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CONNECTIONS

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Boys and Girls Club, 62
Oak St, Gymnasium

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11/9, Friday, 8:00-
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matinee. *Mermania* starts
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Senior Cap and Gown

Meeting

11/27, 1:00pm, Auditorium

SENIOR PORTRAITS

due Fri, December 1

To Mrs. Skoglund!

cskoglund@bsdvt.org

Burlington City and Lake Semester

Have you heard about the [Burlington City & Lake Semester](#)? It's a unique semester-long learning experience for interested BHS juniors and seniors that uses the city of Burlington as classroom and curriculum. Students earn Social Studies, English and General Elective credits while exploring themes of community, citizenship and sustainability through hands-on projects.



The Burlington City & Lake Semester meets in and around the city on Blue Days, from City Hall to Lake Champlain to the Old North End. It's an amazing opportunity for students of all kinds who are interested in learning in the community, working with adult community partners and taking action to address real-world problems.

Later this month, we will kick off the application process for students who are interested to participate in this innovative program in the 2019-2020 school year. In the meantime, we encourage students entering 11th or 12th grade to visit the City & Lake Semester [website](#) to learn more. <https://btvcityandlake.org>

Administrative Corner

Principal Noel Green

The Burlington community has spoken! The city of Burlington residents value education and more specifically Burlington High School as displayed by the overwhelming support for passing the bond. Our school community certainly deserves a renovated building, conducive to 21st century learning. We are all excited about the next phase of this project which will eventually incorporate more feedback about the school design from students, teachers, parents, community members.

As part of our pledge to increase our level of communication with families, everyone should have received their child's report card in the mail. Please use this information to determine what level of engagement you need to adopt as a parent. The first checkpoint is talking to your student about what is happening in school. We recommend that you go beyond asking how was school today, with a standard response of "fine". Dig deeper, try:

- Tell me about the best part of your day.
- What was the hardest thing you did today?
- What's the biggest difference between this year and last year?
- Tell me about something you read in class.

Remember that communication with teachers can happen outside of parent/teacher conferences. Also, please note that PowerSchool can send grade and attendance notifications via email. Quarter two is short and moves quickly so please stay connected!

Finally, in regard to staying connected, we look forward to seeing families and students at our Fall Musical, *The Little Mermaid*, next week 11/15, 11/16 and 11/17. Our students and directors have been working hard in preparation for an amazing performance! They have been here late every night practicing, singing and dancing, with great energy. Come on down and support our drama program and check out Ariel, Scuttle, Sebastian and all the rest. It is going to be a wonderful show!



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Awesome happenings in the BSD Food Service!



USDA visited BSD Food Service and came to BHS!

On October 30th, we welcomed the Deputy Undersecretary of Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services at the USDA, Brandon Lipps, to see our school meal programs in action. We were joined by local representatives from the offices of senator Bernie Sanders, Congressman Peter Welch, as well as members from the Agency of Education. Executive Chef, Pat Teague prepared Brandon's meal from the popular stir fry line. He visited with students, staff and administrators and shared with us that this was his first time touring a high school! Thank you to all who helped make this visit a success!



NHS Students Volunteer to prepare Holiday Meals for families

National Honor Society students volunteer to prepare meals for families over the November holiday break. We had over 10 students join us throughout the day who worked together to prepare meals for our community members in need. With help from the Food Service and Sarah Heusner, these dedicated students prepared 134 meals for our families. What a success! Thank you!



National Farm to School Month at BHS

We took full advantage of our local farms and prolific school gardens to bring fresh and tasty produce to BHS and the rest of the district. We wintered the Left Field Garden for the season and are already looking forward to the next growing season.





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College and Career Fair

A College and Career Fair will be held at the Boys and Girls Club of Burlington, 62 Oak St, on Thursday, 11/8, from 5-7pm. It will be held in the Gym. For more information, email Neil Curtis at:

ncurtis@bandgclub.org

Students and parents are invited. Admissions representatives from various colleges and universities will be available to answer questions about applications and financial aid. Local employers will also be on hand.

Hope to see you there!

Vermont Youth Declaration of Rights

What rights do you have as a Vermont Youth?

Have you read the Vermont Youth Declarations of Rights? This declaration was written entirely by Vermont Youth ages 9-22 who attended the Vermont Youth Rights Summit last year (October 5, 2017). The only changes made by adults were a few spelling errors.

Too young to vote? Want to be involved in issues that directly affect you? How can you get your voice heard? The Vermont Youth Council's next meeting is in Burlington on Saturday, November 17, from 1-3pm at the Burlington Community Sailing Center, next to the skate park.

Want to know more? Come down to the cafeteria this Wednesday, 11/7 to learn more about the Council. Sam Grauly, the Vermont Afterschool Youth Voice Coordinator, will also be there to answer specific questions about the council. Or stop by D-210 anytime for more information.

Young people make a better Vermont!

Freshman Earth Science Team to Lone Rock Point

We are studying this geologically famous formation of older rock thrust over newer rock by a geologic event. According to [This Lake Alive](#), by Demerst, "It took a tremendous force to create the Green Mountains. An outstanding example of this power is the Champlain Thrust, which runs along the north-eastern shore of Lake Champlain from St. Albans to south of Burlington. As the Green Mountains were forming, enormous forces deep in the earth caused a huge slice of rock to break free and be forced upwards above rocks that were much younger in age. This "thrust fault" can be seen most spectacularly at Lone Rock Point near Burlington. " Ask the kids about it!

Cross Country Team Goes to VT State Championships!

On an unseasonably snowy and rainy afternoon, when temperatures plummeted, and precipitation poured down, the best runners in the state challenged the elements and laid their claim to be the fastest in the state.

Burlington Boys and Girls both claimed 3rd place in the state, the Boy's 2nd place in Division I, and left the trails with their heads held high, and qualifications to compete at the New England Championships in Manchester, NH, on Nov 9th.

There were notable outstanding achievements across the board. Simon Kissam finished 2nd in the D1 race (3rd overall) Kent Ford finished 4th (6th), Wondu Summa finished 6th (8th).

On the girls side, the top finisher was Isabel Vivanco, who was instrumental in breaking up CVU's perfect score with an 5th place finish (8th overall). Emma Barker, who led the chase pack behind the top two runners for the majority of the race, finished 8th (12 overall).

Runners 1-25 overall were honored for individually qualifying for New England's. Burlington athletes awarded include:

Isabel Vivanco, Emma Barker, and Quincy Massey-Bierman for girls, and Simon Kissam, Kent Ford, and Wondu Summa on the boys side. In the Challenge races, that had by far the worst weather of the day, Wyatt Hart led the boys with a 4th place overall finish, and Elizabeth Crawford and Olivia Maher finished in the top 20, with a 12th and 19th place finish respectively.



Check out the Earth Science team at Rock Point!





UPCOMING EVENTS

Adult Education Program at BTC

The Adult Ed program at BTC is offering an ***Understanding Opiate Addiction*** class on Wednesday, December 5 from 6-8:15pm every Wednesday until December 19. The class will give you the opportunity to learn and share about the opiate crisis, signs of addiction, its effects on people and their families and what you can do to help the people and communities being effected by it. The cost of the class is only \$30 and if you are an educator you are eligible for PD credit if you participate. If you are interested, please visit www.aceburlington.com or <https://Burlington.coursestorm.com> or www.aceburlington.com to register. Check out the flyer at the end of the newsletter for more info.



**Find us on Facebook
at Burlington High
School**

BTC kids Finalists in the Northwest Nightmares Film Festival!

BTC students are finalists, with their horror film taking third place in the Annual Northwest Nightmares Film Festival. Northwestern Vermont's largest amateur film festival was held on October 29 and October 30 in St. Albans. There were fourteen films featured and only two student submissions (other student submission was from UVM). Students enrolled in Digital Media Arts and Design & Illustration Programs had the opportunity to contribute to this student production in all aspects of film making. Students wrote, directed, acted in, filmed, edited and produced as they learned and practiced many skills that include composition, visual effects and sound production. Students are working on other films this year to be submitted to film competitions and are always on the move creating new opportunities for their audiences.



Tech @Work at BTC

Tech @Work is a once-a-month series highlighting a different BTC Program from October to May. In this series, students meet with a leading non-traditional presenter from business/industry. This month students in Auto Body Repair and Automotive Technology will meet with Kate Castonguay, service manager at the Heritage Auto Group. Tech @Work is a partnership between BTC and VT Works for Women.



Pre-School kids Trick-or-Treating at BTC

Students in our Pre-K program were led by our high school student teachers in a Trick-or-Treat Parade at BTC this week. They were especially excited to meet Bob Church, Automotive Technology teacher and his students as they handed out an alternative to sweets. All the young learners were given match box sized cars!



Champlain Café open most Fridays

The Champlain Cafe is run by the Culinary Arts Program at BTC and is open most Fridays to the public featuring omnivorous, vegetarian, vegan and gluten-free menu options. The Champlain Cafe will be open on November 9, December 7 and 14. The Cafe will be closed on November 16 for our Teacher Appreciation Lunch.



SCHOOL NEWS AND OTHER INFORMATION

*Have an idea for an
afterschool
activity? Let's start
one! I'd love to hear
your idea and help
get it off the ground!*

*Students,
Faculty and Staff!
Come and see me,
Sheryl Haiduck, in
room D210 or email
shaiduck@bsdvt.org.*



BHS Expanded Learning

I am really happy about our robust fall session for Afterschool activities! As the fall and winter comes, we'll move indoor for more of our after school programming. Quidditch and Bocce will pause until the spring and Rowing will continue until Thanksgiving.

Unified Bowling had a great first outing at Spare Time on October 31, which was filled with students from across the area decked out in their Halloween costumes. We will be going most Wednesdays through April and more BHS students are certainly welcome!

The El Theater Club is working hard on their first mini play, an adaptation of The Little Red Hen, and are looking forward to performing it at community preschools.

We are working on bringing a Girls Who Code chapter to BHS, as well as a Spoken Word/Poetry Group. Chess sounds like a good idea in the colder months, what do you think?

The Penguin Plunge is coming up! Get ready to jump in and raise money for a great cause! See below for more info.



Vermont After School is seeking Art from YOU!

CALL OUT TO ALL YOUTH!

We need your voice! VT Afterschool is seeking visual art highlighting **Youth Expression and Youth Rights** in the third space. The *third space* is any time you are outside of your house and outside of school.

All chosen artwork will be exhibited in the State House during March 2019!

QUALIFYING ART WORK:

Pieces must be submitted by **December 3, 2018**. The exhibition will kick off with an opening reception for artists and their families in the State House cafeteria.

Please see the attached flyer for more information!

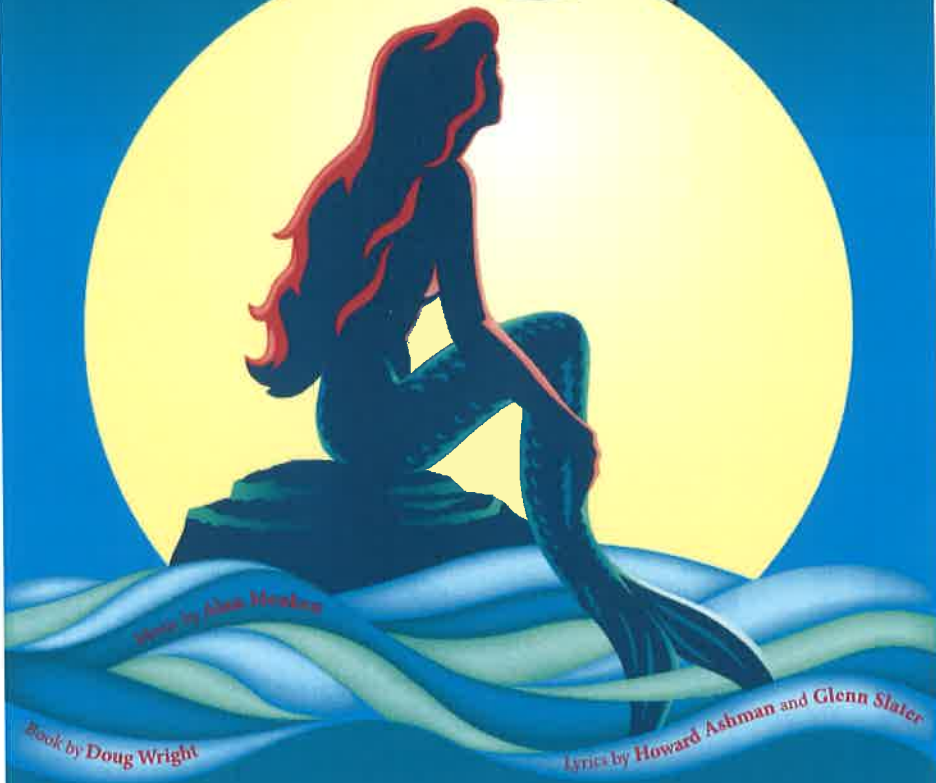
Coming Soon: Girls Who Code, Chess and Spoken Word/Poetry club!

Be on the look out for the weekly Expanded Learning Opportunities email: What's up this week?

Flyers are Included at End of This Newsletter!

BHS Drama Club
presents

Disney **THE LITTLE
MERMAID**



November 15, 16, 17, 2018 curtain at **7:00pm**
and **Special Saturday Matinée November 17** at **2pm**
in the **Burlington High School Auditorium**

Cost: \$8 for students and senior citizens \$12 for adults

Originally produced on Broadway by Dreamworks Theatricals & Neal Street Productions

The Little Mermaid is presented by special arrangement with Music Theatre International
421 West 54th Street, New York, NY 10019 (212) 541 4684



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GUIDELINES

- artwork can be 2D or 3D but not more than three inches off wall
- artwork must be submitted with application form on back
- artwork can be from youth of all ages and abilities who participate in out-of-school time and afterschool programs

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For **2-D work** please mail submissions to:

Vermont Afterschool
123 Ethan Allen Ave
Dupont Hall #309
Colchester, VT 05446



For **3-D submissions** or questions please contact:

Alissa Faber | alissafaber@vermontafterschool.org | 802.448.3464

WE NEED YOUR VOICE

Join the Youth Council

and make funding decisions that will impact youth across Vermont. Youth Council members can expect...

- to meet peers from all over the state
- to support and fund youth projects
- monthly meetings at different locations across Vermont
- help with transportation if needed
- ways to participation outside of monthly meeting times
- and, of course, good food

This statewide youth council is hosted by Vermont Afterschool Inc. and is open to any in grades 8-12 who is involved in afterschool, out-of-school time, or summer programs. If interested, contact Vermont Afterschool's Youth Voice Coordinator Sam Grauly (sam@vermontafterschool.org).

follow us on instagram and snapchat @vtyouthcouncil



Next meeting: Saturday, November 17th 1-3 p.m.

Burlington Community Sailing Center next to the public skatepark





Help your City through Leadership!

CEDO and the City of Burlington are now seeking motivated candidates for the Youth on Boards Program. This program provides Burlington high school youth with an educational experience in local government that will develop professional skills and first steps toward building a successful career in public service while earning volunteer credits.

Burlington high-school age youth serve as a non-voting participant but youth are very much involved and encouraged to weigh in on issues and policies. Youth leaders help create a community that is equitable, inclusive and supportive that allow all voices to be heard. Youth will learn leadership, government decision-making, policy responsibility, team-building, and awareness of your own ability to make a difference in the City for generations to come.

Below are a list of accepting Youth on Boards

Burlington Parks, Recreation, and Waterfront

Board of Voter Registration

Fletcher Free Library

Planning Commission

Police Commission

Community Justice Center

Neighborhood Planning Assemblies

Application Deadline: December 1st, 2018

For board/Commission description or to apply visit CEDO's Youth on Boards!
<https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/CEDO/Youth-on-Boards>

Questions or to send YOB application please contact Phet Keomanyvanh at
pkeomanyvanh@burlingtonvt.gov
or at 802-865-7172

AN AMAZING DOCUMENTARY~ FREE



FILM SYNOPSIS ~

Explores how our culture's narrow definition of masculinity is harming our boys, men and society at large and unveils what we can do about it. Please note, there is some adult content.

WHAT: The movie *"THE MASK YOU LIVE IN"*

WHERE: Hunt Middle School Auditorium

WHEN: Tuesday, November 13, 6-8PM

(THERE WILL BE A DISCUSSION AFTERWARDS)

WHY: To learn a lot more about boys and the challenges they face and ways to help them

WHO: Coaches, teachers, and others that work with boys, anyone that has a son or knows any boys

FREE CHILDCARE AND SNACKS
LOTS OF FREE PARKING

Any questions please contact TAMMY KUYPERS at Kuypers5@yahoo.com

The sun is shining. The trees will soon be turning color.
Now is the time to think about your senior photo for the yearbook!

DUE DATE

Class of 2019 Senior portraits are due by Friday, December 1, 2018.

STYLE

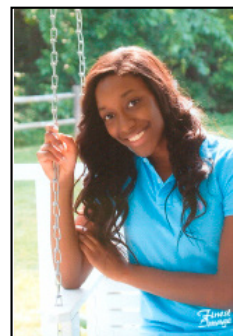
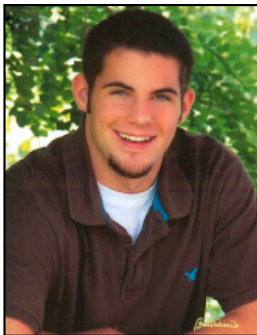
It is up to the senior how they “wished to be remembered” (so long as it is not offensive to others). However, the typical photograph is a 2/3 headshot. Portraits may be color or black/white.

FORMAT

We prefer high resolution digital format (minimum resolution of 300).

SUBMITTING PHOTOS

Please label the file as the student wishes their name to appear in the book (Smith. Joe P.jpg). Senior Portraits can be email to Mrs. Skoglund at cskoglun@bsdvt.org





1. Get **Participant Waiver** signed by parent/guardian.
2. **Submit** participant waiver to D-206, Attention: Melody Greer or Mike Leonard.
3. **Register** online with BHS' Cool Schools fundraising page.-
<https://give.specialolympicsvermont.org/team/195507>
4. **Fundraise** via social media by linking to BHS team site or collect donations in person and record on the log. Return log and donations to D206.
5. **Raise \$150** (at least!) to help meet team average. -This is a requirement from Special Olympics Vermont, not us. Not meeting this amount will NOT disqualify you.
6. **Check your email** for updates. Informational meetings will begin soon.

Marijuana Myths

& Connecting with Your Teen

With world-renowned speaker Ty Sells

& a panel of local experts

Wednesday,
November 14

6-8pm
(dinner at 5:30pm)
in the BHS library



BURLINGTON
HIGH SCHOOL

All are welcome to attend this FREE event.
Register here: bit.ly/MJmythsevent1114

ParentiN
BURLINGTON

WEDNESDAYS
DEC 5, 12 & 19

6-8:15pm

UNDERSTANDING OPIATE ADDICTION

3-CLASS WORKSHOP
FOR COMMUNITIES - \$30*

**Scholarships available*

LEARN & SHARE ABOUT:

- the opiate crisis
- signs of opiate addiction
- the effect of opiate addiction on people and their families
- what our community can do
- **WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP**

Free Supper will be provided.

Recommended for anyone who wants to learn about opiate addiction and how to make a difference in their communities.

*Educators will receive:
Professional Development Credit*



Information & Registration:

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