Bloom-Carroll High School



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Dear BCHS Students and Families,

Greetings from Bloom-Carroll High School. We are excited to kick off the upcoming school year with our students and families. This promises to be a year filled with tremendous opportunities for all of our students! We embark on this journey together a year of engaging, meaningful and rigorous work in our classrooms, combined with special events and various extracurricular clubs and activities, performing arts groups, and athletic teams certain to encourage our students to be involved and stay connected!

As always, we would like to extend a special, yearlong invitation to our families to join us at school activities and events whenever possible. We value your involvement and support. Your active participation is key to the success of your student during his/her school years. All of our BCHS students and families, grade 9-12, are invited to our **Back to School Bulldog Kick Off/Open House** on Monday, August 18, from 5:30 - 7:00. Join us for a Meet and Greet with teachers and friends, Music, Free Food & Drinks, Student Schedule Pick up, Tours of the Building, Kona Ice, and much more as we celebrate the start to the new school year-see attached flyer.

The outstanding staff at BCHS is dedicated to preparing our students for life beyond High School and being College and/or Career ready. For the fifth straight year, BCHS has been recognized as one of the **Nation's and Ohio's Best High Schools awarded by U.S. News & World Report for 2022**. 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.

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 2022-2023 school year. In order to achieve our shared goals, we have included several ways that family members of our school community can stay connected and work together with BCHS staff. We look forward to a very positive and productive year together and encourage you to contact us if or when the need arises.

Please make note of a few important dates listed below:

- Thursday, August 18-Back to School Bulldog Kickoff-Grades 9-12 5:30-7:00
- Wednesday, August 24– First day of School
- November 3 & 10-Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Friday, May 26-Commencement Ceremony 7:00pm BCMS Gymnasium











1. The High School <u>building doors open</u> at 7:05 am <u>and close</u> at 3:00 pm. 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 3:00 pm. First period bell rings at 7:30am with the school day concluding at 2:10pm.

2. All students will have <u>school fees</u>. Please be sure your student's schedule is finalized before paying your 2022-2023 school fees. Past year school fees may be paid now-Fee balances are a consideration when it's time for your student to graduate. You may check your student's balance on PaySchools Central (available through the BC website via Bulldog Portal, Parent Resources, PaySchools Central), or call the Guidance office at 614-834-6745. *The universal free lunch program will not be in place for the 2022-2023 school year*. Food Service and free/reduced lunch information can be found at: <u>https://www.bloom-carroll.k12.oh.us/FoodService.aspx</u>

3. All students who attend Bloom-Carroll Local School District are required to have up-to-date signatures in <u>*Final Forms*</u> on an annual basis. Please log into to your Final Forms account by navigating to <u>www.bloomcarroll.finalforms.com</u> and sign the necessary forms.

4. All BCHS students grades 9-12 will be issued a <u>Chromebook</u> for educational purposes for use in the classroom and at home. All students are issued a Chromebook at the start school year, and the devices will be treated like a textbook. We are thrilled to be able to provide this level of access in order to reliably integrate technology tools to facilitate quality learning experiences, allowing us to help engage students in critical thinking, communication, collaboration, and creativity.

You can read the FAQ's and find information regarding the 1:1 program by visiting: <u>https://www.bloom-carroll.k12.oh.us/One-to-OneProgram.aspx</u>

5. <u>Student grades</u> can be accessed by logging into <u>Progress Book</u>: 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, Chromebooks or Progress Book, or if you need assistance, please contact Mark Thomas, Dir. of Tech., at 740-756-9798 or by email: <u>mark.thomas@bloomcarroll.org</u>.

6. <u>Schedule change policy</u>-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 10th school day of the first nine-week grading period, nor semester class after the 5th school day, 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

7. Grade Cards will be distributed to students on Nov. 4, Jan. 20, Mar. 31, June 9(Mailed)

8. Follow BCHS:

Website:	http://www.bloomcarroll.org/highschool_home.aspx
Twitter:	@bchs_office
Instagram:	bchs_office
YouTube:	Bloom Carroll High School
TikTok:	bchsoffice

Go Bulldogs!

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