

THIS WEEK AT BCHS

Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety

November 25th - 29th 2024

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

ELAA Post-Secondary Fair

Parents are welcome to join students for the Post Secondary Fair for high schools on **Monday, November 25** from 9:00 - 10:30am. This event will be held in the gym. All students will have the opportunity to interact with representatives from post secondary institutions from across Alberta and ask questions about future career options. Parents wishing to attend should sign in at the main office upon your arrival.

Fundraisers



Last chance to buy tickets for The Balkan Fundraising Dinner!

Our annual silent auction fundraiser will take place on **Tuesday, November 26th**, beginning at **6:30pm** at The Balkan. This is a great pre-holiday season event where you can connect with other parents and locals. Tickets are \$60 per person; this includes a four course dinner, entertainment, and of course the silent auction. Tickets can be ordered through email - kristen.wiggins@crps.ca or by speaking with a 2025 grad. You can also order online [here](#). *** Please note that this event is not meant for grads or anyone under 18 years old to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!



As well our Purdy's Chocolate fundraiser has kicked off. Please share this link with anyone you think may be interested. Many people love to get all their Holiday chocolate shopping done through this fundraiser, so please be sure to spread the word! The link is here:

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1220668-121495>

Orders will be delivered to the school for pick up before the Holiday break.

If you have any questions please email kristen.wiggins@crps.ca and/or monica.bulas@crps.ca.

School & Community Holiday Concert

The BCHS band will be performing at the Banff Centre School/Community Holiday Concert. This will be a fun, community centred family event to celebrate the holiday season. There are two performances, one on **Wednesday, December 11** starting at 6:30pm and one on **Thursday, December 12** starting at 6:30pm. You can purchase tickets online using these links: [December 11](#) or [December 12](#).

Please note: there is a maximum of 4 tickets available per family.



Fall Awards Assembly & Staff vs Students Volleyball Game

On **Wednesday, November 27**, we will hand out our Fall Athletic Awards followed by a Staff vs Students volleyball game. This has become a fun tradition at BCHS and both Staff and Students get pumped up for this rivalry. The fun will kick off at 11:00am and any parents wanting to attend should sign in at the main office. We will follow the [modified timetable](#) to accommodate the assembly.



Open House and Craft Fair

BCHS will host an Open House evening on **Tuesday, December 3** from . This is a great opportunity to check out the school and what our students have been learning. Students taking Art, Fashion Studies, Construction, and Foods are currently hard at work preparing items for our Christmas Craft Fair that will coincide with the Open House. Another great chance to pick up some holiday gifts! All proceeds from the Craft Fair will be donated to the Banff Food Rescue.



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.

Extra Curricular News

Athletics

Volleyball:

Fee payments now due

With the Volleyball season finished, please ensure you have paid team fees. You can pay fees through [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#). You will see the icon for school fees on the left side of the page after you log in.

Basketball:

Tryouts

Second tryout for SR High Boys will be held on Tuesday, November 26 from 5:00-7:00pm.

Practices

- JR Boys practice on Mondays & Thursdays from 3:30-5:00pm
- JV Girls practice on Monday from 5:00-7:00pm and Wednesday from 3:30-5:00pm
- JV Boys practice on Tuesdays and Thursday from 7:00-9:00pm
- SR Girls practice on Tuesdays from 3:30-5:00pm and Wednesday from 5:00-7:00pm
- SR Boys practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:00-7:00pm

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

You can find a listing of fees [here](#).

School fees can be paid online through the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#). Once you sign on, under "Navigation," click "Student Fees."

Please [click here](#) for instructions on how to make a payment using [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#).

Debit or credit card payments can be made online through your Parent Portal.

If you wish to pay by cheque, cash, or tap & pay, you can do so through the BCHS Main Office.

In cases of financial hardship, please email Renee Husdal for a "Fee Waiver Form" or call her at 403-762-4411.

The Week Ahead

Monday, November 25th 2024

- ELAA Post Secondary Fair - 9:00-10:30am
- JR Boys Basketball practice - 3:30-5:00pm
- JR & JV Girls Basketball practice - 5:00-7:00pm

Tuesday, November 26th 2024

- Green Team/High Hopes meeting at lunch
- Teacher support at lunch
- Silent Auction Dinner - 6:30pm at The Balkan
- SR Girls Basketball practice - 3:30-5:00pm
- SR Boys Basketball Tryout #2 from 5:00-7:00pm
- CRPS Board meeting @ BES - 7:00-0:00pm

Wednesday, November 27th 2024

- Fall Athletic Awards - 11:00am
- Teacher support at lunch
- Student Leadership meeting at lunch - room 115
- JR & JV Girls Basketball practice - 3:30-5:00pm
- SR Girls Basketball Practice - 5:00-7:00pm

Thursday, November 28th 2024

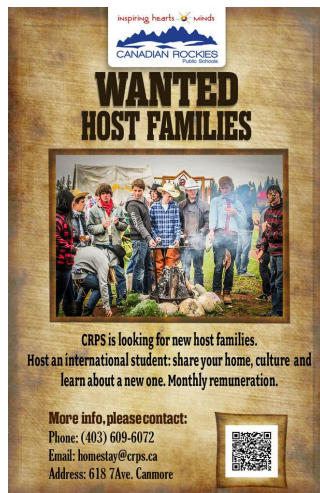
- Teacher support at lunch
- Grad committee meeting at lunch in room 115
- JR Boys Basketball practice - 3:30-5:00pm
- SR High Boys Basketball practice - 5:00-7:00pm
- JV Boys Basketball practice - 7:00-9:00pm

Friday, November 22nd 2024

- Half Day Friday - Blocks C & D

Upcoming Dates

- Dec. 3: BCHS Open House & Craft Fair
- Dec. 6: Full Day Friday
- Dec. 6: JV Girls & Boys BBall tournament - Olds
- Dec. 6: SR Girls BBall tournament - Oilfields
- Dec. 11: Holiday Concert @ Banff Centre
- Dec. 12: Holiday Concert @ Banff Centre
- Dec. 13: Half Day Friday: A & B blocks
- Dec. 17: BCHS Band performing @ Banff Springs Senior's Tea
- Dec. 20: School closes for winter break @ 11:42am
- Jan. 6: School reopens for 2025



Host Families Needed for International Students!

The CRPS International Student Program is looking for local Bow Valley families to join our Homestay Program from Feb-June 2025. Being a host family is a truly meaningful experience for all involved as you share culture, language, activities, and memories that will last a lifetime. Please check out the [Homestay Website](#) where you will find all the information you need about hosting a student including a link to the [Homestay Application](#).

Banff Public Library Math/Science Tutoring

The [Banff Public Library](#) is offering **FREE** Math & Science tutoring sessions for students from grades 1-12. No pre-registration is required, just drop in from 5:45-6:45pm on the following dates:

- Monday Nov. 25
- Monday Dec. 2
- Monday Dec. 9
- Monday Dec. 16

News

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

Follow the [link](#) to view the highlights in The Brief from the October 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 darren.anderson@crps.ca.