Bowman Academy
Enriched Childhood Education In Carrollwood

Bowman Academy Newsletter – November 2026

School News

Everything but the Turkey

Once again, Bowman Academy will collect food donations for The Community Food Pantry. We will accept non-perishable items from 11/4-11/18. This is a great opportunity to show our students how to help those less fortunate. We will kick off the drive on 11/4 by decorating our collection bags. Boxes will be placed in the front office and front drive-thru loop for easier collection.

As an incentive, those who bring in a donation on or before the Fall Festival on Sunday, 11/8 will receive 3 free raffle basket tickets.

Building Language Skills

Now that your child is well into the school year, you may begin to see a lot of growth with their speech/language skills. You may foster this growth by playing simple games, talking with your child while in the car, and by reading and discussing favorite books. There are so many fun fall holiday books and activities that can get your child excited and talking! Below are a few ideas to help you get started:

* Show your child you are interested in what he/she has to say by repeating and expanding on their comments. For example, if you child says, "pretty pumpkin," you can respond by saying, "Yes, that is a pretty orange pumpkin." You may say, "Look how bumpy the skin looks - let's touch it."
* Use your child's trick or treat bag to collect items around the house. Ask them to locate items by category like toys with wheels or things people eat. When they put an item in the bag, talk about how it is used or what it looks and tastes like.
* Ask your child to answer questions that require a choice. For example, you may say, "Do you want to read the silly pumpkin book or the scarecrow book?" Ask for their choice!



Parents' Club Information

Fall Festival

Please join us on Sunday, 11/8 from 11am-2pm for our annual Bowman Academy Fall Festival. We will have food, games, prizes, a bake sale, petting zoo, and our amazing basket raffle.

All proceeds go directly back to the classrooms, as well as purchases made by the Parents' Club for the school. Last year we had between 500-600 people in attendance.

Tickets will be on sale in the drive through loop the week before the event. Baskets will also be on display. Get your tickets early to avoid any lines the day of the event.

Cookie Dough Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Parents' Club Cookie Dough Fundraiser. The Parents' Club was able to raise a total of $5004.60 toward our fundraising campaign. Items will be delivered Tuesday, 11/17. Thank you for your support.

Tampa Wine Room

Our first Mahjong night at the Tampa Wine Room was a huge success! The Parents' Club is working on another night soon.



Calendar

11/4 "Everything But the Turkey" Food Drive Kick-off

11/8 The Bowman Academy Fall Festival 11am-2pm

11/16 Fire Truck Visit 10am

11/17 Parents' Club Cookie Dough Fundraiser Delivered

11/17 & 11/17 Vision Screening (with signed consent)

11/20 Turkey Trot & Student Feast

11/25-11/27 Thanksgiving Holiday **(No School)**