



BYRON CENTER CHARTER SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians of BCCS K-12 Students,

Happy summer everyone. We hope that you are enjoying and taking full advantage of the many wonders and sheer beauty the State of Michigan offers during the summer months. Below are a few informational items regarding current happenings, and items to help you plan and prepare for the 2022-23 school year at BCCS.

Summer Programs Update

K-3 Extended Year/Early Start Program: We have 13 students participating in a highly structured and intensive summer program that is focused on early literacy development and maintenance of basic math skills. The lessons are individualized for the needs of each student.

We just completed our first of two sessions yesterday. The second session begins August 1 and runs through August 11th.

4-8 GRASP with Tutoring: We have 20 students participating in the GRASP with Tutoring program. Using the Grand Rapids Academic Summer Program Booklets, the designated students receive shoulder to shoulder tutoring support from BCCS staff to help maintain and secure the critical skills and knowledge from the previous year's math and/or reading standards. For students who have not completed their booklets, the second session will begin August 1 and runs through August 11th.

K-8 GRASP Home Program: A reminder to the parents of students who selected to participate in the GRASP Home Summer Program that in order to qualify for the Summer Success Award (see criteria below) the completed answer forms grade 3-8 or completed booklets (grades k-2) are due to be returned to the school by Friday August 12.

Summer Success Award Eligibility Criteria

- Complete all 9 lessons in the booklet
- Return the GRASP Booklet (K-2 only) or Answer Docs (3-8 only) to BCCS by Friday, August 12th, 2022
- Students must score 80% or higher in each unit to qualify.

9-12 Credit Recovery: We have 5 HS students participating in the BCCS Summer Credit Recovery Program. In addition to the MySCHOOLKent online course platform, this program offers BCCS students individualized tutoring and assessment administration at BCCS on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-11am. The service at BCCS is unavailable the weeks of July 4th and 11th, yet will continue on the week of July 18. All coursework must be completed and submitted by Thursday, August 4 at 4pm.

2022-23 Informational Items

School Calendars: For your understanding and awareness, below are links to the BCCS "22-23 School Calendar and the "22-23 Events and Fundraiser Calendar.

Please Note:

- The BCCS Events and Fundraiser Calendar has a draft date (upper right) of 7/1/22 as there are a few dates/events that have not been secured. A final draft will accompany the school opening information in August.
- I ask that parents/guardians note the New Family Parent Meeting on August 11 and the School Open House on August 25.

[BCCS "22-23 School Calendar](#)

[BCCS "22-23 Events Calendar \(DRAFT\)](#)

BCCS Office Hours: The school office will be closed for the next two weeks (July 4-15). Office personnel will be unavailable during that time.

Beginning July 18- August 12 the BCCS office hours will be M-Th 8-3 pm and Fridays 8-12 noon.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office by phone or email.

In Closing

Not to get ahead of ourselves, yet preparation and planning for the 2022-23 school year is in full swing. We are diligently working on maintaining our beautiful facility and several new and exciting developments are in process for the members of BCCS School Community.

An informed and participatory school community is paramount to an effective school. I hope this information helps in planning for the upcoming school year. You should expect further information through my office in early August.

As always, your awareness and support are appreciated

Please make time to enjoy the summer months with family and friends.

W/Care,

Mark Kasmer

Chief Administrative Officer

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