



Bonita Vista High School

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“A Tradition of Excellence and Baron Pride”

Principal’s Welcome Back Message #TheStoryofUsBVH

BVH Community,

We are excited to welcome our 26-27 cohort of students for this very promising school year! We hope everyone has been enjoying a safe and wonderful Summer Break and that our students are eager to return and reconnect with our school community, just as we are eager to reconnect with them. We not only have some of the best students and parents in our district, but also the best staff! And after receiving our **2026 California Distinguished School Award** and seeing vast increases in our Climate and Culture Data, we are primed to continue improving, learning, and succeeding together to elevate the Bonita Learning Experience for all students.

Additionally, after a year and a half of construction dating back to Spring 2025, this year, we are excited to announce that our **New Main Quad, Outdoor CIF Volleyball Courts, and New Building (1500)**, which will house our Auto Shop, Dance, Engineering, Multimedia, Photography, and Sports Medicine, will be open to our 26-27 cohort of students!

Now, although our students have been on their Summer Break, our staff has been busy reading *The Anxious Generation* by Jonathan Haidt and *10 to 25: The Science of Motivating Young People* by Dr. David Yeager to prepare for our 26-27 school year. These Summer Readings will continue to support our work around our Instructional Focus: Establishing schoolwide, student-centered learning environments through structured student interactions that meet the needs of diverse learners and deepen student understanding. Our school’s theme this year will be titled **“The Story of Us”** as we look to strengthen our commitment to our Bonita community and build one Bonita Team—that includes our students, staff, parents, and community members.

Our vision at Bonita is that these student-centered learning environments extend beyond our classrooms to our athletic fields, visual and performing arts venues, and school club activities. We aim to provide a learning environment where our students continue to safely explore the following two questions in their development through the Bonita Learning Experience:

1. Who am I?
2. Who do I want to become?

We know that our students will develop a lot over the next school year and during their high school experience, and we want all our students to reach their potential, so here is what we ask of our students:



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Be Present: We want our students to be present each and every day. Not only is being physically present important for attendance and academic standing at school, but being present in class, in sports, in VAPA groups, and in clubs- we never know what might change our life when we are fully present and in the moment. We never know who we will meet who might change our lives. We never know what we might learn that might change our life. Be present.

Be Positive: There is nothing more powerful in this world than a positive attitude, and nothing more destructive than a negative one. So, to our students, remember to be positive about yourself, your friends, your parents, and your teachers. Be positive. Limit your social media –when you see negativity on there, don’t give it your energy. It doesn’t deserve your energy. Remain positive.

Be Persistent: There will be times during our students’ high school experience and during their respective lives when things don’t go or will not go their way. We ask our students not to put themselves down. To our students, always have the confidence that you can and will succeed. You can overcome your obstacles and challenges. Be persistent.

Connect with Others: We ask that our students be mindful of their relationships with their parents or guardians, peers, teachers, coaches, and club advisors. Invest in those relationships. Students, you will not go through this journey alone, not this year, not during your time at Bonita Vista High School. But we do need our students’ help on this matter; we need you to make the effort to connect with others and get involved in your schoolwork, sports, the visual and performing arts, or a club. Find your platform to develop and grow here at Bonita. Find your platform to develop and grow here at Bonita. It will change your life. Connect with others.

Parents and guardians, in our opening message, we don’t want to ignore you either. Our request of you is that you support us on this journey. Let’s align our values collectively; let’s build a 4-year partnership together to make our students’ experiences the best that they can be!

Let’s have an awesome year, Barons! Thank you!”

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