



Berea-Midpark High School

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Vincenzo Ruggiero, Principal

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May 2018 Newsletter



Coming Up



Tuesday, May 1	EOC Geometry Testing See Page 3 for details/bell schedule
Thursday, May 3	Orchestra Concert 7:00 P.M. BMHS Auditorium
	EOC American Hist. Test See Page 3 for details/bell schedule
Friday, May 4	EOC American Government Test See Page 3 for details/bell schedule
	Orchestra Banquet 6:00 P.M. BMHS Cafeteria
Saturday, May 5	ACT Testing, 7:30 A.M. BMHS
Monday, May 7	EOC Biology Test See Page 3 for details/bell schedule
Monday, May 7 to Friday, May 18	AP Testing
Tuesday, May 8	ALICE Intruder Emergency Drill 12:30 to 2:15 P.M. Modified Bell Sched.
	Band Concert 7:00 P.M. BMHS Auditorium
Thursday, May 10	Senior Mock Crash 2nd and 3rd Periods
	Thesopian Awards and Potluck 5:30 P.M. BMHS Cafeteria
Friday, May 11	Clash of the Titans Competition PM TAP Bell Schedule
Saturday, May 12	Senior Prom 6:00 to 11:00 P.M. Michaud's Strongsville
	PTSA Post Prom 11:00 P.M. to 3:00 A.M. Sunday BMHS
Friday/Saturday, May 18 and 19	Choir Spring Sing Concert 7:00 P.M. Auditorium
Monday/Tuesday, May 21 and 22	PLTW Senior Presentations 5-8:00 P.M. Auditorium
Wednesday/Thursday, May 23 and 24	Senior Final Exams: Regular Bell Schedule
Thursday, May 24	Senior Scholarship Awards Night 7:00 P.M. Auditorium
Friday, May 25	Underclass Awards Assembly 7:15 A.M. Auditorium
Monday, May 28	NO SCHOOL-Memorial Day
Tuesday, May 29	Senior Awards 7:30 A.M. Auditorium
	Senior Breakfast 8:30 A.M. Cafeteria
	Mandatory Commencements Practice 9:30 A.M. Main Gym
	Commencement 7:30 P.M. Wolstein Center
Tuesday/Thursday, May 29 through 31	Underclass Finals : Final Exams Bell Schedule



Continued Attention to Safety & Security:

With the warmer weather and the school year entering into our final month, it is imperative that we continue to maintain our attention towards school safety and security. In particular, entrance/exit access doors to the building remain closed and locked. In the event of needing to prop-open an access door, for whatever legitimate reason, it is mandatory that a staff member remain in immediate vicinity of that door. Leaving a propped-open door unattended is only inviting unauthorized access from the outside. This same diligence is also applied to internal doors that are to be kept secured and the limiting of student accessibility to unsupervised areas of the building (vacant classrooms, auditorium, gym, pool, locker-rooms, storage areas, lobbies, etc...). If you should have any questions or concerns, please contact Principal Vincenzo Ruggiero at 216-898-8900.

Accolades and Praise for Student & Staff Members:



- Congratulations to BMHS students Andrew Bachie and Alex Miu, who recently earned the rank of Eagle Scout. They are members of Boy Scout Troop 228. In addition to completing the advancement requirements and earning the requisite merit badges, Andrew and Alex undertook Eagle Scout Leadership projects in our local community. Andrew built raised planters for the Berea Community Learning Garden, while Alex refurbished and rehabilitated numerous veteran's memorials and plaques on the Berea Triangle. We are proud of these exemplary Titans!
- Bravo to BMHS Athletic Director Adam Howard who was selected and recognized, by the Northeast Ohio Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NEOIAAA) Executive Board, as the NEOIAAA 2018 Tim Flannery Horizon Award winner, which "is presented to an individual who, in their first two to three years of service in interscholastic athletics, has demonstrated clear signs of professionalism and involvement at their school, local and state levels." Thank you for your Titan leadership!
- Compliments are extended to our long-time BMHS Titans Athletic Boosters volunteer and present Boosters Treasurer, Mr. Jeff Haas. He was selected as the 2018 Berea Grindstone Award Recipient. We are grateful for your continued dedication and service to our students!

ATTENTION SENIORS

Berea-Midpark HS Senior Students and Parents:

Please note that all school fees/fines must be paid in full before commencement caps/gowns may be picked-up and in order to participate in the graduation ceremony.

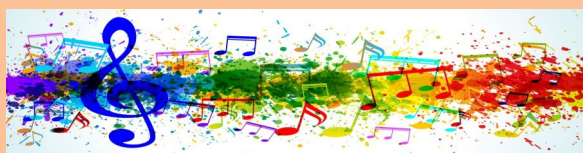
The need to have school fees/fines paid in full applies the same for the purchase of prom tickets, which are on sale through Friday, May 4, 2018.

Log-into the Infinite Campus Parent Portal to review your financial/fees accounts standings. You may contact our Financial Administrative Assistant with any questions or concerns that you may have at 216-898-8900.



BMHS SPRING BAND AND ORCHESTRA CONCERTS

- The Spring Orchestra Concert will be held on Thursday, May 3rd at 7:00 P.M. in the BMHS Auditorium and the Orchestra Banquet will be held on Friday, May 4th, at 6:00 P.M. in the BMHS Cafeteria.
- The Band Concert and Senior Awards will be held on Thursday, May 10th in the BMHS Auditorium. Come listen to the final performances for the year.
- The Choir "Spring Sing" Concerts will be held on Friday and Saturday, May 18th and 19th at 7:00 P.M. in the Auditorium.



SIGN UP for REMIND text messages

BMHS will now make use of a parent/student text messaging system to directly and promptly notify you of important communications and/or emergency like circumstances. You will receive messages only from the REMIND system as communicated by administration. No others will have access to your phone number or be able to send group messages. Please enroll yourself to receive these group text messages. To enroll text @dgh7ke from your cell phone to the number 81010 or go to: remind.com/join/dgh7ke. Use Student or Parent as your selection.

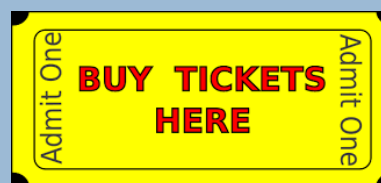
EMERGENCY

SENIOR PROM TICKET SALES DATES/TIMES

Prom tickets go on sale Monday, April 23rd through Friday, May 4th, for \$50.00 each in the Cafeteria. All school fees must be paid before a BMHS senior or BMHS guest ticket is purchased. Any student bringing a guest who does not attend BMHS must have a completed guest dance form before a ticket may be purchased. Please do not wait to purchase tickets! No tickets will be sold after May 4th.

Tuesday, May 1	10:45 to 12:45
Wednesday, May 2	10:00 to 12:30
Thursday, May 3	10:45 to 12:45
Friday, May 4	9:30 to 11:30

Post Prom will sell Post Prom tickets during the same times. Seniors are \$5.00 and guests are \$10.00. A completed Post Prom form must be completed before purchase along with the mechanical bull release form anyone who wishes to ride the mechanical bull.



Sponsored by the Safer Schools Ohio, Ohio Department of Public Safety, and the Ohio Department of Education, you can anonymously report anything that is suspicious or endangering you, your friends, or your school.

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AP and STATE END-OF-COURSE TESTS 2018 - MODIFIED BELL SCHEDULES (6 days)

Below are the Advanced Placement and State End –of-Course Test which will be administered during April and May. Please note: **ALL** students will have classes each day tests are given and follow a modified bell schedules. Students are expected to be in class for the periods as shown. Lunch will be available each testing day at the times shown. If a student does not test on the testing days, they are to arrive at school by the time indicated for their classes. Please note there will be an additional bus dismissal on Friday, May 4th for grades 10 and 12. Bus transportation times will remain the same as regular school days, except on may 4th hen buses will be provided for dismissal at 10:45 A.M. (for sophomores and seniors and 2:15 P.M. for juniors.

Monday, April 30	Tuesday, May 1 Geometry Students TESTING 7:15-10:45 <hr/> LUNCH 10:45-11:15 <hr/> ALL STUDENTS Period 6/7/8 11:19-12:00 Period 8/9 12:04-12:45 Period 10 12:49-1:30 Period 11 1:34-2:15 Late Start Gr. 11 & 12	Wednesday, May 2	Thursday, May 3 American History Students TESTING 7:15-10:45 <hr/> LUNCH 10:45-11:15 <hr/> ALL STUDENTS Period 6/7/8 11:19-12:00 Period 8/9 12:04-12:45 Period 10 12:49-1:30 Period 11 1:34-2:15 Late Start Gr. 11 & 12	Friday, May 4 ALL STUDENTS Period 1 7:15-7:56 Period 2 8:00-8:41 Period 3 8:45-9:26 Period 4/5/6 9:30-10:11 <hr/> LUNCH 10:11-10:41 <hr/> Early Release Gr. 10 & 12 <i>(Bus dismissal 10:45 am)</i> <hr/> American Government Students TESTING 10:45-2:15
Monday, May 7 Biology Students TESTING 7:15-10:45 <hr/> LUNCH 10:45-11:15 <hr/> ALL STUDENTS Period 1 11:19-12:00 Period 2 12:04-12:45 Period 3 12:49-1:30 Period 4/5/6 1:34-2:15 Late Start Gr. 11 & 12 except AP Psychology (PM)	Tuesday, May 8 AP Spanish Language & Culture (AM)	Wednesday, May 9 AP English Lit & Composition(AM)	Thursday, May 10 AP US Gov't. & Politics (AM); AP Environmental Science (PM)	Friday, May 11 AP US History (AM)
Monday, May 14 AP Biology (AM); AP Physics C: Mechanics (PM)	Tuesday, May 15 AP Calculus AB/BC (AM); AP Computer Science A (PM)	Wednesday, May 16 AP English Lang. & Comp (AM)	Thursday, May 17 AP Statistics (PM)	Friday, May 18 AP European History (PM)

SENIOR EVENTS AND DATES

- Thursday, May 10th: Senior Meeting and Mock Crash 2nd and 3rd periods
- Saturday, May 12: Senior Prom 6:00 to 11:00 P.M. Michaud's Strongsville
Post Prom immediately following at BMHS
- Wednesday/Thursday, May 23 and 24: Senior Finals
- Thursday, May 24th: Senior Scholarship Awards Night 7:00 P.M. Auditorium
- Tuesday, May 29th: Senior Awards 7:30 A.M. Auditorium
Senior Breakfast 8:30 A.M. Cafeteria
Mandatory Commencement Practice 9:30 A.M. Main Gym
Commencement 7:30 P.M. Wolstein Center

Class of
2018

STUDENT FEES UPDATED

Student Fee accounts have been updated and are available for review. Please log-in to your Infinite Campus Parent Portal account to view your students' posted fees.

For parents that would like to make payments electronically, fees can be viewed on the PayForIt.net web site, once you have created an account and added your students to your account.

Credit card and electronic check payments may be processed through *PayForIt*. All buildings accept cash and check payments. Credit card payments can be processed on site at only Berea-Midpark High School and Middleburg Heights Jr. High School.

Accounts with unpaid fees after the posted due date may be submitted to a collection company for further action.

Since much information is communicated via email, please check your profile information in the Infinite Campus Parent Portal and update any changes to your information, including adding/changing an email address. If you need information to establish an account in the Infinite Campus Parent Portal or you would you like a hard copy of your student's fee account, please contact the Main Office at 216-898-8900.



INTERESTED IN HOSTING AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR?

Berea-Midpark AFS is looking for host families for students arriving this summer who will attend Berea-Midpark High School during the 2018-2019 school year. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to learn about another culture. All types of families make good hosts and families have a hand in choosing a student who best suits their family from a variety of countries. All that's needed is a bed, food and the same tender loving care and support you would want your own child to receive from a host family. AFS students come from a variety of cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds, are good students, have some level of English proficiency, bring their own spending money, have medical insurance, and AFS provides much support during the student's stay here. The rewards of such an experience are endless! If interested, please contact Nancy Goette at 440-234-3821 or nagoette@yahoo.com for further information. The sooner you apply, the more time you'll have to get acquainted before they arrive in August.



FROM THE CLINIC: May is Mental Health Awareness Month

Twenty-two per cent of American youth will have a diagnosable mental illness with “serious impairment” at some point before they are 18. What are childhood mental health disorders? Serious changes in the way children typically learn, behave, or handle their emotions, which cause distress and problems getting through the day. Monitor for the following changes in your child that may indicate a mental illness:

- Sadness or withdrawal that last at least two weeks or severe mood swings that cause problems in relationships at home or school.
- Sudden loss of appetite, frequent vomiting or use of laxatives might indicate an eating disorder.
- Physical symptoms such as headaches and stomachaches rather than sadness or anxiety.
- Difficulty concentrating and intense feelings such as overwhelming fear for no reason, sometimes with a racing heart or fast breathing.
- Self-harm/cutting or burning oneself. Children also may develop suicidal thoughts or attempt suicide.
- Use of drugs or alcohol to try to cope with their feelings
- Has trouble sleeping, including frequent nightmares

Parents, you know your child the best so if you have concerns about the way your child behaves at home, in school, or with friends seek medical advice immediately. Talk to your child’s healthcare professional, school counselor or visit National Institute of Mental Health’s Help for Mental Illnesses webpage. The following hotlines are available for immediate help:

- **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline** 1-800-273-TALK 24 hours a day
- **TXT 4 HELP** allows youth to text live with a mental health professional
- **Crisis Text Line** texting START to 741741, available 24 hours a day



DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS: SPECIAL NEEDS DEPARTMENT

The month of April has been busy for both the students and staff at Berea-Midpark High School. As you may know, April is traditionally one of the Ohio State testing months. The students at the high school are taking End of Course exams which are required for graduation. Their focus and determination is to be commended.

But, did you know that April is also Autism Awareness Month? The students in PRIDE and National Honor Society have been working with the Special Needs and Art departments planning and promoting activities to increase autism awareness. If you look around the high school, you will see colorful posters and signs with interesting facts about autism and positive statements and quotes from our amazing students. The entire staff was provided with ribbons, made by the students, to wear during the month of April. As you drive by, be sure to notice the yard signs created by the Student Sign Shop class as well. The PRIDE group has also encouraged and modeled active involvement with students on the autism spectrum. During lunch periods, they have been asking students to write positive statements on paper puzzle pieces which are on display in the cafeteria. Some of them have participated in a lunch buddy program and are having lunch with the students with special needs. The building showed unanimous support by wearing blue on Friday, April 27th making it a 'blue out' to show support of autism awareness.

Be sure to mark your calendars for Saturday, May 5th and join the students of National Honor Society as they host the second annual Autism Dodge Ball Tournament Fundraiser here at Berea-Midpark High School. Funds will be donated to the Special Needs Department to help furnish the sensory room with much needed items for the students.



POST PROM TICKETS

Post Prom is a BMHS PTSA sponsored event. Tickets are on sale during all lunch periods through Friday, May 4th, in the Cafeteria. Ticket order forms are available on the Activities Office wall. If a senior is bringing a guest who is NOT a BMHS senior, they must complete the guest section of the form. All BMHS seniors also need to complete a Post Prom Ticket Form. There is an additional liability release form needed for the mechanical bull ride. No one, senior or guest, will be able to ride the mechanical bull without the completed form, which also includes a space for a parent/guardian signature. If you are unable to purchase your Post Prom ticket(s) during lunch periods, please contact www.bmhspostprom2018@aol.com. Tickets are Five Dollars (\$5.00) for all BMHS seniors and Ten Dollars (\$10.00) for guests, whether or not they attend BMHS.

Post Prom 2018

MAY UNDERCLASS EVENTS

- Underclass Awards Assembly Friday, May 25th, 7:15 A.M. Auditorium
- Underclass Finals Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday May 29 through 31st.



No School for Staff or Students

Monday, May 28th

Memorial Day



Last Day for Students

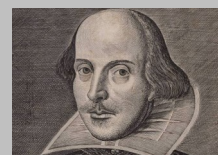
Thursday, May 31st

Great Lakes Theater's *Camp Theater* at BMHS
Registration for Great Lakes Theater's *Camp Theater!* has begun. *Camp Theater!* is a summer drama camp held at Berea-Midpark High School for students ages 4-18. Students can sign up for one or both weeks of camp, which run **June 11-15, and June 18 – 22, 2018**. Immersing participants in interactive and educational theater-based activities, *Camp Theater!* is a unique opportunity for students to work with and learn from Great Lakes Theater professional teaching artists in a fun, safe and supportive environment.

Daily classes will be held at Berea-Midpark High School in one-week sessions from Monday through Friday. Students may enroll in one or both weeklong sessions, as different material will be covered each week. The program is designed for students of all levels of experience and ability. There is no audition required. Classes will be divided by students' respective ages. The drama camp features classes in acting, Shakespeare, movement, improvisation, stage combat, mask making and much more!

For complete information, including a downloadable registration form, visit <http://www.greatlakes theater.org/education/camp-theater> or contact (216) 453-4443 or via email at kflorian@greatlakes theater.org.

Kelly Schaffer Florian
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Audrey's Outreach "The Lunch Sack Program" 2018

A program for families in the Berea City School District, who are on free or reduced meals and/or struggling to feed their child(ren) during the summer months.



June 5th - August 7th
(every Tuesday)

Sack Pick Up Times

10:30am-11:30am or 5:30pm-6:30pm

Registration for the program can be done during pantry hours in the month of May. Pantry hours are Mondays 11:30am-2:00pm or Thursdays 4:00pm-7:00pm. Parents or Legal Guardians will need to show proof of each child enrolled in the Berea City School District (report card, Infinite Campus, etc.) and will need to show proof of residency in the school district (driver license, state ID, etc.)

If you would like to donate or volunteer, please contact Lori Kader or Stephanie Valek at the below contact information

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