



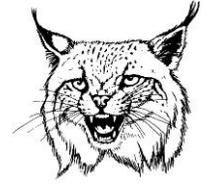
# Bowling Green R-I School District

700 West Adams Street  
Bowling Green, Missouri 63334

[www.bgschools.k12.mo.us](http://www.bgschools.k12.mo.us)

Phone: (573) 324-5441 Fax: (573) 324-2439

*"Home of the Bobcats"*



**Scott Smith**

President

**Joe Klott**

Vice-President

**Linda Luebrecht**

Secretary

**Laura Gschwender**

Treasurer

**JW Brandt**

Superintendent

**Brock Bailey**

High School  
Principal

**Scott Mullins**

High School  
Assistant Principal

**Matt Chance**

Activities Director  
A+ Coordinator

**Kim Pafford**

Middle School  
Principal

**Stephanie Bailey**

Frankford  
Elementary Principal

**Emilie Allensworth**

Bowling Green  
Elementary Principal

**Penny Copelin**

Middle School and  
Elementary  
Assistant Principal

**George Beshears**

Director of  
Technology

**Janese Bibb**

Director of Special  
Services

July 5, 2015

Good Morning,

I hope you and your family had a great Fourth of July weekend. I am writing today to explain the process the district is undergoing in developing and implementing a long range plan.

Beginning last fall, the district began working on a plan of action for future items of concern. The purpose of this plan is to guide the district through the decision making process for larger items, as well as prepare for various situations which may arise in the future. There were two public work sessions held on the topic as well as discussions at various regularly scheduled board meetings. Through that process, the attached long range plan was developed. It's important to understand, these are not long range goals. It is a plan to deal with situations we need to address.

As you may have heard or read, one of the items on the attached plan is to look at our current facilities, specifically the Frankford campus, to study whether it makes sense to change its use from an elementary campus to a preschool/alternative/early childhood special education facility. There are two key words to focus on. The first is feasibility. We know there is a need for a preschool in our district. The district is studying all of our current facilities to see if there is one that can house a preschool. Frankford is one of the facilities being considered. This is a complex question that will take a considerable amount of time (i.e. years) to evaluate.

The second word I'd like to point out is closed. Nowhere in the long range plan will you find the word closed. The district is in need of additional facilities. Closing a perfectly good building simply makes no sense and has never been a part of any discussions.

In closing, I'd like to assure you that, as a district, our objective is always the same, to use our limited resources to "empower our students for life's endless opportunities." Developing and following a plan ensures we are continuing to put the district in the best possible position to educate our students now and into the future. We always welcome your input. It is vital for our continued success.

Please know that we are working hard to use our limited resources to provide the best education for our students possible. Sometimes that means making a change (i.e. food service), sometimes that means not making the change (i.e. transportation). In all cases the decisions are made with the long range success of our students as the top priority.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you ever have any questions. I am more than happy to share factual information with you anytime.

Sincerely,

J.W. Brandt