



NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY APRIL 8
BCS STAFF WILL PARTICIPATE IN SCHOOL SAFETY TRAINING

Dear Parents:

I am pleased to announce that our school district will be participating in a new school safety training titled: *Beyond Lockdown: Creating and Implementing Lockdown Enhancements*. All of the schools in Huron County have partnered to bring this unique training opportunity to all school staff members in our county. We were in the process of scheduling this training opportunity prior to the horrific events that took place in Sandy Hook, Connecticut. The training was originally planned for August of 2013, but moved up to April as a result of the recent school violence tragedy. I deeply hope that we will never be faced with a school violence incident, but I want our staff and students to be fully prepared.

I believe that the Enhanced Lockdown training will provide new options to our staff that will help keep our students even safer. The training is structured to empower staff to be able to make the best decision possible no matter what crisis could possibly arise. We will also be empowering our students to make decisions that could very well save their life in the event of a tragedy. The Bellevue Police Department will be participating in the training with us. We have a very collaborative relationship with our local law enforcement and routinely work together to make sure that our schools are as safe as possible.

We were able to receive a group training rate by scheduling the training in collaboration with the other Huron County schools, which is why our training date is April 8. The Ohio Department of Education has approved a waiver day for student attendance because of the importance of this training. **Your child will not report to school on Monday April 8, 2013, which is the Monday after Spring Break.**

With Redmen Pride,

Kim Schubert
Superintendent