., 1/3</b>	<b>Tues., 1/4</b>	<b>Wed., 1/5</b>	<b>Thurs., 1/6</b>	<b>Fri., 1/7</b>
<b>A Day</b>	<b>B Day</b>	<b>C Day</b>	<b>D Day</b>	<b>E Day</b>

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

	<b>PK</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>School</b>
<b>Weeks 1-16</b>	92.55%	90.71%	92.85%	92.9%	93.12%	92.66%	88.16%	91%	87.87%	89.16%	91.04%

### CELEBRATIONS

- Mrs. Lawrence's class and Mr. Ellicott's class earned their PBIS incentive. Great work!
- Character Counts! Student of the Month – *see last pages*
- Our attendance rate remained status quo last week despite the pandemic and holiday!
- The holiday showcase videos were heartwarming! *Thank you again, Mrs. John and Miss Peters!*
- Our schoolwide BINGO game was a HOOT! You could hear the students cheering throughout the school! *Thank you for organizing the fun activity, Mrs. Krauss!*  
*(Winning classrooms: Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Aikin, Mrs. LaTempa Dubenion & Mrs. Connor, and Mrs. Hemming & Mrs. Reese – Congratulations!)*

### 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](#)  
 COVID Testing will occur on Monday, Jan. 3 at 9:30 AM. Parents were emailed (Dec. 29) if their child was randomly selected.

### COVID

Please remind your child/children to wear their mask over their nose and mouth and wash their hands frequently. Student test kits are expected to be delivered this week. Please see my Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> email.

### 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>

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*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: 1/3-1/7 Caring \* 1/10-1/14 Kind \* 1/17-1/21 Compassion \* 1/24-1/28 Charity

Monday, January 3 – School resumes

– COVID Testing at 9:30 AM

January 5 – **Wellness Wednesday – Be the Best You! Share Kindness!**

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



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## 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:

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



## Character Counts! Students of the Month

RESPONSIBILITY - November	
Teacher	Student
BONAFFINI/SCHWACH	Emilia Richardson
BLEY/CHRISS	Claudia Halstead
ZACCARINE/SELTZ	Chad Tanyi, Jr.
TARQUIN	Joey Fulton & Charlotte Koch
BLAKE	Luke Matuszewski
SHARPLESS/GEMBLIN	Royal Hechavarria
AIKIN	Rex Renkas
RUSSELL/THOMAS/PERRY	Caleb Cruz
BROWNELL	John Herbert
POPA/ZYBALA	Trey Paluchowski
PULLEN/CRUZ	Mason Walker
LAWRENCE	Tristen Barrie
KLUBEK	Vincent Melendez
HEMMING/REESE	Margaret Lafferty
KEGLER	Evan Lloyd
HUFNAGEL/SIONKIEWICZ	Ayman Sarker
ELLIS/ARUVALI	Justysse Lehsten
WEBSTER/HANNON	Rilya Nicastro
CUDZILO	Liliana Thomas
FULLAGAR/MEYER	Brodie Gesel
KOENIG	Samantha DeCarolis
FRANZONE/HESTER	Isabella Dustin
THOMPSON/CLOUDEN	Arik Bishas
DIETRICH/HERBERGER	Jhade Pruitt
ELLCOTT	Hayden Rabb
ANDRZEJEWSKI	James Bugman
GRIMM	Maura Dougherty



## Character Counts! Students of the Month

FAIRNESS - December	
Teacher	Student
BONAFFINI/SCHWACH	Alayna Dumas
BLEY/CHRISS	Declan Caulfield
ZACCARINE/SELTZ	Ezekiel Zgoda
TARQUIN	Natheer "Eddie" Hasan
BLAKE	Kameron Gallagher
SHARPLESS/GEMBLIN	Royal Hechavarría
AIKIN/THOMAS	Max Burris
RUSSELL	Rayna Skotarczak
BROWNELL	Anthony Naubereit
POPA/ZYBALA	Thasin Hoque
PULLEN/CRUZ	Amajah Dean
LAWRENCE	Grace Norworyta
KLUBEK	Nolan Vosburgh
HEMMING/REESE	Da'Marrion Simmons
KEGLER	Camryn Howard
HUFNAGEL/SIONKIEWICZ	Camille Miranda-Morales
LATEMPA-DUBENION/CONNOR	Ivan Joseph
ELLIS/ARUVALI	Kayden Hayes
WEBSTER/HANNON	Kaiden Roth
CUDZILO	Henry Kinney
FULLAGAR/MEYER	Bruce Bowen
KOENIG	Brett Jakuminiak
FRANZONE/HESTER	Liam Morgan
THOMPSON/CLOUDEN	John Woodard
DIETRICH/HERBERGER	Arianna Morris
ELLCOTT	Elianna Spoonley
ANDRZEJEWSKI	Alex Adamczyk
GRIMM	Zach Chrostowski