

Byron Center Charter School

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Dear Parent and Guardians of BCCS K-11 Students.

A formal welcome to the final week of school for the 2023-24 school year. As a school, every day is an important and valuable opportunity in the course of a student's education. We also have an obligation to stay focussed to our mission each and every day. We ask for your continued cooperation and support so as to have a successful and productive final week of school.

Below are several required and useful announcements from various state departments along with specific information regarding EOY (End Of Year) school related activities and events.

Return of School Books, Materials and Electronic Devices

All students are responsible for the return of school issued books, materials/resources, electronic devices and music instruments provided for student's use. The student is responsible for any costs associated with damaged and/or non-return of items.

Non-consumable textbooks, trade books, classroom library books, and SWARM booklets are to be returned to K-5 homeroom teachers or 6-12 subject area teachers.

Grades 6-9: School issued Chromebooks and accessories (chargers, headsets, mice and bags) must be returned and will be collected at school. Students are expected to clean off chromebooks and clean-out bags and place the accessories and the chromebooks in the bag for return to designated classes.

Important Notice For Students in Grades 10 and 11

- 10-11th grade students returning to BCCS in the fall may keep assigned chromebooks over the summer for usage next year.
- 10-11th grade students who are not planning to attend BCCS next school year must return all technology devices on or before Friday.

Dates of return will vary for mid-high students, based upon classroom need. However, school texts, materials and electronic devices must be at school ready for return by Wednesday, June 5th.

Personal Items/ Lockers

- All K-5 students are asked to bring a large paper bag to school on Wednesday to take home personal items.
- Mid-High students are asked to bring bags as needed for personal belongings
- All student will be expected to clean and remove all materials from their assigned lockers

Schedule Overview June 3-7

Monday and Tuesday: Full days of school Wednesday-Friday: Half days of School

Dismissal:11:15-20 Friday: Last Day of School

Food Service Protocols for Half Days

Breakfast will be served on all ½ days as customary

Take home Lunches will be provided to all students who order them on Wednesday and Thursday. No lunch service on Friday.

- K-5 Lunches will be brought to classrooms
- Mid-High Student will grab and go upon exit

Mid-High Exam Schedule

Session I: 8:00-9:30 Break :9:30-9:40 Session II: 9:40 11:10

SessionsIIIWednesday1st hr6th hrThursday2nd hr5th hrFriday3rd hr4th hr

<u>KCTC Students</u>: A reminder, the entire half day is considered part of the State of Michigan's 1098 hour instructional time requirement, therefore KCTC students are expected to attend and follow daily attendance protocols.

KCTC students will follow their classmates during the second sessions of exam days.

School Event Highlights

Friday/Today

- HS After School Sports Club
- MS and HS Band Play National Anthem at Whitecaps Game

Monday

- K-5 Recognition Concert: 1:30-2:30
- All School Special Event 2:30

Tuesday

- 1st Grade field trip Critter Barn
- After School Tutoring

Wednesday

- Half day of school
- Kindergarten Recognitions: 10:00-10:45 gym
- Mid-High Exams

Thursday

- Half day of school
- Mid-High Exams
- K-8 Summer GRASP Booklets go Home

Friday

- Half/Last Day of School!
- Mid High Exams
- Annual Student Council Popsicle sale: \$1

Odds and Ends

Summer Program Updates

GRASP

- GRASP Booklets for participating students will be sent home Thursday
- Non-Recommended students must have paid for the booklets by Wednesday in order to receive books on Thursday
 - School cannot guarantee booklet availability after Wednesday
 - Recommended GRASP student and students who would like to participate in the Summer Success Recognitions and a chance to win a \$25 Meijer Gift Card must have completed booklets (K-2)/answer sheets (3-8) turned into the office by Friday August 9

In-House Summer Programs

• Students participating in the BCCS *In-House* summer programs will receive an informational letter next week

2024-25 Yearbook Orders

The cost is \$25 for a hardcover, full color yearbook.

Order forms were sent home with all students this last week.

Orders are due by Thursday, June 6.

• Online Orders:visit: inter-state.com/order and enter this code: 83145T

OR

Order Form: Return the form with cash or check payable to: Byron Center Charter School

Student Medication Pick-up

A parent/guardian is to come in and pick up the medication by 11:00 a.m. Friday, June 7.

• Schools **are not** allowed to send any medication home with students

Any prescription and/or over-the-counter medication not picked up by this time will be disposed of safely and properly at a medication disposal site.

• Schools are legally *not* allowed to keep medication in the building over the summer.

Your understanding and cooperation is appreciated.

Congratulations Class of 2024

For those interested in viewing the 2024 Commencement Ceremony, the link is provided <u>HERE</u>

News You Can Use

Michigan's Post-Graduation Opportunities Information Reminder

Michigan Compiled Law (MCL) 380.1293 requires post-graduation information packets to be provided to pupils in grades 8-12. This information, found on the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO) Pathfinder page found (HERE), was sent out to all families in previous communications. The link will also be added to the links page on the school's website for future access by members of BCCS. There are many useful tools and informational items available to 8-12 MI students and families including College and FAFSA, Work/Jobs, Community Service, Skill Assessments and Job Training Opportunities. Parents are encouraged to review and bookmark this resource for youtube and reference.

Michigan's 2024 Summer Food Service Program Offers Free Meal Options for Children

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) will again offer free and nutritious summer meal options for children ages 18 and under from low-income families with its popular Meet Up and Eat Up Summer Food Service program. In addition, the MDE Rural Non-Congregate Summer Food Service Program is available for children living in rural areas where no congregate meal service is available. Funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, these programs are great ways for kids to continue eating healthy meals during summer break. To find a Summer Food Service Program site in their community, people can visit the Meet Up and Eat Up locator map at www.michigan.gov/meetupeatup. All information, including meal service times and serving dates, will be available once school is out for summer recess. The locator map website is updated regularly throughout the summer months. For details on the MDE Summer Food Service Programs, visit www.michigan.gov/sfsp or contact MDE at mde-sfsp@michigan.gov. Additional information can be found on the USDA's SUN (SUmmer Nutrition) website.

In closingToday we recognize the parents/guardians of BCCS students. We share our appreciation for partnering with us in the education of the BCCS students. We share our gratitude for the care and support you provide to the administration, faculty and staff. We Thank You and value you for your commitment to the BCCS Educational Community. It takes a village.... And we are truly grateful to the many contributions you provide to BCCS. Have a wonderful weekend and let's finish STRONG