

ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

Bar Nunn is located in the small community of Bar Nunn, just north of Casper. In the past few years, community development has resulted in a population increase, and the school is in line to receive an addition to its building to accommodate the growth in enrollment.

Bar Nunn is a "Success For All" school. To quote one of the authors of Success For All, Bar Nunn "maintains a relentless focus on the success of every child. Success comes from coordinating human resources around a well-defined goal, constantly assessing progress toward that goal and never giving up until success is achieved."

At Bar Nunn, Success for All is a schoolwide, coordinated and proactive plan for translating positive expectations into concrete success for all children.

The school also works to provide an atmosphere that will create in the student a desirable attitude toward learning and to develop a respect and appreciate for work well done. The students of Bar Nunn elementary School deserve the best, and they, in turn, are expected to give their best. Parents also have a valuable role to play in the encouragement and support they lend to their children and the school. Bar Nunn welcomes parent volunteers and visitors.

OUR STAFF

Students at Bar Nunn learn from 11 regular education teachers, along with three special education teachers and seven specialists who focus on music, art, PE and other content areas. Students have access to tutors in reading and math, and teachers at the school continue improving their practices through cooperation with instructional facilitators.

Students also have access to services from a social worker, speech/language pathologist, nurse, Central Wyoming Counseling Center counselor and other therapists.

OUR CURRICULUM

The curriculum at Bar Nunn is based on the best available knowledge concerning learning, child psychology and the concept of general education. To help children achieve the standards, Bar Nunn is implementing Success For All reading and Math Wings programs.

The reading program uses a curriculum based on effective practices in beginning reading and an appropriate use of cooperative learning. Student progress is reviewed every eight weeks. The program also provides reading tutors, preschool and kindergarten components and a Family Support team.

The Math Wings program uses a constructivist mathematics approach.

The school's language arts instruction consists of the 6+1 Traits of Writing, spelling and the Houghton Mifflin language series.

Bar Nunn also teaches "Getting Along Together" skills, Boys Town Social Skills and the Positive Behavior Intervention Support System to facilitate positive peer and adult interactions.

Bar Nunn also is home to two half-day preschool programs, which align with other building programs.

OUR ACTIVITIES

Classes at Bar Nunn run from 8:50 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. A reading and homework lab is open before school starting at 8 a.m. and after school from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Playground supervision also is available starting at 8:15 a.m. Buses can take students to Boys and Girls Club locations after school.

Students at Bar Nunn also may participate in art club, Spanish club, student council, student newspaper, robotics club and the spelling bee. Fifth- and sixth-graders also have the option of volleyball and basketball.

OUR FAMILIES

Bar Nunn encourages parent involvement. Students are expected to read 20 minutes per night with confirmation from parents. In addition, parents are invited to visit and participate in the classrooms, school activities and family reading and math nights.

Preschool parents are expected to volunteer in the preschool program.

Bar Nunn School also has an active PTA that meets monthly and provides many services and activities for students, such as the carnival, popcorn sales and Valentine's Cake Raffle.