



Welcome Back to **SCHOOL** BYRON HIGH SCHOOL

2025/2026

we can't wait to see you !

2025-2026 MONTHLY NEWSLETTER - AUGUST/SEPTEMBER

A Note From The Principal...

I hope that you all had an enjoyable summer break and had a chance to make some fun memories with family and friends. Check out the list of updates below. We are excited for another fun year of learning at BHS and look forward to seeing you all soon!

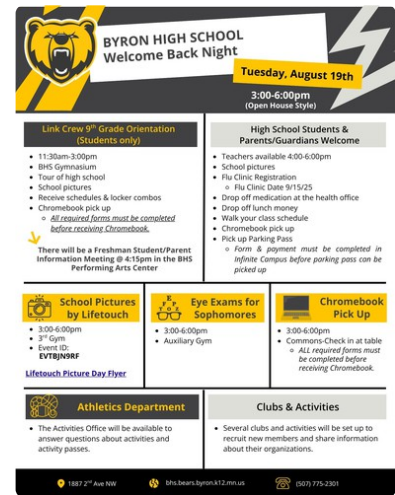
- **New BHS Staff** - We would like to welcome Justin Howard (STEM), Jake Harmon (Phy-Ed), Becky Niess (Special Education) and Kirby VanDeWalker (Dean of Students) to our team this year. They will be an awesome addition to an already amazing team here at BHS!
- **2025-26 Device Deployment** - Students in grades 9-12 will be able to pick up their device on Tuesday, August 19th at the Welcome Back Event. Forms will need to be filled out (via Infinite Campus) and Insurance fees paid **PRIOR** to picking the devices up. See information below for directions on completing these forms.
- **Welcome Back Night** - Please join us on August 19th from 3:00-6:00pm for our Welcome Back Night. Students and parents/guardians are encouraged to attend. Students will have the opportunity to pick up their Chromebooks, have their pictures taken, walk their class schedule, etc. (See flyer below)
- **School Supplies** - At the high school level we do not have a designated school supply list. Students should plan to bring the basic supplies such as notebook(s), pens, pencils, and folder(s) on the first day of school. If there is something specific needed for one or more of their classes, such as a calculator, etc. they will be instructed of that by their teacher.

Malia Schroeder
Byron High School Principal

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BHS WELCOME BACK NIGHT

Tuesday, August 19th is our BHS Welcome Back Night from 3:00-6:00pm, with teachers being available in classrooms from 4:00-6:00pm. This event will be Open House Style where you can come and go as you please and it is not mandatory. A few of the things you'll be able to do at this event in order to get ready for the first day of school include (click on photo for flyer/details):



- Get your picture taken for your ID & the yearbook (order today on mylifetouch.com - Event ID: EVTBJN9RF)
- Make sure you've got lunch money for TAHER
- Drop off meds with Health Aide in Nurses Office
- Try out your locker combination
- Meet with your counselors if you have any questions
- Pick up your Chromebook (Note: ALL forms on Infinite Campus must be completed before your Chromebook will be distributed to you.)
- 10th Grade Vision Screening

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

On Monday, August 25, 2025, the 9th Grade Students will be participating in the Day #2 portion of their 9th Grade Orientation Plan. This will go from 8:00-10:00am. The **10th, 11th and 12th** Grade Students will have a **2-hour late start** and classes will begin at 10:00am for these students. I have attached the 2-Hour Late Start Schedule below for your reference. Buses will run their regular scheduled routes for all students. Students that ride the bus or that need to be dropped off at the typical regular school day time should report to the Commons Area where they will be supervised until they report to their class at 10:00am.

2-Hour Late Start Schedule

UPCOMING DATES/EVENTS

August 11th - 1st day of practice for Fall sports (Gr. 9-12). MUST have signed up through Infinite Campus and have current physical on file to practice

August 19th -

- New Student Orientation for Grades 10-12, 1:00-3:00pm (Counseling Office)
- Freshman Orientation, 11:30am-3:00pm (BHS Gym)
- BHS Welcome Back Night (Open House), 3:00-6:00pm
- Freshman Parent/Student Information Meeting, 4:15pm (Performing Arts Center)

August 25th - First day of school (Gr. 6-12)

September 1st - NO SCHOOL (Labor Day)

'25-'26 IMPORTANT DATES FOR BHS FAMILIES	
AUGUST	DECEMBER
19 New Student Orientation for Grades 10-12, 1:00-3:00pm (Counseling Office)	2 BHS Winter Band Concert, 7:00pm (PAC)
19 Freshman Orientation, 11:30am-3:00pm (Performing Arts Center)	3 BHS Conferences, 3:30-6:00pm
19 BHS Welcome Back Night, 3:00-6:00pm	3 Sophomore Parent/Student Mtg., 5:00pm (MPF)
19 Freshman Parent/Student Information Mtg., 4:15pm (BHS Performing Arts Center)	9 FLEX FRIDAY
25 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL (Gr. 6-12)	9 ASVAB Testing, 8:30am (Counseling Office)
	9 BHS Winter Choir Concert, 7:00pm (PAC)
	22-31 NO SCHOOL - WINTER BREAK
SEPTEMBER	JANUARY
1 NO SCHOOL - Labor Day	1 & 2 NO SCHOOL - WINTER BREAK
15 Homecoming Week Begins!	9 FLEX FRIDAY
15 Student Flu Vaccination Clinic	15 End of 2 nd Quarter
19 Homecoming Football Game, 7:00pm	16 NO SCHOOL - Professional Day
20 Homecoming Dance, 8:00-11:00pm	19 NO SCHOOL - Staff Development
23 Picture Retake Day	FEBRUARY
24 BHS Conferences, 3:30-6:00pm	3 Spring Sports Registration Open
24 Junior Parent/Student Meeting, 5:00pm (Performing Arts Center)	4 Freshman Mtg. with Counselors, 7:00pm (PAC)
26 FLEX FRIDAY	11 Class Ring Orders
OCTOBER	11 PLED Student/Parent Mtg., 3:45 or 5:00pm (Performing Arts Center)
1 Winter Sports Registration Opens	19 FLEX FRIDAY
6 Jostens Senior Meeting, 2:30-3:00pm (Graduation Info)	16 NO SCHOOL - Staff Development
11 Academic Awards, 7:15-8:00am (Performing Arts Center)	MARCH
17 Financial Aid Information Meeting for Junior & Senior Families, 6:00pm (Performing Arts Center)	12-14 HS Musical/Play
18 OC Trip Student Meeting (Freshman), 2:30pm (Performing Arts Center)	15 End of 3 rd Quarter
18 OC Trip Parent Meeting, 7:00pm (Performing Arts Center)	20 NO SCHOOL - Professional Day
14 SAT Test for 10 th & 11 th Graders, 8:00am (Must have pre-registered last Spring)	22-27 NO SCHOOL - Spring Break
16 FLEX FRIDAY (Thursday)	APRIL
17 NO SCHOOL - Staff Development	6 NO SCHOOL
24 End of 1 st Quarter	8 ACT & ACCUPLACER Test
27 NO SCHOOL - Professional Day	22 BHS Conferences, 3:30-6:00pm
30-31 BHS Fall Play	24 FLEX FRIDAY
NOVEMBER	25 From @ Semester, 6:00pm
1 BHS Fall Play	MAY
3 NWL Honor Choir/Band @ K-M High School	3 National Honor Society Induction, 7:00pm
10 2025 Choral Festival @ K-M High School	4 BHS Winter Band Concert, 7:00pm (PAC)
14 Open Mic Night	6 Senior Scholarship & Award Night, 6:00pm
24-26 NO SCHOOL - THANKSGIVING BREAK	12 BHS Spring Choir Concert, 7:00pm (PAC)
	15 FLEX FRIDAY
	15 Senior's Last Day
	22 GRADUATION - BHS Scheels Gym, 7:00pm
	25 NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day
	28 End of 4 th Quarter/LAST DAY OF SCHOOL (1/2 Day AM)

*DATES MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

September 15th - Homecoming Week Begins!

September 15th - Student Flu Vaccination Clinic (10:00am-12:00pm)

September 19th - Homecoming Football Game, 7:00pm

September 20th - Homecoming Dance, 8:00-11:00pm

September 23rd - Lifetouch Picture Retake Day

September 24th - BHS Conferences, 3:30-6:00pm

September 24th - Junior Parent/Student Meeting, 5:00pm (Performing Arts Center)

September 26th - FLEX FRIDAY

Click [HERE](#) (or click on image) for a full-page document listing important dates at Byron High School for the 2025-2026 school year.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Click [HERE](#) for the August/September Counseling Office Newsletter with information pertaining to:

- Student Schedules/Schedule Changes
- Report Cards
- August 19th Welcome Back Day & Night Events
- '25-'26 Counseling Grade Level Student/Parent Meetings
- '25-'26 Testing Dates and Options
- Other Career/College Opportunities and Resources

STUDENT CHROMEBOOKS

[1:1 Device Program Forms](#) - Chromebooks and chargers can be picked up during the Welcome Back Night or on the first day of school. In order to receive your device, the Pledge Form and Optional Insurance Form MUST be completed. Optional insurance is available to purchase at \$45.00 per student. *(A fully charged Chromebook is required for each school day, including the first day of school. Loaners will not be available.)*

- **Step 1 - [Click here to review the Handbook](#)**
- **Step 2 - Sign Forms & Submit**
 - Log into Infinite Campus
 - Go to **School Store**
 - Select your child's school
 - Navigate to **Technology>Device Insurance**
 - Complete all steps as prompted (*If opting out of insurance, you still must process the cart to finalize your form submission .*)

MANDATORY ANNUAL UPDATE

Student safety is extremely important to us. To ensure their information is accurate, we are requesting 1 parent/guardian to login and verify each child's information.

- Household information - address and phone numbers
- Parent information - work and cell phone numbers, email addresses
- Student information - demographic and health/medication information
- Emergency Contact - addresses and phone numbers

The Annual Update will include all of the required parent/guardian approvals of handbooks, field trips, photographs, etc. This annual update needs to be completed by Monday, August 18, 2025 and families will not be able to access the Infinite Campus Parent Portal until the Annual Update is completed. Need help? [Click here for step-by-step instructions with screenshots](#)

INFINITE CAMPUS PORTAL

The Infinite Campus portal is your tool to stay connected to your student's education. If you have not taken the time to set up your Parent Portal, please contact the office & we can assist you in setting that up. You should be using your own portal, not your students. As parents, you may receive different notifications & messages than your child will. To access Infinite Campus from a computer, follow this path:

Byron Public Schools > Families > Infinite Campus > Campus Parent>Enter your username & password

To access Infinite Campus on a tablet or smartphone you will need to download the Infinite Campus app, then enter our District ID, which is **XJLZDW**.

BHS STUDENT PARKING PASS

The Parking Pass Registration for the 2025-26 School Year is now available. Students who choose to drive to school will be required to purchase a BHS Student Parking Pass. The cost of this pass is \$75 for the year (students taking two classes or less, or only attending one semester at BHS this year, will pay \$35). Parking passes can be picked up during the Welcome Back Night on Tuesday, August 19th, or on the first day of school. In order to receive your parking pass, registration and payment should be processed through Infinite Campus. Payment can be made online, or in the form of cash/check made payable to BHS when picking up the pass. Follow the steps below to complete the Parking Pass Rules & Regulation Form, make your payment, and pick up your pass:



1. Log into Infinite Campus Parent Portal
2. Go to **School Store**
3. Select **High School**
4. Navigate to **Parking Fees**

5. Choose **BHS Parking Pass**
6. Choose **student** receiving Parking Pass
7. Under **Activity Options**, choose either BHS Parking Pass Full Time Student (\$75) or BHS Parking Pass Part Time Student (\$35) if paying online. Choose BHS Parking Pass Cash/Check (\$0) if paying in-person when picking up the Parking Pass.
8. Click on the **BHS Student Parking Lot Pass** link to complete the form and submit your signature.
9. Choose **Add to Cart** and complete the checkout process (If *your balance is \$0 and you are paying by cash/check, you must still complete the checkout process*).
10. Pick up Student Parking Pass in the high school office at Welcome Back Night (August 19th, 3-6pm) or on/after first day of school.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR BHS FAMILIES

BE ON TIME...SCHOOL STARTS @ 8:00AM

If your student is going to be late or absent from school please notify the school by emailing our BHS Attendance Office or giving us a call. Please include the following information in your communication:

1. Your student's name
2. Date and time of absence
3. Reason for absence

EMAIL: bhs.attendance@byron.k12.mn.us

PHONE: 507-775-2301

Attendance Procedures One Pager - [ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES](#)

BHS CELL PHONE PROCEDURES

EVERY student needs to put their cell phone & airpods in the holder when they enter the classroom. Cell phones will remain in the holder for the entire class period unless directed by the teacher that students will need their cell phone for an activity.

Cell Phone Procedures One Pager - [CELLPHONE PROCEDURES](#)

BHS STUDENT DRESS & APPEARANCE PROCEDURES

The policy of this school district is to encourage students to be dressed appropriately for school activities & in keeping with community standards. This is a joint responsibility of the student and the student's parent(s) or guardian(s).

Student Dress & Appearance Procedures One Pager - [STUDENT DRESS & APPEARANCE](#)

BHS FLEX FRIDAYS

Flex Fridays are school days. They are not days off. Flex Fridays are used for the purpose of providing students intervention time with their teachers and enrichment opportunities that take place inside and outside of school. Students could be invited by one or more of their teachers to come into the school in order to get intervention time and enrichment opportunities BUT any student that would like to come in and meet with their teachers on that day are more than welcome! We will follow a regular school day schedule so for instance, if the student wants to visit with their 2nd block teacher they would need to come in during that time frame. If your student was not invited nor voluntarily wants to come in on a Flex Friday, they do not have to report to school.

The 2025-2026 Flex Fridays include:

- Friday, September 26, 2025
- Thursday, October 16, 2025
- Friday, December 5, 2025
- Friday, January 9, 2026
- Friday, February 13, 2026
- Friday, March 13, 2026
- Friday, April 24, 2026
- Friday, May 15, 2026

Flex Fridays One Pager - [FLEX FRIDAYS](#)

FLU VACCINE CLINIC - SEPTEMBER 15

A flu clinic will be held on Monday, September 15th. Registration is required and will only be available from August 6–September 10 at 11:00 p.m. No late registrations will be accepted.



The flu vaccine will be offered at your child's school through the School-Located Influenza Program this fall. This program makes it easy and convenient to keep your child, the school, and the community healthy throughout the year.

Important information to know:

- The flu shot and nasal spray (FluMist®) will be offered as available.
- Registration is required to receive the flu vaccine.
- Registration forms will not be accepted after September 10.
- Non-medication pain-reducing options will be available.
- Health insurance will be billed. If you don't have health insurance, your child can still get the flu vaccine at little or no cost.
- Provide a reminder to your child the day before receiving the flu vaccine and have them wear clothing that allows access to the upper arm.

To register online, go to semnic.org. Online registration is preferred. We strongly encourage you to take advantage of this important opportunity. Questions can be directed to 507-293-4800 or emailed to schoolflu@mayo.edu. For more information about the School-Located Immunization Program, go to semnic.org.

BHS LUNCH MENUS

[September 2025 Lunch Menu](#)

[August 2025 Lunch Menu](#)

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REPORT AN ABSENCE

If your student is going to be absent from school please notify the school by using our attendance email address bhs.attendance@byron.k12.mn.us or calling the high school office at 507-775-2301.



Janet Splinter

Janet is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters