

## THIS WEEK AT BCHS

*Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety*

**April 24 - April 28, 2023**

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

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

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

### School Calendar

[2022 -2023 School Calendar](#)

[2023-2024 School Calendar](#)

### Wellbeing Updates

Over 70 students were recently nominated by their peers to be potential 'Community Helpers'. It is reassuring to know that there are so many students at our school who their peers identify as someone they trust and respect. This program trains students to be able to provide initial support to their peers and offer guidance as to where the supports are in the community. We have about 20 students who expressed an interest in receiving the training; led by the Town of Banff it will take place on Friday, May 5 through the whole day.

### Student Hiring Fair

On Thursday, May 25 from 9 - 11 am at CCHS, CRPS is connecting Bow Valley employers with our Grade 9 - 12 students and hosting a hiring fair. If you are an employer and interested in attending please complete this [booking form](#) or have a look at the [CRPS website](#) for more details.

## Planning for 2023/24 and Transition News

The process of course selection is now complete - thank you. The next step for the CRPS high school administration team is to create a schedule based on staffing and student requests. This process will take over a month to complete and our intent is to have schedules out to students in June for any final tweaking. The Grade 8s from Banff Elementary School will be visiting on Thursday, April 23 as part of their transition to high school and our Grade 11 student leaders will help host them.

## Diploma Exams, Provincial Assessment Tests, and School Exams

We have had a few questions about dates for the end-of-year exams. Currently, all Grade 12 Diploma exams are scheduled on our school's calendar on our website. These dates are fixed by the province and cannot be changed. Grade 9 Provincial Achievement Test dates are on our website calendar and are also scheduled by the province. School final exams for Grade 10 and 11 courses will occur between June 19 and June 27 and the schedule is being finalized with teachers and will be published soon. If a student cannot take a school exam on the date scheduled there may be a possibility of negotiating with the teacher for an alternative date.

## myPass

Just a reminder that Grade 10 - 12 students should set up their myPass so they can access their school transcripts and track their high school credits. Here is a **step by step guide for setting up MyPass**

## Extra Curricular News

Rugby practices can be found in the [Bears Rugby Schedule](#).

## The Week Ahead

**Monday, April 24, 2023**

**Tuesday, April 25, 2023**

- School Leadership Council meeting at lunch

### **Wednesday, April 26, 2023**

- Green Team / High Hopes Team meeting at lunch

### **Thursday, April 27, 2023**

- Grade 8 BES students transition visit in the morning
- Boys and Girls Rugby games at Rundle College; departing in the afternoon

### **Friday, April 28, 2023**

- Half day Friday




### **Upcoming:**

- Monday, May 1 - School Council meeting at 4:15 pm (no meeting in April)
- Friday, May 5 - Half Day Friday
- Monday, May 15 - English Language Arts Part A Provincial Assessment Test Grade 9
- Monday, May 22 - Victoria Day - no school for students
- Monday, May 29 - Provincial Elections - no school for students / Staff PD Day
- Friday, June 2 - Half Day Friday
- Tuesday, June 13 - Social Studies 30-1 and 30-2 Diploma Exam Part A
- Thursday, June 15 - Awards Assembly #3
- Friday, June 16 - Half day Friday and last day of classes
- Monday, June 19 - Tuesday, June 27 - Diplomas, PATs, and school final exams
- **Friday, June 30** - Graduation Ceremony and last day of school

### **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 2022 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>

### **Social Media**

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| <br>Instagram | Instagram: <a href="#">banffbchsbears</a>             |
|               | Facebook: <a href="#">Banff Community High School</a> |
|               | Twitter: <a href="#">@BCHS Bears</a>                  |

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:

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

## Host an International Student This September

- ▶ Say “yes” to hosting an international student this fall! CRPS' International Student Program is looking for host families who can provide accommodations for five or ten months beginning September 2023. Host families will commit to providing a private bedroom, three meals a day, and inclusion in family and community activities. Remuneration is provided. Learn more by visiting CRPS' [International Student Program webpage!](#)

[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](mailto: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.

### **News**

**Parent Resource** - 6 Pillars of Well Being. <https://www.seethesigns.ca/resources/>

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

Follow the [link](#) to view the 'The Brief'; highlights from the April 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](https://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](mailto:chris.rogers@crps.ca)) with feedback or suggestions or use our feedback [link here](#).