

# Berea-Midpark High School



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## September 2018 Newsletter

### COMING EVENTS

Monday, September 3	No School—Labor Day
Monday, Tuesday, September 10-11	BMHS Fall Play Auditions, 2:30-4:30 Auditorium
Monday September 10-14	Camp Mi-Bro-Be Week 1
Monday, September 17-21	Camp Mi-Bro-Be Week 2
Monday to Friday September 17 to 28	Homecoming tickets on sale in Activities Office/Cafeteria, see Page 3
Thursday, September 20	Parent-Teacher Conferences 3:15 to 7:00 P.M.
Monday, September 24 to 28	Camp Mi-Bro-Be Week 3

### From the Principal

Sincere gratitude is expressed for all of our students, staff, parents, and community members that have cooperated so selflessly towards realizing a most successful transition of our ninth grade class to the high school building. Your continued understanding and patience, with the presented changes/opportunities (construction limitations, facilities, etc...), is greatly appreciated.

**Congratulations** to Berea-Midpark High School Advanced Choir members, Kydon Elam (senior) and Ryan Kudlaty (junior), for being selected into the 2019 All-State Honors Choir! Bravo to Alyse Hancock Phillips (senior) who was selected as an Alternate! The very competitive, state-wide selection process included 900 All-State Choir applicants. The All-State Choir will perform at the OMEA Convention January 31st - Feb. 2nd here in Cleveland, Ohio.

2018 BMHS Titans graduate, Katherine Valencic, was honored this past June with the Girl Scouts national honor of The Gold Award. It represents a girl's time, leadership, creativity, and contribution to making the world a better place. We are proud of you Katherine!

A special welcome is extended to our International Students that will be spending this school year enrolled at Berea-Midpark High School! Not only will they grow from living our Titan-American academic/scholastic experience, but we will benefit greatly from their backgrounds and perspectives shared with us.

Peter Brosemann (Germany)  
Annaelle Guelorget (France)  
Mariam Heckenthaler (Germany)  
Maria Strandos (Norway)  
Andreas Stroemsvik (Norway)  
Shaobo Zhong (China)





## PRINCIPAL'S CORNER, cont'd.

**From a recent International Parent:** "Our daughter attended Berea-Midpark High School as an AFS-student. She often mentioned how extremely helpful and supportive her teachers, trainers and administrators were. Liane enjoyed her classes and had a wonderful time at Berea-Midpark.

With this short email we would like to thank you and your team who made all this possible (and unforgettable for our daughter)!!"

### Student & Staff PBIS Recognitions:

- Much appreciation is extended to our LINK Crew Student Leaders & Staff Coordinators for facilitating a most welcoming and effective Freshman and Sophomore Orientation Days Program! Their successful efforts have contributed significantly to strengthening our Titans culture of positive school spirit and helpful, kind, and respectful behavior.
- **From a grateful BMHS Colleague:** "I am happy to send this email to report that all of the seniors (Class of 2018), officially in RYP, have graduated! YAY!!! Thank you all for your help and encouragement. I know it's been a roller coaster ride for a few of them, but they did it!! I am very grateful for you all -- my tag teammates!! Thank you! Thank you!! Thank you!!! "
- **From a gracious Parent:** "I just wanted to thank you for the really cool start to LINK for all the kids, including my daughter. She is super excited and the surprise sign on Saturday was so fun! Thank you for emphasizing leadership and being cognizant of all the activities these kids are involved in and making it a priority with other possible conflicts, like sports. Your energy and commitment is contagious and the video was a great thing to share out. So, KUDOS to all of you for taking the time to make a difference in the lives of all of these awesome kids...those leading and those coming into BMHS:) Much appreciated!!"
- **From a generous Community Partner:** " I just wanted to send out a quick note to say thank you to each and every one of you for coming out and supporting Cleveland 19 News and Operation Backpack! Without all your hard work, donations and presence.... this year would not have been such a HUGE success! From YELLOW DELICIOUS to the cheerleaders, football and athletic teams at Berea-Midpark High School to the city government of Middleburg Heights... your volunteer efforts tonight were remarkable. Thanks again for joining us to help make thousands of Northeast Ohio children happy and confident on their first day of school this year. To have a NEW backpack or brand new school supplies that they can call their own is truly a gift!"

**HOMEcoming** The Homecoming football game is Friday, October 5th at 7:00 at BW Finnie Stadium. The Homecoming Dance is on Saturday, October 6th, 6:00 to 10:00 P.M. in the BMHS Sports Center. Mandatory Breathalyzer testing will be administered to all students entering the dance. Tickets are \$15.00 each and will be sold during the lunch periods beginning Monday, September 17th through Friday, September 28th in the Activities Office. Guest dance forms, for a guest who does NOT attend BMHS, are available in the Activities Office and must be completed, with all required signatures, and turned in to the Activities Office before purchasing the guest's ticket. ***All BMHS student fees/fines must be paid prior to purchasing a dance ticket.***



## FROM THE CLINIC: IS YOUR CHILD PROTECTED?

New students and transfer students to Berea City Schools are required by law to provide proof of immunizations within **fifteen days** of entrance into the school system. Please do not rely on your previous school to forward this important and needed piece of information. If it is not forwarded in a timely fashion, your child may be required to miss school until it is provided. Those who for religious or medical reasons cannot be immunized must file an exemption each and every year with the school system.

Below you will find a chart of those immunizations required by the state of Ohio to be admitted and remain in school. If you have any questions please contact your School Health Specialist provided by Southwest General Healthcare Center at your local school for assistance. You can also check out the CDC recommendations, which are greater than the state requirements at <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/schedules/child-schedule.htm>

5	DtaP, DTP, or DT (pediatric) *	5 doses of DTaP, DTP, or DT, or any combination, if the fourth dose was administered prior to the fourth birthday
3 or 4	Polio (IPV or OPV)	3 or 4 doses of IPV. The final dose must be administered on or after the fourth birthday regardless of the number of previous doses. Four doses if a combination of OPV and IPV was administered.
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>♦ Measles -- live virus</li><li>♦ Rubella</li><li>♦ Mumps -- live virus</li></ul>	Usually given as MMR. Two doses of MMR. Dose one must be administered on or after the first birthday. The second dose must be administered at least twenty-eight days after the first dose.
3	Hepatitis B (HBV) Kindergarten- 12 <sup>th</sup> grade	3 doses of Hepatitis B. The second dose must be administered at least 28 days after the first dose. The third dose must be given at least 16 weeks after the first dose and at least 8 weeks after the second dose. The last dose in the series (third or fourth dose), must not be administered before age 24 weeks.
2	Varicella Kindergarten- 8 <sup>th</sup> grade	Usually given between 12-18 months of age, but can be administered at a later time. Kindergarten students are required to have 2 doses of varicella
1	Tdap	Required for 7-11 grade
1 or 2	MCV4- Meningococcal	Grades 7-9: One dose meningococcal (serogroup A, C, W and Y) Vaccine must be administered prior to entry.  Grade 12: Two doses of meningococcal (serogroup A, C, W and Y). Vaccine must be administered prior to entry with one dose after age 16.

**Immunizations are for everyone!**

## DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS: MATH DEPARTMENT

The BMHS Math Department is thrilled to welcome three “new” teachers. All three came from the junior high and are excited to be here.

*Mr. Polantz – Algebra 1 and Honors Geometry*  
*Mr. Rapp – Honors Algebra 1 and Algebra 1*  
*Mr. Rice – AVID, Algebra 1, and Functions & Trigonometry 2*

The rest of math teachers are also ready to dive into our curriculum of Functions, Geometry, AIR and ACT testing, and a whole lot more!

Mr. Abraham - Functions & Trigonometry 2, Geometry, Honors Algebra 2  
Mrs. Cassidy - Algebra 2, Geometry  
Ms. Hahn - Advanced Algebra, Functions & Trigonometry 2, Honors Precalculus  
Mrs. Kawiecki - Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Honors Geometry  
Mr. Mehmed - Functions & Trigonometry 1, Precalculus, Topics of Calculus  
Ms. Mercer - Geometry, Precalculus  
Ms. Nicklos - Algebra 2, Functions & Trigonometry 1, Geometry  
Mr. Piesen - AP Calculus AB, Geometry  
Mr. Quigley - AP Statistics, Functions & Trigonometry 1, Statistics  
Mrs. Rice - Algebra 1, Honors Precalculus, Precalculus  
Mr. Stevens - AP Calculus BC, Functions & Trigonometry 1, Honors Algebra 2



This year the Math Department will again be offering a great problem solving opportunity through the Ohio Math League Contests. Students should see their math teachers for details. OML dates are October 16, November 13, December 11, January 8, February 12, and March 19 right after school.

### PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday, September 20th, from 3:15 to 7:00 P.M. in the BMHS Sports Center and Cafeteria. All parents are encouraged to attend and discuss your student's progress so far this year



### SOPHOMORE CLASS RING ORDERS

Jostens will be here on Friday, September 7th, to accept class ring orders and answer any questions your Sophomore may have during the lunch periods in the cafeteria.

**Order Your Class Ring**



### BMHS PTSA CORNER:

Welcome back to school from BMHS PTSA! My name is Becky Conroy and I am the PTSA President this year. Feel free to contact me at 216-469-0407 or at [conroybecky@yahoo.com](mailto:conroybecky@yahoo.com). Our board this year is: Andrea Hess, Fundraising; Jenny Cholley, Events; Shelley Deitz, Membership; Carrie Matese, Post Prom Chair; Heather Losneck, Secretary; Monica Salm, Treasurer; Amy Wright, Hospitality; Miranda Smith and Mayra Redonda, Council Delegates; and Rachel McDonnell, Inclusion Chair.

We are planning many fun things for the students this year but it does take members to make things happen. Please consider joining PTSA to help out a little or a lot. Every membership counts and helps us achieve our goals for the year. You can join online too at <https://my.cheddarup.com/c/berea-midpark-high-school-ptsa>.

Mark your calendar for Tuesday, September 18th, at 7:00 P.M. in the BMHS Media Center/Library for our first PTSA meeting of year. Hope to see you there!



## 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 see the information below.

# EMERGENCY



## Sign up for important updates from BMHS Administrator.

Get information for Berea-Midpark High School right on your phone—not on handouts.

Pick a way to receive messages for **BMHS Students & Parents**:

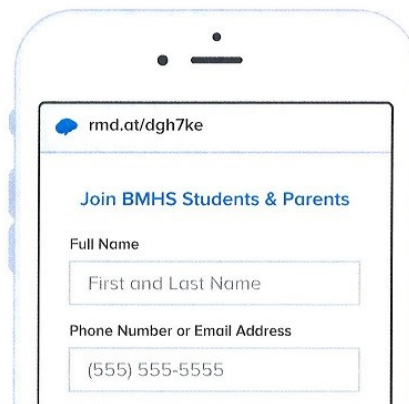
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If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

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Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.



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If you're having trouble with **81010**, try texting [@dgh7ke](https://t.me/dgh7ke) to **(440) 332-4705**.

\* Standard text message rates apply.



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## FALL PLAY AUDITIONS

Auditions for the Fall play, *Pride and Prejudice*, to be held on November 16/17, will be on September 10/11 at 2:30 in the BMHS Auditorium.



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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