



MISSION

Our mission is to provide a high-quality, Christian liberal arts education in a nurturing environment that will enable each student to become the individual God intends.



Lower School: K – 4 Experience

- Shaping Desires
 - Truth, Beauty, and Goodness
 - Virtues: Growing in wisdom, compassion, courage
- Learning Community Teaming Together
 - Students
 - Teachers
 - Staff
 - Parents
 - Administration
- Abbreviations: PS, LS, MS, US



Key Contacts

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- Attendance, absences, or appointments: email classroom teacher and attendance@tbcs.org



MyBC/Parents

www.tbcs.org/mybc/parents contains a wealth of information.

Use your Bear Creek username (usually firstname.lastname) and password to access:

- New Parent Portal (updating contact information, paying tuition)
- Summer Sports Camp Registration (kindergarten and up)
- Back-to-School Registration will be emailed in mid-July. At that time, new parents will receive access the Magnus Health and the Parent Portal.



Password Protected

Parent Portal (also Admissions and New Parent Portals)

Magnus Health (Read login instructions.)

Photos, Videos, and Streaming

Library Book Holds

Family Handbook

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Communications

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Microsoft Office 365

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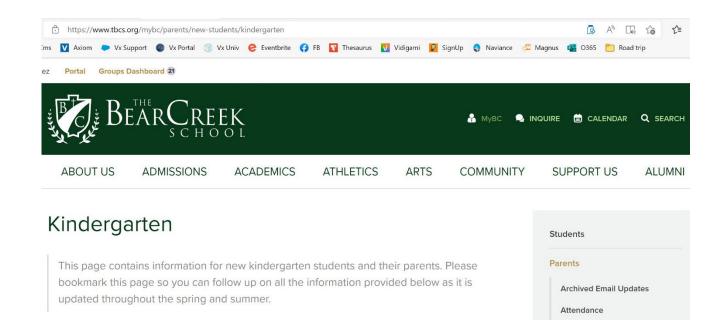


MyBC/Parents

All the information and links covered in this presentation are listed on your New Student Information page. Please visit this page often:

mybc/parents/new-students/kindergarten or

mybc/parents/new-students/lower-school





Immunization Requirement

The Bear Creek School is required by State law to ensure all students are compliant with current immunization requirements or have an appropriate exemption. On or before the first day of attendance, **all new students** and all returning preschool, kindergarten, and grade 7 students must **upload medically verified immunization records to the health portal** by the summer deadline. Children cannot attend school until these records are provided.

New parents will receive instructions for submitting immunization records in the health portal with Back-to-School Registration in July. We cannot accept any forms that have been mailed, emailed, or dropped off.

See your New Student Information page about how to obtain a medically verified copy of your child's immunization records.



Summer Play Dates

- Kindergarten on July 13
- Grade 1 on July 18
- Grade 2 on July 20
- Grade 3 on July 25
- Grade 4 on July 27

All play dates are held from 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. on playground.





Key Dates

- All Bear Creek events are listed on our website calendar. Click CALENDAR at the top of any webpage.
- Math Placement (grades 1 4 only) June 28
 - Cady Reimer (<u>creimer@tbcs.org</u>)
 - Information submission in welcome email
- Back-to-School Registration sent in mid-July, due August 3.
- Cookies at the Creek
 – August 24
- First Day of Lower School classes August 29 Dress Uniform
- Inside Bear Creek September 7
- Lower School Curriculum Night September 21
- Lower School Field Day September 29
- Lower School Connection October 6



Yearly Planner 2023 – 2024



2023 - 2024 YEARLY PLANNER

Dates are subject to change.

Aug 23 First Day of School US First Day of School MS Aug 24 First Day of School LS

No School - Labor Day First Day of School PS

No School MS/US - Parent/Teacher Conferences

No School LS - Teacher In-Service Oct 23 No School - Teacher In-Service

No School PS/LS - Teacher In-Service Nov 3

No School - Veterans Day

Nov 13 - 14 No School PS/LS - Parent/Teacher Conferences

Nov 22 - 24 No School - Thanksgiving Break

Dec 14

Early Dismissal - Christmas Break Dec 18 - Jan 1 No School - Christmas Break

Jan 2 School Resumes

No School MS/US - Teacher In-Service No School - Teacher In-Service No School - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Feb 19 - 23 No School - Mid-Winter Break

Mar1 No School PS/LS - Teacher In- Service

No School PS/LS/MS – Parent/Teacher Conferences

No School - Good Friday

No School - Spring Break

No School - Memorial Day

Jun 3/4 Last Day of School PS Early Dismissal MS/US Last Day of School US Early Dismissal LS/MS Last Day of School LS/MS Jun 12 Last Day of School MS

No School - All students

No School - Some divisions - LS, MS, or US see

Early Dismissal or combination - See details for division and specifics

First Day of School - See details for specifics

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Sample Lower School (Grades 1 – 4) Daily Schedule

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New Student Adjustment

- Teacher Plans
- Contact the Teacher
- Specialists (Language)
- Concept Gaps Math



Memory Verses 3-year rotation



Lower School Scripture Verses: Three-Year Plan

	God: dark blue The Bible: orange Prayer: purple	Creation: pink Fall: green The Atonement: yellow	Austrication: red Sanctification: light blue Glorification: light green	
2023-2024		2024-2025		2025-2026
"Before the mountains were born or you forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God." Psalm 50:2	not abando with your a	rd your God is a merciful God n or destroy you or forget the neestors, which he confirmed outeronomy 4:31	covenant was with God,	ing was the Word, and the Word and the Word was God."
"Your Word is a lamp for my feet, a light path." Psalm 119:105	on my "How can a purity? By Psalm 119	young person stay on the pa living according to your word. :9	not sin against Paalm 119:11	1
"Do not be anxious about anything, but is situation, by prayer and petition, with this present your requests to God. And the p God, which transcends all understandin, guard your hearts and your minds in Ch Philippiana 4:6,7	inksgiving, will forgive leace of unrighteous g, will 1 John 1:9			
"So God created mankind in his own im Image of God he created them, male an he created them." Genesis 1:27	d female heaven and thrones or p	all things were created: thing f on earth, visible and invisible powers or rulers or authorities created through him and for h s 1:16	e, whether circumstances ; all things Christ Jesus."	rs, pray continually, give thanks ir ; for this is God's will for you in ans 5:16-18
"For the wages of sin is death, but the g is elemal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23	together in because I a	eated my inmost being; you k my mother's womb. I praise im fearfully and wonderfully n vonderful, I know that full well : 13-14	you the earth." nade; your Genesis 1:1	ing God created the heavens and
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Mark 10:45 "And without faith it is impossible to pie because anyone who comes to him mus that he exists and that he rewards those earnestly seek him." Hebrews 11:6	it believe While we w	emonstrates his own love for vere still sinners, Christ died f :8	or us." the governmen will be called V	olid is born, to us a son is given, a nt will be on his shoulders. And he Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God ther, Prince of Peace." Isalah 3:
"He saved us, not because of righteous had done, but because of his mercy. " Titus 3:5	things we "Therefore, those who a Romans 8:	there is now no condemnatio are in Christ Jesus,* :1	on for "Jesus answer the life. No one through me."	red, 1 am the way and the truth ar e comes to the Father except John 14:6
"Then he said to them all, "whoever wan my disciple must deny themselves and t their cross daily and follow me." Luke 5:23	ake up the power of	ot ashamed of the gospel, be of God that brings salvation to es:* Romans 1:16a	everyone faith—and this	ace you have been saved, throug is not from yourselves, it is the g y works, so that no one can boast 8-9
"I can do all things through him who give strength." Philippians 4:13	whatever is pure, whate anything is	others and sisters, whatever in oble, whatever is right, whatever is lovely, whatever is adrexcellent or praiseworthy—th* Phillippians 4:8	tever is has come: The has come has com	anyone is in Christ, the new creat se old has gone, the new is here!" 5:17
"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, per forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfi gentleness and self-control. Against suc there is no law." Galatians 5:22-23	ulness, Rather, in h things not looking	g out of selfish ambition or va numility value others above yo to your own interests but eac s of the others." Philippians	ourselves, work in you wi th of you to day of Christ J	
"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and on your own understanding; in all your w submit to him and he will make your pat straight." Proverbs 3:5-6	ays you."	ur anxiety on him because he		
"For we are God's handlwork, created in Jesus to do good works, which God pre advance for us to do." Ephesians 2:10	pared in be transform Then you w	nform to the pattern of this wo med by the renewing of your i vill be able to test and approvi s—his good, pleasing and pe 2:2	mind. what does the e what and to love me	n you, O mortal, what is good. An Lord require of you? To act justly ercy and to walk humbly with your
"And in the same way, let your light shin	a hafora "Evan youth	hs grow tired and weary, and	voung Be kind and o	compassionate to one another,



Chapel Topics 3-year rotation



Lower School Chapel Topics: Three-Year Plan

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God spoke the creation and everything in it into	There is only one God.	The Bible is God's word.
existence, out of nothing, and it is good. God made man in His image. God is the Creator and we are the Created.	God exists in 3 persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.	The Bible can be trusted.
All things were created and are sustained by God. H sovereignly rules over all of his creation and creature		The Bible was written by holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit.
Creation - Fall - Redemption Theme introduction	Trinity: God the Son.	God gave us the Bible to teach us about Himself and to show us how to live.
The earth and everything in it was affected by the fall Things are no longer as they once were. Our sin deserves the wrath of God. Christ satisfied divine justice by his suffereing and death, in the place of sinners. Christ was perfect and kept the whole law for this people, and suffered the punishment for their sins the second suffered the second suffered suffered the second suffered the second suffered the second suffered the second suffered suffered the second suffered the second suffered suffered the second suffered su		The Bible contains the words of God we need for salvation, for trusting Him perfectly, and for obeying Him perfectly.
Christ became fully human but remained sinless.	God is creator and is above all, over all and before all.	Prayer is talking to God.
Sin is not being or doing what God requires. Sin brought mankind into sin and misery. All have since and fall short of the glory of God. Humans have a fallen nature. We no longer have perfect communior and fellowship with God, with our selves, with each other, with nature. People are restored to a right relationshylp with God through Christ.		Prayer is asking God for things which He has promised to give.
Once we believe and receive his Grace: What does God want to do with our lives now! What is his work through us? Why does it matter? What Matters now How we treat his creation and how we participate with him to love the world bringing justice and mercy.		Prayer is offering our desires unto God for things agreeable to His will, confessions of our sins, and thankfully acknowledging His blessings and mercy.
What matters now? Vocation, the job (being a stude that God calls us to.	nt) God is God apart from us.	God gave us "The Lord's Prayer" to teach us how to pray.
What matters now? Developing virtue.	God is eternal and unchangeable.	God makes sinners holy in heart and conduct.
Christ rose from the tomb, on the third day after his death and is now is heaven interceding for us. Why this significant?		Our hearts can only change through the Holy Spirit.
The Bible promises that God has a perfect plan for making all things right. He will come to judge the wo and come again for all his children. Our bodies and souls will be raised to life. God will give us a home in the new heaven and the new earth; a glorious and happy place where the saved will be with Jesus forever.		We are a part of His glorious act of redemption by making a substantial difference in restoring the earth and everything in it.
What matters now? How we treat people; parents, adults, classmates and strangers.	God is sovereign and all knowing.	The will of God is to be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
What matters now? How we use the gifts and talents God has given to us.	God is both infinite and personal.	God revealed His moral law to man in the ten commandments. The ten commandments teach us our duty and show us our need for a Savior.
What matters now? How we treat the Earth and the whole of God's creation.	God made you and all things for his glory.	Ten Commandments, # 1-4 - vertical relationship
Ten Commandments, # 5-10 - horizontal relationship	God is Holy and Good.	Ten Commandments, # 5-10 - horizontal relationships
	God 's will is good, pleasing and perfect.	Those who repent of sin and believe in Christ will be saved. Repenting means to be sony for sin, and to hate and forsake it because it is displeasing to God. Believing in Christ is to trust in Christ alone for salvation.
	Jesus was fully Man - placed in history	None can be saved through works. Our hearts must be changed before we can be fit for heaven.
	Jesus was fully God.	
	Jesus is our High Priest.	
	Jesus is our Savior.	



BOYS LOWER SCHOOL UNIFORM GUIDE



See the complete uniform guidelines in the Family Handbook. Allowed vendors linked on tbcs.org/mybc/parents/school-uniforms.







BLOUSE (VENDOR OF CHOICE)

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NAVY UNIFORM PANTS OR

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PLAID JUMPER, SKIRT, OR SKORT



SWEATER OR

SWEATER VEST

Dress Uniform











Casual Uniform



Lunch

- "Lunch Account Deposit Form" to add money to your family dining account
- Check your family account balance and see what your kids are eating
- Monthly menu is on our website
- Students eat at tables in the Main Commons
- There is a nut-free table during lunch for students with severe nut allergies
- Snacks for sharing (birthday celebrations and parties) must be nut-free and include an ingredient list

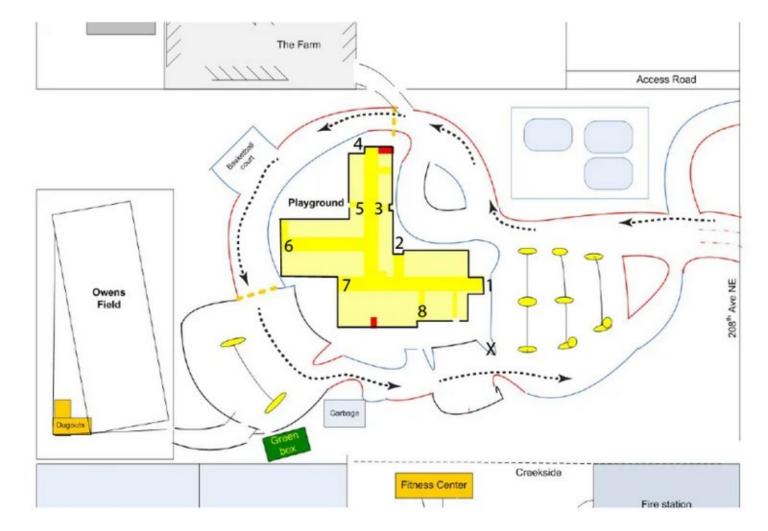


Morning Drop-off

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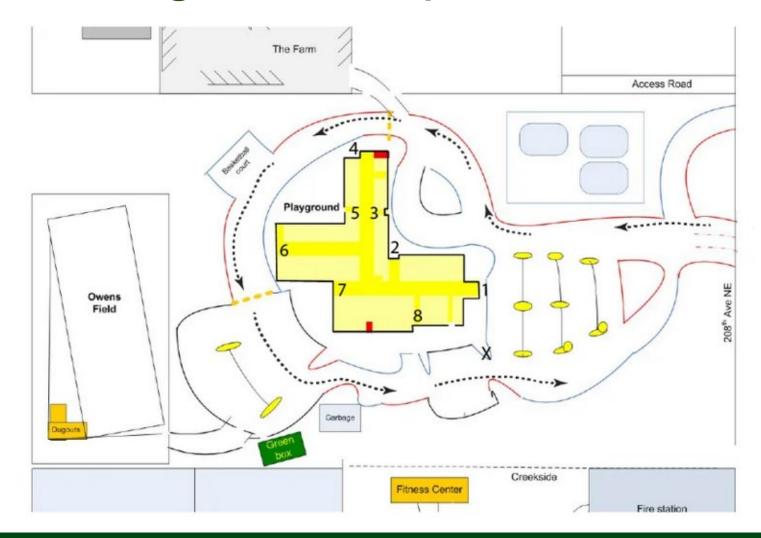
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Map: Parking and Drop-off







Main Entrance: Door 1



Playground: Door 5



The Loop: Door 3



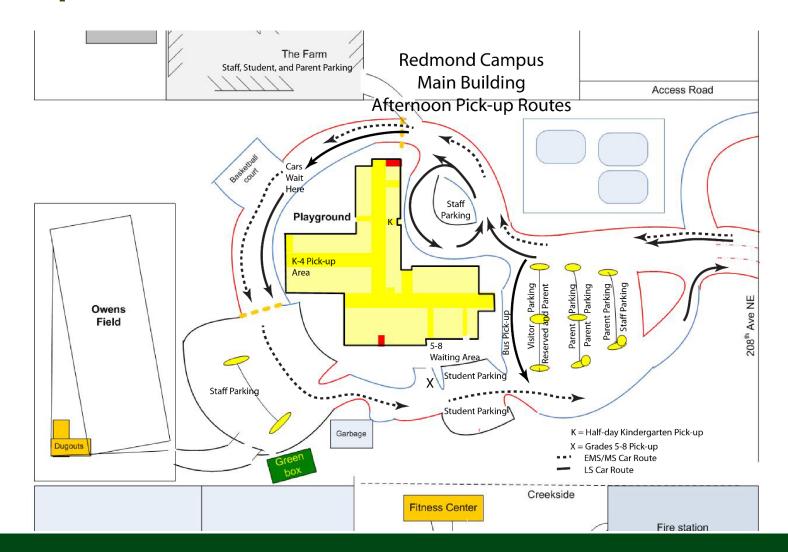
K-1 Hallway: Door 6 Afternoon Pick-up



Afternoon Pick-up

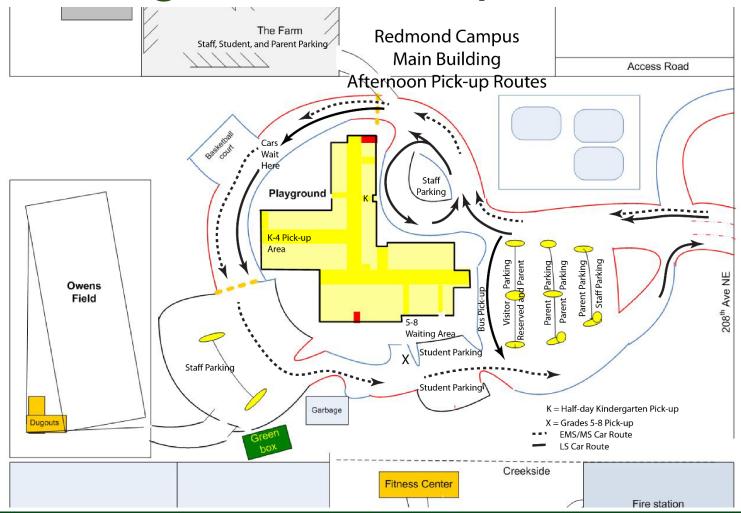
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Map: Parking and Pick-up





Dashboard Pick-up Sign

Gephart Alex, K



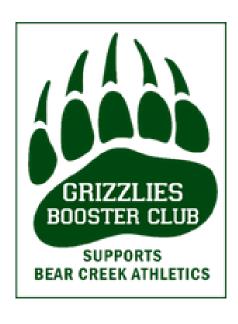
Bear Creek *Plus*Bear Creek Summer Camp







Bear Creek Parent Groups







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