



BYRON CENTER CHARTER SCHOOL

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BCCS Update 4/28/23

Dear Parent/Guardians of BCCS K-12 Students,
Spring Testing really pick-up over the next two weeks. Please be reminded that each Friday we will post the test administration for the following week. We also remind folks that next week is the BCCS 17th Annual Walk-a-Thon. The biggest fundraiser of the year, yet calls for participation from all members of the BCC School community in order for a successful campaign. Information is presented below along with other timely information and updates of school happenings.

Assessment Update

The following lists the dates grade-levels and content areas for BCCS students who will be administered State Assessments next week:

Monday, May 1

- 3rd and 5th Grade M-STEP Math
- 4th, 6th and 7th M-STEP ELA

Tuesday, May 2

- 3rd and 5th Grade M-STEP Science
- 4th, 6th and 7th M-STEP ELA
- 8th grade M-STEP Science

Wednesday, May 3

- 4th, 6th and 7th M-STEP Math
- 5th and 8th Grade M-STEP Science

Thursday, May 4

- 4th, 6th and 7th M-STEP Math
- 5th Grade M-STEP Science
- 8th Grade M-STEP Social Studies

Friday, May 5th

- A needed BREAK from State Testing

Your Help Please: Parents please help to ensure....

- Students are rested
- Students eat a nutritious breakfast
- Students are on time for school
- Students understand the importance of a 'Good Faith Effort'

as always your attention and support is greatly appreciated

Walk-A-Thon Update

- Student Pledges: Please encourage your children to participate in raising funds through friends and family. All forms and monies collected are due by the morning of May 5th (event date).

There are two methods :

- Standard Paper Pencil Form [Walk-A-Thon Pledge Form](#)
- OnLine Fun Hub Pledge : [Walk-A-Thon Online Pledge](#) Parent code: 6075b1d63b11c

From the PTO: We have 16.49% of our students registered so far! We are one week away from Walk-a-Thon! Let's get the kiddos registered and smash our school's goal and see some teachers get a pie in the face!!! Plus there are some awesome prizes for the students who raise the most money. They will be put into a drawing for those cool prizes!! Let's get to smashing our goals!! Please click the links above to register and enter the parent code!!

BCCS 2023-24 Enrollment

BCCS Is now enrolling students for the 2023-24 School Year. Parents are encouraged to invite friends and families to consider joining our *small but mighty* school. The enrollment forms are available on the BCCS website (byroncentercharter.org) under the *ENROLL* tab and/or have them contact the school office for details and schedule a tour. Please be reminded that we offer stipend to existing parents who recommend new enrollees to our school family.....*your consideration is highly encouraged.*

- BCCS Enrollment [Initiative](#)

BCCS now offers GSRP Preschool thru KISD: Families interested in the Great Start Readiness Preschool Program located on the BCCS Campus are invited to

- Register through Preschool Website
 - [Preschool Intake Website](#)
 - [Preschool Intake Steps](#)

Shout Outs....

HS Band Honors: This past week our HS Band Ensemble received an Excellent (2) rating at the State Festival in Muskegon. No small feet indeed! Congrats to Mrs. Holstege and the members of the BCCS HS Band for maintaining excellence in the performing arts

Elementary Music and Art Program: Last evening the elementary students demonstrated their musical and artistic talents at the Spring Music and Art Program held at the Godwin Heights HS auditorium. Once again a great performance was offered to the BCSS families and friends. Appreciation to Mrs. Holstege, Miss Pham, our student helpers (Molly DeVries, Kaitlyn Keech, Grace Duncan, McKenna Lang, Miriam Apotheker, and Addelyn Hubble) and the elementary students and teachers.

Jazz Band: Unfortunately the state festival for Jazz Bands in Hastings today was canceled. However, we want to recognize the 2022-23 BCCS Jazz Band for their accomplishments. Good Job, Well Done!

Reminders

Calling All Blood Donors: Our **last blood drive** of the year will be held on **Wednesday, May 3rd from 1-5 p.m.** We have **a lot of spots** to fill and, as always, **there's an urgent need for donors**. If you have never given before, why not give it a try? If you've given before, we'd love to have you sign up again! Donation takes about an hour...with a potential of your pint saving 3 lives! If you have any questions, contact Mr. Emmelkamp at bemmelkamp@byroncentercharter.org. Feel free to sign up at https://donate.michigan.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/146679

ART Club: Art Club has ended for this School Year.....Thank you Miss Pham!!

In Closing.....

Have a wonderful weekend! MK