

THIS WEEK AT BCHS

Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety

October 16 - 20, 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](#).

Post Secondary Planning Events

BCHS works hard to support all students with their planning for post secondary education and careers. This work begins in Grade 9 in Health when students consider safe workplaces in the course HCS3000 and in January when they have the opportunity to take part in a career exploration program. On **Monday, October 16** BCHS will be hosting the ELAA fair where all students will be able to meet with post secondary institutions from around Alberta. On **Friday, October 20** Grade 12s will travel to CCHS for a similar event with out-of-province institutions. Parents are welcome to attend either event (see below for times). Our [Post Secondary page](#) on the school website has information about application timelines, different schools, deferring admission, studying in the USA, and gap years.

Parent - Student - Teacher Conferences Appointment Booking Opens

Between Monday, October 16 and Tuesday, October 24 parents will be able to book an appointment with their child's teachers to discuss progress, goals, and support in all their courses. Parents will receive an email on Monday morning to explain how to do this. We strongly encourage students to come with their parents in order for them to have a productive conversation and be part of the plans for moving forward. Conferences will be either in person, virtual, or by phone but please note the different dates these forms are available:

Wednesday, October 25 - 5 - 8 pm IN PERSON ONLY

Thursday, October 26 - 4 - 7 pm VIRTUAL OR PHONE ONLY

Friday, October 27 - 8:30-11:30 am IN PERSON, VIRTUAL OR PHONE

More information on how to book a Parent - Student - Teacher Conference can be [found here](#).

How to Pay School Fees

School fees are now OPEN on Parent Portal ready for payment. You can pay your **School Fees** online through your **PowerSchool Parent Portal Account**; the link is on the [bchs.crps.ca webpage](https://bchs.crps.ca). Once you sign in, under Navigation click Student Fees.

Payments can be made by Credit Card (MasterCard & VISA) and INTERAC.

If you wish to pay by Cheque, Cash, or Tap, you can do so through the BCCHS Main Office.

In cases of Financial Hardship, please contact Renee Husdal in the main office for a Fee Waiver Form at 403-762-4411, or email renee.husdal@crps.ca.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Renee Husdal.

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 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 home volleyball tournament starts Friday, October 20

Run Club

Congratulations to Tobias Breymann for his 3rd place at Zones in the intermediate boys' race and to Lilly Fischer for her 17th place in the junior girls' race. Both qualified for the provincials at Trochu on October 21.

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**

The Week Ahead

Monday, October 16, 2023

- Intramural volleyball starts
- Alberta post secondary fair 9 - 10:30 am all grades
- Parent - Student - Teacher conference appointment booking system opens
- School Council Meeting 4:15 pm BCHS Library - [Agenda](#) (virtual link in the Agenda).

Tuesday, October 17, 2023

- CRPS Board meeting at BES 7 pm
- Lunchtime Band practice
- Green Team/High Hopes at lunch

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

- **Photo retakes**
- CRPS Board Trustees visit
- New students welcome lunch
- Rainbow Alliance at lunch
- Last Run Club

Thursday, October 19, 2023

- Student Leadership at lunch

Friday, October 20, 2023

- Full day Friday
- Out of Province Post Secondary Fair at CCHS for Grade 12
- SR Boys Home Volleyball Tournament

Upcoming Dates

- October 25: Parent - Student - Teacher Conferences 5 - 8 pm
- October 26: Parent - Student - Teacher Conferences 4 - 7 pm
- October 27: Parent - Student - Teacher Conferences 8:30 - 11:30 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

Social Media

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

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). 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) with feedback or suggestions or use our feedback [link here](#).