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Thank you for partnering with Bradenton Christian School to Prepare the Hearts and Minds of God's Children. What a joy it is to share the truth about God, His creation and His word here each school day. "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth." 3 John 1:4

It is wonderful to be planning for a nearly normal school year next year. Who knew how normal could be so wonderful? I appreciate the new perspective He has given us. We are hopeful for a year without constant pandemic protocols and restrictions. It will also be great to enjoy our newly completed facilities. We are eager to live together in community and focus together on training up His children in the way they should go. Praise God for bringing us safely through last year.

We will be working on long range and strategic planning this year, items that unfortunately went on the back burner this past year due to Covid-19. We will be working with a strategic planning firm to provide insight, expertise, systems, and coaching for the immediate and the long-term planning needs of BCS. This partnership will bring value to the vision, strategy, and operations of BCS. Priority will be given to an intentional focus on our school's mission and vision. It will be exciting to see how God uses the process to focus all of our strengths and gifts on strengthening and improving the BCS of the future.

Even though God has blessed BCS with a strong enrollment for the coming year, please continue to spread the news about the excellent Christian education BCS provides. Word of mouth communication is the best way to strengthen BCS and enable us to prepare the hearts and minds of more of God's children.

Please continue to pray for the school the rest of the summer. We look forward to seeing you all soon.

In Him, Mr. Vande Pol While we are busily preparing the campus for an awesome year, there are items of importance to note as your family prepares for the year as well. So please take a few minutes to thoroughly review the information contained in this packet.

Our prayer is that your students learn to see Christ in every aspect of life. May they be challenged and successful as they journey through the school year and all that the Lord has in store for them. May they dream, reach new goals, and experience the joy of learning.

Answers to many of your questions about the upcoming school year can be found in this packet. If you don't find the answer you are looking for, please feel free to contact the appropriate office with your question. Main number: 941-792-5454

Administration

Superintendent - Dan Vande Pol (ext. 116) Office Manager/HR – Cindy Miller (ext. 112)

Secondary Administration

Principal - Jeff Myers (ext. 110)

High School Assistant - Kristin Heintz (ext. 110)

Middle School Assistant - (ext. 216)

Elementary Administration

Principal – Christine Bradford (ext. 157)

Elementary Assistant - Marcia Jones (ext. 157)

Athletic Director & Transportation

Athletic Director - Cole Hudson (ext. 119)

Guidance

High School Counselor – Julie Cunard (ext. 118) Middle School Counselor – Jennell Vanzant (ext. 180)

Admissions

Darcy Leahy (ext. 150)

Student Billing & Financial Aid

Trish Sturiano (ext. 203)

Health Room (located in Elementary)

Jennifer Griffith (ext. 117)

Hot Lunch/Campus Café

Angela Hamilton (ext. 141)

Positions Available at BCS

Athletic

- Girls Varsity Cross Country (Head Coach)
- Boys Varsity Cross Country (Head Coach)
- Boys Varsity Lacrosse (Head Coach)
 - *supplements offered for coaching positions
 - *If interested, please contact Cole Hudson at chudson@bcspanthers.org or 941-792-5454 ext. 119

Transportation

- Full Time Bus Driver
 - *If interested, please contact Cole Hudson at chudson@bcspanthers.org or 941-792-5454 ext. 119

Lunch Volunteers

➤ Volunteers to serve lunch from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm or 11:30 am - 12:45 pm, but can be flexible. Please contact Angela Hamilton at ahamilton@bcspanthers.org or 792-5454 ext. 141 for more information.

Campus Clean Up Day

Mark your calendars for our annual BCS Clean Up Day, **Saturday, July 31 from 8:30 am -12:00 pm**. Many hands are needed to help get the campus looking great for the start of the school year. Bring your garden tools and wheelbarrows to help weed and spread mulch (pitchforks work the best for moving mulch). This is a great way for the entire family to serve. Please contact Heidi Sikkema if you can commit to helping or with questions at hsikkema@bcspanthers.org.

Fall Sports

May begin on Monday, August 2 per FHSAA Football, Cheer, Golf, Volleyball, Swimming, Cross Country

Meet Your Teacher Day & New Student Orientation

Monday, August 9

Meet Your Teacher – Returning Students

Prek & Elementary – 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm

MS & HS - 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

All returning students and parents are invited to an optional open house where you may come and go as you please during your designated time above. Students may put supplies in their desks, practice opening lockers, walk through your class schedule and meet your teachers.

New Student Orientation

Middle School

(ALL 6th grade students and NEW 7th & 8th grade students)

Monday, August 9 at 3:00 pm

We invite <u>ALL 6th grade students and NEW 7th & 8th grade students</u> and parents to orientation. We will meet briefly in Wichers Auditorium (in the high school building) to hear about BCS. Then students and parents will take a self-guided tour to walk through their schedule and practice opening their lockers. Students may also bring books and supplies to put in their lockers during this time.

Elementary

Monday, August 9 at 5:30 pm

We invite all <u>NEW Elementary students</u> to orientation. Please meet in the Elementary Auditorium. This will be a time for you to learn about upcoming events, ways to get involved, and how to best be prepared for your upcoming year at BCS.

High School

Monday, August 9 at 5:30 pm

We invite all <u>NEW High School students</u> to orientation. Please meet in Wichers Auditorium (in the high school building). This will be a time for you to learn about upcoming events, ways to get involved, and how to best be prepared for your upcoming year at BCS.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL - 1/2 day

The first day of school is WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11 with all students being dismissed at 11:30.

Back to School Nights

Elementary Back to School Night (K-5th grades only) - Monday, August 16 at 6:00 pm

Back to School Night for **Elementary School <u>Parents only</u>**. Elementary parents will meet in one of their student's classrooms at 6:00 pm to hear about the upcoming year from their student's teacher. If you have multiple students in elementary, you will have the opportunity to visit each child's classroom.

Secondary Back to School Night - Thursday, August 19 at 6:00 pm

Back to School Night for **Middle and High School** <u>Parents only</u>. We will meet briefly in Wichers Auditorium at 6:00 pm for a message from the administration and then all parents will follow their student's schedule, visiting each class to hear from the teacher for 8 minutes.

School Hours

**Please note: Supervision for students K through 12 begins at 7:40 am and ends at 3:15 pm.

Preschool

Preschool and extended morning – any time after 7:45 am

VPK drop off - 8:15 am

VPK pick up - 11:30 am

Half day pick up - 12:30 pm

Full Day pickup: 2:30-2:45 (students still at school at 2:45 will be sent to Aftercare)

<u>Elementary</u> will begin school at 8:00 am. The warning bell will ring at 7:55 am. Students should not be dropped off at school before 7:40 am, when outside supervision begins. Students will be dismissed at 2:55 pm and the carpool line starts at 3:00. K-4th grade students will be dismissed at the carpool pickup area. 5th graders can be picked up by the fine arts building.

Secondary will begin school at 8:10 am and be dismissed at 3:05 pm.

FACTS (RenWeb)

FACTS is an excellent resource for parent and student information. You will be able to access your student's grades, attendance, conduct and homework through FACTS throughout the school year.

E-mail Address and Contact Information

E-mail is the primary means for school-wide communication for BCS so it is vital that all of your contact information is up-to-date at all times. If your contact information changes at any time during the year, please update your information in FACTS. After signing into FACTS, simply click Web Forms then Family Demographics to manage your family's information. If you have any issues or problems updating your information, contact Cindy Miller at cmiller@bcspanthers.org or ext 112.

Medical Information

Prior to the start of school, please verify that the medical and emergency contact information is correct in FACTS. Once you've logged into FACTS, click on Web Forms located on the left menu listing and go to Family Demographics. From there, please verify the accuracy of each student's medical information, as well as the emergency contact information. Parents are requested to notify the school and teachers, including enrichment teachers, of any serious handicaps, allergies or illnesses that their children may have or may develop during the school year. All health and shot records must be up to date!

Parent/Student Handbook

Please take the time to read the Parent/Student handbook which is accessible in FACTS under School, then Resource Documents. It is your responsibility to review the handbook which contains information to help you understand many aspects of our school.

School Calendar

The school calendar is attached to the email with this packet. It is also accessible on our BCS website. Changes to the calendar throughout the year will be communicated through the Panther Press and email.

Student Billing & Financial Aid

Please contact Trish Sturiano at <u>tsturiano@bcspanthers.org</u> or 792-5454 ext. 203 with any questions regarding student billing or financial aid.

School Picture Days

Grades 6 through 8: Tuesday, September 7 Grade 9 through 12: Wednesday, September 8

Preschool: Thursday, September 9 and Friday, September 10 Grades K through 5: Tuesday, September 21 and Wednesday, September 22

Retake Day: Tuesday, October 26

*Students must wear approved dress code for picture day.

Transportation

If your family is interested in bus transportation, please contact Cole Hudson at chudson@bcspanthers.org or 792-5454 ext. 119. An East Shuttle with a 15% discount to riders is also available. The shuttle will leave Christ Presbyterian church at approximately 7:10 a.m. and will return at approximately 3:50 p.m.

Traffic Patterns

<u>Elementary Parking Lot</u> - The drop off/pick-up loop can be accessed from 43rd Street. Students are to be dropped off between the cones at the sidewalk near the playground area. Teachers will bring students to this area for pick up at the end of the school day. Please remember to pull forward in line as far as possible to pick up children in order to keep the line moving efficiently. <u>Please do not park in or block the handicap parking spots!</u>

Secondary School and Fine Arts Parking Lot - The lane along the sidewalk in front of and between the secondary and fine arts buildings is for ACTIVE LOADING AND UNLOADING ONLY - there is no parking along the curbs at ANY TIME. PARENTS, please DO NOT wait in parking spots in front of the high school building when dropping off students in the morning. Student drivers have a difficult time finding parking spots and getting into school before the morning bell rings. Parents who need to come in to the office may park in the guest or regular parking spaces. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Tuition Reduction Incentive Program (TRIP)

TRIP is a program where rebates from your purchase of gift cards through BCS are applied to your tuition account to reduce <u>your</u> personal tuition costs. Gift cards are available to hundreds of major retailers across the USA so that your family and friends can participate nationwide. More information is enclosed at the end of this packet. Any questions, contact the Middle School Assistant at 792-5454, ext. 216.

BCS Website - www.bcspanthers.org

The website contains the BCS calendar, news and information on school events. Please check it often for the latest information.

BCS Facebook Page and Twitter Account



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Find us on Facebook and "like" Bradenton Christian School or follow us on our BCSPanthers twitter account to access video, news and pictures shared from across the campus. You may also download and share media with your friends and family from our Facebook page.

Panther Press

The Panther Press is our school newsletter. This publication is sent home via e-mail and may also be accessed through the BCS website. Please read it thoroughly as it contains news and important information to keep you informed of what's happening at school.

Panther Press Sponsors

Businesses have the opportunity to sponsor the Panther Press, the school newsletter, for a minimal sponsorship of \$200 per year. To take advantage of this, please complete the form at the end of this document and return it to Cindy Miller via regular mail or email cmiller@bcspanthers.org.

Student Accident Insurance Forms

Affordable student accident and health insurance is available through BCS. Coverage is for students 5 to 18 years old and can be purchased any time throughout the year. For more information on how to enroll, go to our website under Athletics, then Student Insurance.

Preschool

Located at: West Bradenton Baptist Church

1305 43rd Street West - Just 1.1 miles (3 minute car ride) from our current campus

Preschool Hours

Preschool and extended morning – any time after 7:45 am

VPK drop off - 8:15 am

VPK pick up - 11:30 am

Half day pick up - 12:30 pm

Full Day pickup: 2:30-2:45 (students still at school at 2:45 will be sent to Aftercare)

The full **Preschool Handbook** can be found on our website under the Academics tab, then click on Preschool.

Preschool Supply List

The Preschool Supply List (included in the Elementary Supply Lists) is attached to this email. It can also be located on our website under Academics, then the Preschool tab.

The Preschool Class lists will be available on Meet Your Teacher night – posted outside of the classrooms. If you do not see your child's name on the list, please contact Lori Wilson at wilson@bcspanthers.org

Morning Snack

Each preschooler will need a morning snack and a kid-size reusable water bottle every day.

Lunch

If your preschooler will be staying all day, please be sure to pack a lunch with all necessary items included (spoon, fork, freezer pack, etc.). Hot lunch is NOT available for preschoolers.

Dress Code

Preschool students may wear play clothes (that can get dirty) to school. Items can be purchased from any store. Students may wear BCS items, but it is not required. Students must wear tennis shoes, sneakers, or athletic shoes – Velcro is highly encouraged since laces can get caught on the equipment. NO sandals, slip-ons, crocs, boots, light-up, noise-making or wheeled shoes, etc. are allowed.

Aftercare

BCS Main Campus Panther Care is available after full days that school is in session from 3:00 pm - 5:30 pm. Panther Care costs \$10 per day for attendance and it will be billed monthly to your FACTS account. For a preschooler to attend Panther Care, we request parents fill out an Intent to Attend form (below) and return it to your child's teacher or to the Elementary front office. Students that have not been picked up from preschool by the 2:45 pm deadline will be considered an attendee of Panther Care and will be charged the daily fee of \$10.

Preschool students will be transported by a BCS school bus to the main campus where they will then be received by the BCS Panther Care staff in the Elementary auditorium. For the safety of all students, pick-up will not be an option while students are departing the bus.

Children may be picked up by pre-authorized adults on your pick-up list in FACTS, after 3:00 and before 5:30. If you arrive early at the main campus, you are welcome to check in at the Elementary office.

Elementary School Information: Grades K-5

K-5th Grade Dress Code

Students must wear official BCS school logo shirts or t-shirts purchased from Manatee Apparel or Lands' End. A variety of boys' and girls' t-shirts, polos, blouses, and other styles will be available in a variety of colors and price points. BCS shirts from prior years can also be worn. You may also visit our Panther Den Store on our BCS campus (located in the high school building) to find gently used BCS uniforms & T-shirts, and some new apparel.

Pants: Pants, jeans, and athletic pants in your choice of color/style--not tight, form-fitting, or

excessively small or large. Can be from any store. Yoga-style or legging style pants are not permitted unless worn under a dress, skirt, or shorts of appropriate mid-thigh length.

Shorts/Skorts/Skirts: Knee-length loose-fitting soccer or basketball shorts are the only athletic shorts that can

be worn by boys and girls. No other type of gym short is permitted. Gym pants, such as those found in warmp-up suits or track suits can be worn as long as they are not form fitting. Form fitting, spandex, or Soffe/cheer style gym shorts are not permitted unless

worn under a skirt, skort, shorts or dress of appropriate mid-thigh length.

Girls are asked to wear shorts under dresses and skirts. Any style short can be worn

under a dress or skirt as long as the dress or skirt meets the dress code length requirement and the shorts do not show. This is to preserve modesty.

Dresses: Dresses with the Bradenton Christian School logo purchased from Lands End.

Shoes: Tennis shoes/sneakers/athletic shoes that lace up and tie, close with Velcro, or have

fitted elastic. Boots, light-up, noise-making, wheeled, wedge or "high-heel" style sneakers

are not allowed.

Sweaters/Sweatshirts/ Can be any style from any store. Logos, pictures, and prints are allowed. These items

Coats/Jackets: must be worn over a BCS logo shirt or dress.

For more details about the dress code, please refer to the Elementary Handbook. Thank you for your cooperation and please call the elementary office, 792-5454 ext. 157, if you have any questions.

Elementary Classroom Supply List and Class List

The Elementary Classroom Supply lists are attached to the email with this packet and can also be located on our website under Academics, then the Elementary tab.

The Elementary Class lists will be emailed closer to the start of school. If you do not see your child's name on the list, please contact Marcia Jones at mjones@bcspanthers.org or 792-5454 ext. 157.

After School Program

Panther Care is an extended care program provided by BCS for BCS Elementary students. It is available after full days that school is in session and begins at 3:15 pm and ends at 5:30 pm. Children may be picked up by any of the pre-authorized adults on your pick-up list in FACTS. Panther Care costs \$10 per student, per daily attendance and is billed monthly to your FACTS account.

Should you decide to use our Panther Care program, please fill out the Intent to Attend form (below) and send it in to your child's teacher or the Elementary front office.

Panther Care Flexible Schedule:

We begin our afternoon with silent homework time. Students are encouraged to keep a book to read in their backpacks for when they do not have homework. Kindergarten is engaged in story circle during this time.

After homework time, we go outside for free play. This is also an opportunity for children to eat a snack they have brought from home - snacks are not provided by Panther Care.

Lastly, we have various inside activities such as prayer time, board games, crafts, movies, and computer lab. Should you have a change in plans regarding your child's attendance any certain day, please communicate that with their teacher. Teachers will drop off students who are not picked up from the car line to Panther Care at 3:15 pm.

For questions or more information, contact Hannah Young at hyoung@bcspanthers.org.

Panther Care

Intent to Attend Form 2021-2022

Student Information:
Name
Grade
Homeroom Teacher
Allergies
Days of expected attendance:
Additional Information
Parent Name
Cell Phone #
Email Address

For questions or more information, contact Hannah Young at hyoung@bcspanthers.org

Secondary School Information: Grades 6-12

Seniors Pictures

Watch for more information coming soon from Mrs. Heintz!

Summer Reading Assignments

Middle School and High School summer reading assignments are listed on our website under the Academics tab, then Secondary.

Secondary School Textbooks

All students must have an ESV Bible that they will use through the 12th grade.

Grades 6-8: All textbook requirements will be provided on the first day of school - <u>with the exception of 8th Grade Spanish I.</u> If you are an 8th grader taking Spanish I, you will be assessed a \$68 fee on your FACTS account and we will provide your textbook, online textbook and workbook.

Grade 9: All textbook requirements will be provided on the first day of school – with the exception of AP World History. You will be assessed a one-time fee of \$200, which will cover textbook online codes, workbooks & novels.

Grades 10-12: Students are responsible for purchasing their own textbooks and should have all of their textbooks by the first day of school. The textbook checklist is on our website under Academics, then Secondary. All materials for English* (novels, vocab & grammar workbooks) will be provided by the school and a charge will be assessed to your account. ***Exception:** if you are taking AP English (Lang. or Lit.), you are responsible for purchasing the AP English textbook.

You will notice several classes have fees instead of textbooks. The fees include a classroom book and online access. Please refer to the textbook checklist on our website.

MBS Direct is our textbook distributor and may be accessed through our BCS website by clicking Academics, Secondary, Textbook List/Bookstore and then the Online Bookstore icon. In order to guarantee that you are buying the correct books and editions that are required, please purchase your books in this way. The bookstore will open July 7 and free shipping will be offered July 19-23 on all orders over \$99.

9th Grade Laptop Requirement

BCS will be purchasing laptops through a technology fee of \$550 that will be assessed to each 9th grade student's FACTS account. This allows BCS to partner with parents in the maintenance and management of your device. This also allows the device to travel between home and school.

Dress Code

Uniforms can be ordered through Manatee Apparel at 1130 9th Street W., Bradenton, 941-746-6353. You may also visit our Panther Den Store on our BCS campus (located in the high school building) to find gently used BCS uniforms & T-shirts, and some new apparel.

All 6th Graders

All 6th grade students will be offered a Scoliosis screening. More information and permission forms will be sent in the fall.

All 7th Graders

The Tdap (Tetanus-Diphtheria-Pertussis) Vaccine is required for 7th grade entry, as well as the 2nd Varicella (chickenpox) Vaccine.

Art & Drumline Students

A fee will be assessed for the use of materials & equipment. Fees will be in your FACTS tuition statement.

Calculators

Please note the following are suggested calculators for BCS math classes: **Texas Instruments TI-30X, Texas Instruments TI-30XIIS, Texas Instruments TI-84, Texas Instruments TI-83.** Some graphing and scientific calculators will not be allowed because of their ability to manipulate algebraic symbols. The following are <u>not</u> acceptable calculators: TI-92, TI-89, TI Voyager, TI Multiview, Casio Natural Display and Sharp Write View Display. If you have further questions regarding an approved calculator, please contact Mr. Wubben at jwubben@bcspanthers.org.

After School Study Hall for MS and HS

An after-school study hall is available for Middle & High School students Monday – Friday from $3:15 \, \text{pm}$ – $4:15 \, \text{pm}$. Any middle school student still on campus after $3:15 \, \text{pm}$, and not involved in sports, will be required to be in the study hall. This is free to parents and may be a good alternative to avoid the crowded parking lots at 3:05.

Middle & High School PE

Required dress for PE: athletic shoes, BCS t-shirt and athletic shorts (any color). Shorts for girls must be appropriate. High school PE includes a health class and will require a textbook.

High School Supplies

Each teacher will give the students their requirements during the first week of school. Please have your student bring paper and either a pen or pencil for the first few days of school.

Middle School Supplies

Supply list is attached to this email and will also be listed in the Middle School booklet.

Athletic Information

Athletic Director: Cole Hudson

chudson@bscpanthers.org or 941-792-5454 ext. 119

Fall Sports – Football • Volleyball • Golf • Cross Country • Swimming • Cheerleading Fall sports may begin on Monday, August 2 per the FHSAA

Athletic Physicals

Any student-athlete involved in inter-scholastic sports must have a CURRENT physical evaluation on file. Per FHSAA rules, prior to trying out for any sport, each student-athlete must get a physical and complete the:

FHSAA forms EL2 & EL3 and Johns Hopkins Consent Form

Note: Make sure you have the EL3 that was revised 06/21.

(Forms are attached to this packet and can also be found on our website under Athletics, then Forms).

Coaches Needed!

- Girls Varsity Cross Country (Head Coach)
- Boys Varsity Cross Country (Head Coach)
- Boys Varsity Lacrosse (Head Coach)
 - *supplements offered for coaching positions

If interested, please contact Cole Hudson at chudson@bcspanthers.org or 941-792-5454 ext. 119

Fall Sports Tryouts

HS Football: August 2 - 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm

MS Football: August 16 @ 3:30 pm

HS Volleyball: August 2 - 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm **MS Volleyball:** August 2 - 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

MS & HS Cheer: August 2 & 3 - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm (Fine Arts breezeway)

MS & HS Golf: August 10 & 11

August 10 @ Pinebrook Ironwood @ 3:30 pm August 11 @ Bradenton Country Club @ 3:30 pm

MS & HS Girls/Boys Cross Country: August 12 @ 3:30 pm (fine arts breezeway)

MS & HS Swim & Dive: August 2 from 3:00 – 5:00 at GT Bray

Incoming 6th-8th graders need to attend the Middle School tryout.

Incoming 9th-12th graders need to attend the High School tryout.

Coaches will place student/athletes on the appropriate team(s) at the conclusion of tryouts.

2021 Summer Athletic Schedule

All voluntary summer activities will end on July 31

*No activities on campus (gym/fields/etc.) from July 5 to July 10

Weight Room/Conditioning

• MS & HS Weight Room/Conditioning for Male Athletes (Entering 6th-12th grade)

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday (beginning June 7th) - 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Contact – Greg Williford—gwilliford@bcspanthers.org—901-337-8787

• MS & HS Weight Room/Conditioning for Female Athletes (Entering 6th-12th grade)

Monday, Wednesday (beginning June 7th) - 2:00-3:30

Contact – Vince Hogue—<u>vincent@bradentoncrc.org</u>—434-329-5851

• Open Weight Room for Faculty and Coaches

Tuesday and Thursday (beginning June 7th) - 2:00 -3:30 Contact - Cole Hudson—<u>Chudson@bcspanthers.org</u>—941-539-6137

Basketball

• HS Open Gym Boys Basketball (Entering 9th-12th grade)

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Saturday 11:00 a.m.

Wrestling

• MS and HS Wrestling (Entering 6th-12th grade)

Tuesday and Thursday - 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Contact – Jonathan Kliewer—<u>jkliewer@bcspanthers.org</u>—941-350-5708

Volleyball

• HS Volleyball Open Gym (Entering 9th- 12th grade)

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. – beginning June 7 Contact – Jon Sherfy—jsherfybcs@gmail.com—941-893-7142

• MS Volleyball Open Gym (Entering 6th - 8th grade)

Tuesday & Thursday, 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm—beginning June 8 Contact – Dan Konczak - 941-730-6676

Soccer

• MS & HS Indoor Soccer (Entering 6th-12th grade)

Fridays 4:00 -6:00 (beginning June 4th)

Contact – Patrick Cunneen—PatrickC@boydinsurance.com—941-744-6102

Baseball

• Baseball Open Field (Entering 6th-12th grade)

Monday and Thursday (beginning June 14th) - 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

• Baseball Pitchers Program (Entering 6th-12th grade)

Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 4:30-5:00

• Baseball Weight Room (Entering 6th-12th grade)

Monday, Wednesday, Friday (beginning June 2nd) - 5:00-5:45 Contact – Ryan Werner—<u>rwerner@bcspanthers.org</u>—817-681-1083

Beach Volleyball Camp

Contact - Ricky Tyrrell-bcsbeachvball@gmail.com-941-779-8054

- Tues, June 8th 6:00-8:00 PM
- Sat, June 12th 4:00-6:00 PM
- Tues, June 15th 6:00-8:00 PM
- Sat, June 19th 4:00-6:00 PM
- Tues, June 22nd 6:00-8:00 PM
- Sat, June 26th 4:00-6:00 PM

Coach Contact Information					
(6 th -12 th grade students)	Head Coach	Cell	Email		
Baseball	Ryan Werner	817-681-1083	rwerner@bcspanthers.org		
Boys Basketball	Scott Townsend	941-730-2050	Scott.bcsbasketball@gmail.com		
Girls Basketball	Eli Lofton	941-343-7702	Elofton.bcsbasketball@gmail.com		
Beach Volleyball	Ricky Tyrrell	941-779-8054	bcsbeachvball@gmail.com		
Cheer	Sophie Cole	941-565-0306	sophiecole090@gmail.com		
Cross Country	Contact Cole Hudson	941-792-5454 ext. 119	chudson@bcspanthers.org		
Football	Greg Williford	901-337-8787	gwilliford@bcspanthers.org		
Golf	Ryan Macey	863-602-8882	rmacey@bradentoncc.org		
Girls Lacrosse	Maggie McDaniel	314-599-6232	margaretrmcdaniel@gmail.com		
Boys Lacrosse	Contact Cole Hudson	941-792-5454 ext. 119	chudson@bcspanthers.org		
Boys Soccer	Patrick Cunneen	941-744-6102	patrickc@boydinsurance.com		
Girls Soccer	Stephen Jerome	941-545-0859	sjerome528@gmail.com		
Softball	Lacey Stovall	941-737-7474	soccerace07@gmail.com		
Swim & Dive	Rachel Vos	507-440-3843	rvos@bcspanthers.org		
Tennis	Roger Meadows	941-526-9816	rmeadows@bcspanthers.org		
Track & Field	Contact Cole Hudson	941-792-5454 ext. 119	chudson@bcspanthers.org		
Volleyball	Jon Sherfy	941-893-7142	jsherfybcs@gmail.com		
Weightlifting	Scott Paravicini	941-780-5293	sparavicini@bcspanthers.org		
Wrestling	Jonathan Kliewer	941-350-5708	jkliewer@bcspanthers.org		

Hot Lunch Program (The Campus Café)

The Hot Lunch program will kick off on Monday, August 16th!

An updated menu will be available on Monday, August 9th in Ren-Web/FACTS SIS Log In. You may also place your orders for lunch at this time as the lunch ordering will close on Friday, August 13th @ 8:00 a.m. (normally closes on Thursday mornings @ 8:00 a.m.) for the next week's lunches starting on Monday, August 16th. An updated e-mail will be sent if any changes occur. Please review the policies and instructions below for ordering lunches.

Ordering Lunches through RenWeb/FACTS SIS

- Log into your parent RenWeb/FACTS SIS Log In account the district code is BRAD-FL.
- Go to Student section on the left hand side of the screen and click Lunch
- You will see a calendar for the current week. Above the calendar, click on create web order.
- Click on the box with your child's name that you want to order lunch for. The order form is listed by day and date. You can now place your lunch order/s on the scroll down list. All of your students will show up in order of grade level on the scroll down list just keep scrolling to get to the end of the month to see your next child.
- Once you have finished all orders for your student(s), scroll to the bottom and click Order Items. Fill in your credit/debit
 card (fee will apply) or bank account information. Follow the prompts to complete the payment, make sure you are
 scrolling to the bottom of the pages to complete the steps for payment processing.
- Please do not pay lunch and tuition together in the same payment as the system cannot recognize them separately. The food order will not be placed.
- Orders may be placed weekly or monthly and are due by Thursday at 8:00 am for the following week's lunches.
- To confirm payment has been made, return to the week or month calendar at a glance and see if the items ordered are in blue (paid) or in red (unpaid). If they are in red, please contact Angela Hamilton at 792-5454, ext. 141 or e-mail ahamilton@bcspanthers.org.

Lunch Refunds

- Refunds for lunches WILL NOT be issued for sick days, class parties or field trips, as food has already been
 ordered and paid for. Look for field trips, class parties and special events to be posted on the ordering
 menu before placing the order.
- A refund may be requested for state tournament game days or when school is closed due to inclement weather.

Panther Credit

Panther Credit may be purchased on RenWeb in the amount of \$5, \$10, or \$20 and will allow middle/high students to purchase hot food, drinks and snacks.

For Elementary Students: Panther Credit is highly recommended for all students to cover the cost in the event your student forgets their lunch. There is no extra hot food/drinks or snacks to buy in Elementary.

For Middle & High School Students: Panther Credit is highly recommended for all students to cover the cost of purchasing extra hot food/drinks and snacks, or in the event your student forgets their lunch.

No Lunch Policy

If a student is without a lunch the school will provide:

Elementary: PB & J Uncrustable, applesauce or fruit cup, and water (if an allergy a lunchable will be provided)

Middle/High: PB & J Uncrustable, chips, and water

A fee of \$5.00 will be charged to your account. Some exceptions may apply.

Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers who would like to help serve lunch one day a week. The hours are 11:00 am - 1:00 pm or 11:30 am - 12:45 pm, but can be flexible. Come fellowship with other ladies and gentlemen, serve and maybe get a hug or two from your students. Please contact Angela Hamilton at ahamilton@bcspanthers.org or 792-5454 ext. 141 for more information.

Health Room Policy and Procedures

Medication Policy

Prescription medication may only be dispensed from its original container and accompanied by a physician's prescription and written parental permission. If your child needs an over-the-counter medication, the student MUST have a physician's prescription and written parental permission as well. All medication must be delivered to the health room by the student's parent, legal guardian or a previously designated adult. It is against school policy for a student to carry ANY medication on their person without prior approval. All medication must be maintained in the Health Room. Medication needed on field trips is also covered by this policy and must be administered by an individual designated by the principal.

For your child's safety please remember:

- Absolutely no medication will be given without written parental permission.
- School health room personnel may not administer the first dose of any medication. (Student should be monitored by the parent at home for possible side effects following initial dose).
- School health room personnel are legally required to administer only medications with FDA approval.
- All PRESCRIPTION medication must be administered as labeled and OTC medications may not exceed package directions.
- ALL MEDICATION MUST BE IN THE ORIGINAL CONTAINER. No medication will be given from zip-lock bags or envelopes.
- If your child forgets to take a morning dose of medication, school health room personnel are not allowed to give that dose at school. Parents may come to the Health Room to give the missed dose.
- Students with medication prescribed by a health care provider contained in the original packaging and appropriately labeled may carry these medications, may self-monitor and may self-administer these medications only if we have permission from the prescribing doctor and the parent/legal guardian. If there is sufficient evidence that unsupervised self-monitoring or self-medicating would seriously jeopardize the safety of the student or others, the school may refuse the student to carry his/her medication.

Contacting Parents

If your child comes to the Health Room and needs to go home, we must contact a parent or legal guardian. We cannot send a student home with anyone until a parent has been notified. <u>This is why it is so very important that we have your current contact information of how to contact you at all times.</u> If your child has an emergency situation or needs immediate care that cannot be provided at school, those contacts you list on the Health Card will be called, IF we cannot reach a parent first. If this information should change, please notify your school health room personnel immediately. Please understand that this is for your child's protection.

Any questions, please contact Jennifer Griffith at 941-792-5454 ext. 117 or jgriffith@bcspanthers.org

^{**} Parents are requested to notify the school of any serious physical handicap that their child may have.

SPONORSHIPS, EVENTS, FUNDRAISING & VOLUNTEERING

WHY WE FUNDRAISE at BCS

We have various fundraisers throughout the year to help keep our Christian school tuition affordable for you and help current BCS families. This coming year our amount to raise is \$204,000. Please prayerfully consider being a part of our efforts to raise this amount and please know that every gift, whether small or large, makes an impact! And of course, if you have a God given desire to help impact BCS and our students in a creative way or would like to help by donating to special projects, please reach out to Heidi Sikkema at 941-792-5454 x 160 or hsikkema@bcspanthers.org.

HIGH SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

From freshman through junior year each class will fundraise to help pay for the Junior-Senior Banquet and to help defray expenses for their Senior Trip. Please be on the look-out for various fundraisers to help our high school classes. Their fundraising starts during back to school time where you will find our high school students selling new BCS Panther spirit wear.

ATHLETIC SPONSORSHIPS

We have some exciting opportunities in our Athletic Sponsorships this year. Please help our sports programs bridge the gap to make our athletic program successful and nurturing for our student-athletes and families. Please consider participating in a family or business sponsorship. If you would like to learn more, contact Cole Hudson at chudson@bcspanthers.org or 941-792-5454 x 119 or visit our BCS website under Athletics.

UPCOMING EVENTS

BCS OTIS SPUNKMEYER AND MORE

September 1-29, 2021

This fundraiser is more than just cookies. There are frozen foods, magazines, and an entire online store full of items. Please contact Melanie Rosen at 941-792-5454 x 205 or mrosen@bcspanthers.org

BCS FAMILY AUCTION

Saturday, October 23, 2021

By popular demand, the Auction has been moved to the fall. This is a wonderful event for the entire school to be a part of and is a great way to get involved. Contact us now to volunteer to be an Auction Class organizer. To sponsor this event, contact Heidi Sikkema at hsikkema@bcspanthers.org or 941-792-5454 x 160. To volunteer or donate an item or service, please contact Melanie Rosen at mrosen@bcspanthers.org or 941-792-5454 x 205.

GIVING TUESDAY

November 30, 2021

This school year, we will be celebrating God's goodness to BCS over the past 60 years! Please help us by giving to BCS during this time. Giving Tuesday is the Tuesday after Thanksgiving. Be on the lookout for opportunities to help impact lives at BCS during this coming Thanksgiving Season.

GRANDPARENT'S DAY

Friday, February 18, 2022

Our favorite BCS "HOLIDAY" is Grandparent's Day! Grandparents and Grandfriends of Preschool – 5th grade are invited to spend the morning at BCS. This is a ½ day, so Grandparents will be able to take their grandchildren at 11:30 when Grandparent's Day concludes. Please contact Melanie Rosen at 941-792-5454 ext. 205 or mrosen@bcspanthers.org.

BCS GALA

Friday, February 25, 2022

This will be a wonderful evening of fellowship and fundraising for BCS. To sponsor this event, contact Heidi Sikkema at hsikkema@bcspanthers.org or 941-792-5454 x 160. We will announce our speaker(s) and more details soon.

THE GIVING CHALLENGE

April 26-27, 2022

Save the Date! From noon on the 26th to noon on the 27th your donation will be matched and even tripled dollar for dollar. We will be participating in the Community Foundation of Sarasota County's Giving Challenge this school year. Please mark your calendars for this 24 hour event where we always see how God does great things for BCS!

THE BOUWER CUP GOLF TOURNAMENT

April 30, 2022

Join in the fun and participate in the Bouwer Cup Golf Tournament. Mark your calendars now to golf or sponsor this event. Please contact Melanie Rosen at 941-792-5454 ext. 205 or mrosen@bcspanthers.org.

OPPORTUNITIES

BE A VOLUNTEER!

We need YOU to help with our school in a variety of capacities. If you are able to give 1 hour or 100 hours, we will have a spot for you. Please contact Melanie Rosen at 941-792-5454 x 205 or mrosen@bcspanthers.org

MOMS IN PRAYER

Are you looking to get connected at BCS but you're not sure where to start? Come join our Moms in Prayer group! We meet every Friday at 8:10 am in the 2nd floor conference room inside the new gym. For more information, please contact Michelle Harber at 941-779-5836. You can also join our BCS Moms in Prayer Facebook group at https://www.facebook.com/groups/1141358765949435/



BCS PANTHER DEN UNIFORM STORE AND MORE

Visit our Panther Den Store on our BCS campus located in the high school building. You will find gently used BCS uniforms & T-shirts, and some new apparel.

OWN A PIECE OF BCS HISTORY

If you would like to have your very own piece of BCS history, we are offering finished pieces of our old Panther Den gym floor for \$100. The piece is approximately 6" x 8" with finished edges and a BCS logo. You may personalize it too! If you would like to place an order, please fill out the form below or contact Heidi Sikkema at hsikkema@bcspanthers.org or 941-7892-5454 x 160.

BRICKS OF HONOR

BCS BRICKS OF HONOR are located in front of the Secondary Building and the new Athletic Complex. This is a great way to honor a graduate, a child, a family, or a favorite teacher, while supporting BCS! We welcome everyone to participate to preserve a legacy and build for the future with a BRICK OF HONOR. The cost is \$150 per brick. To place an order, please fill out the form below. If you have any questions, please contact Heidi Sikkema at 941-792-5454 x 160 or hsikkema@bcspanthers.org.

BARNABAS FOUNDATION

We partner with the Barnabas Foundation to assist BCS parents, grandparents, and faculty/staff to help understand Biblical stewardship at no cost. If you do not have a will, or you want to understand how to donate through stocks or commodities by deferring capital gains tax implications, or learn more about annuities and trusts - please use this resource that is available to you. To learn more, go to www.barnabasfoundation.com or contact our Attorney Representative Steve Baker at sbake@barnabasfoundation.com. Also feel free to ask Heidi Sikkema any questions at 941-792-5454 x 160 or hsikkema@bcspanthers.org.



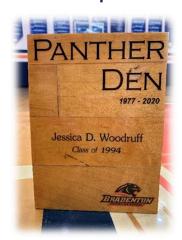
Own a Piece of BCS History

With a contribution of \$100 or more you will own a piece of BCS Panthers history.

Your piece of the old Panther Den flooring
will measure approximately 6" x 8" with finished edges.

The piece will come with Panther Den 1977-2020 and logo as pictured below.

**If you would like to personalize the piece, please put in form below:





Please fill out this form and enclose your \$100 to:
Bradenton Christian School
Attn: Heidi Sikkema
3304 34th Street West
Bradenton, FL 34209

ame:	
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mail:	
Optional Inscription:	

If you would like to make a donation for an unfinished piece or a larger piece of gym flooring, please contact Heidi Sikkema at 941-792-5454 x 160 or hsikkema@bcspanthers.org.

"BRICKS OF HONOR" Order Form

Contact: Heidi Sikkema 941-792-5454 x 160 or hsikkema@bcspanthers.org

With a contribution of \$150 or more to Bradenton Christian School, one 4" x 8" brick will be placed in honor of your family, student, teacher, loved one, etc... in our "BRICKS OF HONOR" garden in front of the secondary school.

- Each brick will accommodate three lines of engraving with up to 13 characters per line, including spaces
- Engraving will be done in black and all letters are capitalized
- All verbiage will be centered on the brick

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Want to Earn Money toward your Tuition?

Join the TRIP Program (Tuition Reduction Incentive Program)

Purpose - The Tuition Reduction Incentive Program (TRIP) is an opportunity for the families of Bradenton Christian School to reduce their tuition. Through TRIP, gift cards can be purchased from participating vendors with a rebate. These cards are sold at face value to families who participate in the program and the rebate is issued in the form of tuition credit on a monthly basis.

General Information and Policies - Family and friends may participate and contribute to your TRIP account by filling out the appropriate section of the registration form. Parents looking to the future and planning for Christian education of their young children at BCS can also participate. These families will be assigned an account number. The monies earned will be held by BCS and will be credited as a tuition payment when their child is enrolled as a student. This is a non-interest bearing account.

- The gift cards are the same as cash. Neither BCS nor TRIP will accept responsibility for lost or misplaced cards.
- In no way does BCS or the TRIP program endorse the stores listed on the order form. You must make your own decisions concerning your purchases.
- Each store has their own policy on change back from cards. Review store policies before paying for your purchase.
- TRIP is being offered to promote the education of BCS; therefore, the money collected on your account will only be paid
 to BCS for tuition reduction. If your student no longer attends BCS, the monies held under your family account number will
 be put into the general tuition assistance fund upon your departure.

Registration - Anyone establishing a TRIP account must be familiar with the policies, submit a registration form and set up a PrestoPay account.

Payment - All orders will be paid through PrestoPay. Payment is due at time of order.

Rebates - The percentage earned on each participating family's account will be held by TRIP and credited to your tuition account on a monthly basis. If your tuition is paid in full for that year, it will be credited to the next year's balance. Any discrepancies must be brought to the attention of the school within 2 weeks of the statement date. BCS will credit your account 80% of the total rebate and will retain 20% for the general tuition assistance fund and administrative TRIP cost. Rebates may be used for tuition only. Students that withdraw early may use rebates toward their tuition balance but no reimbursement will be issued other than tuition payment.

Let's Get Started! - Complete the TRIP registration form and submit to the TRIP coordinator, Middle School Assistant. After completing this form you will receive an email with your username and password.

Set-Up PrestoPay Account – Once you have received your username and password, log on to www.ShopWithScrip.com, click on the PrestoPay link in the left navigation bar, and complete the bank account information. Within 2-3 business days, Great Lakes Scrip Center will deposit two small amounts into your bank account. Enter these amounts in your PrestoPay registration to verify the account. You will receive an email with an approval code which you will submit to the TRIP coordinator. The TRIP coordinator will notify you by email upon activation of your account.

Shop! - Visit www.Shopwithscrip.com, to choose your gift cards, place your orders, and view your account. Orders may be placed on-line 24/7, however, orders will be processed every Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. with delivery on Thursday. You will receive an email when orders have been filled and are ready for pick-up in the Middle School Office. ScripNow and reloadable cards are always a quick, convenient option too! Any questions, contact the Middle School Assistant at 792-5454 ext. 216.

TRIP Registration Form (Tuition Reduction Incentive Program)

Form must be signed and returned <u>before</u> you place your first order

PLEASE PRINT

Last Name:	First Name: _	
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List the names of your current students:		
Enrolled Families		
List enrolled student's name(s):		
Future Families (complete if your child is not yet enrolled Student's name(s): Projected date of enrollment	ed at BCS)	
Friends of BCS (complete if you want your rebates to g	o to a current BCS Fam	nily)
BCS Family Name List enrolled student's name(s):		
We have read, understood and will abide by the		
Print name		
Signature		Date
By Mail: Bradenton Christian School By Fay: (0/1-705-7100	

Bradenton Christian School By Mail:

Attn: TRIP Program 3304 43rd Street West Bradenton, FL 34209

By Fax: 941-795-7190



Panther Press Sponsors

Market your business to the community through BCS!

Again this year, businesses have the opportunity to sponsor the BCS newsletter. As many of you know, the *Panther Press,* the school's newsletter, is published at least twice a month during the school year and includes a section of business listings. These newsletters are sent electronically which means timely delivery and accurate information. Additionally, participating businesses will be listed on our web site. Imagine the exposure for your business throughout the school year for a minimal cost of \$200.

I hope BCS can count on your support to reach 2,800 homes, businesses and churches to promote Christian education in our community. Please complete and return the form below along with payment to be included in the next issue of the *Panther Press*!

Cindy Miller 941 792-5454 ext. 112 cmiller@bcspanthers.org

Preparing the Hearts and Minds of God's Children

Complete the fields as you would like the information to appear. payment (made payable to BCS) to BCS ATTN: Cindy Miller, 33	. I will make every attempt to include all the information provided. Please return along with 30443^{rd} Street West, Bradenton, FL 34209
Business/ Service Category:	
Name of Business:	
Company Motto/Specialty:	
Contact Name:	
Address:	Phone:
	Cell:
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School Savings Programs

School savings programs offset our costs which in turn help keep your tuition rates affordable. These are programs that relatives can participate in as well.

Shop Amazon and Benefit BCS

You shop and Amazon gives. Visit www.smile.amazon.com and select Bradenton Christian School as your preferred charity. Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases back to BCS. AmazonSmile is exactly the same as Amazon--same products, same prices, and same service. It's just more reason to smile:)

Box Tops

Box Tops are now digital. Download the app today and earn cash towards elementary school needs. Save your paper box tops and turn them in to the Elementary office. **DON'T HAVE THE APP YET? Get It Now!** Visit your app store or **boxtops4education.com**

Once you download the Box Tops app, you'll be able to scan your store receipts and earn cash for your school. The app automatically finds participating products on your receipts and instantly adds cash to your school's earnings online. Plus, you can invite friends to earn, get reminders to scan, give credit for your earnings and more!

Campbell's Soup Labels

Send in the **UPC portion** from your Campbell's Soup labels which are worth points that can be used to purchase items for the classrooms. The company is **no longer** accepting the front labels – we must have the UPC portion of the label.

Office Depot 5% Back to Schools Program

Help our school get credit for FREE SUPPLIES! Our school will get credit equal to 5% of the qualifying purchases to use for free supplies. You can credit the school throughout the year! When you shop at Office Depot, remember to give our school ID **Bradenton Christian School ID#: 70020806** every time you make a purchase.

- At any store in the U.S. or Canada
- At www.officedepot.com in the U.S. or www.officedepot.ca in Canada
- When calling 1-800-GO-DEPOT

For questions, please go to <u>www.school.com</u> and click on the 5% Back to Schools Program link. Office Depot® will honor up to \$10 million in total credits to the designated schools that opt to participate.

Calling all Target Shoppers!

If you have a Target credit card, you can designate BCS on your account to receive a percentage of your purchases at no cost to you. To learn more about designating a school, visit Target.com/tcoe or call 800-316-6142.