BURLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

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Upcoming Dates at BHS Thursday 3/8 Orchestra Night 7PM BHS Auditorium Wednesday 3/21 BHS Talent Show 6:30PM Thursday 3/22 Fine Arts Night 5:30PM Friday 3/23 Student Early Release at noon

A MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL RACICOT

Spring parent/guardian/teacher conferences are approaching soon at BHS. All students will have a half day Friday, March 23 (noon release).

Conferences are by invite or by request. Times that teachers will be available will vary but will fall between these dates and times:

Thursday, March 22 from 5-7:30 Friday, March 23 from 8-11:30 Wednesday, March 28 from 7:45-8:45 and from 3:20-4:20PM

If you are not contacted by a teacher by Monday, March, 19 and would like to request a conference time, please call us at 864-8411 and we will be pleased to get you in touch with teachers.

STUDENT SCHEDULE for PARENT/GUARDIAN/TEACHER CONFERENCE

Friday March 23, 2018 WHITE DAY Schedule for students (early release):

Block 4 8:05-9AM Block 1 9:05-10AM Block 2 10:05-11AM Block 3 11:05-12PM

9TH ANNUAL ORCHESTRA NIGHT

Please join us for the <u>9th Annual BSD</u> <u>ORCHESTRA NIGHT</u> on Thursday, March 8th at 7p.m. in the BHS Auditorium. This exciting concert will feature more than 225 of Burlington's Orchestra Students Grades 4-12. There will be performances by the Grade 4 & 5 After-School String Programs, combined EMS & HMS Orchestras, the BHS Orchestra Combined Orchestra, and a collective orchestra of all students Grades 4-12.

Please plan to join us for a fantastic evening of music! The concert is free and open to the public.



BAKE SALE!

The BHS Scholars' Bowl team has qualified for nationals! They are fundraising with bake sales, including at Orchestra Night this Thursday. Bring your money to get some delicious baked goods and help support the team!

You can also donate to their GoFundMe at <u>https://www.gofundme.com/bhs-scholars-</u> <u>bowl-trip-to-nationals</u>.

BHS TALENT SHOW

Student Planning Committee, the same folks who bring you the awesome dances and pep rallies, is hosting 198th Annual BHS Talent Show Wednesday, March 21st in the BHS auditorium from 6:30-8:30.

We want you in the spotlight! If you would like to be in the Talent Show, contact Mr. Williams by Monday, 12th. All are welcome.







BHS will be hosting a Fine Arts Night on Thursday, March 22, 2018 from 5:30-7:30pm. Student work and performances of all our fine art offerings will be represented on this evening.



ATTENTION PARENTS AND GUARDIANS OF 9TH GRADERS

On Wednesday, March 21st during Choice Time, all 9th Graders will be participating in a practice session for the SBAC English/Language Arts and Mathematics Exams. 9th Graders that morning will be reporting first to the Auditorium @ 8:05 AM for an introduction to the exam. From there they will be asked to report to the classroom in which they will be taking the SBACs where they will meet the teachers that they will be working with on April 3rd, 4th, 10th, and 11th. Those teachers will be helping them sign on to the SBAC website as well as helping them answer sample questions from the practice test. Please be sure that your student brings their fully charged Chromebook to this practice session.

Thank you very much for your help in making sure that 9th graders come to the SBAC Practice Session on Wednesday, March 21st @ 8:05 with their charged Chromebooks!

SUNDAY STUDIES AT KING STREET CENTER

King Street Center is now offering free tutoring, a quiet place to study, or access to technology for middle and high school students on Sunday afternoons from 1-5 p.m. Any student seeking support is welcome – not just teens enrolled in King Street Center programs. Assistance with school projects, resumes, and job applications is also available. If youth have specific needs regarding a particular school subject - especially higher level math or science, please contact King Street Center in advance to ensure a qualified volunteer is available to help. Snacks are provided.

Are you a student/parent with questions? Please contact Community Outreach Director Gabriella Tufo Strouse at

gabriella@kingstreetcenter.org or call 802-862-6736. King Street Center is located at 87 King Street between St. Paul and Pine Streets.

UPCOMING VSAC EVENTS

VSAC's College & Career Pathways events help parents and students learn about financial aid, grants and scholarships, navigating college loans, how to search for a college or career program ... and more.

Attend your choice of in-depth workshops led by local experts.

These free half-day events happen only once a year! Choose your location and date.

- March 17, Saint Michael's College, Colchester, 9:00 am–1:45 pm
- March 24, NVU–Johnson, 9:00 am–12:30pm
- April 7, Castleton University, Castleton, 9:00 am-12:30 pm

GIRLS GO CYBERSTART CHALLENGE

Congratulations to *Anna Halladay, Emily McNichols, Lea Mihok* who placed first in Vermont for the Girls Go CyberStart challenge. They completed a variety of challenges in the areas of programming, forensics, web security, and cryptography, the art of writing code earning 47,400points. Second place was MMU with 40,100 points. Burlington High School will be awarded \$750 and each team member will receive a Chromebook and \$50 gift certificate. Faculty advisor is Colby Skoglund, BHS Design Technology educator.



BTC PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Burlington Technical Center Preschool



Open House Thursday, March 8, 2018 8:00 - 10:30 a.m.



Please join the Burlington Technical Center Preschool for our open house. Our dynamic team of teachers create the perfect learning environment for your child. Registration paperwork, handbook, schedule and other information will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact Jenn Whitby at jwhitby@bsdvt.org or 864-8422.

WEEKLY LGBTQ GROUP

Spectrum Youth and Family Services holds a Weekly group at Spectrum's Drop-in location that is open to all LGBTQ youth.

Currently it meets Fridays at 1, but they have had increased interest from location High School students, so they are considering moving the time back a bit to accommodate these youth.

The group is supportive space for LGBTQ youth to connect, process, access community and resources and just **S** have fun!



YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of parent volunteers during our busy lunches. Are you free 10:45-12:45pm any day of the week?

Come join us as we offer students support, positive engagement and a friendly smile. No experience needed! A helping hand to guide student through their fast paced lunch. Positions in the Cafeteria & Library

Come Join Us One Day A Week! Email: <u>seahorsepride@gmail.com</u>

BHS ATHLETIC UPDATES

All Inclusive Spring Sport Informational Meeting this Friday, March 9th during Advisory 1:00—1:30pm in the Auditorium.

SPRING SPORTS 2018 START DATES: <u>March 12th:</u> BASEBALL: Catchers and pitchers only

<u>March 19th</u>: ALL SPRING SPORTS 2018 Baseball, Softball, Girls Lacrosse, Boys Lacrosse, Tennis Track & Field, Ultimate Frisbee

ALL required paperwork will be completed on-line via a platform called "*Form ReLeaf*." This will allow parents to complete forms ONCE and then you can use auto fill if you have more than one child OR your child plays more than one sport. Medical forms still need be to be handed in because of the requirement for the Doctor's signature. Parents will access the site from the BHS Athletic website. click on * ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR SPRING 2018 SPORTS*

If at any time you need assistance, you can call the FormReleaf Support line at 1-844-367-6735

Please visit <u>burlingtonathletics.com</u> website for more information.

BLACK HISTORY DOES NOT END IN FEBRUARY

"Black History doesn't end when March begins," notes <u>Burlington School District</u> Superintendent (BSD) Yaw Obeng. In recognition of this, and in the spirit of the District's commitment to representation, reflection, and dialogue, BSD proudly invites the community to "Beyond Black History Month," a free, district-wide event on March 9th.

Featuring exhibitions and presentations from students from around the district reflecting on Black History Month and what they learned in school, the event will take place at Burlington High School at 6:00 PM. Attendees can expect an engaging and inclusive evening of conversation, education, and community building.

"The aim of this event is to continue, not conclude, our community's momentum in expanding dialogues, shifting perspectives, and boldly addressing present-day injustices," says Obeng.

Attendees will hear from students in the BHS Social Justice Union, see a performance by the dance team at BHS, engage with students in a facilitated dialogue around racism, and hear a combined choir performance from Sustainability Academy, CP Smith, and Integrated Arts Academy elementary schools. A variety of community partners like Vermont Partnership for Fairness and Diversity; The Peace and Justice Center; Burlington Community Justice Center; Color CounterBalance; and others will also be on hand displaying information and resources and engaging in conversations.

Childcare and snacks will be provided at the event. For more information visit<u>www.bsdvt.org</u>. To sign up for childcare, call (802) 864-8474.



UVM WOMYN OF COLOR COALITION INVITES STUDENTS TO PARTICIATE IN EVENT

The Womyn of Color Coalition, located at the University of Vermont, is excited to be working with the Vermont **Refugee Resettlement Program to put** on an event in the Davis Center called "Real People, Real News" on Friday March 30. The evening will feature a fashion show made up entirely of refugees from the community, as well as other spoken word and dance performances. The goal of this event is to hold space to appreciate and honor the strength, resiliency, and contributions of the people of color, immigrants, and refugees in this community. Proceeds will be donated directly to VRRP to support programs for new arrivals.

With that in mind,

we would like to invite members of the Burlington High School student body to get involved as performers! Dance, song, spoken word, and other ideas are all welcome and groups are encouraged in order to get as many people involved as possible. Students holding any of the identities mentioned above and who are interested in getting involved, or have any questions should reach out to Diana Allos at <u>dallos@uvm.edu</u> THE WOMYN OF COLOR COALITION WITH USCRI/VERMONT REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM PRESENTS

REAL PEOPLE, REAL NEWS

Come join us for an evening featuring a fashion show starring refugees from the community, other surprise dance and spoken word performances, and light refreshments!

Proceeds from the event will be donated to VRRP for new arrival support programs

MARCH 30 6-8 PM LIVAK BALLROOM.

DAVIS CENTER

U.S. COMMITTEE FOR REFUGEES AND IMMIGRANT

BHS UNIFIED BASKETBALL TEAM

On Thursday, February 22, BHS Unified Basketball players, Seamus Stein and Katie Comerford-Joyce participated in a scrimmage at Patrick Gym during halftime of the UVM Women's Basketball game. The other participants were members of the UVM Men's Lacrosse team. Both Stein and Comerford-Joyce were dominant for their respective sides. Stein led all scorers and defended everyone, while Comerford-Joyce nearly had a triple-double. The action was non-stop, the crowd was raucous, and everyone



had a great time. Thank you to Special Olympics Vermont and UVM Marketing & Fan Engagement for coordinating the event.









UNIFIED BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Northern Unified Basketball Schedule Championship target date: 5/10/18 Practice can begin 2/19/18, games begin 3/19/18

Teams: Bellcate, Colchester, MMU, Montpelier, Milton, CVU, Burlington, BFA St. Albans

Game time will be 3:30, except for Burlington and MMU which will start at 3:45

Tuesday, March 20th Bellcate @ Colchester CVU @ Burlington

Wednesday, March 21st BFA @ MMU

Thursday, March 22nd CVU @ BFA Montpelier @ Colchester

Tuesday, March 27th Burlington @ BFA Milton @ MMU Bellcate @ Montpelier

Thursday, March 29th Bellcate @ Milton Montpelier @ Burlington Colchester @ CVU

Monday, April 2nd MMU @ Montpelier

Tuesday, April 3rd BFA @ Montpelier Colchester @ Burlington

Wednesday, April 4th Burlington @ MMU Thursday, April 5th

Colchester @ Milton

Friday, April 6th Bellcate @ BFA

Monday, April 9th MMU @ <u>Bellcate</u> Montpelier @ Milton

Tuesday[,] April 10th Milton @ CVU

Thursday, April 12th BFA @ Colchester Burlington @ Milton CVU @ Montpelier

Tuesday, April 17th Burlington @ <u>Bellcate</u> Milton @ BFA MMU @ CVU

Thursday, April 19th MMU @ Colchester

FROM THE GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

- Available for 9th-11th graders! Are you looking for something amazing for your son/ daughter to do this summer? Have them consider being part of the Governor's Institutes of Vermont (GIV), an incredibly fun immersive learning experience just for Vermont high schoolers. They will choose their topic, meet students from all over the state who share that interest, gain skills and get to practice what college-level study on a college campus is like. Topics include arts, engineering, information technology & digital media, entrepreneurship, writing, science, astronomy, mathematical sciences, current issues and youth activism, and more. GIV promises to be financially accessible for all students. Visit www.giv.org to learn more and apply now.
- To learn about all scholarships please visit the BHS Guidance webpage <u>http://</u><u>bhs.bsdvt.org/scholarship-opportunities/</u>
- The Big Virtual College Admissions Fair is a national online event for high school juniors and seniors where hundreds of colleges converge to present their school. In this virtual setting, students can learn about and interact with these colleges via voice and text chat and video streaming using just their smartphone. As you know all too well, there is a heavy burden and much confusion on the side of both the students and parents during the college discovery process. https://collegefair.thebigvirtual.com/national-online-college-admissions-fair-high-school-counselor-registration-and-information
- VTVLC is offering scholarships for students to attend the 2018 Online and Blended Learning Conference at the Stoweflake on March 16th. With specific student strands, the conference not only provides sessions for students, but also a discussion session to provide students the opportunity to voice their opinions! There is still 9 scholarships! Please have your students register today at: <u>http://neoti.vtvlc.org/conferences/</u> <u>Student strands include:</u> Student/Parent Mixer and discussion session (Hannah Farnum) Cell Phones & Your Brain (Terri Vest) Blended Learning Adventures (Jane Mekkelsen) The Nitty Gritty of Vermont's Dual Enrollment Program (Jess DeCarolis - AOE)

<u>SAT/ACT</u>

Below are the Spring SAT/ACT Dates held at BHS.

ACT EXAM DATES 2017- 2018 Burlington High School Center Code 186090 Test Dates:	SAT EXAM DATES 2017- 2018 Burlington High School Center Code 460085 Test Dates:
June 9, 2018	March 10, 2018
	May 5, 2018

BTC APPLICATION DEADLINE

BTC Applications due April 16

Applications for Burlington Technical Center (BTC) programs are due Friday, April 16th to the BHS Guidance Office. Students are welcome to pick up a blank application in the guidance office, or print one <u>here</u>.

Students are required to visit BTC prior to applying. Please let your school counselor know if you need to attend the Make-up Visit Day this Friday (4/9) at 9:30am, or to make other arrangements to visit.

BTC Programs include:

Pre-Tech Foundational Design for 9th and 10th graders

For 11th/12th graders: Auto Body Repair Automotive Science and Technology Criminal Justice Culinary Arts/Professional Foods Design & Illustration Digital Media Lab Human Services Health Sciences Academy Programming and Computer Science Welding and Metal Fabrication

For more information about programs, visit <u>http://btc.bsdvt.org/</u> or talk with your school counselor!



GET YOUR ACT TOGETHER

ВНЗ Тацепт SHOW

March 21st / WeD 6:30-8:30

BHS AUDITORIUM

Added to t



The Comcast Leaders and Achievers® Scholarship Program

Comcast will award \$1,000 scholarships to 12 Vermont high school seniors in recognition for the students' leadership skills, academic achievement and commitment to community service.

First Name	Last Name	High School Name	High School City
Theo	Avent	Springfield High School	Springfield
Morgan	Brown	Black River Usd #39	Ludlow
Jalyn	Collins	Richford Junior/Senior High School	Richford
Aimee	Frank	Arlington Memorial HS	Arlington
Mika	Holtz	South Burlington High School	South Burlington
Olivia	Howe	Brattleboro Senior Uhsd #6	Brattleboro
Sheyenne	Miller	Randolph Technical Career Center	Randolph
Jacob	Miner	Otter Valley Union High School	Brandon
Kennedy	Moore	Woodstock Sr. UHSD #4	Woodstock
Shannon	O'Kelly	U-32 High School (UHSD #32)	Montpelier
Caroline	Saba	Burlington High School	Burlington
Joseph	Yando	Peoples Academy	Morrisville



BLOOD DRIVE

Hosted by BHS Heroes

Who? Anyone 16 years or older

Where? BHS Gym

When? Wednesday, March 14 8:30am - 2pm

Why? March is National Red Cross month and people are always in need of blood!

Questions? Please contact Ms. Dupuis (<u>fdupuis@bsdvt.org</u>). Volunteers (as non-donors) are absolutely needed!

spectrum's Hellowed 2018

Who?

• Students (grades 9-12), BHS teachers & parents/guardians

What?

- BHS' fourth annual Student Sleep Out for Spectrum.
- The Sleep Out raises awareness of youth homelessness.
- Participating students must raise money for this cause.
- Permission slips are due by <u>Friday, March 16</u>.

Where?

• Buck Hard Field

When?

• Friday, March 30 at 7pm until Saturday, March 31 at 7am

Why?

• Students not only earn community service, but they also participate in BHS' most successful community outreach event.

How?

- Contact Ms. Dupuis (<u>fdupuis@bsdvt.org</u>) for more information about how to participate.
- Ms. Dupuis welcomes parents/guardians as chaperones!



BHS BOOSTERS is now BHS SEAHORSEPRIDE

SEAHORSEPRIDE: BHS Parent Volunteer Organization Supporting BHS Students in Arts, Academics and Athletics

All Are Welcome To Volunteer in Any Way!

Email us, let us know how you would like to help out BHS: <u>seahorsepride@gmail.com</u>

<u>Help with School Support: Arts & Academics</u> Cnt: Clare Wool email: <u>clarewool@me.com</u>

<u>Help with Music and Choral Dept.</u> Cnt: Suzanne Garrity email: <u>suzannemgarrity@gmail.com</u>

<u>Help with Sponsorship/Advertising</u> Cnt: Chris Hood email: <u>chood@cssu.org</u>

<u>Help with Winter Sports Concessions</u> Cnt: Jennifer Woods email: jenniferwoods173@gmail.com

<u>Help with Athletic Team Yard Signs</u> Tammy Kuypers contact: <u>kuypers5@yahoo.com</u>

BUY YOUR BASKETBALL AND HOCKEY SPORTS SIGN TODAY!!

Have you seen the signs, like the one below, popping up all over town?



In an attempt to get more people to join in the great events that take place at BHS, we have created a Seahorse sign for different sports/activities that are taking place at the high school.

When you see a sign up you know that one of the BHS teams is playing that day.

- Go to the BHS website at www.bhs.bsdvt.org,
- Click on the top bar that says athletics,
- and you'll know who, where and when they are playing.
- come see a great game and support our student/athletes!!

A big thank you to the Seahorse Pride Committee (formerly Boosters) who support this effort.

Signs are on sale for only \$5.

If you're interested in owning one and taking part in Seahorse Pride,

please contact Tammy Kuypers at Kuypers5@yahoo.com

Get Your BASKETBALL and/or HOCKEY One Today!!!

Then You'll be Ready For The First Game!

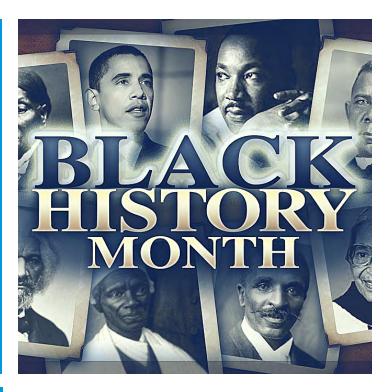
***If you have a team in mind that you would like to create signs for,

please email me at the above email address! The more teams we can represent the better!! ***

GO SEAHORSES!!

ALL ARE WELCOME BEYOND BLACK HISTORY MONTH

FEATURING STUDENT WORK AND PROMOTING ONGOING CONVERSATION ACROSS THE DISTRICT FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH AND BEYOND



BURLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

FRIDAY, MARCH 9TH

6:00 PM

CHILDCARE AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED. **EXPANDING DIALOGUES**

SHIFTING PERSPECTIVES

BOLDLY ADDRESSING INJUSTICES

Cultivating caring, creative, and courageous people. Join the journey!



To request childcare or transportation please call 802-864-8474

Please join Parentin BURLINGTON for an evening with Michael Nerney

Risky Business

Why Adolescents Love Risk-Taking, and How We Can Help Manage It

Wednesday, March 28th from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm All are welcome to attend this free event at Hunt Middle School

Childcare available (upon request): emily@Burlingtonpartnership.org Research on the adolescent brain clearly demonstrates that teens perceive and process risk assessment in ways that are remarkably unlike adults. Mr. Nerney will offer new ways to think about and address adolescent risk reduction.

Visit: ParentINburlington.org or Facebook/parentinburlington

YOUNG WRITERS PROJECT

teen writing workshop and open mic with slam poet rajnii eddins | second thursday every month

Young Writers Project & Burlington City Arts present SoundCheck

free! A ^ monthly writing workshop & open mic for teens at Burlington City Arts, 135 Church Street



RAJNII EDDINS

POET, SINGER, RAPPER & ARTISTIC DIRECTOR FOR YOUNG WRITERS PROJECT'S VOICES FOR CHANGE

second thursday every month

6 pm writing & pizza | 7-8:30 pm open mic

October 12, 2017 November 9, 2017 December 14, 2017 January 11, 2018 February 8, 2018 March 8, 2018 April 12, 2018 May 10, 2018



BURLINGTON CITY ARTS

135 CHURCH STREET BURLINGTON, VERMONT

Need more info? rajnii@youngwritersproject.org







SPECTR **YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES**

aherbert@spectrumvt.org | 802 864 7423 x315 | 177 Pearl Street, Burlington VT

BURLINGTON INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION

Wednesday March 7, 2018 5:30–7:30 PM Burlington High School Burlington, VT

2018 Honorees: Sue Gillis

Barbara Jordan Dolly Fleming Robin Lloyd, guest speaker

We invite you to join us and the rest of the world in celebrating and honoring the women and girls of the planet and to use this day to commit ourselves to ensuring the rights of women of all ages so they can lead secure, creative, healthy, and free lives.

Youcan expect:

- to meet and converse with the diverse women who form our community
- to enjoy delicious snacks
- to hear about three community members being honored for their work.
- to hear about this year's special honoree, the originator of the "Me too" movement Tarana Burke



This event is **FREE** and all are welcome to attend.

Sponsored by the Caroline Fund, Ned and JoAnn Winterbottom and the Peace and Justice Center.