

The Bronco Update



Principal's Message

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The school year is winding down at a frantic pace with award ceremonies, twenty students inducted into National Honor Society, multiple activities concluding with graduation on June 11 and finally exams.

Although a master schedule has been in place for some time, final student schedules and staffing remain in flux due to tenacious budget speculations.

Each student should receive a tentative schedule prior to the close of school. Students who fail courses or who require a credit recovery boost should seriously consider our summer school program. Partial financial assistance may be available through the principal's office particularly if you are eligible for free or reduced lunch. Students must have their teachers' recommendation to be eligible for summer school. Student must earn 4.5 credits to be considered a sophomore; 10.5 credits for a junior and 15.5 credits for senior status.

The administrative team is looking forward to summer reflection. Our primary focus for next school year will be classroom learning, improved communication and school spirit.

For additional information e-mail me at olsenr@bsd-ri.net or call 568-1310

Physical Education

Physical Education students recently finished a unit on Line Dancing. This unit is another “Lifetime Fitness” unit and an activity that may be carried on through later stages of life. Line dancing first started in the USA in the late 70’s and early ‘80’s. Early line dances were actually performed to disco music. Our students are shown how the dances we teach them can be performed to all sorts of music. The links with country and western dances were forged with Billy Ray Cyrus and “Achy Breaky Heart”. Soon after, line dancing to country music became a craze that still exists today.

It's a widely recognized that exercise is good for you. It can increase your life span and it makes you feel good. Line dancing has the advantage of being a very social form of exercise, so you can meet people and make new friends while exercising. It's also a lot of fun. Another advantage of line dancing is that you don't need a partner and you don't feel out of place if you're not dancing with somebody. You could say that at a line dance you're dancing with everybody! It's OK to go to a line dance and just dance on your own, but you will often end up chatting with some of the like-minded people you'll meet there. All students routinely perform line dances at our school proms.

So as the summer approaches, get out the radio and ask your son or daughter to show you a line dance they learned in school. They can be performed to almost any music, not just the country stations. Have a safe summer!!

Barbara DeMasco and John Wignot: Physical Education Instructors



SCIENCE NEWS:

Academy Students Josh Ferland, Alan Gilbranson, Josh Grenier and James Bonnell had the winning bridge at the Construction Day Bridge Building Competition. Their bridge had the best weight to cost ratio.



Arts

Visual Arts Studio classes finished work on their giant propaganda posters! We discussed the many types of propaganda and researched the many used in peace and wartime. We used the web to view hundreds of international as well as domestic propaganda poster campaigns.... Come to the library to view their talents! Clay classes finished the year researching famous American painting and adapted them for inspiration on ceramic platters. Our Altered book project is coming to an end. Each book was created from old discarded library books and some I purchased at yard sales. They each contain 20 or so visual chapters on emotions that the student picked earlier in the year. Some consist of old wallpaper , lace , leaves ,metal, paint , newspaper and many other recycled product to convey their emotions visually. Some of my students this year have signed up for a new 3 D sculpture class offered this fall. I am looking forward to revisiting old talent as well as the newbie's! Have a Great safe summer and if you see an ad that makes you smile it could be one of our former students, it all starts with ART, Mr. Mueller

Technology

The NAWIC CAD drawings awards banquet at the Radisson Hotel Providence Airport went off without a hitch. Our three students (Dan Diez 2nd. place, Naomi Takita 3rd. place and Ed Maione contestant) were fine representative of Burrillville High School. We should be proud of them and their families for taking the time to enjoy the celebration of an accomplishment such as this.

Guidance

Course scheduling for the 2010-2011 school year has begun. Any students who have NOT yet completed or submitted a course selection sheet should see their guidance counselor immediately.

New Student to Counselor Assignments are as follows:

| <u>Guidance Counselor</u> | <u>Student Last Name</u> |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Mary Russo | A - Ga |
| Michael Clifford | Ge - M |
| Sue Remington | N – Z |



Summer School

Summer school programming will be offered this summer at BHS. The program will run from June 30 through July 21, 2010. The summer school day will consist of two sessions, with session one running from 7:40 am to 9:40 am, and session two running from 9:50 am to 11:50 am. Registration will take place June 24, 25, and 28 from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm at the high school. The cost of summer school is 140.00 per course. Parents needing financial assistance may contact Mr. Olsen seeking a tuition wavier or fee reduction. We strongly encourage all students to attend summer school if eligible, as the program will keep students on track to graduate. The following courses are tentatively scheduled to run during the summer program: English 9, 10, 11, 12, Spanish 1 & 2, Algebra I & II, Algebra A/B, Geometry, Chemistry, Biology, Physical Science, World History, US History I & II, Digital Portfolio, and Nova Net. Students will be expected to be on time and attend all courses. Any questions regarding summer school may be directed to Kerri Simpson at 568-1310 or simpsonk@bsd-ri.net

Athletics

Please be advised that students may have athletic physicals for the 2010-2011 school year at the high school on August 12, from 8:30 am till noon. There will be a payment of \$20.00 due at the time of the physical. Fall sports include: Football, Boys/Girls Soccer, Field Hockey, Girls Tennis, Cross-Country, Cheerleading and Girls Volleyball.



Odds & Ends

As we quickly wrap up the school year students and parents should keep in mind that books will need to be turned in to their teachers, and books that were lost during the course of the school year will be charged to the student. Also please encourage your student to remove all belongings from their lockers. The lockers will be cleaned out this summer, and anything left may be thrown out, or donated to charity. The student drives on the school network will also be erased, and students should make every effort to save their work to an external jump drive before the end of the year. Jump drives are available through Mr. Whaley's office.

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Final Exam Schedule

Underclassmen will start exams on Monday June 14 thru Thursday June 17, with June 18 being a regular day of school. We would like to stress the importance of exams and the need that every student prepare for and complete their scheduled exam. Students should only report to school during their scheduled exam time. Students will be allowed to leave at the conclusion of the second exam. Busses will be provided at the conclusion of the day's exams, and at 1:52.

June 14 Monday

7:30 am-9:00 am Period 1

9:15 am- 10:45 am Period 2

June 15 Tuesday

7:30 am-9:00 am Period 3

9:15 am- 10:45 am Period 4

June 16 Wednesday

7:30 am-9:00 am Period 6

9:15 am- 10:45 am Period 7

June 17 Thursday

7:30 am-9:00 am Period 5

9:15 am- 10:45 am Period Make-up Exam

June 18 Friday

Day 1 Periods 1,2,3,4,5,6,7

If you have any questions please contact Michael Whaley at whaleym@bsd-ri.net

Links:

High School Website <http://bhs.bsd-ri.net/>

District Website <http://www.bsd-ri.net/>