



10.23.25

BCHS Parent News



Upcoming Dates:

10.27 – Paying for College Presentation: VSFAC @ 6pm

10.28 – Fall Choir Concert: VSFAC @ 7pm

10.29– PSAT/NMSQT

10.30 – String Fling Orchestra Concert: VSFAC @ 7pm

10.31 – ½ Day

11.8 – BCFAB Craft Show

THANK YOU!

To the many of you who came last week for conferences, we appreciate your support. And to our amazing PASS group, many thanks for providing a great meal for our teachers Monday evening! We are grateful to be part of such a strong community of supporters here in BC!

National Honor Society

Applications for the National Honor Society went out Friday October 10th via mail carrier. If your child is a sophomore, junior, or senior with a 3.5 GPA or higher they should have received one. (If your child is already a member they will not be receiving one). If the application has not shown up please contact Mrs. Parrish at kparrish@bcpsk12.net so she can get one to you. The deadline to turn in the applications is **Friday October 24th at 8:00 am**. Failure to turn in the application by this time will jeopardize your child's chances of getting accepted. If your child is not interested in applying they do not need to fill out the form.

Homework Support (HWS) Update

Thank you to all of our parents for helping support students by making time after school to get caught up on missing assignments. Your partnership makes a big difference!

This school year, we've added peer-to-peer tutors to our Homework Support program and it's been a huge success in helping students who need a little extra guidance. Currently, we have been offering

homework support for all freshman courses and math courses. Starting in Quarter 2, we're excited to expand and include this support to our sophomores.

We encourage students and parents to:

- Check PowerSchool regularly to stay informed about missing assignments and academic progress.
- Encourage students to connect with their teachers for extra help when needed.
- Remind students to check their email for important Homework Support updates.

Together, we can help students stay on track and build strong study habits!

Career Speakers and Mock Interviews

BCHS English teachers are looking for individuals willing to share information about their careers with our senior English students. We want our students to have the opportunity to explore a wide range of professions before they graduate from high school. Our goal is for our students to learn about your journey toward your profession, what a typical day looks like, and your reflections on your job as they consider these careers for themselves.

All career presentations take place during our FLEX time on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:25 PM – 1:50 PM from September – December.

We are also looking for help with the Mock Interviews our seniors will be participating in. If you have interviewing experience, we invite you to join us as we aim to give our students a professional interview experience.

If you are interested in speaking with some students about your career or participating in our Mock Interviews, please contact

Pam Gillespie at pgillespie@bcpsk12.net or 616-878-6635.

Junior and Senior Parents:

Local military recruiters are able to request student information for our junior and senior classes. This includes their first and last name, home address, phone number and school email. We are required to provide that information unless you opt your student out. This was an option labeled, "Release Directory Info", which you were able to select during the registration process. If you already selected "no", you do not need to do anything further. If you are unsure, or want to change your "yes" to a "no", please complete our Google form using [this link](#) by Friday, October 31st. If you have any questions, please email Pam Gillespie at pgillespie@bcpsk12.net.

From the Counseling Office

Byron Center High School Counseling Department is offering a "Paying for College" presentation in the Van Singel Fine Arts Center for seniors and their family members next Monday, October 27th from 6-7 pm. This 30 minute presentation will be hosted by Grand Valley State University and the content is applicable to all colleges (community college, private, public and trade schools). They will cover how to pay for college and apply for financial aid using FAFSA. We hope you can make it!

[Counseling Newsletter](#)

Ski and Snowboard Club:

A club for 5th through 12th grade students who enjoy hitting the slopes together. This pre-paid club transports students to and from BCHS and Bittersweet Ski Resort six Tuesdays in January and February.

Sign up and Payment information will come late October. Space will be limited.

An option to meet at Bittersweet (no bus transportation) will be available for those who prefer to meet us there.

See the [information document](#) for details.

BCHS Theatre



November 14 @ 7:00 pm

November 15 @ 2:00 & 7:00 pm

Tickets on sale now! To purchase, visit vsfac.com/trap

VSFAC Youth Theatre Tickets



Join the Van Singel Youth Theatre's amazing 3rd-5th grade students for *Princess Whatsername*.

It's a laugh-out-loud adventure packed with music, magic, and all your favorite storybook characters (with a twist!).

Performances: October 24th at 7pm & October 25th at 3pm and 7pm

Tickets: vsfac.com/princess

Celebrating Fine Arts in BC

To learn more on how the arts impact our students here in Byron Center, enjoy this short video

[Celebrating Fine Arts in BC](#)

BCFAB Craft Show



Saturday, November 8, 9:00 - 3:00
Byron Center High School
Free parking and shuttle at Heritage
Elementary
Admission: \$5

How YOU can help! Sign up now to help support our Fine Arts Community at BCPS!



Bulldog Power Update for Student Athletes from Coach Joe:

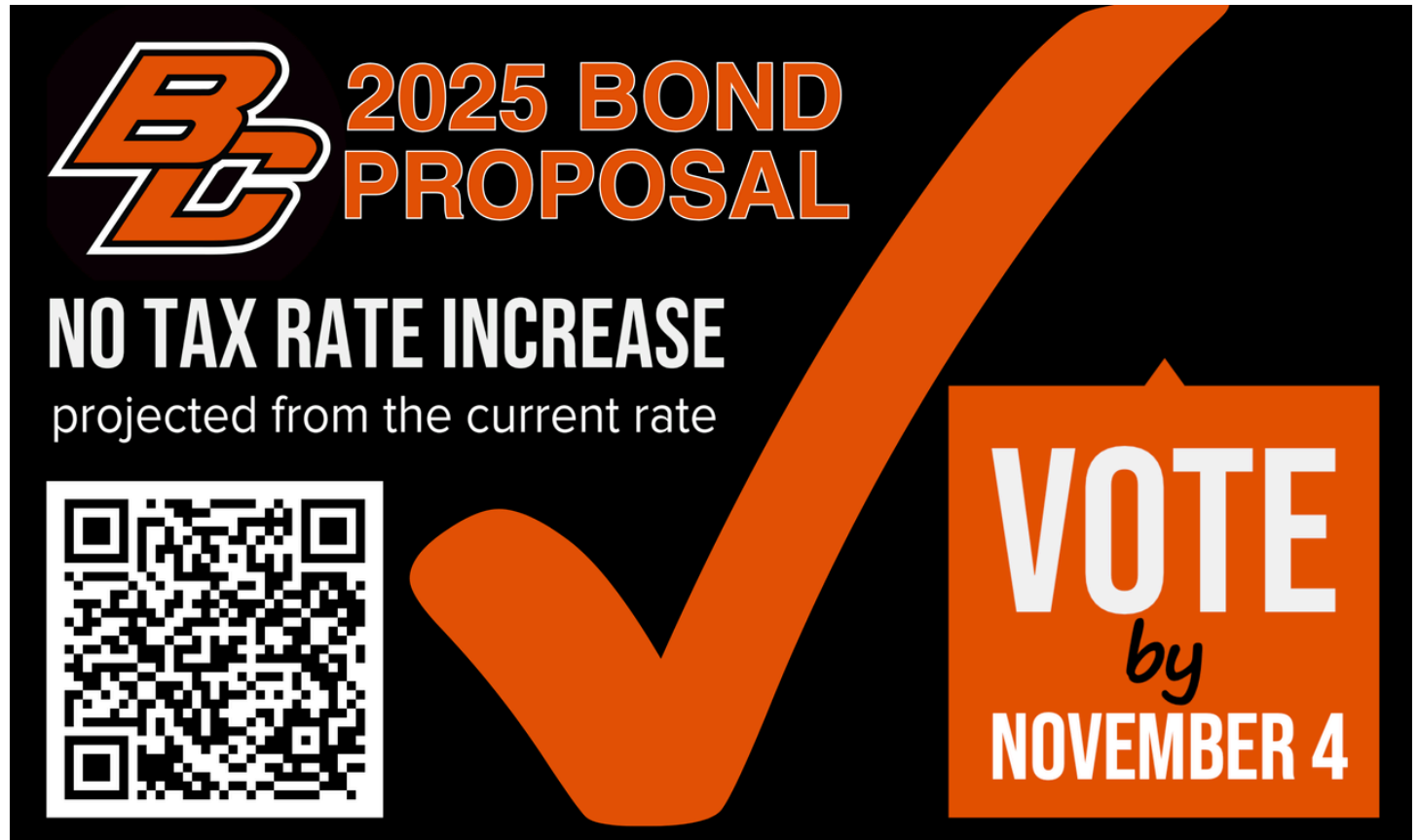
In order to keep the HIGH standard of success in ALL of BC's athletic programs, we need to keep BulldogPower a priority in the off-season. Many of you are wrapping up your Fall season or getting ready for the post season, and, if you are not in BulldogPower class, we would like to see you consistently in Off-Season BulldogPower to prepare for your next Winter/Spring Sport.

The schedule for Off-Season Lifting is:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 3:30pm–4:15pm.

Please make every effort to attend EACH session in order to MoveWellMoveStrongMoveFast and stay athletic throughout the year.

Athletic Website: [Byron Center Bulldogs](#)

A graphic with a black background. In the top left is the Byron Center Bulldogs logo, a stylized 'BC' in orange and white. To its right, the text '2025 BOND PROPOSAL' is written in large, bold, orange capital letters. Below this, the text 'NO TAX RATE INCREASE' is in large, bold, white capital letters, followed by 'projected from the current rate' in smaller white text. On the left side, there is a square QR code. A large, thick orange checkmark is drawn across the center of the graphic. On the right side, there is an orange rectangular box with a pointed top containing the text 'VOTE by NOVEMBER 4' in white, with 'by' in a script font.

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IT'S A GREAT DAY TO BE A BULLDOG!