



BYRON CENTER CHARTER SCHOOL

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5/6/22 Update

Dear Parents of BCCS K-12 Students,

Well, we tried to hold off as long as we could before making the call to postpone the walk-a-thon. I think the Friday funny jinxed us: Knock, Knock. Who 's there? Accordion. Accordion who? Accordion to the weatherman the rain will move south this afternoon and we can hold our school's Walk-A-Thon. Please know the event will be postponed until next Friday (May13).

Also, 7th and 9th graders received their shirts. We figured best not to try to recall them, so please help remind students to wear their shirts next Friday for the event and the all school picture.

The following presents an informational update for the following week.

3rd Grade Reading Law: We are happy to report that the preliminary 3rd grade assessment scores on the M-STEP indicate that BCCS once again has **NO STUDENTS** who scored below the state threshold (1253). To date, BCCS has yet to have any students score below the benchmark. Credit is given to our teachers, our quality supplemental services and supports and the students and families of BCCS.

End of Year Testing for the Week of 5/9-5/13

** Please help prepare your children for these important assessments. Having students here on time is essential as well as getting the proper nutrition, hydration and rest. Your understanding and active support is needed and appreciated**

Monday, May 9

- NWEA Testing Kindergarten
- Make Up Testing grades 5, 7 and 8

Tuesday, May 10

- NWEA Testing Grades K,1 and 2
- M-STEP Testing
 - 4th grade ELA
 - 5th grade Science
 - 6th grade ELA

Wednesday, May 11th

- NWEA Testing grade 1
- M-STEP Testing
 - 4th grade ELA
 - 5th grade Social Studies
 - 6th grade ELA

Thursday, May 12

- NWEA Testing grade 2
- M-STEP Testing
 - 4th grade Math
 - 6th grade Math

Friday, May 13

- NWEA Make-up testing
- M-STEP Make-Up Testing Grade 4,5,6,7 and 8

Outlook for Following Week

- NWEA Tests in Upper Elementary and Mid High
- M-STEP Make-up Testing Continues

Summer Programming Notifications

- Notifications of Recommended for K-8 Summer Programs are to begin next week through the following week.
- Parents are encouraged to take advantage of the opportunities for their children.

Calendar Highlights

- Monday, 5/9 3:30 in Gym, Rescheduled PTO Meeting
- Wednesday, 5/11, Mid High Progress Reports Sent Home
- Wednesday, 4:30 pm Richmond Park: Last MS Cross Country Meet. Parents and siblings are welcome to run with their family members!
- Thursday, May 12, 5-12 gr Band Concert 7:00 pm Godwin Heights Auditorium
- Friday, May 13, 1:30-2:45 Walk-A-Thon and All-School Picture Rescheduled
- Saturday, May 14, 7:00-10:00 Studio 18 Dorr, BCCS HS Prom

In Closing

It was awesome to have the entire school join for our Golden Eagles Assembly today. We have not been able to hold an assembly for over 25 months. This assembly was especially rewarding because it provided our teachers an opportunity to hold the annual senior tribute....too fun.

This event truly gave us a sense that we are back, at least close to getting back to normalcy. It's been a heck-of-a ride and quite the learning experience this past two years. I am confident we will come out of this pandemic in a better place than we were when we entered. Once again, I thank our faculty and staff for their commitment and professionalism, and I appreciate the BCCS families for walking this most interesting journey with us.

Finally, on behalf of BCCS, a special wish for a Happy Mother's Day to all the moms in the BCCS Educational Community. MK