

## THIS WEEK AT BCHS

*Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety*

October 9 - 13, 2023

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

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

### WimWe Grade 10 Program Starts This Week

The Grade 10 WimWE program is an exciting opportunity to create deeper connections between students and their peers, teachers, our local wilderness, and ultimately themselves. Students will also learn outdoor activity and safety skills for participating in mountain recreation in all seasons. In partnership with the Canadian Rockies Outdoor Learning Centre and with generous funding from the Wim and Nancy Pauw Foundation, CRPS is excited to offer to all Grade 10 students in the division, the Wim & Nancy Pauw Wilderness Experience which offers some unique, challenging, and powerful experiences. This week both Grade 10 classes have their first activity, hiking to Bankhead and C-Level Cirque trail.

### SHAD

Attention, Grade 10 & 11 students! Are you looking to transform your summer into an unparalleled learning experience? Look no further because Shad 2024 offers an unrivaled opportunity to immerse yourself in the world of STEAM and entrepreneurship, connecting with like-minded peers from across Canada and even internationally. With two exciting program options – an on-campus experience at one of 21 premier Canadian universities, including the University of Calgary, or the flexible Shad Anywhere digital experience – there's something for everyone. [Click here for further details](#).

### Grad Plans

Grade 12 Grad Plans are now overdue. Students need to go to [myPass](#) and locate their Detailed Academic Record and their credentials checklist. Submitted grad plans allow

administration and students to know they are on track to graduate in June 2024. Students who do not submit their Grad Plan will not be able to make last-minute changes in Semester 2 if they discover that requirements are missing.

## Homework Support

Assignment completion is a work habit and skill that we hope all students develop as they pass through high school. However, for some students, they need a little more help with being independent in their work habits. We will be holding homework support sessions over lunchtime on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. These sessions will be for students who are not completing assignments by the deadline set by their teachers. Parents will be informed by the teacher that the student has missed a deadline and therefore will be required to attend a homework support session in the library at lunchtime. Students will need to bring their lunch with them.

## Extra Curricular News

### Lunchtime Band

Tuesday is the day for Lunchtime Band. Any student, past or new musician is welcome to attend at lunch in the Music room. Contact [brian.sand@crps.ca](mailto:brian.sand@crps.ca) for details.

### Volleyball

Please see the attached [BCHS practice schedule](#) for a list of all practice times.

Tournaments:

- SR Girls host October 13 & 14. Games start at 4 pm on Friday.
- SR Boys head to Airdrie, St. Martin de Porres High School.
- JV boys head to Diamond Valley, Oilfields High School.

There are lots of [league games](#) happening this week too.

Oct 9

Oct 10

Oct 11

Oct 12

**Thanksgiving NO  
SCHOOL**

*SRG-BCHS@CCHS  
7:15-9:00pm*

*SRB-BCHS@CCHS  
7:15-9:00pm*

*JVG-CCHS@BCHS  
5:30-7:15 pm*

*(depart at 6:15pm)*

*(depart at 6:30pm)*

*Gr9G-BCHS@OLS*

*5:15-7:00pm*

*(depart at 4:30)*

*Gr9B -*

*BCHS(9@OLS*

*5:00-6:30*

*(depart at 4:15pm)*

*JVB - BCHS@CCHS*

*5:30-7:15pm*

*(depart at 4:30)*

## **Run Club**

This week the members of Run Club are taking part in Cross Country Zones on October 11 in Trochu.

## **Volunteers 2023-2024**

All volunteers need to complete a Vulnerable Sector Check with the RCMP every 12 months. This usually only takes a few days - contact our office for more details and a form.

## **School Calendar**

[2023 - 2024 School Calendar](#)

## **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**

## **School Fees**

School fees are not yet finalized; they will appear on Parent Portal once they have been assessed. Payment options and details will be provided when invoiced.

## **The Week Ahead**

### **Monday, October 9, 2023**

- Thanksgiving - **no school**

### **Tuesday, October 10, 2023**

- Banff Pride Week - Pride Flag raising at 12:30 pm
- Lunchtime Band practice

### **Wednesday, October 11, 2023**

- Wim WE 10A Hike Day
- Green Team/High Hopes at lunch
- Rainbow Alliance at lunch
- Cross country zones

### **Thursday, October 12, 2023**

- Student Leadership at lunch
- Wim WE 10B Hike Day

### **Friday, October 13, 2023**

- Half Day Friday, Blocks C and D. Classes end at 11:40 am

## **Upcoming Dates**

- October 16: School Council Meeting 4:15 pm
- October 16: ELAA Post Secondary Institutions Fair
- October 18: Photo Retake Day
- October 25: Parent Teacher Student Conferences 5 - 8 pm
- October 26: Parent Teacher Student Conferences 4 - 7 pm
- October 27: Parent Teacher Student Conferences 8:30 - 11:42 am
- October 27: No classes for students
- October 30 & 31: School Council Halloween Spirit Events
  
- November 2: Last day of Quarter 1 classes for Grade 9s

## **Grade 10 Wim & Nancy Pauw Foundation Wilderness Experience (WimWE)**

**Full day hiking @** Bankhead and C-Level Cirque Trail, Banff National Park

October 11 - Class 10A

October 12 - Class 10B

### **Hiking:**

8:30am - Departure from BCHS

9:00am - Arrival at Upper Bankhead parking

9:15am - 2:00 pm Hiking

2:50pm - Departure from Lower Bankhead parking

3:20pm - Arrival at BCHS

### **WimWE Hiking Gear list**

Please bring all of the following items for each day of the program. It is important to the comfort, safety, and enjoyment of the entire group that all participants are outfitted appropriately.

Clothing:

-Gloves or mitts

-Toque (warm hat)

-Sunhat

-Pants:

~Hiking/quick dry pants (no cotton or jeans please)

~Waterproof outer layer: rain pants

-Tops:

~Base layer: long underwear top (not cotton)

~insulating layers: fleece, polyester (not cotton), and/or down

~Waterproof outer layer: rain jacket

Outdoor Gear:

- Day pack (30 L)
- 1 Litre Water bottle filled (minimum 1L please)
- light hiking boots or hiking shoes (NO sandals or slip-on shoes ie. Vans)
- hearty lunch and snacks



Personal Items:

- Personal Medications
- Lip Balm
- Sunscreen
- Sunglasses

\*\*\* The Parent/Guardian Acknowledgement of Risk and Informed Consent will be emailed to you. Please complete and submit this form by **Friday, October 6.** \*\*\*

**Any questions about the WIMWE program can be directed to [crolc@crps.ca](mailto:crolc@crps.ca)**

**Social Media**

	<p>Instagram: <a href="https://www.instagram.com/banffbchs bears">banffbchs bears</a></p>
	<p>Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/BanffCommunityHighSchool">Banff Community High School</a></p>



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/>.







# WANTED HOST FAMILIES



**CRPS is looking for new host families.  
Host an international student: share your home, culture and  
learn about a new one. Monthly remuneration.**

**More info, please contact:**

Phone: (403) 609-6072

Email: [homestay@crps.ca](mailto:homestay@crps.ca)

Address: 618 7Ave. Canmore



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

## Other Information

[Help your teen connect to nature for better health](#)

**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 newsletter [Click Here.](#)

Follow the [link](#) to view the 'The Brief'; highlights from the September 19 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 2023/2024 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 - 2024 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](#).