



THIS WEEK AT BCHS

***Belonging, Excellence, Accountability,
March 11th - 15th 2024***

Parent-Student-Teacher Conferences

Parents and guardians have until the end of Monday March 11th to book appointments for the conferences this week. If you miss this deadline please call the school office. These are vital reporting to parents events in the annual calendar. At these conferences teachers will talk with parents and students about their recommendation for the courses to select next year that will create a successful pathway to graduation. These are the dates, times and format:

Wednesday March 13th: 5-9pm - in person appointments

Thursday March 14th: 4-7pm - virtual appointments only

Friday March 15th: 8.30-11.30am - in person or virtual appointments

Note, that there will not be telephone appointments this time around. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend these meetings with their child. For new families, you need to make an appointment with each of your child's teachers, not one appointment.

Other Events in March Transition Planning Month

1. Open House

We welcome all families but in particular parents of students in Grades 7 and 8 to come and explore with us the broad range of learning experiences and opportunities at our Spring Open House on **Wednesday March 20th** from 6-7pm.

1. Transition Planning Information Sessions

Parents and students should attend these presentations on **Wednesday March 20th** about moving into the next grade so that they can learn more about their choices in their pathway to graduation. Attend the session for the grade into which your child moves to in August 2024.

5.30-6pm Grades 10 and 12

7-7.30pm Grades 9 and 11

2. Course selection

Following all these information sessions and conferences students will be able to choose their courses for next year between **March 21st and March 28th** via a Google Form (Grades 9 and 10) and PowerSchool (Grades 11 and 12).

Extra Curricular News

Basketball

Please see the attached [BCHS practice schedule](#) for a list of all practice times. **Rugby practices have started and badminton starts soon.** Note the tabs at the bottom of the sheet to scroll through the upcoming weeks, as basketball and rugby practices vye for gym space.

[League Games Schedule](#)

Badminton

The intramural Badminton Doubles tournament starts on Monday and will run for two weeks. Badminton practices start this week.

The Week Ahead

Monday, March 11th 2024

- SAIT baking course session 4
- Through the Lens field trip to Star Six Ranch 10.30am- 4pm

Tuesday, March 12th 2024

- Teacher support at lunch
- Grad photos

Wednesday, March 13th 2024

- Teacher support at lunch
- Parent Student Teacher Conferences 5-8pm - in person
- Grad photos

Thursday, March 14th 2024

- School leadership council at lunch
- Teacher support at lunch
- Parent Student Teacher Conferences 4-7pm - virtual
- Grad photos
- Jostens Grad rings

Friday, March 15th 2024

- No classes for students
- Parent Student Teacher Conferences 8.30pm-11.30am - in person and virtual
- Teacher PD in pm
- SAIT baking course session 5
- Grad photos

Upcoming Dates

- March 18th: School council
- March 18th: SAIT baking course session 6
- March 18th: CRPS Public School Board meeting at Exshaw School
- March 20th : Open House and Transitions Evening
- March 25th-29th: March Madness Week
- March 27th: March Madness Iron Chef
- March 27th: CRPS Student Employment Hiring Fair
- March 28th: Last day before Spring Break
- March 28th: Awards Assembly #2
- Friday March 29th - Sunday April 14th: Spring Break

School Fees

School fees are OPEN on Parent Portal ready for payment. Details for payment options are

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.

News

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



Follow the **link** to view the highlights in [The Brief](#) from the January CRPS 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.
- Grade 10-12 students can access their official Alberta Education transcript of marks through a myPass account (myPass.alberta.ca). Grade 10 marks will start to appear after the first semester.
- The 2023/2024 Student / Parent Handbook is available on our [home page](#). Do have a look as it contains a lot of important information about how our school operates, our expectations, our celebrations of student success and dates for the whole year including diploma exams.
- Please click this link for the [2023 - 2024 School Calendar](#)

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:

	Instagram: banffbchsbears
	Facebook: Banff Community High School

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

Become a Host Family for CRPS International Students in 2024-25!

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.

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](#)

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