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Burlington High School's E-Newsletter

BHS AT EDMUNDS

IN PERSON INSTRUCTION TO BEGIN MONDAY



We will have two days of in-person instruction on Monday, November 23rd and Tuesday, November 24th. You can find information about schedules, drop off, pick up, and anything else you may want to know regarding Monday and Tuesday [here](#).

Some FAQ's about in-person learning:

Q: How do I know what day I'm supposed to go?

A: If you are an A day student, you will be going on Monday, November 23rd *in the afternoon*. If you are a B day student, you will be going on Tuesday, November 24th *in the morning*.

Q: How do I know if I'm an A day or a B day student?

A: Your parents can see what day you are in PowerSchool.

Parents: Check what day your student is on by logging into PowerSchool and noting if they are A day or B day at the top banner bar.

Q: What if I can't make it to school on the day my group is there?

A: If you can't make it into school, please have your parent or guardian call out as you normally would by calling our attendance line (802) 864-8411 OPTION 1, or by emailing Ms. Roach directly at mroach@bsdvt.org.

Q: Will we always have in-person instruction on Monday and Tuesday?

A: No, only for next week. There will be more information coming out around in-person instruction on Wednesdays in the future after the Thanksgiving holiday. Stay tuned!

Q: What else do I need to know?

A: There will be an email coming to your inboxes today with more information. Please keep an eye on your email (Parents/Guardians AND Students!) and reach out to [Mr. Green](#) or [Ms. Hoyt](#) with any questions.

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Below are the schedules for **Monday, November 23rd** (A Day Group) and **Tuesday, November 24th** (B Day Group) - please check PowerSchool to see which day you are designated to attend. If you are not sure or cannot find the information, please reach out to your school counselor or Ms. Merrill at emerrill@bsdvt.org.

BHS STUDENT IN-PERSON LEARNING INFORMATION FOR EDMUNDS

Monday, November 23rd A Group Students Only		Tuesday, November 24th B Group Students Only	
11:40 - 12:10	Lunch Available	8:30 - 9:15	Block 4, Group B Grab and Go Breakfast Available
12:10 - 12:55	Block 4, Group A	9:20 - 10:05	Block 3, Group B
1:00 - 1:45	Block 3, Group A	10:10 - 10:55	Block 2, Group B
1:50 - 2:35	Block 2, Group A	11:00 - 11:45	Block 1, Group B Dismissal Times: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3rd Floors & Gym - 11:40 • 2nd Floors - 11:45 • 1st Floors - 11:50
2:40 - 3:25	Block 1, Group A Dismissal for the day: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3rd Floors @ 3:20, use designated exits • 2nd & 1st Floors @ 3:25, use designated exits 	11:45 - 12:15	Grab & Go Lunch

Link to full schedule and logistics: [Edmunds Schedule/Logistics for 11/23 & 11/24](#)



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Principal Noel Green

Happy Friday, Seahorses! We made it through another week!

I am going to keep this week's Principal's Corner brief. We have all been working hard - students, teachers, staff, and parents - and we have all earned a break!

My wish for all of the BHS community during this break is that you find time to step away from the screens and connect with those around you. Take this time to rest, recharge, and spend time with those that fill your cup safely.

A reminder - there will be no Homework club/extracurriculars next week due to the holiday. All scheduled activities will resume the week of December 1st.

BHS is thankful for all of you.

Stay Safe. Work Hard. Be Kind. Keep Swimming.

-Principal Green

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BSD SCHOOL BOARD SUMMARY

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING SUMMARY 11/17/20

*by Rebecca Cunningham, BSD Student
Representative*



Motion Passed:

To authorize the Superintendent to execute an appropriate lease agreement to occupy the former Macy's structure and premises for a term of 3.5 years. And be it further resolved that the Superintendent is authorized to execute any related construction documents for the conversion of such project to accommodate school use.

The vote **passed** 9-yes, 2-abstain, Student Representative Cunningham-yes

Points discussed regarding the motion:

- Estimated start dates: trailers - late spring or early fall 2021, Macy's - February 2021.
- Estimated rental cost for 3.5 years: trailers - \$13 million, Macy's \$10 million.
- Funds will come from the current Burlington School District budget, district reserves, COVID savings, a bond, and help from the community and state.
- The Macy's space will be leased for the Burlington School District, which means if remediation succeeds at the high school, the district can use Macy's as swing space and send students back to their traditional building.
- Athletes will still have access to the BHS athletic complex.
- Soil contamination is a possibility at Macy's. Testing will take about 15 business days. If results come back positive, the district does not owe Macy's any financial obligation.
- Stay positive! Macy's will be a dynamic downtown high school, where students and teachers will work again in person.

Superintendent Update:

Due to rising COVID numbers, UVM told Superintendent Flanagan on a call recently that they can no longer offer BHS students classroom space during December and January. As a result, BHS students will attend class in-person at the Edmunds complex on Wednesdays starting December 2nd. "A day" students will attend school in the morning and "B day" students will attend in the afternoon. Additionally, BHS students will have class at Edmunds on November 23rd for "A day" students and 24th for "B day" students. Teachers have been given the freedom to teach however they choose. This is a required school day. All absences will require parents to call the attendance office.

ATTENDANCE FORM REMINDER

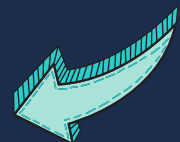
If you have been receiving letters for truancy, it could be because you're forgetting to fill out the attendance form on Wednesdays!

Please contact Ms. Roach with any questions. Thank you!

SCAN FOR WEDNESDAY
ATTENDANCE FORM



**ANNUAL STUDENT UPDATE in
PowerSchool**



CLICK ON THE
CLIPBOARD TO
ACCESS
POWERSCHOOL

PARENTS/GUARDIANS! If you have not completed your ANNUAL STUDENT UPDATE (ASU) information in PowerSchool yet, please do so ASAP! Navigate to the **Forms** tab and complete all outstanding information. **All forms must be completed in their entirety.** This annual update is important for the safety of our students while at school.

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE YOUR ANNUAL STUDENT UPDATE COMPLETED, WE MAY BE MISSING VALUABLE INFORMATION TO ENSURE YOU ARE GETTING ALL COMMUNICATIONS FROM BHS!

If you have questions about how to complete the forms or are unable to log into your account, please reach out to Molly Roach at mroach@bsdvt.org for assistance. Please include the best email and contact number to reach you at in your email to Ms. Roach.

Click here for the full BHS
Athletics Calendar



BHS SEAHORSE ATHLETICS



FALL SEASON ROUND UP AND WINTER LOOK-AHEAD

Field Hockey: Varsity Field Hockey ended its season at 3-7 after putting forth a valiant effort in an eventual 4-1 setback in the quarterfinals against eventual Division 1 State Champion, Bellows Falls back on 10/23. Field Hockey will graduate three seniors. Burlington High School was also the proud host of the Division 3 State Championship game back on October 31. Thanks Coach Archacki, Coach McLaren, and Coach DiMasi for a great season!

Soccer: Varsity Girls Soccer suffered a first-round setback on Wednesday, 10/28 against Essex. The Hornets scored the game-winning goal in the 78th minute to take down the Seahorses 1-0. The Seahorses end its season at 4-5 and will graduate six seniors. Thank you Coach Hayes and the girls soccer staff!

Varsity Boys Soccer took down the Essex Hornets 1-0 in overtime on November 7 on a game-winning goal by Gonzalaiz Arakaza to win the Division 1 State Championship. The boys finished its season 10-2-2, securing Burlington High School's first championship since 2016 after a tough road as the #5 seed that saw upsets of #4 Burr & Burton and #1 St. Johnsbury on the road before upsetting #3 Essex in the championship. Burlington High School was also the proud host of the Division 1 State Championship games for both boys and girls this season, as well as the Division 2 boys and girls semifinals. Congratulations to Coach Demasi and the entire boys soccer program!

Volleyball: Although the boys finished winless, they did a lot of program building for the future and had a ton of fun. Our girls finished its season at 4-3 and missed out on a Chittenden County playoff spot by half a game. Great season by both groups; it was a blast seeing everyone play outdoors in this vastly different season! Gratitude to the players and coaches -- Cassidy, Lucy, and Spencer for their flexibility and adaptability!

Cross Country: Our JV runners completed their season at MMU on Wednesday, 10/28 with a great showing. Our Varsity runners competed in the State Championships on Saturday, 10/31 at Thetford, with our girls taking second overall and our boys taking fifth. They completed the season in a Meet of Champions in St. Albans on November 7 in a replacement event for the canceled New England Championships. Special congratulations to Rebecca Cunningham, Declan Kervick and Wyatt Harte on multiple top finishes this season! Congratulations to Coach Robitaille, Coach Parlante, Coach McDonnell, Coach Korhonen, and Coach Alba on putting together a fabulous season amidst all the chaos. We may have even implemented some new traditions along the way. A season recap can be found [here](#), and a season photo album can be found [here](#).

Football: The Seawolves' season came to an end in the Burlington Area Regional semifinals against eventual champion Colchester, 28-21, on November 4. The boys were resilient all year long in a brand new 7v7, touch format, ending the season as the third-place team in the region.

We are onto **Winter sports**. Practices in the BSD are currently slated to begin on **Monday, November 30, 2020**. Competitions against opposing schools cannot commence earlier than **January 11, 2021**. There will be no spectators allowed at any indoor events; spectators should be limited as much as possible for outdoor events this Winter. BSD Athletic Department staff is putting measures in place to live stream as many games as possible to provide families access to their children's games. It has been recommended by the State and by the school district that families refrain from travel that is not essential for the foreseeable future as cases begin to spike all over the country, including in our home state. We have seen record numbers in Vermont over the past week. Please do not let your guard down. Let's remain diligent and follow the protocols and guidelines that have been proven to keep our community safe. Most importantly, we want to be able to offer as many athletic opportunities as possible for our students both this Winter and moving forward through this pandemic, but we must do so safely!

Follow us on Social Media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter) and keep checking our webpage for important updates and live stream information for Winter games!

#SeahorsePride #BSDAthletics #WeALLBecomeSEAHORSES





Click [here](#) for a complete list of Expanded Learning Opportunities and BHS Clubs - updated regularly!

Extra Curriculars
ENRICH YOUR EXPERIENCE

ONE ACT INFORMATION - BHS Drama Club

The BHS Drama Club invites you to an informational meeting about our winter season - a series of one-act plays.

The one-act plays are student directed by several of our 11th and 12th grade students. At this meeting we will share our performance options, a brief overview of each play, and the audition process. This meeting is for all grade 9-12 students interested in acting **or** tech!

When: Monday, November 30th
@ 12pm

Where: Google Meet - click [here](#)

We hope to see you there!
-Ms. Ledoux-Moody and Ms.
Skoglund



BLM FLAG

A tradition started in 2018, the BLM flag flies above BHS as a symbol of the important work still to be done to make our schools and our community equitable, fair, just, and inclusive. Click below to view the video of our BLM flag being raised this year!



SEAHORSE NATION



ONLINE APPAREL STORE

Looking to show your Seahorse Pride while you're learning at home? Unsure where to go to get the latest BHS Swag? Check out our online store!

All orders ship within **7-10 business days** of ordering, and arrive right to your door!

Click the flyer above to access the store, or follow the link [here](https://ptsteam.com/burlingtonvt247). LETS GO, SEAHORSES!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We have been experiencing difficulties with our contacts lists since we completed the contact consolidation this summer. If you are not receiving emails from Mr. Green, Superintendent Flanagan, or Ms. Hoyt regularly, please try the following:

GOOD MORNING, BHS!
Login with BSD account to view!

Update your Annual Student Update information ASAP - the contact we have for you may not be the most recent

Check your Spam folder in your email - sometimes, mass messaging gets sent there instead of your main inbox

If all else fails, contact Ms. Hoyt for assistance at bhoyt@bsdvt.org.

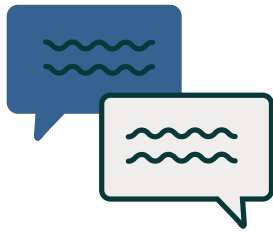


HELPFUL LINKS AND INFORMATION

Links from this week's newsletter and more can be found below. Please reach out to Ms. Hoyt at bhoyt@bsdvt.org if you have questions, comments, or feedback.

BHS School Counseling Page

(including help with transcript requests, registration needs, and scheduling virtual meetings with your school counselor)



Free and Reduced Lunch Form



BSD Website - <https://www.bsdvt.org/>

BHS Website - <https://bhs.bsdvt.org/>

BHS Athletics Website - <https://burlingtonathletics.com/>

BHS Expanded Learning Program Schedule - Fall 2020 -

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1R0aszeywga2Z1GkgSWvl0zVp4el29-dtxKlavl8bnTU/edit>

BHS Afterschool Activities and Clubs - <https://bhs.bsdvt.org/about-our-school/clubs/>

Wednesday Attendance Form -

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeSmv9y4wm0uyMDy0ddZ4zAa3ZhEMI46qCdB-t6VD3rKjnG3Q/closedform>

Good Morning, BHS! Announcements -

<https://drive.google.com/drive/u/2/folders/1Tt7YjxDnS0H3wmmSTbiEhETm-A1iYsqN>

BHS at Edmunds Full Schedule/Logistics:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/14WJXS52bYsxn7pvcj1Hke98IL9j2mzjioAY0Ypg56gc/edit>

BHS Online Apparel Store: <https://ptsteam.com/burlingtonvt247>

Powerschool Link for ASU update/A Day or B Day: <https://psapp.bsdvt.org/public/home.html>