



BALMVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS LETTER

October 2025



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

A Wonderful Start to Our New Learning Adventure!

Hello Families!

It has been a fantastic start to our new school year, and we are so excited to see all the places our minds will explore together! As we continue our learning journey, we invite you to be active partners in your child's education.

There are so many ways to get involved in the fabric of our school community — join our PTA, volunteer in a classroom, or sign up as a guest reader to share in our love of literacy. Your involvement makes a world of difference!

This month, we are proud to celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month with meaningful classroom projects and student assemblies that honor the rich culture, history, and contributions of Hispanic and Latino Americans.

Enrollment for the 21st Century Afterschool Program is now open! Visit the district website to register your child for exciting enrichment opportunities after school.

We look forward to a successful and joyful year of learning, growth, and community!

With appreciation,

Dr. Karrie Rahaman-Bunce
Principal

Mrs. Amanda Greene
Assistant Principal

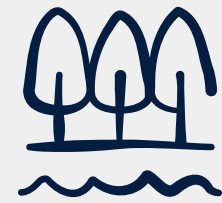
UPCOMING EVENTS



HISPANIC HERITAGE CELEBRATION

10/15/25 @ 2:30PM

Enjoy a celebration of dancing and inspiring tributes to wonderful Hispanic roles models .



ENL FAMILY BREAKFAST

10/10/35 @ 8:30



HALLOWEEN PARADE

10/31/25

PREK-2 @ 10:00-10:45

3-5 @ 10:45-11:30

Join us as we parade through our Balmville field

DISTRICT TRUNK OR TREAT @ GAMS

10/29/25 @ 5-7PM



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE CONTINUED

🍳 ENL Parent Breakfast and Family Partnership

We were excited to begin our first ENL Informational Meeting on Friday, October 10, 2025. During the breakfast, families learned about program expectations and received valuable resources to help support their children's learning at home. Parents were also provided with advance notice of all upcoming New York State testing dates for the 2025–2026 school year.

🎯 Setting Our Students Up for Success

At Balmville, we've begun an exciting partnership with The Core Collaborative (thecorecollaborative.com) to help our students understand what achieving excellence looks like through the use of Success Criteria.

Good learning doesn't usually happen by accident—it happens with intention. Success Criteria clearly outline the steps students can take to reach their goals, whether academic, behavioral, or personal.

By involving students in the creation of these criteria, they gain a sense of ownership in their learning journey. This process encourages reflection, growth, and pride in both short-term accomplishments and long-term achievements.

DISTRICT NEWS

SUPERINTENDENT'S CONVERSATIONS SERIES

Dr. Jackie Manning Campbell, Superintendent of Schools, would like to hear from you! Please complete this brief survey, so her upcoming [Community Conversations Series](#) is tailored for our families! We look forward to collaborating with our families as educational partners.



TEXTING BEGINS!

The district will begin sending texting messages this fall. To receive the messages, make sure your cell phone number is correct in the cell phone field. The number can be listed twice if that is your primary number. All parents/guardians who wish to receive a text should make sure their number is listed in the correct spot in their personal Parent Portal Account.

WALL CALENDARS

Wall calendars will be distributed to the youngest and only child of each family soon. You will find it in your child's backpack. Families can always add letter days and school/district events to their Google calendar for the most up to date information.