

# BILLINGS WEST HIGH SCHOOL Welcomes our Incoming 9<sup>th</sup> Graders!!

Billings West High School commits to providing educational excellence by empowering and inspiring students and staff with opportunities for success.

**The Golden Dome – Our Gymnasiums & Fitness Center** Mrs. Blomquist, our Health Enhancement Chair ([blomquistk@billingsschools.org](mailto:blomquistk@billingsschools.org)) and Mr. Van Zee, our Activities Director ([vanzeed@billingsschools.org](mailto:vanzeed@billingsschools.org)) can answer your questions regarding Health Enhancement and our Fitness Programs.

**Art Department** We offer Art, Drawing, Painting, Jewelry, and Ceramics. Mrs. Rose, our Art Department Chair, can be reached at [roseb@billingsschools.org](mailto:roseb@billingsschools.org) for any questions you may have.

**Technology Department** For information regarding our Tech Ed Department offerings, please email Mr. MacAskill ([macaskilld@billingsschools.org](mailto:macaskilld@billingsschools.org)).

**World Languages** Students may take up to four years of German, French, and/or Spanish. Each language also sponsors a club and summer immersion trips. You may reach our Department Chair, Mr. Hernandez, at [hernandezj@billingsschools.org](mailto:hernandezj@billingsschools.org) for more information.

**Mathematics** Mr. Gemmill, our Math Chair, can share our District's Math placement procedures for freshmen and answer questions related to specific freshmen math courses ([gemmillj@billingsschools.org](mailto:gemmillj@billingsschools.org)).

**Social Studies** Mrs. Aldrich, Social Studies Chair, can be reached at [aldrichc@billingsschools.org](mailto:aldrichc@billingsschools.org) for questions regarding our Social Studies curriculum, including AP and Concurrent Enrollment opportunities.

**Business** Please reach out to Mrs. Bogunovich, our Business Chair, at [bogunovichn@billingsschools.org](mailto:bogunovichn@billingsschools.org) for questions regarding our business classes or our co-curricular organization Business Professionals of America (BPA).

**English** Mr. Macartney, English Chair, can be reached at [macartneys@billingsstudents.org](mailto:macartneys@billingsstudents.org) for any questions.

**Science** Mrs. Ladd, Science Chair, can answer Science course questions at [laddm@billingsschools.org](mailto:laddm@billingsschools.org).

**Main Office** Our Principal's Secretary, Mrs. Schlepp ([schleppd@billingsstudents.org](mailto:schleppd@billingsstudents.org)) can answer questions about PowerSchool Parent, Driver's Education, busing, and student parking passes.

**Music** Our Music Department can answer questions about Band (Mr. Patton at [pattons@billingsschools.org](mailto:pattons@billingsschools.org)), Choir (Mr. Green at [greend@billingsschools.org](mailto:green@billingsschools.org)), and Orchestra (Ms. Hoover at [hooverh@billingsschools.org](mailto:hooverh@billingsschools.org)).

**Family and Consumer Sciences** Please reach out to Mrs. Miller, FCS Chair, at [millerji@billingsschools.org](mailto:millerji@billingsschools.org) to see what our FCS program has to offer and to learn about FCCLA.

**Special Education** Special needs and pupil services are customized by our Special Education Department. Mrs. Casas, Special Education Chair, who can be reached at [casasm@billingsschools.org](mailto:casasm@billingsschools.org).

**Library** Our Head Librarian, Mrs. Regele, can be reached at [regelee@billingsschools.org](mailto:regelee@billingsschools.org) to introduce you to our research databases, the D2 eLibrary, and answer your questions. Our library houses an expansive collection of popular fiction and thought-provoking nonfiction that complements our curriculum. We are eager to welcome you and share all of this with our incoming freshmen.

**Counseling** Our Counseling Department is located across the hall from the Main Office. Our counselors

offer a variety of services, from academic counseling to career counseling to personal issues counseling. You will find that they are service oriented and always work with their students' best interests in mind. Mrs. Tocci, Counseling Chair, can be reached at [toccib@billingsstudents.org](mailto:toccib@billingsstudents.org) to answer your questions.

**Activities Office** Mr. Van Zee, Activities Director, and Mrs. Welch, Activities Secretary, are available at [vanzeed@billingsschools.org](mailto:vanzeed@billingsschools.org) and [welche@billingsschools.org](mailto:welche@billingsschools.org) to answer your questions regarding student activities at West High including fees, physicals, and eligibility.

**Attendance Office** Please feel free to reach out to our Assistant Principals (discipline, attendance, etc.):

Mr. Rob Bazant (students with last names A-G) [bazantr@billingsschools.org](mailto:bazantr@billingsschools.org)

Mr. Fred Petak (students with last names H-N) [petakf@billingsschools.org](mailto:petakf@billingsschools.org)

Mr. Rod Gottula (students with last names O-Z) [gottular@billingsschools.org](mailto:gottular@billingsschools.org)

**Extra Curricular Activities** This is a great opportunity to connect with our athletic coaches and club sponsors.

You can also find information about athletic try-outs, summer camps, and various clubs and organizations under

Activities at our West High website.

**Activity Coach/Club Sponsors:**

Volleyball – Monica Grimsrud, Head Coach

Football – Rob Stanton, Head Coach

Boys/Girls' Golf – Marcus Drange, Head Coach

B/Gs' Cross Country – Lauren Zent, Head Coach

Boys' Soccer – Luke Ashmore, Head Coach

Girls' Soccer – Rob Zimmerman, Head Coach

Speech/Debate – Steve Macartney, Head Coach

Cheerleading – Tayler Johnson, Head Coach

HOSA (Future Health Professionals) – Katie Meier

Girls' Basketball – Charlie Johnson, Head Coach

Boys' Basketball – Kelly Darragh, Head Coach

B/Gs' Swimming – Karen Pearson, Head Coach

Wrestling – Jeremy Hernandez, Head Coach

Boys/Girls' Track – Rob Stanton, Head Coach

Girls' Softball – Preston Sanders, Head Coach

Girls' Tennis – Daniel Charlton, Head Coach

Boys' Tennis – Amber Sparks, Head Coach

Student Council – Beau Mulvaney

Westward (yearbook) – Lauren Zent

Academic Science Bowl – Maureen Ladd

Amnesty International – Kim Webber

Art Club – Tori Wardrip

Business Prof. of America – Nicole Bogunovich

Chess Club – Jon Bushey

Creative Writing Club – Matt Rockeman

Drama Club – Myra Nurre

Environmental Club – Gayle Lam

ETS/Upward Bound – Barb Waters

FCCLA – Jill Miller

French Club – Nicki Schuman

German Club – Natasha Campbell, Paul Asleson

Tech Club – Derrick MacAskill

Key Club – TBD

National Honor Society – Makenizy Roberts

Native American Club – Olivia Sherman

Pep Band - Steve Patton

Ski Club – Dave Spring

Spanish Club – Ann Eagle, Maribel Schaff

**Parent Volunteer Program** West High has always been fortunate to have great parents who assist with various activities throughout the year. Tanya Clarin, our Parent Volunteer Coordinator, can be reached at [westvolunteers@billingsschools.org](mailto:westvolunteers@billingsschools.org) to answer any questions you may have about this important program. Please sign up!