



# BYRON CENTER CHARTER SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians of BCCS K-12 Students,

This week marks the end of the second quarter and first semester of the 2024-25 school year.

Monday, January 20

- Begins 3rd Quarter/2nd Semester of 2024-25 School year
  - Mid-high students observe schedule changes

Friday, January 24: 2nd Quarter/1st Semester Report Cards go home

## **We need your help....**

### **Concerns in General with Attendance**

Our school continues to have an inordinate number of students chronically absent and/or tardy. This creates disruptions in education for the absent student, and additional time and effort needed by teachers. Of course we do not want students attending when ill, yet we ask that parents/guardians make a priority to help create the conditions for successful on-time and regular school attendance of students. Your awareness and consideration is appreciated.

As of late we have experienced an inordinate amount of parents/guardians not following the school's attendance protocols and policies.

1. Reporting Absences: Parents are to report absences by calling or emailing the office stating the name, grade and reason for the absence. This is expected for every occurrence of an absence.
2. Extended Absence Requests: If parents need to remove a child from school for multiple days, the parent/guardian is to follow the same protocol of calling/emailing reporting the student's name, grade, dates and reasons of absences to the office. Internal communications with teachers will follow, as appropriate. Parents may also wish to communicate with the student's teacher(s) for their awareness and often to request school work, which is appropriate and appreciated, yet the report of all absences are to be initiated through the office.
3. Crosswalk We are having students not using the crosswalk when being dismissed, please remind your child(ren) to use the crosswalk.

## Game Night

- BCCS is Hosting a Game Night for K-5 Students Wednesday, January 29, from 3:15-4:15. Students are invited to participate and are asked to bring games to play with their peers (please write name on games). A free snack is also provided. Information sheets went home with students today



- Students must have signed permission forms to attend.
  - Forms are available on reverse side of information sheets, in the office or parents can access and print off forms [HERE](#)
  - Forms are due by Tuesday 1/28

## Blood Drive

- Our second blood drive of the school year is coming up quickly! It will be held on Wednesday, February 5 from 1 until 5 p.m. in the gym.



We need your help! If you've given in the past and are eligible, please consider. If you haven't given before, now is your chance!

- Schedule your donation [Here](#)

*Questions? Feel free to reach out to Mr. Emmelkamp*  
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## In Closing...

Please note that BCCS makes a concerted effort to recognize and celebrate student success. Next week students will be receiving mid-year report cards. Please join us in recognizing student's areas of success and or growth with each student and identifying and challenging areas of self improvement in the school setting.

Have a wonderful weekend.