

BELLA MENTE NEWSLETTER

Updated Weekly

May 24, 2026

Dear Families,

As we celebrate Memorial Day tomorrow with family and friends, we want to wish you and your loved ones a safe and meaningful holiday. Memorial Day is a time for us to honor and remember the brave men and women who gave their lives in service to our country and Bella Mente extends our deepest gratitude to them all.

Thank you for your continued support of our school community. We hope you enjoy time with family and friends and return on Tuesday, May 26th rested and refreshed.

Happy Memorial Day!

Here are some continuing reminders to keep you informed:

Graduation/Promotion Information:

Please save the date for our upcoming **3rd Grade Promotion (June 3rd, 10:00 a.m.)** and **6th Grade Promotion (June 3rd, 8:45 a.m.)**, as well as our 8th Grade and Primary Graduation ceremonies (times and dates below). Each ceremony will be held in our Multipurpose Room.

Please note that **tickets are only required for Primary Graduation (11:00: Ms. Michelle, Ms. Yufei, Ms. Sierra; 12:45: Ms. Jen, Ms. Laura, and Ms. Eva) and 8th Grade Graduation (June 4th, 9:00 a.m.)**. Due to limited space, each family will receive a set number of tickets to ensure all families have the opportunity to attend comfortably. Tickets are free, and we kindly ask that you stay within your allotted amount.

Ticket Allocation:

- 8th Grade: 8 tickets per scholar
- Primary: 6 tickets per scholar

Please note:

3rd and 6th Grade Promotion ceremonies do **not** require tickets.

Ticket Distribution:

Tickets will be available for pick-up through this coming **Friday, May 29th**, before and after school in the Front Office.

We look forward to celebrating this special milestone with all of you! If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Mr. Beaver at abeaver@bellamentecharter.org.

Re-enrollment for the 2026-2027 School Year:

Our re-enrollment process has begun. Please check your email for communication on how to reenroll your child for the next school year to save your spot.

Front Office Hours

The last day the Front Office will be open is Thursday, June 4th. Our Front Office will be undergoing construction beginning on Friday, June 5th and will not be closed for the summer. The Front Office will reopen on Monday, August 3rd at 10:00 a.m. Student records requests should be emailed to recordrequest@bellamentecharter.org and all other requests should be emailed to info@bellamentecharter.org

PTA News

Hello Bella Families!

A BIG THANK YOU to the Sunrise Vista Kiwanis Club and Expressway Insurance and Financial Services for being our first two local organizations to donate \$1000 each to our new Play Field. We have two spots left on our 'First Donors Banner' so secure yours today by [clicking here](#).

This week we will send out a short survey for some feedback on PTA engagement for the year. We think it's been a wonderful year and we'd love to hear what you think. We also hope to make next year even better!

Your Bella Mente PTA

**Please see reminders below about Drop Off locations:**

Drop Off "Kiss/Hug and Go" Location is:	
HERE	NOT HERE



Also, please:

- Do not drop off students on Huff St. near the exit gate. The Huff St. exit is not a school entry point. With cars exiting, it is not safe for our students to walk in front of moving cars.
- Do not stop your car at the entry gate to campus. Move all the way forward. If you are late or not, when you stop your car, get out, and walk your child to the gate or the Front Office to sign your child in, you are stopping the flow of traffic behind you and making cars go around an empty car, causing unnecessary frustration to other drivers.
- Also, see below for our traffic flow map. The entrances onto school grounds are entrance only, not exits. Traffic must exit onto Huff St.:



Huff St. Exit Concerns:

We've had a few parents reach out regarding their concern that some families walk and/or bike off of the Huff St. car exit and into the parking lot. Please keep in mind that Huff St. is the designated exit street for our vehicles during drop off and pick up. Please do not walk or bike onto campus through

the exit. We want everyone to be safe. Please use the Emerald Street entrance whether you are driving, walking, or biking.

Lost and Found

Lost and Found is located in the Front Office.

Please check during school office hours 7:30 am - 3:45 pm.

We highly recommend that you write your child's name on the clothing tag so we can return the clothing to your child.

Upcoming Events:

Date	Event	Time
5/25	No School due to Memorial Day	No School due to Memorial Day
5/27	End of year BMX Show for all students	1:45 - 2:45 p.m. on the blacktop
5/29	LE Business Day	Time: 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. on the field
5/29	Spirit Day: Decade Day	All Day
6/4	Free Dress Day	
6/4	Last Day of School	

After-School Enrichment Programs

If you have any questions, please contact Anthony Beaver, Community Outreach Director at abeaver@bellamentecharter.org or 760-621-8948 EXT. 310 regarding our updated and upcoming amazing after-school activities:

- **Mondays:**
 - **Gymnastics 2:50-3:50 TK-2 MPR:**
 - Students learn foundational skills such as rolls, handstands, bridges, balance basics, flexibility, and coordination—all while celebrating milestones along the way. Whether it's a first cartwheel or mastering new tricks, we build confidence through progress and joy through movement!
- **Tuesdays:**
 - **Karate, 2:50-4:15 in the MPR: Year round**
- **Thursdays:**
 - **ART Adventures, 2:50-3:50 TK-3rd, in the MPR:**
 - Scholars explore color, texture, layering, and artistic self-expression through imaginative projects. Each student will create their own mini art portfolio, filled with personal masterpieces that showcase growth, creativity, and artistic voice!
- **Fridays:**
 - **STEAM Explorers, 2:50-3:50 for K-3rd, in the MPR:**
 - Get ready for bubbling experiments, volcanoes, potions, design challenges, playful explosions, cause-and-effect discovery, and BIG excitement! Lessons build week-to-week so students always feel capable, curious, and proud of what they create! Expect classic after-class comments like... *"Can I have a lab coat for Christmas?"* (A scientifically verified good sign.)

Independent Study

When your child is absent from school, please complete an Independent Study Contract. The Bella team will help you enroll and provide students with the appropriate resources to keep up with class work.

Email: IS@bellamentecharter.org to learn more!

Parent Volunteers

Interested in volunteering on campus? Returning volunteers must complete all forms and online training to be an active volunteer during our school year. For more information, please contact Anthony Beaver at abeaver@bellamentecharter.org.

Brighter Bites

Please sign up in the Front Office if you are interested in receiving free boxes of vegetables and other food items. You can also sign up on the day of pick-up at the tent in the staff parking lot. The last Brighter Bites distribution for this school year is scheduled for this Thursday, May 28th.