THIS WEEK AT BCHS

Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety

March 07 - March 11, 2022

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Please check out the BCHS Events Calendar https://bchs.crps.ca/.



Become a Host Family for CRPS International Students in 2022-23!

CRPS is looking for Canmore & Banff families to host our next incredible cohort of 50 international students arriving in August 2022! Make meaningful connections, share your

different cultures, learn a new language, build life-long memories & friendships! Commitments of 5 months and 10 months are available, with monthly remuneration provided. For more information and to apply, contact **international@crps.ca** or 403-609-6072.

COVID Protocols Update - AHS Step 2

On March 1, 2022 the Alberta Government moved to "Step 2," of our public health measures. CRPS sent out a letter earlier this week outlining how Step 2 has adjusted our protocols for safety. For further information on these adjustments, please see the attached divisional <u>re-entry plan</u>. Here are some highlights:

- Students are no longer required to cohort as a result, social areas like Purkis Hall have been reopened
- Students are permitted to leave and reenter the building during lunch hour
- Staff and students are no longer required to wear masks in the building
- Students using public transportation for Alignment classes at CCHS are required to wear masks
- Students are still required to isolate and follow the daily <u>AHS checklists</u> when they have COVID symptoms
- The school will no longer be reporting to families individual COVID cases
- Extracurriculars and sports may continue

Please note that throughout the school day, our doors will remain locked. Visitors should make appointments before entering the building. Visitors are asked to ring the new doorbell at the Purkis Hall doors.

Parent-Teacher Student Conferences

Parent-Teacher Student Conferences are coming up on the evening of March 16, 17 and during the morning of March 18. On Monday, March 7, parents will be sent access to our school appointment sign-up system. Please book your appointment(s) early to allow our teachers to plan.

For the March conferences, families can elect to meet virtually, in person, or through a phone call. We ask that families show up to their meeting(s) at least five minutes in advance to allow teachers to stay on schedule.

Graduation 2021-22

Our graduation committee has been working hard to fundraise and plan this year's ceremony. At this time, the 2021/22 Graduation is planned for June 30th at the Banff Springs Hotel from 11:00 am - 1:30 pm.

Graduation Pictures (March 15 - 18)

Graduates should all have booked their graduation photos through prestige photos. Go to **prestigeportraits.ca** if you still need to book an appointment. Please note that students are asked to show up five minutes prior to their appointment to keep things on schedule. This year our photos will be set up in **room 147 (next to the gymnasium).** Students requiring clothing changes will have access to our private gender-neutral washroom.

Assurance Surveys

Each year, the government of Alberta surveys parents, students and teachers to gather information on the quality of education they are receiving. This upcoming week, all students will be surveyed using the Alberta Assurance Surveys and the National "Our School," engagement survey. Results from these surveys are used to support decision making and to develop our school's four year assurance plan.

Please note that grade 10 parents have been sent information directly regarding how to complete the survey. We appreciate your time in sharing your thoughts with us.



Sports

Basketball teams are wrapping up their seasons, with our JV boys team heading to a final tournament in Cremona and our girls tournament team heading to Zones. Wish our Bears good luck!

As we head into spring, our students are shifting into the Rugby season. Practice times are posted outside the school gym.

The Week Ahead

Monday, March 7, 2022

• Parent-Teacher Student conference appointment bookings open

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

Wednesday, March 9, 2022

Thursday, March 10, 2022

Friday, March 11, 2022

- Full-Day of School
- JV Girls Basketball Zones
- Progress Reports for semester 2 available on Learning Management Systems (Google Classroom / Moodle)

Upcoming Dates

- March 15 18 Graduation Pictures
- Wednesday, March 16 (5:00 pm 8:00 pm)- Parent-Teacher Student Conferences
- Thursday, March 17 (4:00 pm 7:00 pm) Parent-Teacher Student Conferences
- Friday, March 18 (8:30 am 11:30 am) Parent-Teacher Student Conferences
- April 2 April 17 Spring Break

Bear Celebrations

If you have a BCHS Celebration that you would like to share with our community, please email mike.shoemaker@crps.ca.



Caribou Kids Season Ski Pass at Banff Mount Norquay

Yes! Banff school students will enjoy free (almost) skiing again this winter!!! In its 15th year, Banff Lodging Co and Banff Mount Norquay remain committed to offering the Caribou Kids Season Ski Pass program for students enrolled at Banff schools, even as we hope to rebound from recent challenging economic conditions. Please <u>click here</u> for more information and the Norquay form.

School Fees

Banff Community High School fees are available on PowerSchool Parent Portal and **are now due**. Debit or credit card payments can be made online through your Parent Portal <u>https://powerschool.crps.ca/public/.</u> If you are unable to make full payment at this time please contact Joanne Geyer at joanne.geyer@crps.ca to make payment arrangements.

Other Information

Missing important happenings at BCHS, but are awash in emails? Find information through one of the media listed below. Get connected, become involved.

- Follow us on Facebook <u>here</u>
- Join us on Twitter https://twitter.com/bchsbears?lang=en
- Follow us on Instagram https://www.instagram.com/banffbchsbears/
- Check out our Daily School Announcements <u>here</u>

News

Bow Valley Settlement Services Information and newsletter Click Here.

Follow the <u>link</u> to view the highlights from the January Public School Board Meeting.

BCHS Bear Tools

- Parents please ensure you can log on to Parent Portal. Look for the PowerSchool Quick Link on our school webpage or <u>click here</u>. This is where you will access daily updates on your student's marks and attendance, school fees and more. Final term report cards are also shared with you through Parent Portal and are not mailed out from the school.
- Alberta Education has now made student access to their official transcript of marks available to all Grade 10 - 12 students available through a myPass account (myPass.alberta.ca). Grade 10 marks will start to appear after the first semester.
- Please click the link for the <u>2021/2022 Student / Parent Handbook</u>. Find important BCHS dates such as parent/teacher interviews, course change information, exams, and much more.
- Some universities are now offering information sessions ... Please check with Ms. Piekenbrock for more information.
- Please click this link for the 2021 2022 School Calendar

Please feel free to contact the Principal, Chris Rogers (chris.rogers@crps.ca) with feedback or suggestions or use our feedback <u>link here</u>.