

THIS WEEK AT BCHS

Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety

September 16th - 20th 2024

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

Skills Canada Alberta Presentation Grade 9

On **Thursday, September 19th** Grade 9s will take part in a presentation from Skills Canada Alberta. Skills Canada will present and promote trades and technology careers. It is timely as students are experiencing new CTF courses at BCHS this year: Outdoor Education, Foods, Media and Design, and Construction.

Grade 12 Parents and Students Graduation and Post Secondary Planning Meeting

All Grade 12 parents are welcome to attend an important information session on **Monday, September 16th** at **7pm** in the gym. Grade 12 students should also attend. Information will be shared about the Grad Plan, plans for the Graduation Ceremony on June 26th 2025, post secondary education applications, and scholarships.

Half Day Fridays

The first half day Friday occurs this week. Students will have their A and B Block lessons

Students will be dismissed at 11:42am for the rest of the day. Across CRPS teachers spend the afternoon in Professional Learning sessions; BCHS teachers are working with CCHS teachers on assessment practice focused on outcomes of learning for students.

Next time there is a half day Friday it will be C and D Blocks. A and B blocks will then alternate with C and D blocks for each consecutive half day.

Teacher Support

Assignment completion is a work habit and skill that we hope all students develop as they pass through high school. However, some students need a little more support with being independent in their work habits. Teacher support sessions run over lunchtime on **Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays**. These sessions are for students who do not complete assignments by deadlines, who miss a test due to an absence, AND also for students who would like additional support. Students will need to bring their lunch with them.

Annual Demographic Update

Parents and guardians have now received notification that the annual demographic information about their child needs to be updated. Please fill it out and submit it as soon as possible. The school needs to have accurate information on home addresses, guardianship, emergency contacts, and medical alerts.

Extra Curricular News

Athletics

Volleyball:

Practices this upcoming week:

- Sr. Girls: Monday from 5-6:30 pm and Wednesday from 5:00-7:00 pm
- Sr. and JV Boys: Tuesday and Thursday from 5:00-7:00 pm
- JV Girls: Monday from 5:00-6:30 pm and Thursday from 3:30-5:00 pm
- Jr. Girls: Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30-5:00 pm
- Jr. Boys: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30-5:00 pm

Games this upcoming week:

- Sr Girls on Tuesday, September 17th @CCHS from 7:15-9:00 pm
- JV Girls on Wednesday, September 18th @CCHS from 4:00-5:30 pm
- Sr Boys on Thursday, September 19th @ BCHS from 5:15-7:00 pm

Golf:

We have a boys' team heading to Zones on Monday, September 16th. Unfortunately, we did not have enough interested students to have a senior girls' team this year.

Cross Country Running:

Our cross country team has started their practices which are on Wednesdays at 3:30 pm. New team members are welcome; speak with Mr. Strand (rm 202) to sign up for the team.

Volunteers 2024-2054

All volunteers need to complete a Vulnerable Sector Check with the RCMP every 12 months. This usually only takes a few days - contact Renee Husdal, in the office for more details and a form. Throughout the year we need volunteers for field trips, as coaches for teams, and other extracurricular activities.

School Fees

School fees are not yet finalised; however they will start to appear on Parent Portal as we work on the fees. Payment options and details will be provided when invoiced.

The Week Ahead

Monday, September 16th 2024

- Grade 12 Parent and Student information evening - 7pm
- Jr. Girls VBall practice from 3:30-5:00 pm
- JV Girls VBall practice from 5:00-6:30 pm (early finish)
- Sr. Girls VBall practice from 5:00-6:30 pm (early finish)

Tuesday, September 17th 2024

- Knowledge Keepers visit Humanities 10 classes
- SAIT Baking course #2
- Welcome Lunch for students new to Banff
- Green Team/High Hopes meeting at lunch
- Teacher support at lunch
- Jr. Boys VBall practice from 3:30-5:00 pm
- JV & Sr. Boys VBall practice from 5:00-7:00 pm
- Sr Girls VBall game @CCHS from 7:15-9:00

Wednesday, September 18th 2024

- Teacher support at lunch

- Jr. Girls VBall practice from 3:30-5:00 pm
- Sr Girls VBall practice from 5:00-7:00 pm
- JV Girls VBall Game @CCHS from 4:00-5:30

Thursday, September 19th 2024

- Teacher support at lunch
- Skills Alberta Presentation Grade 9
- Jr. Boys VBall practice from 3:30-5:00 pm
- JV Girls VBall practice from 3:30-5:00 pm
- JV Boys VBall practice from 5:00-7:00 pm
- Sr Boys VBall Game vs OLS from 5:15-7:00 pm

Friday, September 20th 2024

- Half Day Friday Blocks A and B

Upcoming Dates

- Sept 23: Visit to SAIT for apprenticeship day open house - Grade 9s
- Sept 23: Truth and Reconciliation week starts
- Sept 24: SAIT Baking course #3
- Sept 24: CRPS Trustees Public Board meeting 7pm
- Sept 27: Terry Fox Run
- Sept 30: National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - no school
- Oct 1: SAIT baking course #4
- Oct 1 & 2 : Outdoor Education 9 overnight backpacking trip
- Oct 4: Half Day Friday C and D Block
- Oct 7: School Council AGM
- Oct 7: Wim We Hike Day 10A
- Oct 8: SAIT baking course #5
- Oct 10: Honours Society evening
- Oct 10: Wim We Hike Day 10B
- Oct 11: Turkey Trot
- Oct 14: Thanksgiving - no school

News

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

Follow the [link](#) to view the highlights in The Brief from the August 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 2024/2025 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 [2024 - 2025 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:



Website

Bear Celebrations

If you have a BCHS Celebration that you would like to share with our community, please email natasha.miles@crps.ca.