

### CONNECTIONS

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Seahorse pride
Meeting
Monday, 12/10
6 PM\*\*
BHS Library
\*\*NOTE the time change
All Are Welcome!



## Senior Portraits due Saturday, December 1

To Mrs. Skoglund!

If you have any questions or concerns, contact Mrs. Skoglund at cskoglun@bsdvt.org

Find us on Facebook at Burlington High School

#### **BHS Winter Rowing Team Heads to Boston**

The BHS Rowing Team headed to Boston for a race in the Charles River. It is one of the most loved events of the team. They did great and had a wonderful time! Thanks to the coaches, Ben Maycock and Gabrielle Hall, and the parents who drove the vans (Victor Prussack!) who made this trip possible for the team.









#### Administrative Corner, Principal Noel Green

We made it! Our students and teachers made it through the longest stretch of the school year without a significant break. We all enjoyed some well deserved time off last week and now must focus on finishing the semester on a strong note. We have three weeks until the end of the first semester and need to encourage our students to finish strong.

Celebrate with your student the good work that has happened so far this school year. If your student is struggling, please encourage them to access the supports that are in place to help them with their academic progress. This includes attending call back which all teachers have on certain days of the week. Students should also attend homework club which happens Monday thru Thursday after school from 3:05 to 5:00. Finally, and most importantly, they must attend class. They can't learn if they are not in class.

As always, our community finds a way to come together. We have accomplished this most recently with the play for example. This is important as we want BHS to be a hub for such activity as we play a vital role in bringing people together. Another way in which we bring everyone together is through student community meetings. Our 9th and 10th graders will have an opportunity today to come together during advisory time with the goal of discussing the BHS re-envisioning. This will be an opportunity for students to ask questions about the renovation and the impact that it will have on them during the construction. Our students are one of many different stakeholder groups that will have an opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback about the project. Stay tuned for more information in regard to how parents will be involved with the re-envisioning process.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

#### \*Important Info regarding the BUSES\*

AM Bus #34 has been overcrowded and the bus company GMT Rides is concerned.

PLEASE TAKE #33 in the morning if you are able.

Thanks for helping us all stay safe!



\*STUDENTS:

There will be a
Credit Recovery
day on January 7.
Look for more info
in the next newsletter.

Follow BHS on Facebook!

#### **Burlington School Food Project Helps families in need!**

The Burlington School Food Project would like to give thanks to a wonderful team of BHS students who helped us prepare and freeze 400 meals for hunger relief in our community. For many of us school breaks are an exciting time. However, there are many students and families in our school community who rely heavily on the daily meals our kitchens provide. School breaks can be a stressful time for these households. It is our hope, at the Burlington School Food Project, to be able to offer some relief to these



families whenever the need arises. We have already begun meal prep for the next holiday break. If you are interested in taking part in this work or contributing to the cost of these meals, e-mail Sarah at <a href="mailto:sheusner@bsdvt.org">sheusner@bsdvt.org</a>. All student participants can collect community service hours for their time.

#### **BTC Aviation Technology Program Open House**

The Burlington Technical Center Aviation Technology Program is having an open house featuring tours of its airport facility at 345 Valley Road South Burlington on Tuesday December 4th. Tours of the facility will be given at 5, 6 and 7pm please come and learn about how this program can provide opportunities for high school and adult students to learn about aircraft maintenance and take steps to earn certifications as an aircraft maintenance technician. Again we are located at 345 Valley Road in South Burlington on the property of Burlington Airport. The facility is behind a secure gate; participants will park in the grass lot outside the fence. Tour groups will be let in at 5, 6, and 7 pm please arrive at least 10 minutes early to any of the 3 touring times. There is no cost to attend the open house, if you have questions please contact Marc Houlihan at <a href="mailto:mhouliha@bsdvt.org">mhouliha@bsdvt.org</a>.



## UPCOMING EVENTS



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.

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#### 2017-18 BHS yearbook, OREAD, coming soon!

The 2018 BHS yearbook, the *OREAD*, is being printed in the next few weeks. We expect copies to be available for pickup at BHS in January. This is the yearbook that covers the 2017-18 school year, culminating with graduation in June of 2018. BHS is one of the few local high schools that covers the entire school year in its yearbook. While this means students must wait until partway into the next year to receive their yearbooks, the benefit is a yearbook that thoroughly covers the school year, including graduation and all the end-of-year events.

We expect the yearbooks in January, and we will email all who ordered them when we have a firm arrival date. Once the yearbooks arrive, there will be a limited number of extra copies available for the regular price of \$60. Please email Dan Hagan (<a href="mailto:dhagan@bsdvt.org">dhagan@bsdvt.org</a>) with any questions.

#### **BHS Expanded Learning**

Need some gifts for the holidays? Who wouldn't want a light-up blinking card? What about some earrings for mom? A sun-catcher for your grandparents? A wand that lights up for your little sister? Homemade gifts are the best! Come to the new Makerspace Mondays, meeting in the computer lab in the Library from 3:15-4:15 and design, create, make!

Got stress? Wrestling with anxiety? How about spending 20 minutes on Thursday afternoons in the Meditation Lab? We will experiment with different forms of guided meditation using mindfulness techniques and drawing from meditative practices from around the world. Leave your shoes, your work, your electronics, and your daily busyness at the door. Allow yourself time to unplug, let go, and release the tension that your whole body, mind, and spirit are holding. Join us each week from 3:15 - 3:35 on Thursday afternoons. Place TBD.

A friendly reminder that the Homework Center is open Monday-Thursday from 3:05 - 5:00 in the library. Don't let the holidays interfere with your school work!

#### **BHS Scholar's Bowl Tournament**

The BHS Scholars' Bowl team welcomed competitors from across the area on November 9th, playing host to the Vermont-NEA Scholars' Bowl Chittenden Regional. Twelve teams from seven school around the county participated in the event.

The Burlington team of Zoe Koeninger, Anna Halliday, Hessain Tamang and Isa Blach finished in fourth place in the varsity division, scoring victories over Mt. Mansfield and Rice among their five matches. Two other BHS students, Alex Wick and Rory Stein joined forces with teammates from South Burlington on a "Seawolves" team that went 3-2 to finish in third place among the JV teams.

This is the second straight year BHS has hosted the Chittenden Regional, one of six preliminary regional events around the state. Burlington is planning on fielding teams in another of those events at Lamoille this week.

#### SCHOOL NEWS AND OTHER INFORMATION



#### Clothing Drive sponsored by the Refugee Outreach Club!

Bring in any warm clothing, coats, boots, hats, gloves, that your family does not need anymore. We have families who will treasure them!

Clothing is being

collected outside the front office.



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#### BHS Fall Musical, The Little Mermaid, a Huge Success!

Congratulations to the cast and crew of <a href="the Little Mermaid">the Little Mermaid</a>! The show went off without a hitch and was one of the best yet! BHS is so proud of the actors and crew for their hard work. It paid off, for sure! Such amazing talent here and we are excited for the plays coming up in the future. We want to extend a big thank you to the adults who helped to make the show as great as it was: Billy Ray Poli, Jessica Lane, Meredith Miller, Tammie Ledoux, Doris O'Brien, Tom O'Brien, Margaret Welsh, Colby Skoglund, and Fritz Senftleber. It could not have been done without you all! And the biggest thank you and appreciation to Frau who is so committed to helping these kids that she gives up so much to be here with them through thick and thin. Frau, you make these plays happen and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts!! Can't wait for the next big production!

















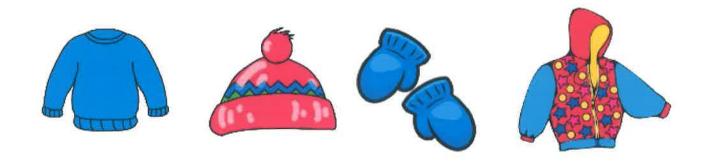
An amazing job to the cast and crew of the BHS Fall Production!

You wowed us all!

Flyers are Included at End of This Newsletter!

# Clothing Drive

It is getting cold outside! Donate your retired winter wear to new Americans in need in your community!



WHEN: November 10 - 30

WHAT TO BRING: shirts, sweaters, pants, hats, jackets, scarves, gloves, blankets. Adult and youth sizes!!

WHERE: Burlington High School (labeled bin in main office)

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