THIS WEEK AT BCHS

Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety

January 29 - February 2, 2024

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

Check out our Daily School Announcements here.

Alberta Education Assurance Survey

Information for parents and guardians

About the survey

Every year, Alberta Education surveys students, their parents and all teachers on behalf of schools and school authorities to assess what is working well and where there is room for improvement. The survey asks students in grades 4, 7 and 10, and their parents, about their thoughts, feelings and experiences in school. The survey will be administered between January and March 2024. In some schools, all students in grades 4 and above and their parents will be surveyed.

Participants will be asked questions on a variety of topics, such as welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning environments; student learning engagement; and parental involvement. The survey does not ask for names and cannot be used to identify individual participants.



 How will I take the survey?
Parents or guardians are issued a single-use Random Access Code mailed through Canada Post to complete the survey online.

Every year, Alberta Education surveys students, their parents, and all teachers on behalf of schools and school authorities to assess what is working well and where there is room for improvement. Grade 10 parents, please look for a single-use Random Access Code mailed through Canada Post to complete the survey online. Please take the time to share your voice.

Click Here for more information about the Grade 10 Alberta Education Assurance Survey

New Student Passwords

Please note that as per our Canadian Rockies Information Security Procedures, unique student passwords will be reset in January. The best practice - changing student passwords regularly - is key to keeping our network secure. Students received their new passwords and they will need to start using it on **Monday, January 29, 2024**.

If a student does not have their new password they will need to visit the school office in order to access all their assignments, Google Classroom, and CRPS email.

January 2024 Exam Schedule

The remaining exams are on Monday, January 29. Please refer to the exam timetable published **here** and in the calendar. Diploma exam dates are set by the province and cannot be changed. If a student misses the set date they will need to take the exam in April or in June. Students should arrive by 8:45 am for their exam. If they are ill, parents/guardians need to call and an arrangement can be made for an alternate exam sitting.



Semester 1 Textbook Return

Students should return their textbooks to the library after their final exam for Semester 1. They need to make sure their name is written inside the front cover and that the book goes into the secure cubicle by the library clerk's desk to ensure their book is returned safely. Every year we have books that go missing because students return their friend's book by mistake (and their book isn't returned) or they leave it in a classroom hoping it will make its way to the library (and it doesn't). Missing library books are charged to a student's school fees account. Some textbooks cost close to \$100.

Semester 2 Starts

Semester 2 starts on **Wednesday**, **January 31** as does Grade 9 Quarter 3 classes. Students should refer to Power School to check their schedule. Grade 12s have until Friday, February 9 to make any course changes. Students should check their MyPass to make sure they are on

track for graduation. If they have any post-secondary questions they should arrange to meet with Ms Bekar or Ms Miles.

Extra Curricular News

Basketball

Please see the attached **<u>BCHS practice schedule</u>** for a list of all practice times.

League Games Schedule:

- Wednesday, January 31: SR Girls Holy Trinity vs BCHS @ 5 pm
- Wednesday, January 31: SR Boys OLS vs BCHS @ 7 pm

The Week Ahead

Monday, January 29, 2024

- Physics 30 diploma exam
- Math 10 exam

Tuesday, January 30, 2024

• Turn around day

Wednesday, January 31, 2024

• Semester 2 and Quarter 3 starts

Thursday, February 1, 2024

• SWIS hosts pizza lunch

Friday, February 2, 2024

- Report cards issued in Power School
- Student Diaries meeting 1 pm with senior admin

Upcoming Dates

- February 5: SAIT dual credit session 1
- February 6: SAIT dual credit session 2
- February 7: WimWe AST Level 1 presentation Grade 10 NEW DATE

- February 9: Half day Friday A and B block
- February 9: Last day for Gr 12 course withdrawal
- February 9-10: Senior Boys Basketball Home Tournament
- February 12: SAIT dual credit session 3
- February 12: BCHS School council meeting 4:15 pm
- February 14: Grade 9 vaccinations
- February 15: AST Level 1 field day Grade 10
- February 16: AST Level 1 field day Grade 10
- February 19-23: Schools closed for students
- February 22: SAIT dual credit session 4
- February 23: SAIT dual credit session 5

School Calendar

2023 - 2024 School Calendar

Teacher Support

Teacher Support sessions run over lunchtime on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. These are sessions for students who need further teacher support to complete assignments or who have missed a test due to an absence. Students will need to bring their lunch with them.

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 Fees

School fees are on Parent Portal ready for payment. Details for payment options are available on the fees page.

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**

International Student Program

CRPS is looking for Canmore & Banff families to host our next incredible cohort of 50 international students arriving in August 2024! Make meaningful connections, share your different cultures, learn a new language, and 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.

Follow this link to find out more!



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



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 <u>link</u> to view the 'The Brief'; highlights from the January 24 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.
- 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 <u>2022 2024 School Calendar</u>

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>.