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## Upcoming Events

February	
Boxtops for Education Contest	
HS B'Ball Games	POSTPONED
DR Student Planning Mtg	4th
DR Skateland Fundraiser	4th
HS Home Girls' B'ball Game	8th
DR Parent Meeting	8th
HS Home B'ball Games	10th
BCA Admission Test	11th
HS DANCE.	11th
Cut-a-thon	12th
HS Home B'ball Games	17th
DR Mission Trip	21st-28th



## Skateland Fundraiser to Benefit DR Mission Team



The DR Mission team is hosting a fundraiser this **Saturday, February 4, 2012 from 5-7** at Skateland in Bradford. The price is \$10 per person (\$40 maximum per family), which includes entrance and a donation. Skates can be rented at the door for an additional \$3. Students are selling the tickets before the event at the middle and high schools. Tickets can also be purchased at the door. Friends and family are welcome. All of the proceeds will go toward the trip cost and toward building materials for the mission trip construction work.

Join BCA students, parents, and friends to roller skate, have fun with friends, and fellowship with other families. Food will be available for purchase. See you Saturday!

## Important Food Allergy Reminder for Middle School Parents

This year we have a number of students in the middle school with severe food allergies to peanuts and tree nuts. Exposure to these allergens could cause a life-threatening reaction.

It is our goal to ensure that every student in our school is safe. Because these students cannot be in contact with foods containing these allergens, we are requesting that you not send these foods to school for lunches, snacks, or treats. There is one nut-free table in the lunch room. Any student may eat at this table as long as his/her lunch does not contain peanuts or tree nuts. Even trace amounts of these allergens could result in a severe allergic reaction. Sometimes these elements may be hidden in processed foods, so please read food labels when you pack your student's lunches and snacks.

The needs of these students provide all parents with an opportunity to teach our students consideration for others. Please discuss the following with your child:

- Do not offer, share, or exchange any foods with other students at school.
- Hand washing with soap and water, after eating, is necessary to decrease the chance of cross-contamination on surfaces at school.
- When your child rides in a bus or car for school events, remind him/her that there is a "no eating in vehicles" policy.

Thank you for your consideration and help in this matter. Please call the middle school if you have any questions or concerns.



## Bulletin Board

### DR Team Meetings

- Student planning meeting on **Saturday, February 4th from 2:30 –4:30 pm** at Sharon Ziegler's house, 24 Belvidere Road, Haverhill, MA 01830.
- A parent meeting will be held in room 302 at the high school on **Wednesday, February 8th at 3:15 pm.**

### High School DANCE.

There will be a high school dance from 7—10 pm on **Saturday, February 11th** at MALS Lounge, 77 Washington Street, Haverhill, MA, which is on the 3rd floor of the George's Restaurant building. The cost is \$15 and includes food and soft drinks. Attire for the dance is casual and modest clothing.

Tickets go on sale Monday, February 6th, at the high school office.

### Middle School Honor Roll Awards Chapel

Middle school honor roll achievers will be recognized at Chapel on Friday, February 10th. Parents and other family members are welcome to join us at Chapel anytime and are especially invited to attend this week's celebration of student achievement.

### Middle School Box Tops Contest

Grades 5—8 is having a BOX TOPS for EDUCATION contest during the month of February. The class that brings in the most Boxtops in February wins a free Friday jeans day and pizza for lunch. There is a container in each homeroom. Check all your products at home before you throw out boxes, cans, and labels, and cut out the Box Tops labels.



### Massachusetts Theatre Festival Competition

BCA will be competing on **March 3, 2012 at 12 noon at Chelmsford High School**, 120-200 Richardson Road, North Chelmsford, MA. **Students are to arrive at Chelmsford High School on March 3rd at 7:30 am "camera ready."** Other schools will perform hourly before and after BCA with a lunch break right after our performance. Please see the attached schedule for specific performance and time information. The schedule of events will be the same as last year, so students should plan on a LONG day, ending at approximately 10 pm.

Tickets will be on sale for \$10 at the door. One ticket allows entrance into all the performances held that day. Student performers do not need to purchase tickets. BCA would love to have a strong audience of support for their noon performance. Please spread the word and encourage the BCA community to attend.

If BCA wins the competition on March 3rd, the next round of the festival will be the following weekend on March 10th. The State Finals will be held during the weekend of March 23rd and 24th.

**Please note the following additions and changes on the attached Rehearsal Schedule:**

- **Saturdays, February 4th, 11th, and 18th from 9 am—2 pm at Zion Fine Arts Center**
- **Thursday, Feb 9th until 8 pm**

### Zion Bible College HS Lunch

A menu of high school lunches offered by the Zion kitchen for the remainder of Zion's semester is attached. An order form detailing monthly lunch costs is included for your reference and convenience.

### 2nd Quarter Report Cards

**Report cards for the 2nd quarter are available to view and print.** Log onto [portals.veracross.com/bradford](http://portals.veracross.com/bradford). Below your student's name select report cards Quarter 2.

**Thank you for re-enrolling your students at BCA for the 2012-2013 school year. If you have not done so, please send in the Enrollment Agreement and deposit to ensure that your student has a spot for next year. Our classes are filling up!**



## Bulletin Board—cont'd

### High School Dress Code

BCA's appearance code for the high school years sets parameters within which students may make responsible choices with respect to dress, rather than stipulating specific dress options. The guiding characteristics of the BCA dress code are cleanliness, neatness, and modesty. Students are asked to exercise their creativity and individuality while adhering to the guidelines set in the Parent-Student Handbook, which are attached.

Students have been addressed regarding recent dress code concerns. Interpretation of BCA's guidelines has become increasingly time consuming and conflict ridden for parents, students, BCA teachers, and administration. In an effort to rectify these concerns and conflicts, students were informed that all teachers are collecting data on student dress code violations. This data was sent to Mrs. Cottrell and Mrs. Stevens, who followed up with students one on one. Data collection will be used to inform decision making in the future and correct current dress code violations.

January data reports that half of the high school students were named at least once with a violation of the appearance code. Students were reminded that the dress code is interpreted by the teachers and staff, and that teacher and faculty discretion should be respected. The issues listed for January were: non-BCA sweatshirts, or sweatshirts with hoods and logos; *unprofessionally* tight pants, (pants that may not be considered too tight for home, may be considered too tight for a professional learning environment); shirts that are *unprofessionally* low, as measured by one hand's width from the neck, or tight shirts revealing underwear straps and lace; skirts that do not meet handbook length, as measured by one hand's width from the knee; jean or denim-like material for pants in grey, black and various non-blue jean colors (in general, thick cotton rugged material with a patch pocket); slipper-shoes, and coats worn in the building.

Students were **empowered** to demonstrate that our current dress code can be maintained. They were encouraged that freedom = responsibility; to tighten up on their adherence to the current dress code; to stay away from items that require interpretation and are "grey" areas; and to encourage each other to make good choices. Students were warned that if the recent trend continues the dress code will need to be amended and the freedom for interpretation will decrease. Data will be reviewed with students again in meetings in March and discussions will continue. Students with specific questions of interpretation were directed to Mrs. Stevens and Mrs. Cottrell.

### Basketball at Cedardale

Thank you to all the BCA Basketball fans who have attended home games in the past few weeks and stayed off the running track, keeping it clear for Cedardale members. Thank you also to fans, families, and volunteers who have monitored the Tennis lounge, restaurant area and other basketball courts to ensure that the BCA community is not interfering with Cedardale business and its members. By addressing the issues we are able to maintain harmony between the Cedardale and BCA organizations.

Please continue to be responsible for your family's activity as you watch the game and give a gentle reminder to others who are not complying.

### MS Lost and Found

Are you missing something? A jacket? Shirt? Hat? Lunchbox? The middle school lost and found is overflowing with clothing and other items that have been left behind by students. Please take a look through the lost and found items this **Monday, February 6th—Friday, February 10th** after drop off or before pick up. Items will be in the middle school entryway. Please stop by.

Anything left after Friday, February 10th will be given away as a clothing donation.

### Parent Connection News!

- **Chocolate Football and Heart Lollipops for sale in middle and high school offices.**
- **Cut-a-thon to Benefit BCA Athletics on Sunday, February 12th from 11 am—3 pm at Fergie's Barber Shop, 106 Plaistow Road in Haverhill** (see attached flyer).
- **Next Parent Connection meeting Thursday, March 8th from 7:00—8:30 pm at the middle school.** (Please contact Marge Squire or Jennifer Cram at [marge.squire@bradfordchristianacademy.org](mailto:marge.squire@bradfordchristianacademy.org), or [jcram@bradfordchristianacademy.org](mailto:jcram@bradfordchristianacademy.org).)
- **Prayer Team meets on Thursday mornings from 8:00—9:00 am in room 3 at the middle school.** Submit prayer requests by emailing Mary Rheinauer at [merlipps@yahoo.com](mailto:merlipps@yahoo.com) and use "BCA Prayer Chain" in the subject line.



# Basketball

## Middle School

<b>Monday</b>	<b>2/6</b>	Girls' Practice at Cedardale <b>Boys' NSBA Tournament, Lynn, MA</b>	3—4:30 pm <b>TBD</b>
		<b>OR</b> Boys' Practice at Cedardale	3—4:30 pm
Tuesday	2/7	Girls' Practice at Cedardale Boys' Practice at Cedardale	3—4:30 pm 3—4:30 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>2/8</b>	<b>Boys' NSBA Tournament, Lynn, MA</b>	<b>TBD</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>2/9</b>	<b>Girls' NSBA Tournament, Marblehead, MA</b>	<b>3:30—4:30 pm</b>

## High School

<b>Friday</b>	<b>2/3</b>	<b>POSTPONED</b>	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>2/6</b>	<b>Girls' Game v New England, Swansea, MA</b> <b>Boys' Game v New England, Swansea, MA</b>	<b>4—5:30 pm</b> <b>5:30—7 pm</b>
Tuesday	2/7	Girls' Practice at Bradford FCC Boys' Practice at Bradford FCC	5:30—7 pm 3:30—5:30 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>2/8</b>	<b>Girls' Game v Greater Boston at Cedardale</b> Boys' Varsity Practice at Bradford FCC Boys' JV Practice at Bradford FCC	<b>4:15—5:45 pm</b> 3:30—5:30 pm 5:30-7 pm
Thursday	2/9	Boys' Practice at Bradford FCC	3:30—5:30 pm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>2/10</b>	<b>Boys Game v BU Academy at Cedardale</b>	<b>4:15—5:45 pm</b>
Monday	2/13	Girls' Practice at Bradford FCC Boys' Practice at Bradford FCC	3:30—5 pm 5—7 pm
Tuesday	2/14	Girls' Practice at Bradford FCC Boys' Practice at Bradford FCC	5:30—7 pm 3:30—5:30 pm
Wednesday	2/15	Girls' Practice at Bradford FCC <b>Boys' JV Game v Mt. Zion at Cedardale</b>	3:30—5 pm <b>4:15-5:45 pm</b>
Thursday	2/16	Boys' Practice at Bradford FCC	3:30—5:30 pm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>2/17</b>	<b>Girls' Game v New England at Cedardale</b> <b>Boys' JV Game v Merrimack Christian at Cedardale</b> <b>Boys' Varsity Game v New England at Cedardale</b>	<b>5:30—7 pm</b> <b>4—5:30 pm</b> <b>7—8:30 pm</b>

## College Corner

### Congratulations to our seniors who have been accepted to the following colleges:

Erin Beausoleil  
Charlotte Boody  
Hannah Burgett  
Joey Cruz  
Troy Dumas

Franklin Pierce University  
Cedarville University  
Roberts Wesleyan College  
Wentworth Institute of Technology  
Lyndon State College of Vermont  
Plymouth State University

### College Application Timeline for Seniors

#### February

- Make FAFSA corrections, if necessary.
- Contact your colleges to confirm that all application materials have been received.
- Contact the financial aid office at the colleges on your list to make sure you have all required financial aid forms.
- Alert each college's financial aid office if your circumstances have changed or if there are special circumstances of which they should be aware.

### College Search Timeline for Juniors

#### February

- Register for AP Exams if you take Advanced Placement classes.
- Ask your teachers about the SAT Subject Tests.
- **Review your PSAT Score Report. Check out "Score Report Plus" and "My College Quickstart" on [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org).**
- Make an appointment with Mrs. Stevens to talk about colleges that you are interested in, and what courses you should take next year.
- Research scholarships.
- Develop a resume to accompany your college applications.

### SAT Information

Register **online at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)**. The website contains information regarding cost, test times, and the registration process. Early registration is important to ensure test site choice. Contact Jennifer Cram at 978-373-7960 or [jcram@bradfordchristianacademy.org](mailto:jcram@bradfordchristianacademy.org) with any questions.

#### Test Dates

Saturday, March 10th  
Saturday, May 5th  
Saturday, June 2nd

#### Registration Deadlines

February 10th  
April 6th  
May 8th

#### Test Location

BCA Middle School  
BCA Middle School  
Other

We strongly recommended that 11th graders take the SAT at the end of their junior year because the material on the test reflects information covered in our junior curriculum.