



Bloom-Carroll High School

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Dear Students and Families,

Welcome Back! It's hard to believe, but we are nearing the start of a new school year. We would like to officially welcome new and returning families to Bloom-Carroll High School. We are very excited for the upcoming school year and the opportunity to engage our students and families in the high school experience together. We are truly honored to be working with our dedicated staff to provide the best academic instruction and outstanding extra-curricular opportunities to assist in the development of our students to be college and career ready once they graduate from BCHS.

We want to congratulate all of you on being recognized again as one of the Nation's and Ohio's best high schools awarded by U.S. News & World Report. This is based on our state assessments, graduation rates and college-readiness index results. This is a true credit to our BC students and all of those involved in the lives of those students.

We want to thank our maintenance and technology staffs for providing the students, staff and community with a clean and safe educational environment. We have completed the classroom air-conditioning project including the café', added Chromebook carts, and a renovation of the courtyard, in cooperation with 2019 BC graduate Sam Graham. Finally, our teaching staff is constantly improving and developing educational strategies to increase student achievement and to build relationships in the classroom.

We would like to invite all of our BCHS students and families grade 9-12 on Monday, August 19, from 5:30 - 7:00 to our **Back to School Bulldog Kick Off/Open House**. Join us for a Meet and Greet with teachers and friends, Music, Free Food & Drinks, Student Schedule Pick up, Tours of the Building, and much more as we celebrate the start to the new school year.

Please make note of a few important dates listed below:

- *Monday, August 19-Back to School Bulldog Kickoff-Grades 9-12 - 5:30-7:00*
- *Wednesday, August 22- First day of School - start time is 7:30 a.m.*
- *November 7 & 14 Parent-Teacher Conferences*

On behalf of our staff, we want to thank you for your commitment to student success and invite you to our many BCHS events throughout the 2019-2020 school year. Building a strong home-school partnership is important to us and is vital to a student's successful educational journey. We look forward to a very positive and productive year together and encourage you to contact us if or when the need arises.

Go Bulldogs!

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1. **Follow BCHS:**

Website: http://www.bloomcarroll.org/highschool_home.aspx

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2. The **building doors open** at 7:05 am **and close** at 3:30 p.m. We ask that no student be dropped off before 7:05 am and that all who aren't working with a teacher, practicing with a sport or a club be off school grounds by 3:30 pm. First period bell rings at 7:30 with the school day concluding at 2:10.
3. All students will have **school fees**, please be sure your students schedule is finalized before paying your 2019-2020 school fees. Past year school fees may be paid now-Fee balances are a consideration when it's time for you to graduate. You may check your student's balance on EZ pay (available through the BC website via Bulldog Portal, Parent Resources, EZ pay), or call the Guidance office at 614-834-6745.
4. All students' grades 9-12 should have received a letter in the mail in early June regarding **Final Forms**. All students who attend Bloom-Carroll Local School District are required to have up-to-date signatures in Final Forms on an annual basis. Please log into to your Final Forms account by navigating to www.bloomcarroll.finalforms.com and switch the school year to 2019-2020 and sign the necessary forms.
5. **Student grades** can be accessed by logging into **Progress Book**: <https://pa.metasolutions.net>. This is a valuable educational tool that helps increase communication between school and home. If you have questions regarding Final Forms or Progress Book, or if you need assistance, please contact Mark Thomas, Dir. of Tech., at 740-756-9798 or by email: mark.thomas@bloomcarroll.org.
6. **Schedule change policy**-Due to the commitments for staff assignments and the ordering of supplies and textbooks, student schedule changes will not be permitted except in unusual circumstances. Requests for schedule changes must go through the counselor(s) office. Acceptable reasons for changes are as follows: Correction of errors, Changes necessitated by failure, Teacher recommended subject level adjustments, Addition of a class (for a study hall the same period), Class size balancing. The following rules apply: No schedule change will become final until approved by a counselor, No year-long class may be dropped after the end of the fourth week of the first nine week grading period, nor semester class after the second week, without receiving zeroes (0's) for the remainder of the course (exceptions may be made after a conference among student, parent, principal, counselor and teacher), Parent approval is required for all major changes and may be required at the counselor's discretion, Students must follow their schedule until all paperwork requirements have been completed and the class change has shown up in Progress Book.
7. **Grade Cards** will be distributed to students on Oct. 31, Jan. 23, Mar. 26, June 8(Mailed)





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