

Dear Beck Parents,

I can't believe it is December already! This school year is flying by! We have our First Marking Period behind us, our first Report Card, and hopefully everyone had an opportunity to speak personally with their child's teacher. I'm please to say that we had 262 out of 267 students represented at Parent Conferences!!! That is 98.1%! I'm still hoping to make it 100% . . . !!!

This week we had a great turnout at our **Family Games Night**. The Learning Gizmos Company came and shared 14 games. The Beck staff had a good time introducing the games to the students who attended. The evening even generated enough funds to supply every teacher who hosted a game for their classroom math center! Our next family night is **Science Night on Tuesday, Jan. 16**. That evening Cranbrook Academy of Science will bring interactive science exhibits for our students and parents to explore. Mark your calendars!

**5th Graders - UCS Coordinated field trip to the Detroit Institute of Arts** was yesterday. All of our 5th graders, along with our Art Teacher, Mrs. Grasl, and our 5th grade teachers, toured the museum with a DIA docent who shared Michigan history among other things.

**Giving/Mitten Trees** - Last chance! All wrapped presents (labeled with what's inside) should be dropped off by Monday, Dec. 4. I know our school efforts make a big difference to the children at Macomb Foster Care.

**Beck Directory** - Now available! Our first-ever school directory is hot off the presses and ready for your purchase. For only \$3 per copy you can connect to your school community! If you pre-ordered, just stop in to pick up your copy. If you'd still like to purchase a copy (or more than one!), send in the attached order form and \$3 in cash: [Beck School Directory Order](#)

**Engraved Brick Pavers** - Looking for a great Christmas present for the hard-to-buy-for family member? Consider a Beck Brick Paver to put their name permanently into Beck history! As we look forward to celebrating Beck Centennial's 20th anniversary next spring, our BFV has arranged to beautify our flagpole area permanently with engraved paving stones. Families can create endearing and lasting memories for years to come! You won't want to miss out! To get an order form, click here: [Commemorative Brick Paver Order Form](#)

**Santa Shop** - Next week, on Thursday, Dec. 7 and Friday, Dec. 8 our students will have an opportunity to visit Beck's very own Santa Shop! They can take care of their own shopping for holiday gifts for their loved ones. Students who want to participate should plan to bring cash or a check (made payable to "BFV"). All items are \$2.00 each.

I hope you all enjoy this beautiful weekend!  
Christine Wilson

Principal