

THIS WEEK AT BCHS

Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety

December 19 - December 23, 2022

(For archived Newsletters please click [here](#))

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

Check out our Daily School Announcements [here](#).



CTS and Fine Arts Winter Market

Students in Foods, Construction, Art, and Fashion Studies have been working hard to give back! They have been creating a wide variety of items to sell at the Winter Market taking place **December 19 - 22 from 1:00 to 1:30 pm** in front of the trophy case by the office. This market is not only for students but also families to come and pick up gifts and treats!!

Shoppers can purchase artwork, holiday cards, knitting, crochet, and sewing projects, ornaments, wood holiday crafts, etc. made by students.

The grade 9 foods class has been busy baking and will be selling not only individual treats to students but cookie bags and trays in a variety of sizes for families to enjoy over the holidays.

Not only can students and their families enjoy finding a meaningful, handmade gift for those they cherish, but they can feel extra generous knowing all funds raised will be donated to the Banff Food Rescue (BFR). The BFR prevents good food from becoming waste in our community.

Please see the website links below for information on some of the items that will be available from Fashion Studies:

- <https://sites.google.com/view/yarntastical/home>
- <https://sites.google.com/edu.crps.ca/santasacks/home>
- <https://sites.google.com/view/hatsupplyco/home>

Pancake Breakfast

The tradition of staff cooking a breakfast for students on the last day of school for the calendar year continues! This will take place on Friday, December 23 in the morning. **Friday is a half day** and classes end at 11:40 am.

Student Leadership Council Festive Holiday Spirit Week

Our student leadership council encourages students and staff to wear/dress up in festive themes this week:

'Ugly' Festive Sweater Monday

Tucked in Tuesday

Winter Wednesday

Formal Thursday

PJ Friday

BCHS Hosts 'Fantastic Worlds' Art Exhibit

Alberta Foundation for the Arts Travelling Exhibition Program

December 12, 2022 - January 18, 2023

How do we imagine the future? What other kinds of realities are possible? What would happen if time and space could bend, stop, or fast-forward? From Science Fiction, to Magical Realism, to Surrealism, artists, filmmakers, and writers have long turned to the fantastic to ponder these questions, using vivid imaginative stories and imagery to open portals into other worlds.

Each of the works in this exhibit is a playful invitation to imagine and build worlds, new experiences, and ways of seeing. This generative and exploratory aspect of the fantastic is why historically, especially during challenging times such as economic crisis and war, these artistic strategies have often surged as a way to grapple with uncertainty, change, and the large, complicated question of the future.

Extra Curricular News

Practices are included in the week ahead and can be found in the [following spreadsheet](#). Please contact our Athletic Director ian.higginbottom@crps.ca if you have any questions about our sports program.

January 2023 Exam Schedule

	Monday 9th Back to school	Tuesday 10th	Wednesday 11th	Thursday 12th	Friday 13th
Diplomas				English 30-1 and 30-2 Part A	
	Monday 16th	Tuesday 17th Last day of classes Sem 1 grades 9-12	Wednesday 18th	Thursday 19th	Friday 20th
Diplomas				Math 30-1 and Math 30-2	English 30-1 and 30-2 Part B
School mid term exams 10s			English 10-1 and 10-2		Math 10C and 10-3
School final exams 11s			English 20-1 and 20-2		
	Monday 23rd Grade 9 Career Exploration Starts	Tuesday 24th	Wednesday 25th	Thursday 26th	Friday 27th
Diplomas		Biology 30		Physics 30	
School mid term exams 10s	Socials 10-1 & 10-2		Science 10		
School final exams 11s	Math 20-1,2 and 3		Chem 20		

Flu Season and COVID reminders

Please remain at home if you are displaying **flu or COVID-19 symptoms** and follow the current recommendations for staying away from work or school if displaying symptoms. We request that parents do not send their child to school if they feel ill. Please let us know they are absent due to an illness so we can keep track of any potential outbreaks which are considered 10% or more of the student population. Read this [letter dated November 2023 from the Interim Chief and Senior Medical Officers of Health](#) in relation to the rise in influenza cases seen in school recently. If your child tests positive for COVID-19 please read the advice for isolation: <https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/topics/Page17239.aspx>



Caribou Kids Ski Pass

Banff school students will enjoy a (almost) free season's ski pass again this winter! In its 16th 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. Please [click here](#) for more information and the Norquay form.

School Fees

School fees are now overdue. You can find your child's fees on PowerSchool Parent Portal. Debit or credit card payments can be made online through your Parent Portal. Please contact Renee Husdal at renee.husdal@crps.ca to make payment arrangements if you are unable to pay within 30 days or if you have any questions.

The Week Ahead

Monday, December 19, 2022

- 'Ugly' Festive Sweater Monday
- Winter Market - 1 - 1:30 pm
- High Hopes team delivers gifts from the Giving Tree to Seniors
- JV Girls "Gold Team" Basketball Practice - 3:30 pm - 5:15 pm
- JV Boys "Black Team" Basketball Practice - 5:30 pm - 7:15 pm
- Yearbook Meeting at lunch in the art room

Tuesday, December 20, 2022

- Tucked in Tuesday
- Student Leadership at lunch
- Winter Market - 1 - 1:30 pm
- Tunnel Mountain Cross Country Skiing Grade 10 PE - weather dependent
- JV Boys "Gold Team" Basketball Practice - 3:30 pm - 5:15 pm

Wednesday, December 21, 2022

- Winter Wednesday
- Green Team meeting at lunch
- Winter Market - 1 - 1:30 pm
- Tunnel Mountain Cross Country Skiing Grade 10 PE - weather dependent
- *Open Court for Shooting - 3:30 - 4:30 pm for all Basketball teams*
- JV Boys "Black Team" Basketball Practice - 5:30 pm - 7:15 pm

Thursday, December 22, 2022

- Formal Thursday
- Winter Market - 1 - 1:30 pm
- Tunnel Mountain Cross Country Skiing Grade 10 PE - weather dependent
- JV Boys "Gold Team" Basketball Practice - 3:30 pm - 5:15 pm
- JV Girls "Black Team" Basketball Practice - 5:15 pm - 7:15 pm

Friday, December 23, 2022

- Pancake Breakfast 2022
- PJ Friday
- Half Day Friday - classes end at 11:40 am
- School closed in the afternoon

Upcoming:

- Monday, January 9, 2023: School opens
- Thursday, January 12: English 30-1 and 30-2 Diploma Part A
- Tuesday, January 17: Last Day of Classes
- Wednesday, January 18 to Friday, January 27: exam week for Grades 10-12, no classes for Grades 9-12

- Monday, January 23 - Friday, January 27: Career Exploration Week Grade 9
- Monday, January 30: Semester 2 starts
- Friday, February 3: Semester 1 report cards issued

Grade 9 Career Explorations Program - host employers needed

The Canadian Rockies Public Schools (CRPS) believes that employers can enhance student learning by creating opportunities for students to experience the real world of work. With more career knowledge, students can increase their motivation for learning, make better educational choices, and smooth the transition to post-secondary options after high school. In 2018, 2019 and 2020, the CRPS established partnerships with businesses, governments, non-profit organisations, and industries in the Bow Valley to provide short-term “Career Exploration” placements for our Grade 9 students. This program is voluntary for our Grade 9 students and will take place between January 23 and 27, 2023. Please contact Hans Holthuis, assistant principal at CCHS, hans.holthuis@crps.ca if you could consider hosting one of our students.

Dual Credit Courses with Olds College

These are the courses available in Semester 2. See Ms. Miles or Ms. Bekar for further details.

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT DIPLOMA EARN COLLEGE CREDITS IN HIGH SCHOOL!



Are you interested in a career within the Business Industry?

Through project-based learning, you'll have the opportunity to practice applying foundational business concepts to real world problems. Working alongside business owners and clients, you'll complete a semester-long project identifying business problems through research and the development of meaningful and effective solutions supported by evidence.

ACT 1011 / TERM: WINTER 2023 Accounting Principles

Feb 27 - May 19, 2023 | Online, Asynchronous

In ACT 1011, students will have an introduction to financial accounting focusing on the accounting cycle and the preparation of financial statements. Topics include accounting for merchandising activities, internal control, accounting for cash, temporary investments, accounts receivable, inventories, cost of goods sold, and current liabilities.



BUSINESS MANAGEMENT DIPLOMA SPORTS MANAGEMENT MAJOR

Does a career in athletic training interest you?

SPM 1020 / TERM: WINTER 2023 TRAINING FOR PERFORMANCE

In SPM 1020, students will learn about many aspects of training for athletic performance while working on the design of an athletic performance plan in a chosen sport of their choice. They will analyze the basic science behind activity, energy systems, and macrocycles in sport training. Students will also explore how training for athletic performance relates to diverse populations, training facilities, equipment, schedules, budgets, as well as individual and team training preferences. At the end of this course, the student project will have produced a complete athletic performance plan that they can modify in the future to fit any sport.

EARN COLLEGE CREDITS IN HIGH SCHOOL

Prepare for an exciting and fulfilling career in sports administration with the Business Management diploma, majoring in Sports Management. This two-year program combines the administrative side of sport with the foundations of business to provide you with the skills to become leaders and planners in this ever-changing field.





The growing use of technology in modern agriculture is mind-blowing! Do you want to see if you may have a future career in this industry for you?

Precision Agriculture Techgromony Diploma

ATE 1907 / TERM: WINTER 2023

Electronics & Control Systems in Precision Agriculture

Feb 27 - May 18, 2023 | Online, Asynchronous | 16 Credits (10 required)

During this course you will learn in detail about low hardware, software, and electronic components and their programming in agricultural systems. From GPS/GNSS to precision agriculture controllers, and the systems design, programming, and troubleshooting that accompanies them, you will develop detailed technical understanding and skills that can be applied to real-life applications and opportunities in precision agriculture. Taking this course will change the way you think about technology. Every time you see a tractor driving straight up and cover a field, a sprayer turning on or off beam sections, or a combine unloading grain, you will begin to think "How does that work?" or even better "I know how that works!"

EARN COLLEGE CREDITS IN HIGH SCHOOL

The Olds College Precision Agriculture Techgromony Diploma prepares graduates for entry into careers that bridge the gaps between agronomy, agriculture machinery management, and data science caused by the rapid evolution of high-speed technology.



Land & Water Resources Diploma

EARN COLLEGE CREDITS IN HIGH SCHOOL

Are you interested in a future career related to land sustainability and restoration?

This course provides an introduction to ecological principles at the species, population, community and ecosystem levels. Specific application of ecology to sustainability and the management of forest and grassland ecosystems are studied.

EVS 1210 / TERM: WINTER 2023
APPLIED ECOLOGY

Feb 27 - May 18, 2023 | Online, Asynchronous

In EVS 1210, students will learn to look at the natural world around you with new eyes. Ecology can be studied at a number of different levels: species (i.e. species' adaptations have allowed them to survive in specific habitats), populations (i.e. predator/prey relationships or other types of population interactions), communities (i.e. how plant and animal communities change over time), and ecosystems (i.e. how nutrients are recycled in a forest ecosystem). Specific application of ecology to sustainability and the management of forest and grassland ecosystems are studied. In addition, students will apply some of these principles to real problems such as global climate change, acidification of the oceans, loss of biodiversity in the world. Students in the class will look at problems and issues by reading short articles, watching videos about specific topics and by researching specific issues.



AIT 1140 / TERM: WINTER 2023 Veterinary Practice: The Team Connection

Feb 27 - May 18, 2023 | Asynchronous
Thinking of becoming a veterinarian or interested in working with animals as part of your career?

The Olds College Animal Health Technology Program prepares its graduates to be employed in the animal health industry by providing educational excellence in technical procedures, animal handling care, and client relations.

Animal Health Technology

EARN COLLEGE CREDITS IN HIGH SCHOOL



Students will become familiar with the aspects of the service cycle within a veterinary clinic. They will explore the inner workings of appointments, veterinary software and inventory, the importance of pet insurance, dealing with end of life situations (euthanasia), client invoicing and complaints and having open communication with fellow staff and clients. Having this knowledge will make them better team players and prepare them for the different situations they will encounter in practice. As a dual credit student, this course will help you become better prepared for the expectations of working in a veterinary clinic and the importance of positive interactions with clients.



Horticulturist Technologist Diploma

EARN COLLEGE CREDITS IN HIGH SCHOOL

Does a career in Alberta's growing food production industry interest you?

Cultivate an exciting career in horticulture with the Horticulturist Technologist diploma. This two-year program will provide you with a deep understanding of horticulture, including the production and management of plants, pests, herbicides, soils and water systems to achieve productive and sustainable systems.

HRT 1700 / TERM: WINTER 2023
PRODUCING HORTICULTURE CROPS

Feb 27 - May 18, 2023 | Online, Synchronous

In HRT 1700, students will learn about the production side of horticulture work in Alberta. We grow a wide variety of plants in the profiles for a variety of purposes, including vegetables, fruit, plants for sale and much more! This course will introduce you to the range of plants available for a production business and introduce learners to the fundamentals of managing land for production purposes. You'll also get a first glimpse of producing a food crop in your own window sill with some tasty salad greens.



Hospitality & Tourism Management Diploma

Does a career in Alberta's growing tourism industry interest you? Are you ready to add skills to your resume?

EARN COLLEGE CREDITS IN HIGH SCHOOL!

This innovative program prepares its graduates to contribute to the growth and development of the Hospitality and Tourism industry by providing educational excellence in key sectors of the industry, including managerial, entrepreneurial and guest experience perspectives. Graduates will be positioned to take advantage of local, national and global career opportunities within this dynamic industry.

HAT 2038 / TERM: WINTER 2023 Accommodation Management

Feb 27 - May 19, 2023 | Online, Asynchronous
In HAT 2038, students will learn all about accommodation management in Alberta's tourism industry. Students will assess customer needs and develop strategies that create excellence of service. Students will gain an understanding of all aspects of management, including room division and evaluation of facilities. Students will learn to analyze those services and operations through the guest perspective in order to establish a strong accommodation model.



Banff and Lake Louise Holiday Community Supports

Follow the link to learn more about all the [Holiday Supports, Resources and Events 2022](#)

Defending Awesome: Holiday Meal Draw

Information coming soon!

Please check out their social media pages for more information

Holiday Community Table Lunch

December 21, 12 - 1 pm, by donation

Catharine Robb Whyte Building, 101 Bear Street

Soups On: Soup/Bread/Tea/Coffee

Tuesdays 11 am – 1 pm FREE

Banff Park Church, 455 Cougar St

Chili Night

Fridays 6:30 pm – 8 pm FREE

Banff Park Church, 455 Cougar St

Veg and meat options available

Recreation room access after dinner to play ping pong, pool, foosball and board games

Banff Food Rescue

Monday/Wednesday/Friday 6 pm - 7 pm

Lower level in Sundance Mall, 215 Banff Ave

Check the Banff Food Rescue Facebook page as times are subject to change


Banff Food Bank



Tuesdays 11:45 am – 12:15 pm

Banff Park Church, back door entrance, 455 Cougar St

Social Media

A great way to stay connected to our school is through our social media platforms. Make sure that you follow our school social media sites at the following addresses:

	<p>Instagram: banffbchs bears</p>
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	Facebook: Banff Community High School
	Twitter: @BCHS Bears

Also, remember that our calendar and school information can all be accessed through our website <https://bchs.crps.ca/>.



Do you have a spare bedroom?

Become a host family

for our International Student Program!

We are looking for 5 or 10 month commitments

(and for temporary host families over April Spring Break, 2023)

Remuneration Provided

[Follow this link to find out more!](#)



Bear Celebrations

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

Other Information

Missing important happenings at BCHS, but are awash in emails? Find information through our social media. Get connected, become involved.

- Check out our Daily School Announcements [here](#)

News

Bow Valley Settlement Services Information and newsletter [Click Here](#).

Follow the [link](#) to view the Board Highlights from the October 19, 2022 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 [click here](#). This is where you will access daily updates on your student's marks and attendance, school fees, and more.
- **The 2022/2023 Student / Parent Handbook is [here](#).**
- 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 this link for the [2022 - 2023 School Calendar](#)

Please feel free to contact the Principal, Chris Rogers (chris.rogers@crps.ca) with feedback or suggestions or use our feedback [link here](#).