

Parent and Community Support

Volunteer Program

The BCE staff encourages family and community volunteers. Bringing families into school promotes a better understanding between the school and community and directly benefits the instructional program. Volunteer opportunities include helping in the classroom, working in the library, driving on field trips, working at fundraisers, being a room parent, Art Masterpiece, campus beautification, Breakfast Club, etc. If you have some time and would like to volunteer, please contact your child's teacher, the school office, or the BCE Parent Club.

Please sign in at the school office each time you volunteer so that we have a record of volunteer hours and we may reach you if needed during the day. **For safety reasons, we request that you wear a volunteer badge while spending extended time on campus.**

School Visits and Conferences

Boulder Creek Elementary has an open door policy. Parents, students and community members are always welcome to share ideas or concerns with school personnel and administration. If the office is busy, there is an answering machine that will pick up to leave your name and phone number. The office staff will return your call promptly. If you would rather come in and conference with us, we suggest that you call first to make an appointment as the staff member may have a previously scheduled appointment or meeting.

Parents are welcome to visit the school and need to sign in at the office. We ask that you time your class visit to coincide with the beginning of an instructional period. This keeps visits from interrupting testing and other student activities. Check with your child's teacher for the best time to visit.

Private conferences are not permitted during class hours but an appointment may be made for a conference by email or calling the teacher before school, during lunch hours, or after school. A parent/teacher conference will be scheduled for each student and his/her family during the month of November.

School policy does not permit students to bring friends to visit at school.

Student Concerns

If you have a concern or question about your child's performance, behavior, or interaction with a staff member on campus, we encourage you to contact your child's teacher first when appropriate. If the issue is not resolved then contact the principal.

BCE Parent Club

All BCE parents/guardians and staff members are automatically members of this organization. The focus of the Parent Club is to support our children throughout their years at Boulder Creek Elementary and support the BCE teachers, administration and staff in fulfilling the school's mission of providing a nurturing, intellectually stimulating and challenging environment that ensures our children's success throughout their future.

The BCE Parent Club will:

- Raise funds to supplement and enhance our children's academic enrichment;
- Provide opportunities for social interaction between our children, our families, and BCE staff;
- Organize events to accomplish our fundraising and social interaction goals;
- Prioritize spending and allocate funds as needed;
- Act as a forum to raise and facilitate resolution of issues through communication and cooperation;
- Work to strengthen our academic community, building on BCE's and SLVUSD's strong foundation.

Your support and active participation will benefit your child and is strongly encouraged. The Parent Club typically meets on the second Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the school library. Free childcare is provided.

School Site Council

The Site Council is composed of equal numbers of parents and staff. They serve as an advisory board that oversees the implementation of our School Plan, which provides a framework of our

educational program. Site Council meets monthly right after school. All parents are encouraged to attend and learn more about school programs and curriculum. Voting member elections are held in September. If you are interested, please contact the office at 338-6413.

Fundraising

There are many opportunities to help BCE financially. We appreciate any help that you can give and hope that you can support the following programs:

- Target—You can support BCE by using your Target Visa or Target Guest Card. Target will donate an amount equal to 1% of your qualifying purchases at Target stores or target.com. Our school ID is 35529.
- Ben Lomond Market—Sign up for the frequent shopper card and fill in BCE for the organization that you want to support. You will be given a set of hard plastic cards to use every time you shop. Get your friends and neighbors to do the same. A percentage of your shopping money comes back to us.
- Box Tops for Education—Clip box tops from hundreds of participating General Mills products and send them to our school. Our school gets 10 cents for each one that it sends to General Mills.
- Amazon Smile---If you sign up for the Amazon Smile program a percentage of your sale will be donated to BCE
- BCE School Fundraisers sponsored by the Parent Club are the Walk-jog-a-thon, gift sales, family dinner nights, carnival, etc.