



Bates Elementary

Pumpkin Spirit Week




PUMPKIN PATCH @ BATES

Come buy your pumpkins and other fall decor at the Bates Pumpkin Patch on October 18 from 10-4 pm!

Sign up to shop at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4ba8ad23a2fd0-bates>



CREEPY CREATIONS CONTESTS!

Cake Decorating Contest

Pumpkin Decorating Contest

- Cake MUST be 8 or 9 inch round or square (single or double layer) OR 9x11 sheet cake.
- Designs should be created and executed by kids.
- All decorations must be edible.
- Email photos to batespto@gmail.com by 5 pm on Thursday, Oct. 22 with Cake Contest - "Name & Grade" in the subject and specify permission/no permission to post on Bates social media.

- No carving. Painting, gluing and drawing are okay!
- Designs should be created and executed by kids.
- Email photos to batespto@gmail.com by 5 pm on Wednesday, Oct. 21 with Pumpkin Contest - "Name & Grade" in the subject and specify permission/no permission to post on Bates social media.
- Pumpkins can be dropped at the Bates Pumpkin Patch on Oct. 22 or 23.

Pumpkins and cakes will be judged by Bates celebrity judges, and winners announced Friday, October 23. One winner from EACH GRADE! Special honorable mentions for creativity!
Contact annaleewahls@gmail.com or carrierarrant@gmail.com with questions.



DECORATE BATES

Decorate your door, porch, or yard for Bates Pumpkin Spirit Week! Let's make the Bates district festive and fun! Make it funny, make it scary, go big or go small! Hide a photo of [Tux the penguin](#) in your decorations to give our kids something fun to find.

Submit a photo of your decorations to batesptomail@gmail.com by Thursday, October 22 at 5 p.m. to be featured in a slide show and/or the Bates Instagram and Facebook pages. With your permission, we'll include your address on a Pumpkin Spirit Week map.



TOUR BATES NEIGHBORHOODS!

Stroll or drive through Bates neighborhoods to see our families' pumpkin creativity! A map will be sent out on Friday, October 23, of all of the houses who've submitted photos of Pumpkin Spirit Week houses. Visit from 4-6 p.m. on Friday or anytime over the weekend, and keep an eye out for Tux!

DON'T FORGET THE SCAVENGER HUNT! SEE BACK FOR MORE!



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SCAVENGER HUNT

Pumpkin images, like the ones below, are hidden in the outdoor spaces around Bates. Search for them on the exterior school walls, in the playground areas, in Stump World and the outdoor classrooms. Find them to enter a raffle!

K, 1st & 2nd Grade

Find the 10 pumpkins with circled black letters and unscramble the letters to find a message about our favorite mascot! To enter the raffle, send the secret message to batesptomail@gmail.com. Use the subject "Pumpkin Hunt" and include the student's name and classroom, along with the secret message.



3rd, 4th & 5th Grade

Just as for the younger grades, start by finding the 10 pumpkins with circled black letters and unscramble the letters. THEN find an additional 10 pumpkins, like the one below and use them to assemble a cipher. See if you can translate the first message into a second TOP SECRET message. Send both messages to batesptomail@gmail.com.



One prize winner will be drawn for EACH GRADE!