




BHS Family Update –November 27, 2017

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Connecting with me

If you have a question, concern, or suggestion it is best to connect with me directly. Replying to the BHS_info address goes to a general mailbox and not to me. So, give me a call or drop me an email.
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November Theme: RESPECT

We try to make our messages available to as many families as we can. Last week I received a wonderful gift—students who will be translating my weekly BHS Family Updates. Thank you for your patience with me while I worked out how to get messages translated.

Thank you students!!

Thank you to Jose Hernandez for translating this week.

Upcoming events

Winter athletics begin this week—come out and watch

BFAN (Beaverton Family Alumni Network) meeting December 4: 7:00 pm

Latino Family Night: Dec. 13th, 6:00-8:00 pm,

School Play: *Outsiders*, Dec 13-16th 7:00 pm

I certainly hope your family enjoyed time together over the Thanksgiving holiday. After the time away, a Duck football win, and rest it is time to get back into school.

Attendance

The winter can be a challenging time for student attendance. We certainly want students to stay home if they feel ill. Every day we need to see students in school, in class, and fully engaged. We have three full weeks of school and then a three-day week (Dec 18, 19, 20) until Winter Break. It can be tempting to miss a day or two here and there. We appreciate your partnership in this effort to encourage attendance. Missed instructional time really can never be replaced. Please limit the number of days students are taken out of school for travel or celebrations.

Holidays

At BHS, we strive to be a community where every person feels welcome, respected, and included. Providing an inclusive learning environment is critical to supporting all students. We are a very diverse school, with over 40 languages spoken in our homes and students from over 50 nations. With such diversity, it is important that all members of the BHS community embrace the diversity of cultural backgrounds and religious beliefs in our school and society. To that end, all classroom celebrations held at this time will be secular (non-religious) in nature and will not promote or favor any religious practice or culture.

Community connects Us

Thanks to everyone who helped provide food for 100 or our families on Tuesday. All day, counselors, Future You Mentors, Work Experience students, and others, helped package and deliver full meals for our families in need. Special thanks, again to Bonnie Heaton for organizing the event. We are so grateful to Safeway, our partner that provided all of the food.

Student shoutouts

Last week a group of students met with Ms. Nadia Hasan, Business teacher, and formed the Welcome Beaver program. The goal of this student run effort, is to provide a friendly welcome to students who arrive during the year. Hats off to **Nabila Hersi** and **Naomi Ezra** for taking the lead on this fantastic effort.

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