Blue Valley Northwest

Principal's Newsletter - September 29, 2023

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Message from Dr. David Sharp

Greetings, Husky Families!

It is hard to believe October is just around the corner, and we only have two weeks left in the first quarter! I would like to thank everyone who participated in our fall parent-teacher conferences, and our staff appreciates partnering with you for the success of your scholars. You can contact our teachers/staff anytime with additional questions. Finally,

we wish our fall sports teams and activities good luck this weekend!







Your Partner in Education,

David

David Sharp, Ed.D Principal, BVNW



Weekly Schedule - SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER

Block/Traditional Schedule 2023-24						
Odd Block	Even Block	Traditional	Testing	No Students - PL	No School	

September					1
	4	5	6	7	8
	11	12	13	14	15
	18	19	20	21	22
	25	26	27	28	29

	2	3	4	5	6
October	9	10	11	12	13
	16	17	18	19	20
	23	24	25	26	27
	30	31			

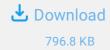
2023-2024 Bell Schedule





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Bell Schedule 2023-24





Fall Testing Day information for October 4

Our fall testing day is this Wednesday, October 4th for students in grades 9-11. School runs from 7:35 - noon (for most students). Rosters have been posted since Thursday at the bottom of the main stairwell or you can check with your advisory teacher to find out your testing room location!

Seniors were either signed up to take the WorkKeys test or they will participate in a future ready activity.

Please <u>click here</u> to read important information in preparation for Wednesday, including a link if you would like a grab & go lunch for your student! There is a helpful frequently asked questions page, along with a description of the tests being given by grade level.

Thank you!

October 7 volunteer opportunity for students - Light the Night event



Light the Night

Saturday October 7 - 5:30pm Cleveland University in Overland Park, Kansas View sign up information below.



KC Volunteer LLS Instructions.pdf



FastBridge Reading Reports - How to interpret

Fastbridge reports came home Monday/Tuesday, Sept. 25th & 26th! A couple of notes on interpreting Fastbridge reports:

- Many students completed FASTtrack reading screening, which consists of two subtests.
 - Subtest #1 is AUTOreading. AUTOreading is a short assessment (roughly five minutes) that measures foundational reading skills such as decoding words, identifying the correct spelling of words, word synonyms, and detecting differences in word meanings.
 - Subtest #2 is aReading. The "a" in front of "aReading" stands for adaptive, meaning that the test gets harder as students answer questions correctly and easier as students answer questions incorrectly. aReading provides a broad measure of a student's reading ability and takes roughly 25-30 minutes to complete.

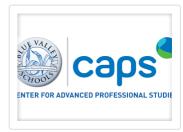


ACT Prep Class to be held September 30th

While not affiliated with or endorsed by BVNW, we wanted to let you know that there is an ACT class being offered on the K-State Olathe campus on Saturday, Sept. 30th.

Students can register at http://actprep.info/kstate. This class is well-timed for the Saturday, October 28th test.

CAPS Open House – October 4th from 12pm - 2:00pm



Curious about CAPS? Unsure what programs are offered and how they might support your long-term career plans? Wondering how you can fit CAPS into an already packed 4-year plan? Those questions and more can be answered during the CAPS Open House on Wednesday, October

4th from noon – 2:00pm. Finish testing at your home high school and come over to CAPS. You can tour the building and meet with instructors and administrators who can help you plan your CAPS experience.

9th grade students and families - apply for world language credit transfer by Oct. 13

9th grade students and families only - This information is only for students who have completed the full MS world language sequence in a BV middle school and will seek to transfer two (2) world language credits to their HS transcript. To apply for the credit transfer, please fill out the form found here by October 13. This link was also sent to all 9th graders and their parents/guardians via email during the week of September 4, 2023.

Picture make-up day and senior last chance is Oct. 19

If your student did not get their picture taken today, there will be a make-up day the morning of Thursday, October 19, which will also include senior last chance photos for those who did not get pictures taken over the summer (for the yearbook). All students



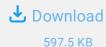
must get their picture taken if they want it in the yearbook! Please see the downloadable flyer below for ordering instructions. Contact Rolland Studios if you have any questions.

Once again, student IDs will be electronic this year.

Please look for upcoming communication about how to access and use your student ID.



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Upcoming Key Calendar events







SEPT / OCT

- Sept. 29 NO SCHOOL (EC-12)
- Sept. 30 ACT prep class
- Oct. 3 Boys basketball fundraiser at Chicken N Pickle
- Oct. 4 TESTING DAY

- Oct. 4 CAPS Open House
- Oct. 5 Level change deadline
- Oct. 13 9th Gradedeadline to apply for world language credit transfer
- Oct. 19 School picture retakes / Senior last chance photos
- Oct. 20 Drop deadline
- Oct. 31 deadline to register for AP exams

Counseling News - September 29

Where to find helpful information & resources
BVNW Counseling Canvas

BVNW Academic Resources

@bvnwcounseling

*Level Change Deadline- October 5th

Student or guardian should start by reaching out to counselor to make sure a level change is possible.

*Drop Deadline- October 20th

After October 20th, students will no longer be able to withdraw from a class. Student or guardian should reach out to their counselor prior to October 20th if they want to drop a class.

Shawnee Mission College Clinic- October 11, 2023, 6:30-8:30PM, Shawnee Mission East High School. Open to all area districts to attend the premier college fair in KC for over 50 years. Register and more information here.

College Board AP Exam Registration

- Students who are taking a **fall or yearlong** AP course and plan to take the AP exam must register and pay for exams by **October 31**, **2023**.
- Students and parents/guardians recently received an email with steps to register and pay for AP exams.
- Students register through their College Board account and AP Classroom (see email or Counseling Canvas <u>page</u>)
- AP exam fees need to be paid through BVNW Total Registration website.
- Exams will be administered at Hilltop Conference Center according to College Board's AP exam calendar.
- Registration for spring semester AP courses will be in January/February with a registration deadline in early March 2024.
- See Counseling Canvas <u>page</u> for more detailed information on the registration process.

ACT/SAT registration (must self-register for national dates)

ACT Dates/Registration

SAT Dates/Registration

Which test should you take SAT vs. ACT? Here

Attention Juniors & Seniors – these new college visits have been added:

Rice University - October 3 @ 9:00

University of Missouri Kansas City - October 3 @ 1:30

Columbia University – October 5 @ 9:00

Grinnell College - October 9 @ 2:00

Washburn University - October 10 @ 9:00

William Woods University - October 11 @ 8:00

Army – October 11 – visiting from 11:15-1:15 – stop by their table as you like – no sign up



Vanderbilt University - October 12 @ 9:00

MO State University - October 16 @ 9:30

Northwestern University - October 17 @ 9:00

University of Nebraska - Lincoln - October 18 @ 9:45

Iowa State University - October 23 @ 9:30

University of Kansas - October 23 @ 1:30

Oklahoma State University - October 24 @ 1:30

Saint Louis University - October 26 @ 1:30

University of Missouri - October 30 @ 9:45

Texas Tech University - November 7 @ 9:00

Again, when you sign up, use your email confirmation as your pass to attend. <u>If you don't see the email in your Inbox, check your spam folder.</u>

Next week:

Monday 10/2	Tuesday 10/3 – 2 VISITS THIS DAY	Wednesday 10/4	Thursday 10/5	Friday 10/6
NO VISITS	Rice University @	TESTING DAY -	Columbia	NO VISITS
SCHEDULED	9:00AM	NO VISITS	University @ 9:00	SCHEDULED
-	UMKC @ 1:30	-	-	-
-		-	LARGE	-
	COMMONS		CONFERENCE	
			ROOM IN	
			STUDENT	
			SERVICES OFFICE	

Parent Booster Club News - September 29

PBC MEETING

Our October PBC meeting is Monday the 2nd at 7:00PM at BVNW Library. Hope to see you there!



Volunteer opportunity at one of our feeder schools

Heartland Elementary Carnival is coming up on Saturday 10/7. There are some great high school volunteer opportunities including face painting and tattoos and other games! Please consider signing up to help during this fun family event!

HRT Carnival Volunteers & Donations

Parent Booster Club fundraiser is Feb. 3 - Save the date!

Save the date! Denim and Diamonds is back and you don't want to miss it! Hope you can join us and support our students and school. Go Huskies!



Full School and Sports Calendars

BVNW Calendar

<u>View All School Events</u>

BVNW Sports Events

<u>View Sports Calendar</u>



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BVNW Inclusion Statement:

Blue Valley Northwest values every individual and the diversity they bring to our community. Everyone shall be treated fairly in language and in action without regard to race, religion, national origin, financial status, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or disability. We, students, parents and staff will hold each other accountable to this mission.

