

Welcome to BECS!!

Billings Early College School Inaugural Open House September 11, 2024







Teacher Empowerment and Support

 Lowest performing district among the AA districts in Montana (Achievement & Student Growth)

Meeting the Needs of Diverse Students

- Viable curriculum for students served in special education
- 2. Limited channels for parent communication
- 3. Wraparound services
- 4. Pathways for gifted



School Safety and Effective Communication

- 1. Lack of mental health supports
- 2. Deteriorating facilities
- 3. Lack of security cameras & intercom systems
- 4. AC systems: West & Senior
- 5. Daylis stadium
- 6. Limited SRO: school ratio
- 7. Limited systems for systemic and effective communication

College, Career, Military Opportunities

- 1. Limited college and career opportunities
- 2. Facilities with limited space
- 3. Limited alternative graduation pathways
- 4. No military pathways



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Cultivate Talent

Goals:

- Support and empower teachers to increase the quality of first instruction and interventions
- Recruit and retain high-quality employees to increase student outcomes
- Develop collective efficacy in every position through personalized, professional learning and leadership development opportunities
- 4. Cultivate avenues for reciprocal communication and cooperation, empowering our staff to not only express themselves but also make a constructive impact that upholds the cherished tradition of excellence at SD2

Address the Needs of Diverse Learners

Goals:

- Deliver an immersive curriculum firmly grounded in a robust academic framework, facilitating genuine, real-world learning experiences that ignite inspiration in every student
- Increase the overall quality of Professional Learning Communities to positively impact teaching and learning
- Develop a Graduate Profile with community and staff input
- 4. Enhance the capabilities of our parents and families by providing them with resources and support to actively engage in their children's educational journey



Foster a Safe and Positive Environment

Goals:

- Address the pressing building facilities challenges in the district to enhance safety and promote the overall well-being of our students and staff
- Ensure the ongoing safety and discipline within our schools, creating learning environments that actively cultivate the integrity and character development of our students
- 3. Foster a collaborative culture among diverse stakeholders to strengthen partnerships, enhancing both safety and communication
- 4. Increase parent & family involvement by creating a Family Friendly School Program

Increase College, Career, and Military Opportunities

Goals:

- Increase college, career and military opportunities for students
- Increase Dual Credit, Advanced Placement and Associate Degree opportunities for students
- 3. Expand course offerings and certifications through the Career Center and CTE programs at each high school
- 4. Provide alternative graduation pathways for students in need through an Opportunity Academy

Welcome & thank you for being here!!

Our Staff:

Mr. Josh Monson, Principal Mrs. MacKenzie Umemoto, Counselor Ms. Jamacena Morin, Career Coach Dr. Jeril Hehn, Director of Advanced Academics Mrs. Nicole Bogunovich, Business/Dual Credit Mrs. Nancy Robinson, English Mrs. Jill Bertagnoli, Math





Visit our webpages

Billings Early College School

https://www.billingsschools.org/our-schools/high-sc
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Washington Innovation Center https://www.billingsschools.org/our-schools/high-schools/washington





So what is ... Billings Early College School?

Billings Early College School

ECS = HS Diploma + college credits up to Associate Degree

Hybrid Structure:

- Power in place, coming together as a cohort
- ½ day at BECS, ½ day at residential high school (or CC)
- Access to music, languages, activities at residential HS
- Science, Health Enhancement + electives at residential HS
- Focus on HS graduation requirements for 9th & 10th grade
- Most or all classes on the college campus for 11th & 12th





Your Pathway to a Diploma + College Credits

9th:

BECS:

- English & Math
- College & Career
 Readiness & College
 Personal Finance

Residential High School:

- Science
- Health Enhancement
- Elective each semester

<u>10th:</u>

BECS:

- English & Math
- World History Residential High School:
- Science
- Elective each semester
- Elective each semester





Your Pathway to a Diploma + College Credits

11th:

English 3 (College Writing?)
College American History
Elective each semester
Elective each semester
More electives if desired

12th:

English 4 (College Lit?)
College American Govt.
College Social Studies
Elective each semester
Elective each semester
Elective each semester
Elective each semester





This is your pathway!

9th: Exploration (5 dual credits at BECS)

10th: Plan of Study (option for additional dual credits)

11th: Most or all classes on the college campus (12 credits

each semester if possible)

12th: Most or all classes on the college campus (15 credits

each semester if possible)





Do you know what colleges expect for success?

MSUB & Rocky Mountain College

- 2.5+ GPA, good attendance, no late work!
- Solid math, writing and reading skills
- Time management, self advocacy, maturity
- Academic Freedom in college curriculum
- IEP/504 accommodations case by case
- College courses & grades on your transcript





So what's next?

What do I need to do now?

- 1. Introduce your parents to your teachers!
- 2. Keep your goals in mind.
- 3. Ask for support that is why we are here!
- 4. Enjoy your learning & opportunities.
- 5. Ask questions, explore & prepare for YOUR life, now and in the future!





Thank you for thinking about & planning for your future!!

