



**bayarea**  
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL



# 25-26

## YEAR-IN-REVIEW

# HEAD OF SCHOOL



## A WORD FROM LES RAINEY

As the 2025–26 school year comes to a close, I am overwhelmed by God's goodness and provision throughout this year. It has been a joy to partner with your family in equipping and investing in the next generation, and I pray this has been a meaningful and successful year for your student. At BACS, we remain committed to cultivating a strong biblical worldview in every area of learning and life through intentional biblical integration, academic excellence, and a holistic approach to student development. Our desire is not simply to prepare students academically, but to help them grow socially, emotionally, physically, and spiritually into young men and women who will live faithfully and lead courageously for Christ. As Luke 2:52 reminds us, "And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man."

## WHO WE ARE

### A MINISTRY OF BAY AREA CHURCH

We function as a viable ministry of Bay Area Church. Our shared foundational building blocks are Kingdom, Disciple, Society, and Church. They help direct our vision of saturating the 4B area with the gospel by restoring people, families, and churches.

### OUR MISSION

Bay Area Christian School exists to provide quality, Kingdom education to the next generation, empowering them to make disciples of Jesus at home, in society, and through the church.

### KINGDOM EDUCATION

Kingdom education is defined as the lifelong, Bible-based, Christ-centered process of leading a child into a new identity with Christ. Kingdom education works to develop children according to their specific abilities so that a child will be empowered to live a life characterized by love, trust, and obedience to Christ.

## SPIRITUAL FORMATION

### WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN SCHOOL AND HOME.

At BACS, we recognize that spiritual formation is not something the school does in isolation. Parents are the primary disciplers of their children, and our role is to come alongside families with intentional biblical instruction, meaningful conversations, and a campus culture that reinforces what students are being taught at home and in the church.

### WE LISTENED CAREFULLY TO OUR STUDENTS.

This year, we asked our students to participate in a Biblical Worldview Survey so we could better understand their questions, convictions, assumptions, and areas of spiritual need. The goal was not simply to collect data. The goal was to listen well so we could serve our students more faithfully.

### WE USED STUDENT FEEDBACK TO SHAPE CHAPEL MESSAGES MORE INTENTIONALLY.

One of the clearest ways we responded to student feedback was through more intentional chapel planning. For example, we worked through a five-part chapel series from the book of James. James gave us a practical and biblical framework for helping students see that genuine faith is not merely something we claim, but something that bears fruit in speech, choices, humility, perseverance, and obedience.

### WE ARE HELPING STUDENTS CONNECT BIBLICAL TRUTH TO REAL LIFE.

A major theme from this year has been helping students see that biblical truth is not disconnected from their everyday lives. Scripture speaks to their relationships, habits, emotions, friendships, temptations, doubts, future plans, and identity. Our desire is for students to understand that Christianity is not just a set of beliefs to affirm, but a life to walk in by the grace of God.

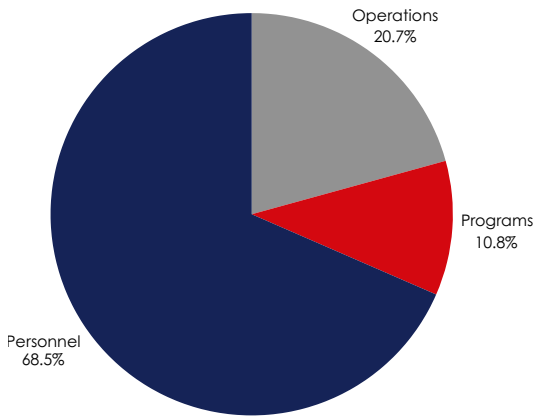
## OUR ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES



# 26-27 INITIATIVES

- A new five-year school strategic plan, coming in January 2027
- The Spring Carnival returns in the spring of 2027
- Implementation of TEFA and Federal Tax Credit Scholarships (more information coming this fall)
- New playground equipment

## TUITION COST BREAKDOWN



### Personnel

Faculty and Staff, Cafe, Extended Care

### Programs

Academics, Athletics, Fine Arts

### Operations

Administration, IT, Property Maintenance, Debt



### WE CREATED SPACE FOR BIBLICAL CONVERSATIONS ABOUT RELATIONSHIPS.

This spring, we planned and led conversations with our secondary students about honoring God in relationships, especially in how young men and young women think about purity, modesty, respect, and wise boundaries. These conversations were designed to be direct, biblical, and age-appropriate.

### OUR HS RETREAT FOCUSED ON SINCERE FAITH THAT CHANGES THE WHOLE PERSON.

During our spring high school retreat, we used the book of Ephesians to help students consider what sincere faith in Jesus looks like. The retreat emphasized that saving faith begins with God's grace, takes root in the heart, renews the mind, and produces visible fruit in a student's life.

### WE ARE STRENGTHENING OUR HOME CONNECTION EFFORTS.

One important outcome of this year has been a renewed desire to strengthen communication with parents. When important biblical conversations happen on campus, we want families to know what was discussed and have simple tools to continue those conversations at home. Our Home Connection resources are designed to help parents engage in natural "table talk" conversations with their children.

### WE ARE ENCOURAGED AND GRATEFUL.

As we reflect on this school year, we are encouraged by the seriousness with which many of our students engaged these conversations. We are also grateful for parents who care deeply about the spiritual growth of their children. We look forward to continuing this partnership as we seek to help students know Christ, trust His Word, walk in wisdom, and live out their faith with sincerity and courage.



# PRESCHOOL



## A WORD FROM OUR DIRECTOR, ANITA PIERCE

This has been a great year in our ELA program. I am thankful to serve such wonderful children and families each day. It has been a joy to watch our students learn and grow in God's love. I am grateful for our caring staff who faithfully support and encourage each child. I would also like to thank our parents for their prayers, support, and partnership throughout the year. God has truly blessed our preschool family with a year full of learning, laughter, and love. - **Anita Pierce**

## BY THE NUMBERS

154 STUDENTS

31 STAFF



Learning, helping friends, going to chapel, learning about Jesus, singing worship songs.

- **Grace Rothberg, ELA student**



I love BACS because it provides a Christ-centered education and creates a supportive and faith-filled environment rooted in faith, love, and strong values. I'm grateful for teachers and staff who lead by example as godly men and women and truly reflect Christ in the way they teach and care for all three of my children. I also deeply value being able to work near my children and be part of the same school community together.

- **Ariel Hentschel, PK3 Teacher & BACS Parent**



WHY WE LOVE BACS



We are so grateful for Bay Area Christian School and the Bay Area Early Learning Academy because both programs focus on imparting to our children the truth and importance of God's Word and kingdom, while simultaneously teaching them necessary educational skills. We know the education is superior, but the scripture memorization, Wednesday Chapels, and God-honoring teachers are what shape our children's hearts and character. With our older two children in the elementary school and our youngest in the ELA, no matter where we are on campus, there is a teacher, administrator, church staff member, or administrative assistant connecting with each of our children, praying over them, and encouraging them, whether it be at Monday morning drop off or Friday Night Football games. - **Ross & Alyssa McDaniel, ELA & BACS Parents**





# WHERE FUN MEETS LEARNING



Dr. Seuss Week



Picnic with Parents



Veterans Day



Circus Day



# COMMUNITY STARS



Ship Captain



Fire Fighter



Police Officer



NASA Robot Dog

# ELEMENTARY



## A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

It has been an honor to serve my first year as your Elementary School Principal. Leading teachers, staff, and students has brought so much joy to my heart as I watched the tremendous growth academically, spiritually, and physically. The heart and mission of our school is for all to know and follow Jesus so that we all can become one big spiritual family serving Him together!

**-Irene Perello**

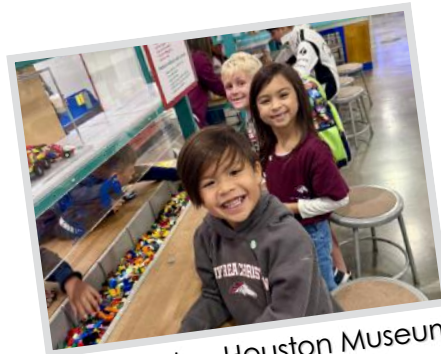


Kindergarten - Tree Farm

## BY THE NUMBERS

**468 STUDENTS**

**32 STAFF**



2nd grade - Houston Museum of Natural Science

## LEARNING IN ACTION



1st grade - Nasa

## WHY WE LOVE BACS



There is nothing quite like finding a school that feels like an extension of your home and your values. The teachers and staff pour into our children, not just intellectually, but spiritually, grounding them in the Word and helping them grow in their faith every single day. The environment is warm, intentional, and full of people who genuinely care about who our kids are becoming, not just how they perform in the classroom. We are so grateful to have found a place where excellence in education and a love for God go hand in hand, and we see the difference it makes in our children every day.

**-Kalli Hale, DDS, MPH, D.ABDSM, D.ABSB & BACS Parent**



I LOVE BACS because of the amazing families, as well as the community of love and support we have in one another! BACS is a special place!

**-Mrs. Jermstad, 1st grade teacher & BACS Parent**



I love BACS because the community here is so Godly, and it is one in a million chance that you will find a school where everything relates back to God. The teachers here also, somehow make learning fun!

**-Luke Wostal, 5th grade student**

# 72%

of elementary students made Honor Roll!



## EXCELLENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Our focus on high academic rigor, and Biblical intergration leads to student suces.



# 78%

of elementary students recited Gold Star!



## HIGHLIGHT



Over 39% of students participate in before and after school clubs, which include Robotics, Chess, Art, Music, and Sprouts. From STEM to the Arts, there is something for everyone!



3rd grade- Daiken Park



6th grade - Camp Olympia



4th grade - Frontier Day



5th grade - Longhorn Project

## SPECIAL EVENTS

We love inviting our families on campus to celebrate different events!



Legacy Ceremony



World Vision March Mission Madness Water Walk



Grandparents Day

## 26-27 INITIATIVE



Elementary Christian Character Awards will be celebrated each quarter as we recognize students who shine with kindness, integrity, faith, and Christ-like character!

# IOWA ASSESSEMENTS

# 75%

NPR for Complete Composite

# JUNIOR HIGH



## A WORD FROM OUR INTERIM SECONDARY PRINCIPAL

I'm thankful to the Lord for how His hand has been clearly evident in the JH this year. Our students and teachers have put together a wonderful year. Our teachers are fantastic, and it is a pleasure to serve alongside men and women who exercise their God-given gifts for His kingdom. JH is a time of growth and maturation, and in order for those two to occur, stretching must take place. Our students are truly stretched academically, athletically, and spiritually. I believe our 8th graders are prepared for the next step, and I know our 7th graders are excited to be promoted to the top of the totem pole. It has been a joy to see our students take part in athletics and fine arts. I'm thankful to have been able to witness them engage in hands-on learning experiences inside and outside the classroom. My prayer is that you and yours have a blessed summer. - **Jared Fuqua**

## BY THE NUMBERS

124 STUDENTS

16 STAFF

## LEARNING OUT & ABOUT



Junior High is the first step into the challenging secondary academic workload, preparing our students for their future. Learning happens in a variety of ways in and out of the classroom. Students visited places such as the San Felipe de Austin Historic Site, the San Jacinto Monument, and Washington, D.C.

## WHY WE LOVE BACS



It is a great community here. Everyone is accepting.  
- **Wesley Nipper, 7<sup>th</sup> grade student**



I love BACS because it feels like home to me. There's peace here, and the love of God is shown everywhere on our campus. There's no other place I would rather be than BACS!  
- **Dr. Donna N. Bourgeois, JH English Teacher**



IOWA ASSESSEMENTS

73%

NPR for Complete Composite



## HIGHLIGHT

JH students collected over 1100 food items for Chat N Chew, a local ministry. Student Council members delivered them, which blessed over 250 people.



# 26-27 INITIATIVE

8th graders will begin taking the PSAT in the fall, in place of the IOWA test.



# WORK HARD, PLAY HARD



JH Pep Rally



Homecoming Parade



Orchestra



Cross Country



Variety Dress Week

# HIGH SCHOOL



## A WORD FROM OUR INTERIM SECONDARY PRINCIPAL

God is good all the time, and all the time God is good! This year, God has demonstrated His sovereignty at every turn reminding us that it is not He who should shape His will according to our plans, but rather it is we who should conform to Him and His will. Looking back on this year, our students have worked hard in the classroom, played hard at field trips and retreats, and competed well on fields, mats, and courts. Our teachers have poured into our students academically and spiritually. Now, the Class of 2026 will move on to the next phase of their lives, implementing all knowledge and wisdom gained from home, church, and school. I pray that the Lord will bless them greatly. I am consistently reminded that this is a special place filled with special people and blessed by an extraordinary and gracious God. It is always a great day and a blessing to be a Bronco. **-Jared Fuqua**

## BY THE NUMBERS

210 STUDENTS

25 STAFF



Color Guard



Variety Dress Week

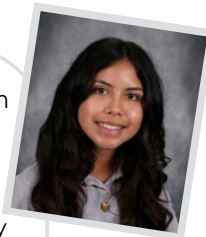


Retreats

## WHY WE LOVE BACS



“ I love BACS because of the Christian environment. Every week, we have chapel, Bible class, and even student-led things like prayer meetings and Bible studies. You truly grow closer to the Lord here, and I am so blessed to have been here my whole life.  
**-Brooke Alonzo, 10<sup>th</sup> grade student** ”



“ Working at BACS is truly a blessing. The environment is encouraging and uplifting, and the opportunity to teach students from a Christian worldview is incredibly rewarding.  
**-Mr. Williams, BACS HS Bible Teacher** ”





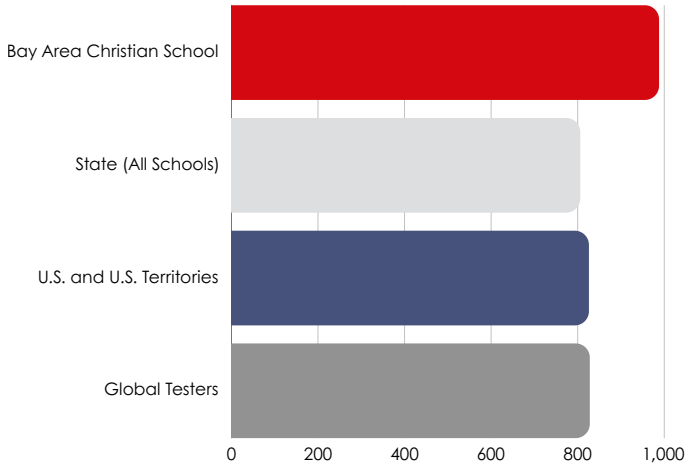
**HIGHLIGHT**  
 Senior Noah Ammons has earned admission into the US Air Force Academy!



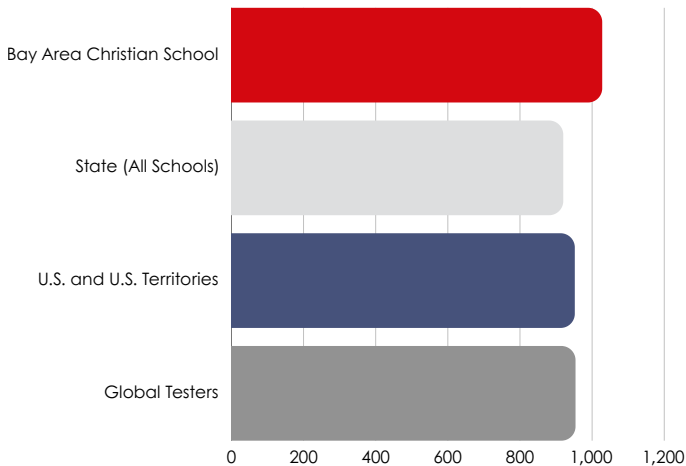
**AP HONOR ROLL SCHOOL**

More than half of BACS AP students are AP scholars. They have scored 3 or higher on three or more exams. Also, we're an AP Honor Roll school.

**9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PSAT SCORES**



**10<sup>TH</sup> AND 11<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PSAT SCORES**



**26-27 INITIATIVES**

- New iMacs for Secondary Computer Lab
- HS Robotics class will launch this fall



**LEADING THE WAY**

Over 125 HS students are part of one or more of our three leadership clubs - National Honor Society, BETA, and Student Council.



# FINE ARTS



## A WORD FROM OUR DIRECTOR

As we close another school year, I'm reminded that Christ-centered fine arts education is about far more than performances or productions...it's about shaping confident, creative, and compassionate young people.

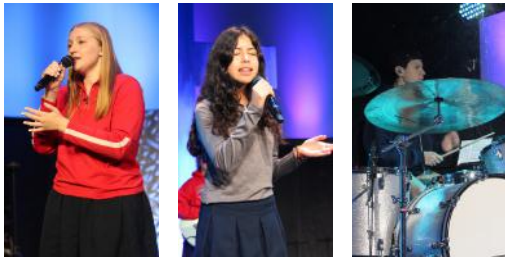
Watching students grow in discipline, courage, teamwork, and faithfulness continues to be one of the greatest joys of this work. I remain hopeful for the future because this generation carries incredible potential, passion, and resilience.

My prayer is that they continue to use their gifts to lead, encourage others, and bring God glory while making a meaningful impact wherever life takes them.

**-Marianne Morrison**

## BY THE NUMBERS

6 STAFF



## CAMPUS IMPACT

Fine Arts students played a vital role in enriching campus life through a variety of performances and events, including:

- Chili Cook-Off
- High School Choir Coffee House
- Grandparents Day
- Fine Arts Concerts
- Talent Show
- Elementary Musicals



In addition, 24 high school students actively serve in the Chapel Praise Band, leading worship during weekly chapel services and contributing meaningfully to the spiritual life of the school.

## PROGRAM GROWTH & STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Student participation in Fine Arts remains strong across all grade levels, with after-school enrichment programs providing early exposure and continued development:

- Elev8 (5th–6th grade): 7 students
- Music Makers (3rd–4th grade): 17 students
- Grace Notes (1st–2nd grade): 13 students
- After-School Art Club (1st–6th grade): 62 students

The Tech Arts program continues to equip students with real-world skills:

- 10 juniors and seniors are enrolled in Tech Arts
- Students manage sound, audio, and video production for weekly chapel services and major events
- The program provides hands-on experience in production, leadership, and problem-solving



# CHOIR ACHIEVEMENTS

20 Junior High and High School students participated in the TPSMEA Region Solo & Ensemble Festival. All participating students earned Superior or Excellent ratings.



## HIGHLIGHT

Stagg Beckemeyer, Lara Leitner, Hadley Rothberg, Ayanti Uffort, and Ingrid Wester were selected for the TPSMEA Middle School Honor Choir.



## HIGHLIGHT

CJ Nevills, Sarah Tousley, Mattie Pugh, and Caleb Morrison were selected for the TPSMEA Region Choir. Caleb Morrison, Carlos Nevills, and Mattie Pugh advanced to the TPSMEA All-State Choir!

# 26-27 INITIATIVE



Due to significant growth in the High School Choir program, an advanced Senior ensemble will be introduced in the fall. With 14 students already enrolled, this new offering reflects strong momentum and continued enthusiasm for the Choir and Fine Arts Program.

# ORCHESTRA ACHIEVEMENTS

- Two sixth-grade cellists, Lydia Hope and Graham Kocher, were selected for the TPSMEA Honor Orchestra and performed in January
- Lydia Hope was also selected for the TMEA Region 17 Middle School Orchestra
- The High School Orchestra performed at the Bay Area Education Foundation Gala
- The Junior High Orchestra earned Superior (concert) and Excellent (sight-reading) ratings at TPSMEA Contest
- The High School Orchestra will participate in a clinic with Dr. Kris Chapman at Arlington High School and tour UT-Dallas



# BAND ACHIEVEMENTS

- High School Band earned an Excellent rating at the TAPPS State Marching Competition
- High School Band received Excellent (concert) and Superior (sight-reading) ratings at TPSMEA Festival
- Junior High Band earned a Superior rating in sight-reading at TPSMEA Concert Festival
- Cynthia Tweed performed at the ATSSB All-Region Clinic and Concert
- Cynthia Tweed and Lane Iverson advanced to ATSSB Area Auditions
- Jonah Samp and Jordan Reed were selected for the ATSSB Junior High Region Band



# ATHLETICS



## A WORD FROM OUR DIRECTOR

BACS Athletics had another outstanding year filled with growth, competition, and success across all levels of our programs. Our student-athletes represented BACS with excellence both on and off the field, earning championships, district honors, playoff appearances, and demonstrating Christ-centered leadership throughout the year. I am proud of the hard work and dedication shown by our coaches, athletes, and parents who continue to strengthen the culture of Bronco Athletics. As we look ahead to the 2026–2027 school year and our move back to TAPPS 4A competition, we are excited for the opportunities and challenges ahead. Thank you to our entire school community for your continued support of Bay Area Christian Athletics. -Kyle Kennedy

## SPORTS PARTICIPATION

### BY THE NUMBERS

4 STAFF

54 COACHES

### HIGH SCHOOL

90%

of HS students participate in single sport.

61%

of HS students participate in multiple sports.



### JUNIOR HIGH

79%

of HS students participate in single sport.

54%

of HS students participate in multiple sports.

## HIGH SCHOOL

Football, Volleyball, Cheerleading, Cross Country, Soccer, Basketball, Swimming, Wrestling, Tennis, Golf, Track & Field, Softball and Baseball

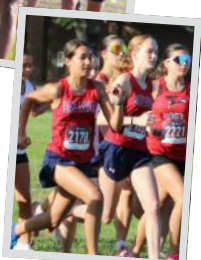
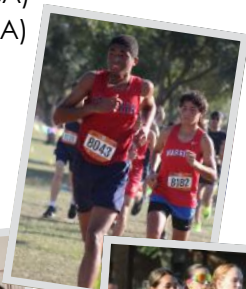
### FALL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**Volleyball:** Playoff qualifier (5A)

#### Cross Country:

Boys: State Qualifiers (5A)

Girls: State Qualifiers (5A)



### WINTER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**Boys Soccer:** Playoff qualifier

**Girls Soccer:** Area Champions, Playoff qualifier

**Girls Basketball:** Playoff qualifier (5A)

3 players reached 1K points in their career. Mackenzie Medellin (1500 points), Victoria Sewell (1000 points) & Kennedy Farrell (1000 points)

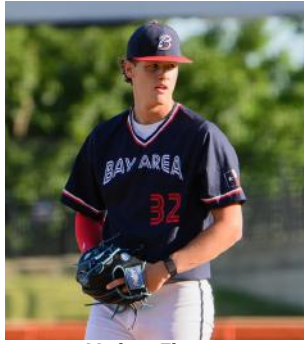
**Wrestling:** TAPPS State Runner- Up (Team)

Carter Murphy: State Champion (215lbs)

State Runner Up (5 total): Keaton Hall, Cullen Nadalo, Nate Pike, Paxton Hawa, and Jamison Smith

**Swimming:** Boys- 5th overall at State, Girls- 3rd overall at State  
Brock Fleshman: 3rd Place 500 Free

# COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS & SPORTS PARTICIPATION



**Nolan Thorp**  
Wharton Junior College  
Baseball



**Andrew Cresswell**  
Knox College  
Football



**Kennedy Farrell**  
Bard College  
Basketball



**Mackenzie Medellin**  
University of St. Thomas  
Basketball



**Jackson Karstedt**  
Redlands Community College  
Baseball

## JUNIOR HIGH

Football, Volleyball, Cheerleading, Cross Country, Soccer, Basketball, Swimming, Softball, Baseball, Tennis, Wrestling and Track & Field



**Cross Country:** GHAC Champions (Boys)

**Swim:** GHAC Champions (Girls) & Boys- 5th place  
The girls team set multiple GHAC records

**JHA Baseball:** GHAC Champions



## 6TH GRADE

Football, Volleyball, Cross Country, Basketball, Wrestling, Swimming, Soccer, Softball and Baseball

**Volleyball:** GHAC Champions

## SPRING ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**Track & Field:** State qualifiers (5A)

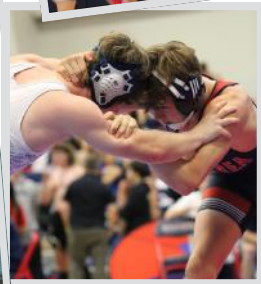
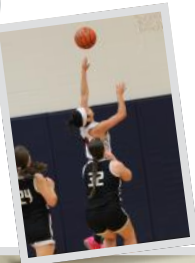
**Baseball:** Playoff qualifier (5A)

## 26-27 INITIATIVES

- The BACS Athletics app is getting a refresh — with a brand-new look and exciting new features on the way. Stay tuned!
- Get ready — multiple teams will be rocking brand-new uniforms next year.

## HIGHLIGHT

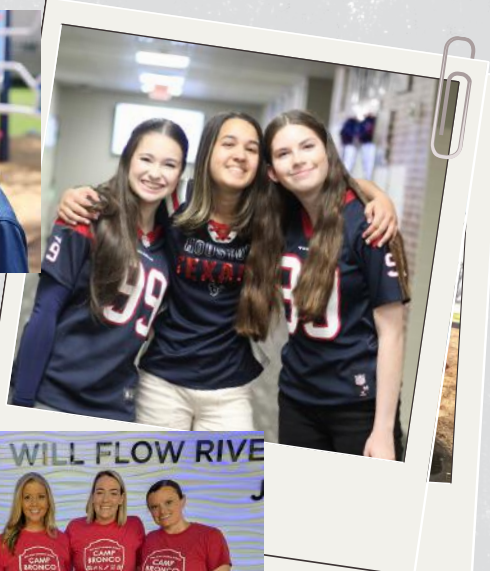
We have 20 student trainers on the sidelines ready and willing to help our athletes. They are led by Athletic Trainer Tom Bradley.





*It's a great day to be a*





# BRONCO!

