

BYRON NELSON HIGH SCHOOL

Bobcat Camp 2022 Parent Presentation



Vision and Mission



The vision of BNHS is to be an exemplary community **empowering** learners with the **knowledge, skills, and resources** necessary for lifelong success in an ever-changing society.

BNHS, in **partnership** with students, parents, and the community, will ensure a premier education for all learners. Through innovative educational opportunities, students will be **challenged, engaged**, and offered leadership experiences, thereby, creating the Byron Nelson culture.

LEARN, SERVE, LEAD

BNHS Problem of Practice

Our goal is to increase literacy skills for all students through a continued emphasis on student vocabulary acquisition, and an intentional focus on problem solving and reasoning as measured by student growth on BOY to EOY performance assessments.

Embrace the WHY

Principal – Mrs. Kara Lea Deardorff

Principal's Administrative Assistant - Beth Miller

Associate Principal – Dr. Maggie Norris

Administrative Assistant - Jenny Jantz



Kerry Knisley (A-Cha)



Ron Mendoza (Che-Gre)



Amy Lilly (Gri-La)



Branden Richardson (Le-O)



ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

Brandon Thomas (P-SL)



Carol McDaniel-White (Sm-Z)



SUPPORT STAFF

- ▶ Luann Futchko, Front Office – 817-698-5600
- ▶ Amy DeHaven, School Nurse – 817-698-5703
- ▶ School Resource Officer – 817-698-5701

- ▶ Attendance
 - Christine Mitchell (A-K) 817-698-5695
 - Sandy Riley (L-Z) 817-698-5612



**everyone can
back the future**

Because anyone can join PTA

2021-2022 PTSA Highlights

Support Student Council

Host Facebook Lives and Parent Programs

Reflections Art Contest

Bobcat Bids and Bites

\$23,000 Scholarships for 23 Senior Students



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HIGH SCHOOL**

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Join at www.JOINPTA.org**



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\$1500 BNHS PTSA SCHOLARSHIP
AWARDED TO
Jeffrey Bennet



Congrats Jeffrey and best wishes as you
head to University of Texas - Austin!

**\$23,000 Scholarships
for 23 Senior Students**

JOIN US

Membership is \$10
Support for our kids & our
schools and advocate for issues
that matter.

No meetings or other obligations
are required.

Your level of engagement is up
to you!



COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

Paige Smith, Lead Counselor: (A-Bon)

Leah Berry: (Boo-Do)

Page Hanna: (Dr-Hoo)

Jennifer Martinez: (Hop-Mars)

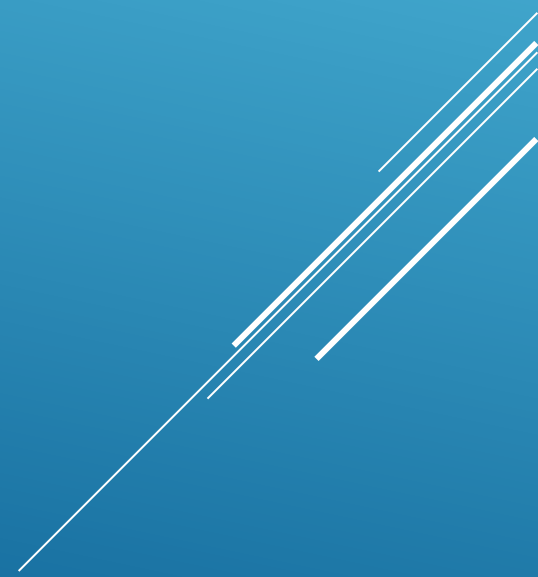
Christina Salcido: (Mart-Ph)

Emily Shipman: (Pi-So)

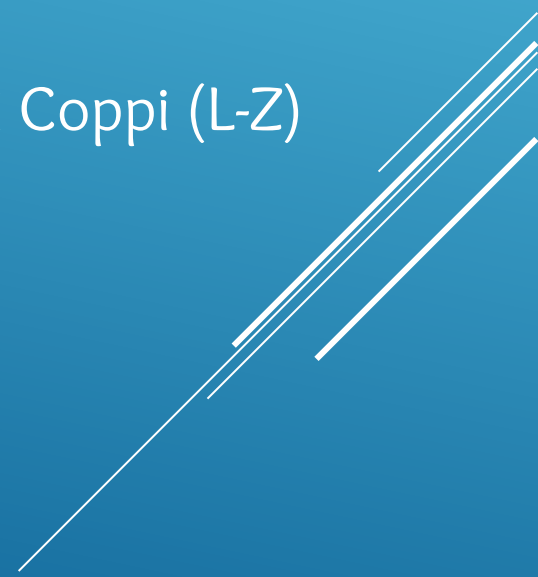
Monique Chavez: (Sp-Z)

Ryan Laney: Intervention Counselor

Truancy Counselor: Jazmin Lopez




COUNSELING DEPARTMENT


- ▶ College and Career Facilitator: Melissa Furlow
 - ▶ Counseling Secretary: Sandra Wilbur
 - ▶ Diagnosticians: Sunshine Olson and Kristen Hildebrand
 - ▶ Student Services Facilitator (504s): Cheryl Chancelor
 - ▶ Records Manager: Dawn Schwalm
 - ▶ Registrars: Heather Beasley (A-K) and Conni Coppi (L-Z)
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HIGH SCHOOL CREDITS

Credits to determine grade level:

- 0-5.5 credits for 9th grade
 - 6-12.5 credits for 10th grade
 - 13-18.5 credits for 11th grade
 - 19 and up for 12th grade
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SCHEDULES! SCHEDULES!

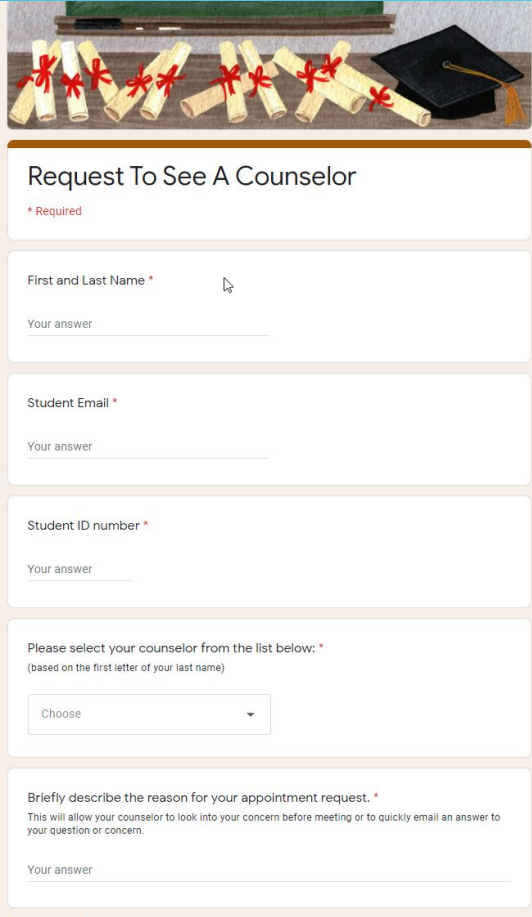
- ▶ Schedules will be posted in HAC on Friday, Aug 12, at 5:00 p.m.
 - ▶ Semester 1 may look different from semester 2. This is normal.
 - ▶ There are 4 lunch periods (3, 4, 5, and 6).
 - ▶ All lunch periods include students from all grade levels.
 - ▶ Change of lunch period will be considered for medical reasons only.
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REASON TO REQUEST A SCHEDULE CHANGE

- ▶ Seniors not enrolled in a course REQUIRED for graduation.
- ▶ Student scheduled in a course for which they already have credit.
- ▶ Student is enrolled in a course for which the student does not have the prerequisite.
- ▶ Student has an incomplete schedule.
- ▶ Student enrolled/not enrolled in an application/audition course for which they were approved.
- ▶ Student has failed a course and needs to repeat the course.
- ▶ Change is needed as a result of a credit earned in summer school.
- ▶ PARENT MUST CONTACT COUNSELOR TO REQUEST ELECTRONIC FORM. REQUESTS WILL BE APPROVED ONLY FOR THE REASONS LISTED ABOVE.

HOW DOES A STUDENT MAKE AN APPT WITH HIS/HER COUNSELOR?

- ▶ Go to BNHS Counseling Page
 - ▶ Click “Need to See a Counselor?” and fill out Google form
- ▶ Students are welcome to stop by before school, at lunch, or after school to fill out a pass to see us.



Request To See A Counselor

* Required

First and Last Name *

Your answer

Student Email *

Your answer

Student ID number *

Your answer

Please select your counselor from the list below: *
(based on the first letter of your last name)

Choose

Briefly describe the reason for your appointment request. *

This will allow your counselor to look into your concern before meeting or to quickly email an answer to your question or concern.

Your answer

- ▶ Endorsements:
 - ▶ Business and Industry
 - ▶ Public Service
 - ▶ STEM
 - ▶ Multidisciplinary
 - ▶ Arts and Humanities



▶ Students must pass the standard on these five exams:

- ▶ Algebra 1
- ▶ Biology
- ▶ Eng 1
- ▶ Eng 2
- ▶ US History



STAAR EXAMS REQUIRED FOR
GRADUATION

GPA

- ▶ **Weighted** GPA is used to determine class rank (includes courses in Eng, math, science, social studies, world languages, and any elective course that falls into these categories)

AP/OnRamps/Dual Credit = 7.0 point scale

Honors = 6.0 point scale

On Level = 5.0 point scale

- ▶ **Unweighted** GPA is on a 4.0 scale and is calculated on ALL courses taken

TIPS FOR SUCCESS

- ▶ Help your student be organized and get into a routine from the beginning.
- ▶ Get involved in their school and activities.
- ▶ Encourage your student to be involved in school and to set academic goals. We want all of our students in some type of extracurricular activity.
- ▶ Start talking about plans for after graduation. Get them to think about their future and how to pursue their dreams/goals.
- ▶ Make sure they have their tablets/tech devices charged, attend school daily, and are in dress code when they leave your house.
- ▶ Encourage your student to use Advisory and tutorials wisely!!!


NURSE/MEDICINE INFO

- ▶ Please communicate with Nurse DeHaven about any health concerns or issues.
- ▶ Students cannot carry medication on their person at school. This even includes Tylenol or other OTC meds. Exceptions will be made for insulin, asthma inhalers, and EpiPens with a doctor note (form required).
- ▶ All medicine **MUST** be checked in with the nurse and brought by a parent in it's original container (no baggies). The nurse does NOT provide any medication.
- ▶ Any student caught with medicine that is not checked in will be subject to the NISD Code of Conduct. Prescriptions are of particular concern.
- ▶ Prior to checking out due to illness, the student should first see the nurse.

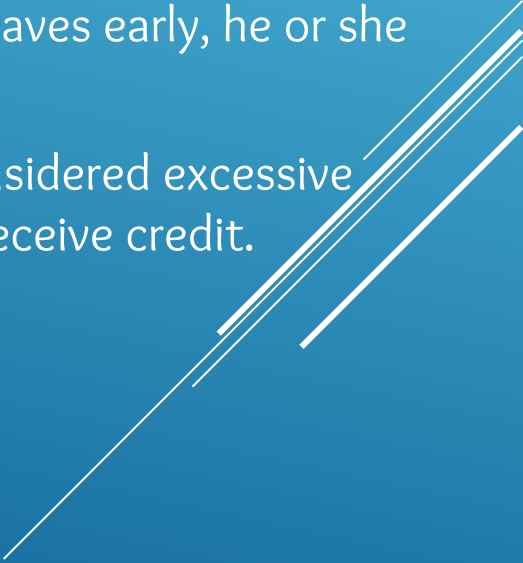


(A-K) Christine Mitchell 817-698-5695 CMitchell@nisdtx.org
(L-Z) Sandy Riley 817-698-5612 SRiley@nisdtx.org
Fax 817-698-6688

Attendance Information

- ▶ We want your student to be successful! Being in class everyday is a necessary part of that success.
- ▶ NISD requires a handwritten note OR email from a parent reporting an absence. Please include student's LEGAL first and last name, reason for absence, ID number (if known) and contact phone number.
- ▶ You can also go to the BNHS website and click on the “report an absence” icon.
- ▶ The icon is a small square with a light blue background. It features a blue megaphone icon at the top and the text "REPORT ABSENCE" in blue capital letters below it.
- ▶ If your child went to the doctor, please get a medical note and send it with your student the following day.
- ▶ All notes (parent/medical) pertaining to absences must be turned in to the attendance office by the end of the third (3rd) day after your student's return to campus.

ATTENDANCE

- ▶ If you email your student's teachers regarding an absence, please include Mrs. Mitchell or Mrs. Riley on the email.
 - ▶ Unexcused and excused absences are the same, which means they count against the student for credit. *Excused simply means we received parent communication that the student is absent due to illness.*
 - ▶ If your student misses 20 minutes or more of a class, he or she is ABSENT.
 - ▶ Every class takes attendance. If a student is at school and leaves early, he or she is counted absent for those classes missed.
 - ▶ If a student's attendance falls below 90%, the student is considered excessive and will be contacted by their AP about making up time to receive credit.
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ATTENDANCE

- ▶ If a student loses credit due to excessive absences, he or she will not be able to get a VOE (Verification of Enrollment) form for a driver's license. The student will have to wait until the end of the next semester, provided he or she is in good standing, to get a VOE.
- ▶ Students need a VOE form to get their permit, their driver's license, and for yearly renewal until the *student reaches 18 years of age*. VOEs can be obtained in the asst principals' offices. More information can be found here.
<https://bnhs.nisdtx.org/our-school/verification-of-enrollment>
- ▶ Please check attendance online often. If you have a question about an absence, please contact the teacher as the attendance office cannot change a teacher's attendance without written notice from the teacher.
- ▶ If your student is involved in extracurricular activities, please give the attendance office 24 hours to get those absences coded properly. If after 24 hours the absence is still showing as unexcused, please contact us.
- ▶ If you receive the automated phone call in the evening and you have a question, please contact attendance.
- ▶ We recommend having the automated system call your cell phone number.

Student Safety and Checkout Procedures for BNHS



2022-2023

Student safety is our primary concern for Bobcat Nation.

We believe that student safety, attendance and accountability for students during the school day are all important.

We are a closed campus, therefore, students are not allowed to leave for lunch.

Front Office Personnel

Luann Futchko

Please email byronnelsonHS@nisdtx.org to request an early release pass for your student. This email is not used for general questions. Students may pick up their early release pass from the attendance office and check out in the front office.

Go to the BNHS website for instructions on requesting an early release for your students. Checkout procedures can be found under “Our School”, then “Arrival/Dismissal Procedures”

Safety and Security Updates for 2022-2023

- Being in an area for reason not designed for the location's appropriate use (Elementary and Secondary)
- Being in a restroom or stall with another person when the restroom or stall is designed for an individual (Secondary)
- Creating an unsafe environment by opening or propping open doors and allowing access into the building or facility individuals who are not following district guidelines for entering NISD properties (Secondary)



TEXTBOOKS

- ▶ Textbooks will be checked-out to students through their classes, or before or after school in AC324.
- ▶ The majority of the textbooks are now provided in electronic format. Please ask the teachers.
- ▶ BNHS does not have lockers.
- ▶ Please see Mrs. Thompson or Mrs. Knisley if you have any questions.



NISD CODE OF CONDUCT DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

Basic Principle:

Clothing must cover undergarments. Fabric covering all private parts must be fully covered. Although cleavage has not specific coverage requirements, plunging necklines are not allowed. All items listed in the “must wear” and “may wear” categories below must meet this basic principle.

Students Must Wear:

- Clothing including both a shirt with pants, dress, skirt, or the equivalent and shoes.
- Shirts and dresses must have fabric in the front and on the sides
- Shirt length must meet the top of pants/waistband without alteration.
- Proper undergarments must be worn and covered by outer clothing.
- Fabrics covering all private parts must not be see through.
- Clothing must be suitable for all scheduled classroom activities including PE, science labs, CTE courses, and other activities where unique hazards exist.

DRESS CODE CONTINUED

Students May Wear:

- Religious headwear
- Bandanas may be worn as a headband or scarf
- Hats, caps, visors or similar hat like apparel as long as they do not create a safety concern or distraction inside of school buildings, classrooms, or instructional settings.
- Hoodie sweatshirts (wearing the hood overhead is not allowed inside the building).

Fitted pants, including opaque leggings, yoga pants and skinny jeans

- Sweatpants, shorts, skirts, dresses, pants
- Ripped jeans if underwear and buttocks are not exposed
- Tank tops with straps at least 2 inches wide (the width of a student ID)
- Athletic attire
- Clothing with commercial or athletic logos if they do not violate the guidelines in the “May Not Wear”

DRESS CODE CONTINUED

Students May Not Wear:

- Strapless, backless, halter, bare-midriff, spaghetti strap shirts/blouses, muscle shirts or sleeveless undershirts.
- Violent language or images
- Images or language depicting drugs or alcohol (or any illegal item or activity)
- Hate speech, profanity, pornography
- Images or language that creates a hostile or intimidating environment based on any protected class or consistently marginalized groups
- Any clothing that reveals undergarments
- Swimsuits (except as required in class or athletic practice)
- Accessories that could be considered dangerous or could be used as a weapon
- Any item that obscures the face or ears (except as religious observance or as required by the district to mitigate health risks associated with the spread of communicable diseases).

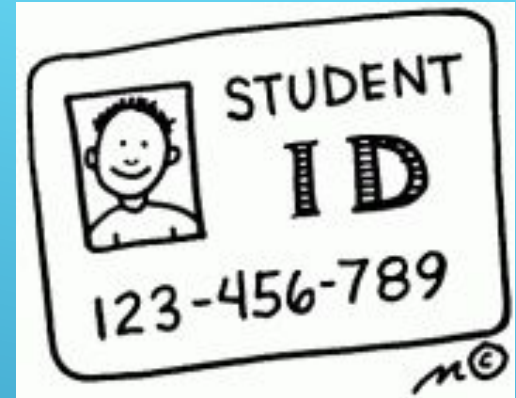
TARDIES

Students need to be ON TIME to class to support an engaged learning climate and culture on campus; please help us with this.

- ▶ 1-8 tardies result in warnings.
- ▶ The 9th and further tardies will result in an office referral for ISS, a parent meeting, and tardy contract.



IDS



- ▶ Students must be able to produce their ID at request from a staff member at all times.
- ▶ If a student does not have one, they must purchase a new ID, and a fine of \$3 will be assessed on his or her account.
- ▶ Students are only allowed to “charge” up to 10 IDs.
- ▶ You can also access fees in Home Access Center (HAC).

BNHS Bell Schedule

1st	8:40-9:25
2nd	9:30-10:15
Anc.	10:15-10:25
Adv.	10:30-11:00
3rd	11:05-11:50
4th	11:55-12:40
5th	12:45-1:30
6th	1:35-2:20
7th	2:25-3:10
8th	3:15-4:00

MONDAY: Advisory

TUESDAY: Study Hall/Tutorials

WEDNESDAY: Advisory/Study Hall

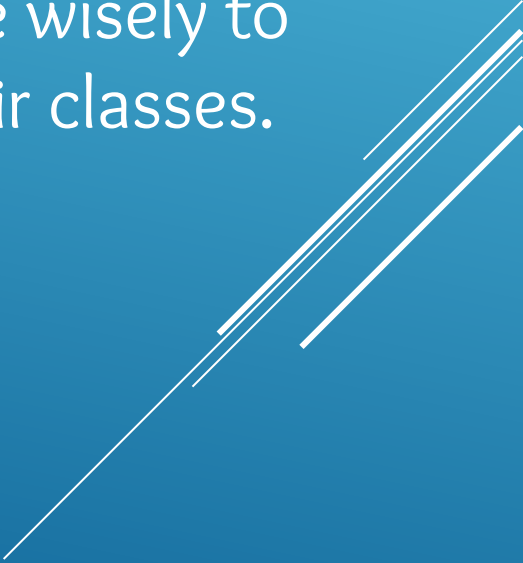
THURSDAY: Study Hall/
Tutorials/Club Day/Pep Rally

FRIDAY: Study Hall/Pep Rally

- BNHS Attributes (Learn, Serve, Lead)
- Attendance and tardies
- Who to know on campus
- Teacher, administrator, counselor, staff role and responsibilities to our students
- Learner role and responsibilities to themselves and others
- Behaviors you can apologize for versus behaviors that require immediate consequences
- NISD Student Code of Conduct
- Graduation requirements
- Academic pathways
- Checking grades and calculating GPA
- Endorsement versus non-endorsement
- Learning Behaviors that will result in authentic learning and academic growth
- How are you connecting to the campus?
- Clubs and other extracurricular activities

Campus Advisory Topics for 9th Grade Students

Opportunities for Tutorials During the School Day

- ▶ 30 minutes in between 2nd and 3rd periods to TEND TO BUSINESS!
 - ▶ Built in **tutorials and study time**
 - ▶ We encourage students to use this time wisely to stay organized and on track in all of their classes.
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EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND CLUBS

- ▶ It is one of our goals that every student is connected to an activity.
- ▶ Being involved in Clubs/Organizations/Community Service allows for students to feel more connected to the school and community, and provides enrichment and personal growth.
- ▶ Clubs will meet during Advisory on specific dates, before school, and after school.
- ▶ For a complete list, go to the BNHS website, click on “Our School,” and then select “Extra/Co-Curricular.”

Can't find a club your student wants to join?


*Have them see Asst. Principal, Carol McDaniel-White
to START their own club!*

Community Service

- Community Service connects with our BNHS crest of Learn, Serve, Lead:
 - Green Cord Program (100 hours of service per year - special 4 year recognition if complete 100 hours each year)
 - Digital Links to take the challenge and document hours
 - x2VOL - Freshman students will be loaded by 1st day of school
 - Make sure to join the Green Cord Group to apply hours

http://bnhs.nisdtx.org/our_school/extra_co-curricular/green_cord

HOMEWORK

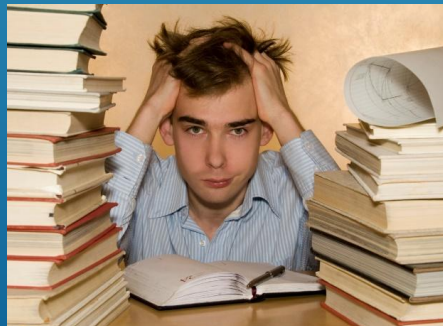
- ▶ Must stay on this from the beginning of the year.
 - ▶ Very difficult year for 9th grade students due to more freedom, but higher expectations.
 - ▶ Please get involved and get in your child's business!!!
 - ▶ Check student's grades and attendance online frequently.
 - ▶ Find teachers' Canvas pages to understand what is going on in the classroom. For school activities, testing dates, news, and upcoming events go to the Byron Nelson website.
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Byron Nelson High School expects all students to be College and Career Ready and to demonstrate their knowledge within the global work environment. As such, all students at BNHS are encouraged and supported to take rigorous and challenging coursework to prepare them for post-secondary education. Therefore, a goal at BNHS is for all students to take advanced academic courses in AP, Honors, Dual Credit and Career and Technology Education programs.

We support all students in their advanced academic classes and work to determine the best possible means to support them. Therefore, before a request for a schedule change is considered, students must have attended tutorials, study sessions, conferences with teachers and taken part in a parent/teacher conference.

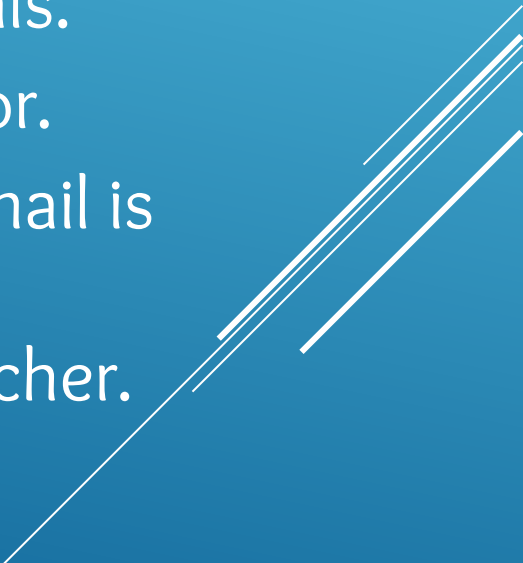
EXIT GUIDELINES FOR ADVANCED COURSES

- ▶ Request forms will be electronic - students must talk with teacher prior to completing and submitting the form for the drop request to be considered.
- ▶ Time frame – request for change may occur:
 - ▶ Exit Window will be open from September 6th - 25th
 - ▶ The last five days of the first semester (December 12th - 16th)
- ▶ Support systems are in place. Students should utilize all supports. Communication between students, teachers, and parents is very important!



COMMUNICATION IS KEY!

SO WHAT IS THE PROCESS?

- ▶ Encourage your student to be his/her own advocate and communicate with the teacher.
 - ▶ Attend tutorials before school, after school, or during Tuesday and Thursday tutorials.
 - ▶ Have student make appt with counselor.
 - ▶ Parent makes contact with teacher (email is usually preferred).
 - ▶ Parent may schedule meeting with teacher.
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UPCOMING EVENTS

- ▶ **Meet the Bobcats** – Monday, Aug 15, at Bobcat Stadium 7:30 p.m. (Vendors & Food Trucks begin at 5:00)
 - ▶ **ID and Yearbook Pics grades 9-11** – August 19th (through English classes)
 - ▶ **Homecoming Week** – October 3-7
 - ▶ **Homecoming Parade & Pep Rally** – Wednesday, October 5
 - ▶ **Homecoming Football Game** - Friday, October 7
 - ▶ **Homecoming Dance** - Saturday, October 8
 - ▶ **Open House** – Monday, September 19, 5:30-7:00
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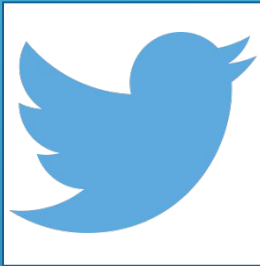
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Integrity

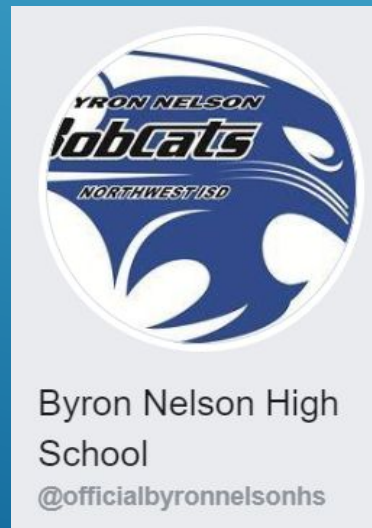


- ▶ Be a person of character!
 - ▶ Learn, Serve, Lead
- ▶ LEARN what it means to be a Byron Nelson Bobcat.
- ▶ Get involved in school and serve the community.
- ▶ Respect yourself, each other, the staff, your family, and our school.

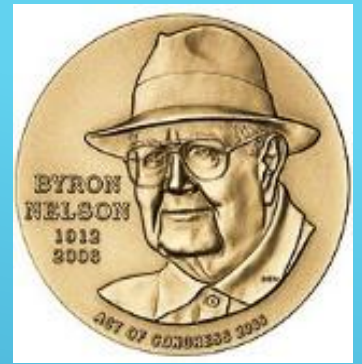
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Thank you for coming!



Please exit the building quickly. We need to make way for the students' rotations.

Please pick up your student at 9:00 pm tonight!

