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Please be sure to go to the BHS Website at www.bensonhs.net for school information as it becomes relevant.

Athletics

Please see the attached flyer regarding Cheer Tryouts!
Coach Charles

September 13th 2021

A Message from the Curriculum Vice Principal

The last day to make any schedule changes for students is Wednesday, September 22nd. If students have an open period, TA, or Late Arrival/Early Dismissal in their schedule and have not yet completed the appropriate form please have your students stop by Counseling office to pick up the paperwork ASAP.

Sara Callies (she/her/hers)
Vice Principal
Benson Polytechnic High School
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A Message from Amy Henry (Benson Tech Counselor)

Parents: The Benson Counseling Department is interested in applying for national recognition (RAMP) status through the American School Counseling Association. Applying for RAMP helps schools evaluate their school counseling program, discover areas for improvement and enhance the program's efforts to contribute to student success. As part of this process, we will be forming an advisory committee of parents, staff and community members. The advisory committee will meet twice in the 2021-22 school year (1-2 hours for each meeting) and assist the counseling department with reviewing their vision/mission statement, guidance curriculum and direct services for students.

If you are interested in being on the committee, please email Amy Henry at amyhenry@pps.net.

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Dropping Off and Picking Up Students

Parents/Guardians now that we have had our first two weeks of school there are some things that we need to alert our community to regarding the dropping off and picking up of students during the school day. Please note that if you are dropping off your students in the morning there really shouldn't be an issue as the traffic flow into the school with the school buses and parent vehicles is very limited and doesn't cause a backflow of cars in the morning. It is the afternoon pick-up for the students who are getting out of school at 3:30pm that is causing the major traffic congestion between parent/guardian vehicles and PPS school buses.

Parents/Guardians please be aware that if you are arriving to the school in order to pick up your students at 3:30pm that you please park/idle your vehicles next to the construction fence that is in the turnabout area as you wait for your students to leave the building. We need to have the curb area that's nearest to the building in the turnabout area clear of all vehicles so that our yellow school buses can park in this area and wait to pick up kids after school. If we have the yellow school buses on one side of the turnabout and the parent/guardian vehicles on the other side of the turnabout area then we can have enough space for all vehicles to navigate the turnabout area safely.

Please note that you can also meet your child in the back (west end) of the school near the tennis courts for pickup as we will have all entrance gates unlocked and open for easy exit points after school. I would encourage parents/guardians to use the exit points located in the Northwest corner (back of school) and South end of the school (near the baseball field and track) and not just rely on the main exit point located in the front of the school.

Principal Wilson

A Message to our Seniors:

If you have signed up for **Early Release/Late Arrival** this semester/year <u>AND</u> you have turned in your parent permission form, please stop by the Counseling Office to pick up your student card(s).

Need a form? Forms are available for pick up in the Counseling Office.

BHS Counseling Team

A Message from Kathleen Reid (College Counselor/AVID Coordinator)

Here is a link to the College Newsletter: https://www.smore.com/fx801

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Set up an appointment with me **HERE**

A Message from the Benson Tech Counselors

1) Student schedules are now available on Student/Parent Vue. If you have a scheduling error (i.e. missing a class, level change, etc.), you can email your counselor. We will also be available before school, during lunch and after school.

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Peg Schoettle: H to O: <u>pschoettle@pps.net</u>
Christy Wheeler, P to Z: <u>cwheeler@pps.net</u>

- 2) Seniors: If you have a late arrival/early dismissal in your schedule, you are required to have your parent/guardian sign the attached (Late Arrival/Early Dismissal) paperwork. Please return this form to the counseling department ASAP.
- 3) Students please be sure to attend classes according to your schedule until official changes are made to that schedule if necessary. Please note that schedules are subject to change as adjustments are made throughout the first few weeks of school.
- 4) Students if you have a TA (Teacher's Assistant) period listed in your schedule you should stop by the Counseling Office during that period to pick up your TA form for that teachers signature.

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A Message from Outdoor School

We are reaching out to let you know that based on overwhelming interest in overnight programming from our districts, Outdoor School is planning to run overnight programs at our ODS sites this fall. We have been meeting and developing protocols for opening back up after almost a two year pause. We ran a successful 6 week, in-person summer day camp program and we had approximately 500 high school leaders sign up and help teach middle school students.

We will be adapting some of our past practices and we will be changing the way we provide student leader training. We will get you more information about that in the near future.

We are hoping to open our online registration soon.

The session will most likely run 6 weeks this fall

Week 1- Sept. 26- Oct 1

Week 2- Oct. 3-8

Week 3- Oct 10-15

Week 4- Oct. 17-22

Week 5- Oct 24-29

Week 6- Oct. 31-Nov 5

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks!

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