Dear Burlington Families,

The Burlington School District is happy to be able to provide the S.O.A.R. (Summer Opportunities Academics & enRichment) Program this summer. In this program, participants will gain critical reading and math skills through four weeks of high-quality project-based academic offerings and theme-based enrichment activities, all designed to prevent summer learning loss.

The program is open to students currently in kindergarten through grade five who meet one or more of the following criteria:

- below standard in math or literacy, or
- eligible for free or reduced school lunch, or
- receive Title, English Learner or Special Education services.

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic we are making several modifications to the program to increase safety protocols for our students and staff. We are adopting and instituting the State of Vermont Health Guidance for Childcare Programs, Summer Programs and Afterschool Programs that became effective June 1, 2020. In addition, we are altering the capacity, times, length and program offerings to further enhance our safety protocols.

We are asking families who are interested in registering for the program to please click on the below link to review information from the Vermont Department of Health on "What Parents Can Expect Child Care and School Age Camps/Care":


Please also review the updated program information below; we have shortened the program to run for 4 weeks, Mondays - Thursdays, from 9AM - 1PM. We regret that we cannot offer an afterschool component due to health program guidance and we will also not be able to offer field trip experiences this summer. In addition, families will need to adhere to new arrival and dismissal protocols. And finally, we will unfortunately not be able to serve the same number of students as we have in past years as capacity will be limited.

We are reopening program registration for 1 week only (beginning today) for families who have not yet completed the online registration process. For families who already registered, we will
reach out to you to determine if you would still like your registration to be considered in light of the program modifications.

DATES / TIMES / LOCATION:

- June 29th - July 24th
- Monday - Thursday, 9AM - 1PM (no afterschool program)
- J.J. Flynn Elementary School, 1645 North Avenue

CRITICAL HEALTH DETAILS:

- Daily health checks will occur for all students and staff
- Masks will be required for all students and staff
- No shared common spaces will be open, no co-mingling of classrooms will occur
- Staff will remain with the same group for the duration of the program
- Program will be on-site only, no community field trips

ADDITIONAL DETAILS:

- Lunch will be provided, with students eating in their classroom
- S.O.A.R. is a free program. We ask if families are interested in applying for state subsidy to support program quality improvements.
- Transportation is limited and we may not be able to meet every student's needs. More information is available in the online registration form.

REGISTRATION:

- We are reopening program registration for 1 week only (beginning today) through PowerSchool.
- For families who already registered, we will reach out to you to determine if you would still like your registration to be considered in light of the program modifications.
- Registration must be submitted by Tuesday, June 9th to be considered for program acceptance. Space is very limited due to the health guidelines.
- PLEASE NOTE: Completion of registration DOES NOT GUARANTEE ENROLLMENT. Families will be notified via email if their student(s) has a place in the program by Tuesday, June 16th.

REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING FOR S.O.A.R. IN POWERSCHOOL:

For technical assistance, contact Eli Phillips - ephillips@bsdvt.org.

If you have a PowerSchool Account:
(Note that this cannot be done using the PowerSchool App. Computers are available at all schools for parents/guardians to access.)

2. Look for your student’s name on the bar in the upper left corner, click on their name, click “Forms” on the left side menu.

3. Scroll down to the S.O.A.R. section of forms and click on the “Welcome and Information” form to begin the application process.

4. Fill in all information on all forms to submit the application. Be sure to click “Submit” at the bottom of all forms. The red bar to the right of the S.O.A.R. section will turn fully green when all sections have been completed.

5. You will need to complete a separate application for each student. If the names of your other students do not appear, call the school and ask for their “Access ID and Access Password”. Then, in PowerSchool, go to:
   a. "Account Preferences" on the menu on the left side,
   b. Click on "Students",
   c. Click "Add Student",
   d. Enter your student's name, their Access ID and Access Password,
   e. Select your relationship to the student through the Relationship drop down,
   f. You may now select the student to complete a S.O.A.R. application.

**If you DO NOT have a PowerSchool Account:**

1. Contact the school for an Access ID and Access Password for each student. The Access ID and Access Password are not the same as your PowerSchool Username and Password. The access information is used to add a student to your account. The username and password are used to log into PowerSchool.

2. Sign in to PowerSchool: https://psapp.bsdvt.org/public/home.html
(Note that this cannot be done using the PowerSchool App. Computers are available at all schools for parents/guardians to access.)

3. Click on the “Create Account” tab, then click on the “Create Account” button.

4. There are two sections to this form. The top section is to enter your account details and the bottom section is to enter student information. Enter the information under the Parent Account Details.
5. Scroll down until you see the student fields. Enter your student’s name, then enter the Access ID and Access Password below.

6. If you are applying for more than one student, you will need a separate Access ID and Access Password for each student.

7. Once you have completed the steps above, click “Enter”. This will bring you back to the Student and Parent Sign-In Page, where you will enter your new username and password.

8. Follow the steps above to complete the S.O.A.R. application(s).