Welcome to the 2015-16 School Year!
I would like to extend a warm welcome to a new school year. The staff and I are looking forward to working with you and your children this year. We will strive to continue to provide an exciting and rewarding educational program for each and every child at Belle Creek Charter School

Registration
Registration days for all students are Wednesday, July 29 from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm and Thursday, July 30 from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm. The $20.00 registration fee per student and the required paperwork is due at this time. Cash or check only. (There will be a $25.00 charge for all returned checks.)

Uniforms
Approved uniform shirt vendors will be at the school Wednesday, July 29 and Thursday, July 30 from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm. Vendors will also be at Back to School Open House on Thursday, August 13 from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm.

Check the website at www.bellecreekcs.org for a list of approved vendors for appropriate uniform pants, shorts, and skirts. Please read the Dress Code policy before you purchase your uniforms.

You may donate uniform shirts and pants to the school. Please make sure the clothing is clean and in good repair. Parents may look through donated clothing and take what they can use.

Students are required to conform to the school’s uniform dress code.

Start Date
Thursday, August 6 – First day of school – Kindergarten – 8th Grade

School Hours
Kindergarten & 1st Grade – 8:30 am – 3:20 pm
2nd – 3rd Grade – 8:30 am – 3:30 pm
4th – 8th Grade – 8:25 am – 3:30 pm
Kindergarten – 4th grade will line up on the playground blacktop according to their homeroom. 5th and 6th grade will line up by the south side door next to the bike racks. Teachers will be on hand to receive your child. 7th and 8th grade will line up by the cafeteria. It is not necessary for you to accompany your child to the classroom.

Staff will be in the parking lot to direct the traffic flow. It is important that you follow the directions of the staff and follow all posted traffic signs. Do not park in unauthorized locations.

Please check the map for designated pick-up & drop-off locations.
**2015-2016 Meal Prices**

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Extra Milk $.65

Pay for your child’s meals as [www.payforit.net](http://www.payforit.net)

Free/Reduced Meal Applications can be found on School District 27 website under Nutrition Services.

**Back to School Open House**
The Back to School Open House will be held on Thursday, August 13, 2015 from 4 -6 pm. Please take this opportunity to visit your child’s classroom and meet their teachers.

**Classroom Placement**
When teachers assemble homeroom classes they try to make them heterogeneous. The major factors are your child’s demonstrated achievement; the quality of the student’s citizenship; the child’s work and study habits; whether he or she is a discipline problem; if he or she is a leader or follower; how a child’s personality will fit with the others in the class; and the boy-girl ratio in the class.

We do NOT consider social factors such as the number of friends the child will have in the new class who came from his or her former class, or what classroom his or her best friend is in. Children are adaptable and will make friends wherever they are placed. We do know that parents sometimes have preferences for teachers; however, we cannot place children in classes only on the basis of the parents’ preferences or the teacher’s reputation in the community.

We group children for *instructional purposes*, and placing them in class based on any other factors would defeat this purpose. In the past, some parents have made requests for a certain teacher, and their child was placed in that room. The parent concluded it was only because of their request, but it was because the staff also felt it was a good placement based upon our criteria. You need to trust the staff to make the best placement possible with all the information at our disposal. We will do the best job of placement we can, because it is important to us that every child has a good chance for success.

Thank you for choosing Belle Creek Charter School. By working together and following the rules we can make “First Comes Learning” a reality for your child.

Irene German
Principal