Dear JBHS Families,

There are lots of important schoolwide news and updates for you this week.

Fall 2022 Schedule Notes:

- School will be closed this Friday, November 11 for Veteran's Day.
- There is no Early Release on Tuesday, November 22. We will be on a Traditional Bell Schedule that day.
- School will be closed on Wednesday, November 23 - Friday, November 25 for Thanksgiving.
- There is no Early Release on Tuesday, December 13. We will be on a Traditional Bell Schedule that day.
- Monday, December 19 will be a Traditional Bell Schedule Day. No AE.
- Tuesday, December 20 - Thursday, December 22 will be final exams. School ends at 1 p.m. on those days. Final Exam Bell Schedule.
- Winter Break will take place from Friday, December 23 - Sunday, January 8.
- Spring Semester begins on Monday, January 9, 2023.

Spring 2023 Bell Schedule (No Early Release Days):
Our district was recently informed by state officials that we can no longer count our zero period classes toward the state requirement of 64,800 instructional minutes. In order to meet the state requirement for instructional minutes we will not be able to have Early Release Days on a regular basis this spring. However, we are still able to offer zero period classes to our students. Starting next semester our weekly bell schedule will be as follows:

Spring 2023 Weekly Bell Schedule - Effective January 9, 2023

I am very sorry for any inconvenience this brings to students, parents, and staff members.

Admin Team Updated Roles:
Congratulations to our Assistant Principal of Instruction Mr. Steven Hubbell who was recently announced as the next Principal of Luther Burbank Middle School. We are very happy for Mr. Hubbell and thank him for his many years of service at JBHS.

Mr. John Wells will be joining the JBHS administrative team in an interim capacity to fill in for Mr. Hubbell. Mr. Wells has been teaching physical education at Burbank High for the past 9 years and has been their ASB advisor for the last 5 years. He recently served as the BUSD Summer School TOSA and Interim Assistant Principal of Athletics and Activities at Burbank High. We are very excited to have Mr. Wells join our team.

For a full list of JBHS Administration contact information, please go here https://www.burbankusd.org/domain/1442.

Communication Update:
Here is a list of places for you to access official school news, updates, and information:

- School Website - www.burbankusd.org/jbhs
- Official School App - https://apps.apple.com/us/app/john-burroughs-high-school/id1292048789
- Archived Principal Emails - https://www.burbankusd.org/domain/1563
- Daily School Bulletin - https://www.burbankusd.org/domain/1397
- Good Morning John Burroughs (GMJB) Daily Newscast - https://goodmorningjohnburroughs.weebly.com/

Flavors of Latin America Cultural Festival - Thursday, November 10:
Our ASB is hosting a "Flavors of Latin America" cultural festival this Thursday, November 10 from 4 - 7 p.m in the JBHS Quad. The event will be a celebration of Hispanic culture that showcases cultural dances, music, and foods. Tickets are $3 with an ASB Card and $5 for everyone else. https://www.burbankusd.org/domain/1566

AP Exams - Deadline to Purchase is Thursday, November 10 at 3 p.m:
AP Exams are on sale now until November 10 at 3 p.m. in the Student Store and JBHS WebStore. Exams are $97. Students MUST sign up in their AP Classrooms before they can purchase an exam. For more info including the process for getting financial assistance, please see the AP Exams 2022 Info Flyer. Please contact our Interim Assistant Principal Mr. John Wells (JohnWells@burbankusd.org) if you have any questions.

Link Crew Friendsgiving (9th Grade Activity) - Thursday, November 17 at Lunch:
Link Crew is hosting a Friendsgiving potluck on Thursday, Nov. 17 for freshmen students during lunch in the small gym! There will be snacks, games, prizes, and more! Freshmen students can bring their lunch and a snack to share with everyone if they'd like (optional). There will also be some food (and candy!) to share as well! We hope to see you all there for the food, festivities, and fun!

CTE Dual Enrollment Classes - Spring 2023:
Beginning November 1st it's time to start the enrollment process for spring 2023 CTE Dual Enrollment college classes! There have been some exciting new classes added to our already great list. Go to www.burbankusd.org/cte to see the spring 2023 flyer AND to find the links to begin the enrollment process by students creating their LAVC or GCC account. This is the first step to begin enrolling. Don't hesitate. These classes will fill up quickly.

COVID Testing Kits:
We are quickly approaching the holiday season and the district wants to ensure everyone remains healthy. This week all JBHS students will be receiving two COVID testing kits in their English classroom. The intention for providing the kit is that everyone in our district will self-test at home the night before returning to school from

Thanksgiving and Winter Break. If you are sick, stay home and take care of yourself. There is no requirement for submitting any test data.

Attention 12th Graders - New BUSD Graduation Requirement:
California is the seventh state in the nation to now mandate FAFSA application completion, whereas FAFSA used to always be optional. The hope is to better inform students and parents about grants and resources available to them to afford the cost of college before turning to loans.

Because this is a mandate from the state of California, it is now written into the graduation policy for the Burbank Unified School District that the FAFSA or the FAFSA opt-out form must be completed to participate in the graduation ceremony. Please be clear, if a family does not want to complete the FAFSA, there is an opt-out procedure. It requires a family to complete an opt-out document. In any case, every senior in 2022-2023 must complete the FAFSA application OR an opt-out form to participate in the BUSD graduation ceremony.

Your JBHS counselors will be communicating directly with 12th grade families to provide more information and support to complete the FAFSA or opt-out form prior to Winter Break. If you have specific questions regarding completing the FAFSA at this time, please visit www.fafsa.gov or contact their hotline at 1-800-433-3243.

Please enjoy the three-day weekend. Go Bears!

Respectfully,

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