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Burlington High School's E-Newsletter

Lots to Celebrate in Fourth Quarter at BHS!

This time last year, we were one month into remote learning due to COVID. Now, as the world begins to tentatively open up like the first flowers of spring, folks are continuing to get vaccinated, and the weather gets warmer, we are remembering what life looked like before the global pandemic - that in itself is enough to celebrate!

Seahorses are charging ahead in all aspects of this 4th quarter, on track to finish the 2021 school year strong. Teachers are taking advantage of the downtown location and beautiful spring weather, holding classes outside when possible. Our Afterschool programs are thriving, with new offerings such as a Dungeons and Dragons group!

Members of our Student Planning Committee worked to plan a Spirit Week for students this week, and have been diligently working on Senior Prom plans which will be finalized and communicated as soon as possible. Along those lines, Graduation planning is well underway, and while neither event will be "traditional" in the ways we may be used to, we are excited to provide opportunities for our Seniors to celebrate their final months and all they've accomplished at BHS together!



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Hello, Seahorses!

I hope that April break has provided many the ability to sit back, relax and enjoy some downtime. I too have enjoyed the slower pace that this past week has brought- it has provided me some time to chase after my two little ones!

As we return next week, we will be moving into the final weeks of this school year. This spring will be filled with celebrations: these include celebrating the accomplishments of our BHS students and of course our seniors! We are continuing to update our BHS Calendar with our BHS events including athletic games. You can find important dates such as Awards Ceremony, NHS Induction, Athletics Awards, Graduation, etc on this calendar.

A COVID-19 Health and Safety Reminder as we move ahead into next week:

- We are no longer required to complete the pre screenings upon entry into BHS. We are asking for your partnership in keeping students home if they exhibit any symptoms or are running a fever.
- We still require that all students, faculty and staff weak masks at all times.
- If your student travelled at all outside of VT during this break, the requirements state that upon return all persons should be tested for COVID at one of the testing sites within three days. Students may come to school while they await their test results.

Please enjoy these last few days of vacation. We look forward to seeing our Seahorses back at BHS on Monday and Tuesday of next week.

Have a great weekend, and we will see you on Monday!



Hello Everyone,

We have made it through the Winter season and have a quick turnaround for Spring. Congratulations to all of our student-athletes and coaches for a wonderful season and for giving us plenty to cheer about!

Our high school seasons were highlighted by the BCHS SeaLakers Gymnastics program competing in its inaugural season, Boys Hockey winning its first playoff game in over a decade, Girls Basketball reaching the Final Four for the first time in five seasons, runners-up finishes by Bowling and the BCHS SeaLakers Girls Hockey programs, and the first Nordic championship in Burlington history by the Girls Nordic program.

BHS Baseball's pitchers and catchers first reported for Spring Training on Monday, March 29. The first full day of practices and tryouts for high school Spring sports is Monday, April 5. The first day for middle school sports is Monday, April 12.

Register on <u>FormReleaf for BHS Athletics</u>. Register here for <u>Hunt Athletics</u>. Register here for <u>Edmunds Athletics</u>.

We are excited to continue our partnership with Burlington Youth Lacrosse for our middle schools this Spring. We are also excited to offer Volleyball, Ultimate Frisbee, and Kickball as intramural sports for our middle schoolers in addition to our normal Baseball, Softball, and Track & Field programming.

• We are still hiring for middle school coaching positions. Apply on our district website today!

As always, please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns.

#SeahorsePride #BSDVTAthletics #WeALLBecomeSEAHORSES

Quaron Pinckney District Coordinatior - Head of Athletics, Burlington School District





Burlington School District Budget Survey

Last month voters approved the District's budget for school year 2021-2022. BSD's leadership would like to take the opportunity to reflect on what went well during this budget development cycle and how we can continue to better distribute resources and information to the students and families who need them most.

We hope you will take 5-10 minutes to complete a brief <u>Equitable</u> <u>Budgeting Community Survey</u> by Monday, April 26.

If you need support completing this survey in a language other than English, please call Nijaza Semic at 802-288-6048 and we will be happy to assist you.

PLANT DRIVE!!

Donate **POTTED PLANTS** to put around school! Drop offs at **ALL** DtBHS entrance

APRIL 29TH-30TH (THURSDAY & FRIDAY BEGINNING & END OF SCHOOL DAY)

Plant Drive sponsored by the Environmental Justice Club, please email ejcbhs@gmail.com with any questions

OLD CURRENTLY BEING SCHEDULED

OVID19 VACCINATIONS FOR BIPOC 16+ YEARS

AHORSES, IT'S YOUR TURN!

SUPPORT THE STUDENT PLANNING COMMITTEE AND YOUR 2021 SENIORS!





SENIOR LONG SLEEVES: \$15.00 SENIOR SWEATSHIRTS: \$25.00 SUPERFAN SHIRTS: \$5.00 If you'd like a shirt after 4/16 see Ms. Bowen!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS



TRAVELING OVER BREAK? WE HOPE YOU HAVE A GREAT TIME! PLEASE REMEMBER STATE EXPECTATIONS AROUND TRAVEL AS YOU COME BACK TO SCHOOL ON APRIL 26TH! UPON RETURN TO VERMONT, THE EXPECTATION IS TO GET A PCR TEST WITHIN 72 HOURS OF YOUR RETURN. NO QUARANTINE IS REQUIRED WHILE YOU WAIT FOR THESE RESULTS.

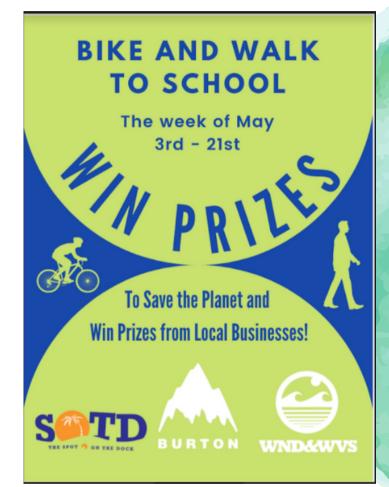
WHEN WE RETURN FROM BREAK, SCREENINGS WILL ONLY BE DONE AT HOME. PLEASE TAKE YOUR CHILD'S TEMPERATURE BEFORE SCHOOL EACH DAY. IF THEIR TEMPERATURE IS 100.4 OR OVER, OR IF YOUR CHILD HAS ANY SYMPTOMS KEEP YOUR CHILD HOME AND CALL YOUR PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER.



Above: Members of our HUB crew at Derway Island Bird Watching! Below: Some off-site Pickleball action during gym class!



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Sponsored by the Enviornmental Justice Club



<u>Spring Rowing</u> will have their first meeting on <u>Monday</u>, <u>April 26th</u> at Perkins Pier!

"You show, you row." All are welcome!

THANK YOU

To everyone who participated in Spirit Week this week! Submit any photos you'd like featured in the next newsletter to Ms. Hoyt by 4/26!





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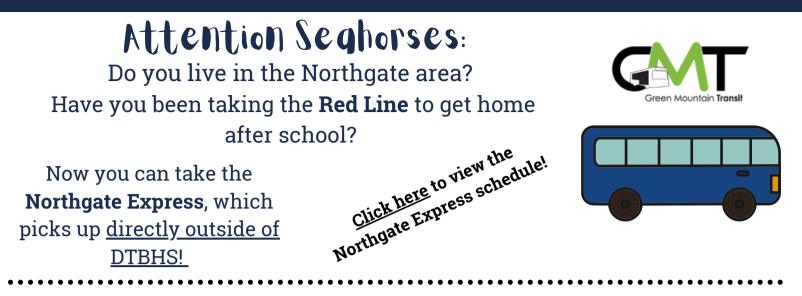


Have you seen the awesome Meal Kits that are being distributed by the <u>Burlington</u> <u>School Food Project?</u> Each kit contains 7 breakfasts, 7 lunches, 7 snacks, and 7 suppers! These boxes include many fresh fruits and vegetables, and are designed to cover meals for remote days, weekends, holidays, & breaks. They can also help you to prepare your own meals to send to school with your student! **These kits are available at no cost for ANY CHILD 18 and under.** Each week, we are creating, packaging, and distributing over 700 of these kits. That's nearly 20,000 meals and snacks per week!

Do you have a few hours a week to help us get these kits prepared for our community? We have many openings and are very flexible with days and hours! Please <u>visit this</u> webpage to apply for this fun and rewarding opportunity! Positions start at \$15.23/hour.

Reach out to Doug Davis (<u>ddavis@bsdvt.org</u>) with any questions!





SCHOOL TRAVEL PLANS SURVEY - PLEASE COMPLETE

BSD is working with the City of Burlington, with assistance from CCRPC and DuBois & King to develop School Travel plans for all of our schools. This spring, we need your help! The first step is to get a better understanding of how our students get to school each day. The team has chosen to focus on developing a plan for the 52 Instituate Road BHS/BTC campus. If you're willing to help us create these plans, please complete <u>this survey asking how you would typically travel to the old</u> <u>campus</u> and look for more fun ways to get involved after break!

Are <u>YOU</u> receiving emails from BHS?



If you are not receiving emails from BHS, Ms. McBride, Ms. Hoyt, or the office of the Superintendent, you may need to update your Annual Student Update!

Click on the clipboard above to access PowerSchool and complete all of the Annual Student Update forms under the "forms" tab on the left hand side.

If you cannot access your PowerSchool account, please reach out to Emily Merrill at emerrill@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 <u>bhoyt@bsdvt.org</u> 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



A reminder: all meals at DTBHS are free of charge for those who attend in-person!

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

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

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

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

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

PowerSchool Link: https://psapp.bsdvt.org/public/home.html

Jostens Website (Cap & Gown/Graduation Purchases): https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productDetail/1120524/Burlington-High-School/-/1338281773/CATALOG_REPOSITORY/Cap-and-Gown-Unit/1430304737/

Burlington School Food Project: https://www.burlingtonschoolfoodproject.org/

Meal Kit Pick-up Locations: https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/viewer?ll=44.48455132364626%2C-73.22935700000001&z=14&mid=1tG9AR47A2ssnpL7vHcfSY7KLeJQFGfTs

Application for Meal Kit Preparation/Distribution: https://bsdvt.tedk12.com/hire/ViewJob.aspx?JobID=1552

Church Street Marketplace Student Discount List: https://churchstmarketplace.com/bhs-discounts

JOIN THE JOURNEY! Check out career opportunities at BSD! https://www.bsdvt.org/careers/

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 <u>here</u>. LETS GO, SEAHORSES!!