

## CONNECTIONS

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

#### **BHS Spirit Week**

**9/11 Tues:** Red, White & Blue Day: Remembering

9/11

**9/12 Wed:** Twin Day

**9/13 Thu:** Class Color Day:

9th = Green

10th = Purple

11th = Red

12th = Black

9/14 Fri: Blue & White

SuperFan Day

Pep Rally during Advisory

**9/14 Fri:** Fireworks at halftime football game

**9/15 Sat:** Homecoming dance: "Welcome to the

Reef" 8-10:30pm

#### **NEACAC College Fair**

9/12 Wed 6:30-8:30pm 9/13 Thur 9-11am Saint Michael's College, Tarrant Recreation Center

#### **Parent Coffee Series**

9/14 Fri 7:45-8:45am

#### **Open House**

9/20 Thur 7-9pm

#### Pathways to College & Career Conference

10/9 Tues 12:30-5:00pm, see flyer

#### **Women Can Do**

10/11 Thur, see flyer

#### **BHS Senior Awarded by the National Student Poets Program**

Congratulations to BHS senior, Alexandra Contreras-Montesano for being awarded as one of five **National Student Poets** Program winners! Annually, five students are selected for one year of service as literary ambassadors, each representing a different geographic region of the country. By elevating and showcasing their work for a national audience, the program



strives to inspire other young people to achieve excellence in their own creative endeavors and promote the essential role of writing and the arts in academic and personal success. Alexandra was chosen as the Northeast region literary ambassador.

Congratulations on this significant honor!

#### Administrative Corner Principal Noel Green

Summer went sizzling by but lingered into the first couple of weeks of school which resulted in BHS buildings being unusually hot. We are proud of our students and teachers as they dealt with the heat without losing a beat!

We had a strong start to the year and want to keep up the momentum. We are in the add/drop period, so students can finalize their schedules and settle into a routine. This is important, as we want students to have no barriers to getting to class on time, every day.

I met with each grade level to welcome them back and to discuss expectations for the year. Attendance was a major theme. Your help is needed to ensure students understand the value of strong attendance and timeliness. That being said, I implore parents to help us with Wednesday mornings. This day has been challenging in regard to timeliness. A break in routine should not cause the high number of tardies that we have seen on Wednesday mornings. Please treat Wednesday morning like any other day by urging students to arrive to school by 7:45am. Although classes do not begin until 8:50am, students can participate in choice time activities or study before classes begin. This time is not for students to go to Starbucks or Dunkin Donuts, especially if they do not bring a snack for me.

I hope to see parents at BHS' first Parent Coffee this Friday at 7:45am. The topic of discussion will be parent volunteerism at the high school level.

## NEWS, EVENTS & REQUESTS

**Just the Right Note!** 



In Mr. Hamilton's Introduction to Music class, students are busy learning about reading and writing music. Pictured are students figuring out chords and intervals on the piano!

#### **Burlington School Food Project (BSFP) News**

The BSFP team started off strong this year working hard to provide great meals to our students and staff.

Here are some important highlights!



#### Social Media

We are working hard to share the great work we are doing in our schools and in our gardens and hope you'll follow us on our social media accounts:

Facebook: Burlingtonschoolfoodproject

Twitter: BSFP802Instagram: BSFP\_802

#### **Local Foods**

We support our local economy by offering as much local food as we can. Our garden coordinator visits our school gardens throughout the week to harvest and deliver fresh, student grown produce to the as long as it is in season. Take a look at some of our local offerings! These veggies are from the BHS left field garden!

#### **Applying for Free Meals**

This year, families can apply online at this site for free meals. Please share widely! Families are always welcome to fill out hard copy applications if they prefer. Hard copies are available to download on our website at bhs.bsdvt.org under Resources. In addition applications and can be picked up in the BHS kitchen.

#### **Cross Country Team Running Strong!**

The Burlington High School Cross-Country teams are off to a good start, with strong finishes on both the Boys and the Girls teams. With a large pack of 17 teams, the girls finished 4th led by a 10th place finish by Isabel Vivanco. The Boys team followed up with a third-place overall finish and were led by Wondu Summa, Simon Kissam and Kent Ford in second, third and fifth places respectively. Both teams look to back up their strong start to the season at the Burlington Invitational on Saturday, Sept 8.



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#### **BHS Nurses are Looking for Donations of Tea and Honey!**

It's hard to believe but we already have students with the sniffles in the BHS Health Office. This year, as in the past, we are reaching out to appeal to your generosity for donations of tea and honey.

Do you have herbal tea at home that you would like to donate to the BHS Health Office? Maybe a flavor you think it's unlikely you will use? The simple, soothing, remedy of tea and honey to alleviate cough and cold symptoms can work wonders in making a student's busy day a little easier when feeling under the weather.



#### **Hosting Families Needed**

Are you interested in hosting a Japanese student from October 13-22? How about going to Japan over April break? If you are interested in either, please see Mr. Yu in C212, or contact him (myu@bsdvt.org) for more details! Be on the lookout for an interest meeting in the near future.



#### **School Club News**

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 the BAS office (D building, top of stairs) or email: shaiduck@bsdvt.org.

- Homework Help Center meets in the library on Monday Thursday from 3:05-5:00pm beginning Monday, September 10.
   The Homework Help Center is a quiet place to get school work done and to get help from tutors. This year we will have a dedicated ELL tutor, as well as a math tutor! Please have your ID number to sign in for attendance.
- Acting Out, a Theater Troop for English Language Learners, meets on Tuesdays at 3:30pm in Room B-212. This is a great opportunity to improve your speaking, reading, writing and listening skills in a fun environment! No experience necessary! See Ms. Evans for more information.



- Unified Bocce begins on October 3! Unified Bowling begins October 31!
- Are you interested in medicine and health care? Do you enjoy learning about science, technology and engaging in hands-on activities related to health and medicine? Are you curious about the many career opportunities available in health care and medicine? Join the Health Education Resource Opportunity, also known as the HERO club! Come to an informational orientation on November 9! Stay tuned for more information!



Coming later this fall: Champlain Longboat Rowing, Spectrum Jobs



Colleges will begin visiting BHS starting next week, Monday, September 10 and be available to meet with students during lunch in the cafeteria.

# BHS SPIRIT WEEK

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#### SAVE THE DATE!

For the 2nd Annual

### PATHWAYS TO COLLEGE AND CAREER CONFERENCE

October 9th, 2018 @ 12;30pm - 5:00pm

Events Include: College Essay Writing, Financial Aid & Admissions Process Workshops and More!!









# WOMEN CAN DO

An EXPO promoting STEM & Trades opportunities



# HOW DO YOU WANT TO CHANGE THE WORLD?

# Discover the possibilities at WOMEN CAN DO

Women Can Do is packed with hands-on workshops in science, technology, engineering, math, and skilled trades professions.



#### **FOR MORE INFO:**

See Mrs. Skoglund in A-320 cskoglun@bsdvt.org vtworksforwomen.org/womencando



Thursday, October 11
(Blue Day)

See Mrs. Skoglund in A-320 to Register

Deadline is September 21

# 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











