

## SUMMER NEWSLETTER

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“He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.” Micah 6:8

In a few weeks, the first day of school will be here! We hope everyone has had an enjoyable and relaxing summer vacation. There will be much to do to get the building ready for the first day of school. This is always an exciting time of year as it gives everyone an opportunity for a fresh start.

### SCHOOL BEGINS!

***PLEASE NOTE: There will be no bus service this week!***

The first day of school for K-12 students is Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at 8:10 a.m. This will be a full day and school dismisses at 3:00 p.m. for Elementary and 3:10 p.m. for Secondary students.

Preschoolers begin on Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at 8:10 a.m. This will be a full day for all students (Preschool - 12<sup>th</sup> grade) and school dismisses at 3:00 p.m. for Elementary and 3:10 p.m. for Secondary.

Wednesday, August 31<sup>st</sup> will also be a full day of school for students and will be our first Chapel day. Dress code rules for Chapel Day are the same as they are for other days.

Thursday, September 1<sup>st</sup> will be a half day for all students. School dismisses at 11:50 a.m. Preschoolers will report from 8:10 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.

Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> through Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> there will be **NO SCHOOL** so families may enjoy a long Labor Day holiday.

Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> school resumes full time for all students and bus service through Hastings Area Schools will be available.

### WORK DAY- SATURDAY, AUGUST 13th from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

This is our annual all school cleaning day. We cannot operate without the help of many volunteers, each contributing a little time and talent to help make things run smoothly. This is an important way of holding down operating costs. One of the ways a family can help is to participate in this work day. It is a day set aside to get school families together for several purposes:

To clean up the school building and property in preparation for the coming school year.

To do any maintenance or repairs necessary before the beginning of the school year.

To give new families an opportunity to meet and get to know other families.

The more people who participate, the lighter the load! Children are invited to come along. They may want to play games out on the soccer field. Some may even pitch in to help! A mid-day break is taken for lunch. **Please bring a dish or two to share. Paper products, plastic ware, and a beverage will be provided.**

### What to bring:

High pressure sprayer for cleaning the outside of the school.

Hedge trimmers, loppers, “Round-Up”, shovel, etc. for outside cleanup.

Cleaning material for classroom cleaning.

Cleaning material for restroom cleaning.

Come and enjoy the time of fellowship and fun!!

### GARAGE SALE

We are still accepting donations for our summer garage sale from August 18-20. Please bring your donations to the school on Tuesdays or Thursdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

Set up will begin on Saturday, August 13 in the afternoon of the "All School Cleaning Day". Additional set-up times will be from August 15-17 from 9 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., AS NEEDED. If there are enough people who would be willing to work in the evenings, please call the school and a date/time will be established.

WORKERS are needed for the following three hour increments:

August 18 from 9 a.m. - 12:00 noon; 12:00 noon - 3:00 p.m.; 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

August 19 from 9 a.m. - 12:00 noon; 12:00 noon - 3:00 p.m.; 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

August 10 from 9 a.m. - 12:00 noon; 12:00 noon - 3:00 p.m.; clean up after 3:00 p.m.

**PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO BE PLACED ON THE SCHEDULE!**

**REMINDER: VOLUNTEERS CAN EARN \$5.00 PER HOUR WORKING AT THIS FUNDRAISER!!**

### CALENDARS

Attached is the **School Year Calendar 2011-2012**. There is a possibility of some minor changes or additions as we progress through the school year. Please post it in your home for future reference.

**Fall Sports Calendars** are available from our website ([www.bccsk12.com](http://www.bccsk12.com)). Once you are at the home page, scroll down to the column with the heading "SPORTS INFORMATION". Click on the Sports Schedule link which will take you to the [highschoolsports.net](http://highschoolsports.net) website. Be sure to enter in the correct month and/or sport that you wish to view.

### SPORTS FEES

Sports fees for the fall school year are as follows:	<u>BCCS Enrolled</u>	<u>Homeschoolers*</u>
Junior COED Soccer	\$45.00	\$90.00
Boys Varsity Soccer	\$75.00	\$200.00
Girls Jr. Volleyball	\$45.00	\$90.00
Girls Varsity Volleyball	\$75.00	\$250.00

***Fees are due on or before the first scheduled game.*** Uniforms will not be provided until the sports fee is paid and the paperwork for the Varsity level physical is turned in ***to the school office.*** ***Physical forms are available at the school office.***

\*Homeschool students are again invited to participate in our sports program.

### CHOIR/BAND FEES

**Fees are due ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>**

	<u>BCCS Enrolled</u>	<u>Homeschoolers</u>
Advanced Band	\$110.00	\$220.00
Beginning Band	\$60.00	\$120.00
Choir	\$90.00	\$180.00

**Fees paid AFTER SEPTEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>**

Advanced Band	\$130.00	\$260.00
Beginning Band	\$70.00	\$140.00
Choir	\$110.00	\$220.00



### ORDER FORMS

Order forms for Hot Lunch, Clothing, and Milk are attached to this newsletter. Feel free to fill these out and return to the school prior to the first day!!

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Please continue to pray for the school! Our enrollment for Preschool through 12<sup>th</sup> grade currently stands at 69. We are hopeful that our enrollment numbers will increase so that we are able to meet our budgetary needs. Please pray for the board and staff as well.

### FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

We are pleased to introduce you to two new High School students from South Korea! YounJu Seo (“Ju”) and Byeong Hoon Ko (“Ko”). Ko does not have a permanent home at this time. He is currently with a temporary “host” family and is hoping someone from the school will be willing to open their home for him. Please contact the school office, if you are able to help with this ministry.

### STAFF NEWS

We are pleased to announce the following additions/changes to our school staff:

Kim Domke Preschool/Kindergarten Teacher  
Connie Lavender will be teaching 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> grade combined  
Kay Bursley will be our school librarian

We are still in the process of hiring a Secondary Math/Science teacher.

### SECONDARY CLASS SCHEDULE & SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

Please find attached to this newsletter the above-mentioned items.

### ATTENTION ALL JUNIORS

ACT Student Test preparation booklets are here for you to pick up!

### IF YOUR SCHEDULE PERMITS!

We are in need of volunteers to mow the school property. Please contact Robyn Jerue @ 269.804.8954 to be placed on the schedule. Robyn is our coordinator for this ministry. Thank you!

### AUNT MILLIE’S BREAD WRAPPERS, BOXTOP\$ FOR EDUCATION, CAMPBELL’S & SPARTAN LABELS

Have you been clipping and collecting over the summer? Just a reminder that we need wrappers from the following Aunt Millie’s breads: Whole Grain Honey White, Homestyle Country Buttermilk, Homestyle Cracked Wheat with Whole Grain, Homestyle 100% Whole Wheat, Sunbeam Bread Family (22 oz.), Sunbeam Bread Giant (24 oz.), Sunbeam Bread Whole Grain, Holsum Bread King, Soft ‘N Good Bread Giant. Each one is worth 5 points!



### BEGINNING BAND CAMP-This is for first year beginning band students

Dates: August 23 & 24

Time: 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Cost: \$20.00 (made payable to Martha Stoetzel)

Where: BCCS Band Room

Registration Deadline: August 22



Beginning band camp is for students who will be joining the beginning band this fall. Attendance is not required, but it is highly recommended. If you plan on joining the beginning band and do not have an instrument yet, please contact Mrs. Stoetzel @ 269.367.4697.

### PERFORMING ARTS GROUP

(Formerly BCCS Choir)

Attention all 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students! Do you like to sing, play the guitar, play the drums, speak in front of an audience, and perform in a skit or drama? If you answered yes, please consider joining the Performing Arts Group! This group will include, but not be limited to: Singing groups, Chapel band, Drama, and Dinner Theatre. Please see Mrs. Stoetzel!

### EMAIL ADDRESSES

Do we have your email address? The Newsletter will be going PAPERLESS during the upcoming school year. This is in an attempt to reduce our overhead (copy paper/ink, distribution time)! Please be sure to submit your email address to the school so that you will remain “in the loop”.



indicates an item that is “time sensitive”. That is to say, there is a deadline!!