



BWHS PARENT NEWSLETTER

Big Walnut High School | 713 Miller Drive, Sunbury, Ohio



PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025
BWHS PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCE
SEPTEMBER 11, 2024
PLEASE SIGN UP WITH GOOGLE AT
[HTTPS://WWW.MYCONFENCETIME.COM/BWHSPTCONFERENCE](https://www.myconfencetime.com/BWHSPTCONFERENCE)
4:00-7:30 PM

*THE COUNSELING STAFF WILL BE CONDUCTING A SENIOR MEETING FROM 6:15-6:45 IN THE ACADEMIC COMMONS.

Columbus State News

-October 30th at noon- Last day to submit CCP drop form for the semester. Families will be billed for the course. A grade of "W" will be issued but it will not affect the student's GPA.

--No CCP classes may be dropped after *October 30*. Students who fail CCP classes are required to repay the district for the cost of the failed class and an "F" affects the student's GPA.

Families of students taking CCP classes at any other institution must verify drop deadlines with that college's CCP advisor.

Senior Meeting September 11th

The counseling office is hosting a senior parent/guardian presentation on the evening of *September 11th*, the same night as our parent/teacher conference. The program will give an overview of the senior student timeline, the college application process, and sources of information. The presentation will be from 6:15 pm-6:45 pm in the Academic Commons with time for questions at the end. Students are welcome to attend but have already been exposed to shared information.

DACC Visit

The Delaware Area Career Center visited with 10th graders on Friday, September 6th to share information about their programs. All 10th graders will visit DACC on November 26th during the school day. Students can request programs they would like to visit by completing the request form on Schoology. The form is due by October 11th.

PSAT NEWS

The Preliminary SAT/ National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test ("PSAT/NMSQT") will be offered to interested 10th and 11th grade students on October 8th. Students will miss periods 1-4 for the test and will be responsible for the class work missed during testing. The PSAT/ NMSQT is a practice SAT. This test also serves as a gateway for 11th grade students who earn the highest scores to enter the National Merit Scholarship competition and be nationally recognized by the College Board. 10th grade students may not enter the scholarship competition but are still welcome to test.

Students interested in testing must register via the PSAT 2024 google form ([click here](#)). The cost of this test is \$18 and will be added to your student fees account. The test is now offered digitally. Students who register to take the PSAT/ NMSQT on October 8th will need to bring their chromebook fully charged for testing. The deadline to register is September 24th. The Fall 2024 PSAT/ NMSQT Student Guide is [attached here](#).

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

Dr. Nicole Carter, Principal
Kelley Bloomer, Assistant Principal
Paul Hershberger, Assistant Principal
Kaci Fox, Building Secretary
Jen Barr, Attendance Secretary
Tara Shelby, Building Secretary

PARKING PASSES 2024

Students can purchase Parking Pass 2024-25 online at this time. Note: All outstanding student fees must be paid prior to purchasing a parking pass. Fees are available in your Powerschool Parent Portal. Fees can be paid online through www.payschoolscentral.com. Please reach out to the main office with further questions.

Events at BWHS

September 11th: Parent-Teacher Conf #1 4 -7:30 pm
September 12th: School Pictures (Grades 9-11)
September 16th-No School (Teacher PD Day)
September 18th: First Eagle Time 10-10:42 am
September 25th: Academic Evening of Excellence
(Invitations sent to 3.5 or Higher Students)
September 25th: Eagle Time Schedule
October 4th: Homecoming Game 7 pm
October 5th: Homecoming Dance 8-10 pm
October 8th: PSAT (Interested 10-11th Grade)

Cell Phone Policy Reminder

The BWLS District recently adopted the policy of removing cell phones from the classroom for all grades, Pre-K through 12. This decision applies to personal devices, not school-issued devices. Students will not be permitted to use their cell phones during the school day from 7:30-2:10. Students are assigned Chromebooks that are used for daily classroom instruction (instead of phones). Please make sure student Chromebooks are fully charged each day in preparation for daily classroom use.

Parents: We appreciate your support of this policy. If students choose to carry cell phones to and from school, phones should not be visible and turned off during the school day. [Not seen - Not heard]

Attendance Policy

Our student attendance policy has been updated for the 2024-25 school year. Please see our Big Walnut HS Attendance Policy Summary Parents/guardians can now report a student's absence in one of three ways.

-Attendance Line (740)-965-7776
-Complete the Online Absence Form on our website
-Email the secretary at bwhsattendance@bwls.net
For additional questions and information on attendance, please see our *Student Code of Conduct*.

Picture Day Thursday

2024-25

PICTURE DAYS

9-11 TH GRADE & STAFF

SEPT. 12

ALL-DAY @ MAIN GYM

SENIOR PICTURE DAY
& CLUB PHOTOS

OCT 25

ALL-DAY @ AUX GYM
& MAIN GYM

SENIOR PANORAMIC @ 9:15 AM

(club photo schedule posted in October)

9-11 & STAFF RETAKES

NOV. 1

7:45-12:30 @ MAIN GYM

SENIOR RETAKES

NOV. 22

10:15-12:30 @ MAIN GYM



Tardy Policy

Consequences will be assigned to students who are tardy to school and/or to class. This may include, but is not limited to a verbal warning/teacher conference, parent contact, detention, and administrator contact. Please see the Student Code of Conduct for new information on our building tardy policy.

Health News

-Please see the Eagles' Health Hub for important information from Mrs. Truax.

AM PARENT DROP OFF REMINDER

If you are dropping your student off in the morning, please make sure you leave in plenty of time to drop off students in the morning. We are asking to not stop and drop off students until pulling around the circle in front of the school. Our SRO and staff will be directing the car line to prevent stops that delay traffic. Reminder: Our first warning bell rings at 7:26. 1st Pd begins this year at 7:30 am.

Cafe News

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TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

On Thursday, BWHS had the honor of hosting WSYX 6 and the CW Columbus for the purpose of filming a Teacher Spotlight segment that showcased Melissa Maxson. Maxson, who teaches Video Broadcasting, Drawing 1 and 2, and oversees the Printshop for BWHS, has been chosen as the 2024 Educator Spotlight. This segment will be aired on the CW Columbus during the rival football game against Delaware Hayes this Friday. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Mrs. Maxson and express our gratitude for her unwavering dedication to education at BWHS.



MELISSA MAXSON