

Bear Creek Blast 8.20.21

“By enveloping children in a safe, nurturing environment and teaming with parents and the community to ensure learning for all students, we can inspire students to conquer their mountains and realize their dreams” BCE website

Monday, August 23

Welcome Back Assembly (outside - 1st-5th grades only)

Tuesday, August 24

Wednesday, August 25

LLL: Hip Hop

LLL: Soccer

LLL: YOUth TUBEr

Thursday, August 26

Friday, August 27

Virtual Back to School Night - Wednesday, September 1st

We're excited to invite you to a Virtual Back to School Night on Wednesday, September 1st. You will learn more about your child's homeroom teacher, the grade level curriculum, and how you can partner with your child's teacher.

Teachers will send you a link to their BTSN Google Meet session. We will try to record all sessions, so that if you're not able to attend you can watch at another time.

The grade-level schedule for Virtual Back to School Night is as follows:

- 3rd grade, 4th grade, 5th grade - 5:00-5:30PM
- Kindergarten, 1st grade, 2nd grade- 5:45-6:15PM

Mr. Dayhoff and Mrs. Hatlen (previously known as Ms. Fels) will send a video on the afternoon of September 1st. Additionally, Specialists (Art, Music, PE, and Library) will have a video to introduce themselves.

As always, we encourage you to reach out directly to your child's teacher if you have any child/family specific questions or feedback.

CHANGE to the Bear Creek Directory - This year we will be using **HelpAtSchools** to host our online parent student directory. With parents having the availability to change their contact information through the Parent Portal, this method is the most accurate way of updating personal information in the BCE directory. Please be on the lookout for an email from **HelpAtSchools** **NEXT WEEK** inviting you to opt-in or opt-out of the directory. The email should be self-explanatory but if you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact the school office. Thank you to all those parents who opted in to the old directory and please forgive me for asking you to do it again!

LifeLong Learning Wednesday Mornings - BVSD will provide some of our student's favorite LLL classes from 7:45AM-8:45AM on Wednesday mornings at Bear Creek. There is a registration fee. More information can be found on this [FLYER](#) and at <https://lll.bvdsd.org/>.

Students participating in LLL classes should enter the building through the front door and sign in at the front desk.

Free Student Supervision on Wednesday Mornings - BVSD will provide free supervision for students using Bear Creek paraeducators. Parents can drop students off between 7:45AM and 8:45AM on Wednesday mornings. Students can enjoy quiet activities (reading, coloring, board games, homework, etc...). Pre-registration is not required. 1st-5th graders will be released at 8:45AM to go to their classroom line-up spots. KG students will be walked directly to their classrooms.

To access this option, parents need to drop off students at the cafeteria door outside the primary playground. If parking, please utilize the SAC Parking spots in the Back Parking Lot. Parents must be present to check-in students - students may not walk and check-in themselves. Please contact the Office if you have any questions.

Chromebook Return - We are trying to recover the Chromebooks sent home with students at the end of last year. Please bring the chromebook for your current 1-5 grade student or your incoming 6th grader to Bear Creek or send it with your student.

School Supplies - Bear Creek elects to buy school supplies in bulk, as opposed to sending out a list of required supplies, which saves our families money and time. **Fees** - this year Bear Creek will ask for a \$75 donation - \$50 for school supplies and \$25 for technology. Technology supports device maintenance, acquiring new devices, and licenses for technology tools used by students. You can pay these fees through [RevTrac](#). Here is a [tutorial](#) on the use of RevTrac for those parents who are not familiar with it.

BCE T-shirts - All kindergarten students and those students new in grades 1st - 5th will receive a free Bear Creek t-shirt **next week**. These t-shirts are used for spirit days and field trips. Anyone needing a new t-shirt or an additional t-shirt may purchase one through [RevTrack](#) on the BCE website.

NO Cost Healthy School Meals for All, All Year Long - In addition to the [Free Healthy Meals](#) for all students for the entire 2021-2022 school year, students also have the option of choosing a free breakfast. This breakfast will be available for the **morning recess/snack time**. **Because the food supply may not always align with the breakfast/lunch calendar, please check the list of allergens below and have a discussion with your child.** To receive Allergen Alerts for menu or product information changes, please go to this [link](#).

[August Lunch Menu](#)

** [Lunch Allergens](#)

[Breakfast Menu](#)

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Medication Administration at School - In order to make sure you have the information needed to partner with your student for them to stay safe and healthy and meet the State and District requirements, I have included the [Student Health Overview](#) , [Guidelines on When to Keep Your Child out of School](#), [Schoolhouse Letter](#), and [School Age Immunization Requirements](#). In addition, if your child needs any medication while at school, the [Doctor's Release Form](#) needs to be filled out by their physician and returned to the health room at Bear Creek

NOW OFFERING A \$250 SIGN ON BONUS FOR NEW EMPLOYEES * must complete 90 day probationary period - Food Services has immediate openings for Food Service Assistants at various locations. We need your help to make sure the students are getting healthy nutritious food for strong minds and bodies. Work while your student is in school and know you are making a difference in the lives of children. Become a member of your BVSD school team today! Apply online now at: https://jobs.bvsd.org/?page_size=15&page_number=2&keyword=food&sort_by=score&sort_order=DESC

3 hours/day Monday through Friday - all breaks and holidays off! Will Train. Call or email Sarah at 720-561-5049 sarah.acker@bvsd.org for more information. Please share this information with your family and friends!

SAC (School Age Care) - **After school care is currently full at Bear Creek**. You can visit the [Community Schools Childcare Website](#) for more information. When spots become available, I will make note of it here.

Parking Lot Reminders - please remember a couple simple rules for the use of our Parking Lot at drop-off/pick-up:

- The loop is used as a "Hug and Go" lane. Parents should never leave cars unattended in the loop. Additionally, whenever able, please pull forward as far as possible to ensure other cars are able to access the parking lot.
- Never park on the crosswalk, and always be aware of pedestrians.
- If you need to park, please utilize one of the parking spots.
- **The front parking lot is for community usage. The back parking lot is for staff usage. The only community members who should be utilizing the back parking lot are parents who are dropping-off/picking-up students from SAC, and community members accessing our Electronic Vehicle Charging Station.**

BVSD Information - you can stay updated on BVSD's Plans and Policies by visiting the [BVSD Website](#) and by accessing the following document [District Information for School Communities](#).

General BCE Office Information:

- School Hours: MTuThF: 7:50 am - 2:50 pm W: 8:50-2:50
- Office Hours: 7:00 am - 4:00 pm
- Attendance line: 720-561-3502
- Main Office line: 720-561-3500
- [BCE Website](#)

[Report an Absence](#)



The teachers and staff at BCE are committed to walking alongside your students and your family to make this school year a success! Fondly, Carolyn