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CHRISTIAN SCHOOL



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# THE SOCIAL HERD

## 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.







The deadline to apply for [Texas Education Freedom Accounts \(TEFA\)](#) is 11:59 pm on March 17, 2026. Please reach out to our [Finance Department](#) with any questions.

## A message from our Head of School, **LES RAINEY**

Dear BACS Families,

We've made it to the final quarter of the school year! As we head into the home stretch, it will be important to stay aware of all the exciting events happening within our school community.

There will be plenty of occasions for fun and fellowship, so be sure to mark your calendar.

- Talent Show - March 19
- Field Days - April 24 - Kinder, April 30 - 1st Grade, May 1 - 2nd Grade, May 7 - 3rd Grade, May 8 - 4th Grade, May 19 - 5th Grade, May 18 - 6th Grade
- Bronco Ball - May 1

We'll also have meaningful moments to celebrate our students' accomplishments in the classroom.

- Spring Fine Arts Concert - May 4 & 5
- Kindergarten Graduation - May 15
- Evening of Excellence Awards Night - May 21
- Senior Graduation - May 22

In addition, there will be opportunities for spiritual growth during this final quarter, including Good Friday (April 3 at 5:30 pm and 7:00 pm) and Easter Sunday services (April 5 at 7:45, 9:00, 10:30, and 11:45), followed by the [Parent Summit](#) in mid-April at Bay Area Church.

This is certainly not an exhaustive list, but it gives you a glimpse of the many great things taking place across our 48 acres.

With Spring Break just ahead, our hope is that every family will have time to reconnect with each other and recharge for what's sure to be a great finish to the school year.

It's a great day to be a Bronco!



# special updates



A message from our Admissions Director,

## DENYS WATSON

Happy Spring Break! We hope your family enjoys a relaxing and joyful week. When we return, we'll continue student assessments and family interviews as we prepare for the new school year. We look forward to connecting with many of you soon!

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### K–12 Applications Open – Spots Filling Fast

We are accepting applications for Kindergarten through 12th grade. With strong interest and limited space in many grades, we encourage families to apply soon.

Know someone interested? Share the news, we'd love to connect with them!



A message from our Nurses,

## BRIANNA ARGHIROPOL & DARCY GONZALEZ

March is scoliosis screening month!

- Girls will be screened two times, once at age 10 (4th grade) and again at age 12 (6th grade).
- Boys will be screened one time at age 13 or 14 (8th grade).

Parents, be on the lookout for an informative email from the BACS clinic. Screenings will begin after Spring Break.





*Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this? John 11:25-26*

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A message from our Early Learning Academy Director,

## **ANITA PIERCE**

Spring gently reminds us that God is always at work, even when we cannot see it. It is such a joy and privilege to watch your children learn and grow.

Easter is a precious opportunity to remind children that Jesus loves them. As you celebrate at home, we encourage you to read the Easter story together and talk about the wonderful hope we have because Jesus is alive.

We are so grateful for each of our preschool families. Thank you for sharing your little blessings with us!

### **Mark Your Calendar**

**Friday, 3/6** Student Holiday / Staff Work Day

**Sunday, 3/8** Daylight Saving Time begins

**Monday, 3/9 - Friday, 3/13** Spring Break

**Monday, 3/16** ELA Summer Camp Registration begins

**Wednesday, 3/25** Mickey @ The Ballpark / Astros Day- P2 M/W

**Thursday, 3/26** Mickey @ The Ballpark / Astros Day- All other classes





*"All things are possible for one who believes" -Mark 9:23*

## Mark Your Calendar

**Monday, 3/9 - Friday, 3/13** Spring Break

**Thursday, 3/19** Talent Show

- K-3 Show begins at 5:30
- 4-6 Show begins at 6:30

**Friday, 4/3 - Monday, 4/6** Easter Holiday

A message from our Elementary Principal,

# IRENE PERELLO

## MARCH MISSION MADNESS MONTH

What are ways that we can be mission-minded? This is the question that I have challenged my students with this month. My heart is that we develop a mission mindset of loving like Christ, through acts of service. We are encouraging our students to think of ways they can serve others right here at school, in their communities, or even globally (with the help of World Vision). We already have many classes being mission-minded right here in our school and backyard. This month, I am excited to highlight some of the great mission mindfulness going on here at BACS.



- At Christmas time, fifth graders handmade blankets and beautiful cards to give to foster families in need.



- On Valentine's Day, third graders created beautiful lunch bags that expressed their love of Jesus through words and art, and then they sent them to a local non-profit organization that delivered food in those bags to children in need throughout the Houston area.



- We also have an in-house program called Bronco Buddies, where a high schooler serves an elementary student through a mentorship program. Both students are being blessed by this act of service.

All to say, being on mission is happening right here on our campus, and we are excited to see all our students learn to be more mission-minded during various fun activities at school.





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*Philippians 2:3-4*

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A message from our Interim Secondary Principal,

## JARED FUQUA

I would like to ask for your forgiveness ahead of time. I am about to get all sorts of philosophical... Tomorrow, March 6, we will remember an event that took place 190 years ago. An event in which close to two-hundred weary, yet determined, soldiers made their final stand defending a mission called the Alamo. This moment in our state's history tells a story of courage, honor, duty, and a belief in being part of something bigger than one's self. If you zoom out even more and look at the history of our nation in general, you can see countless instances where men put their honor, beliefs, and duty above their own well-being. These stories **CONVICT** me. Why? Because I am constantly bombarded with the temptation to do what is best for ME. Our students are bombarded by a culture that encourages them to ask themselves, “What's in it for ME?”

The Bible clearly teaches us to put others before ourselves. Philippians 2:3-4 states, “Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.” Why do we struggle with this? Easy answers are pride and a sense of self-importance. I have to remind myself that I am not as important to this ministry as I'd like to think. Someday, I will leave this place and my name will be forgotten. However, by His grace, He has me here for such a time as this. Therefore, I must serve with all humility and urgency while I am here. I must respond to the biblical sense of duty of putting others before myself and doing whatever I can to point others to Christ, so that they may spend eternity with Him. It was what we as Christ-followers are called to do. It is our duty. It is our purpose.

Instead of asking “What's in it for me?” let us ask “How does God want to use me for His purpose?”





*Look for the first flowers of spring and remember God's renewal in us each day.*

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A message from our Academic Counselor,  
**NANCY GADD**

Spring Break is here! Enjoy the week and time with family. Spring really does feel like a reset button. It gives us a little breathing room from the daily routines. It's a perfect time to slow down, and enjoy simple moments together. Wishing you a season filled with renewal, and a little extra joy in the everyday.

### Reminders

- [Course selection](#) for the 2026-2027 school year is open. The deadline is March 6 for all high schoolers.
- **Current 8th grade students:** [HS course selection](#) is due March 27.
- College of the Mainland **Dual Credit Permission Forms** are due by March 26. They are available in the HS office.

### Mark Your Calendar

#### Juniors

- Upcoming **SAT** dates: 3/14, 5/2, and 6/6
  - Students can register through the [College Board](#).
- Upcoming **ACT** dates: 4/11, 6/13, and 7/11





*This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24*

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A message from our Director of Curriculum and Instruction,  
**LINDA MUDGETT**

On February 13th, we held a teacher conference called “Rise & Shine” here at Bay Area Christian School. It is a blessing to be able to lead in this way in our community. Around eight schools registered, and we had 36 presenters covering 49 topics over 84 sessions. Topics included teaching in the various content areas, classroom management, AI, and growing as a teacher. The highlight was our keynote speaker, as well as the various vendors and all day coffee bar and snacks.

During the week of April 13-16, we will be administering the Iowa Assessments in 1st through the 8th grades. The main reasons for administering the assessments are that it supports our accountability to our stakeholders and satisfies our requirements for accreditation. It also helps us identify strengths and weaknesses at the student, class, grade, and school levels informing our academic programming and enabling us to make sound decisions.

### **Mark Your Calendar**

**Monday, 4/13-Friday, 4/16** Iowa Assessments in 1st- 8th grades





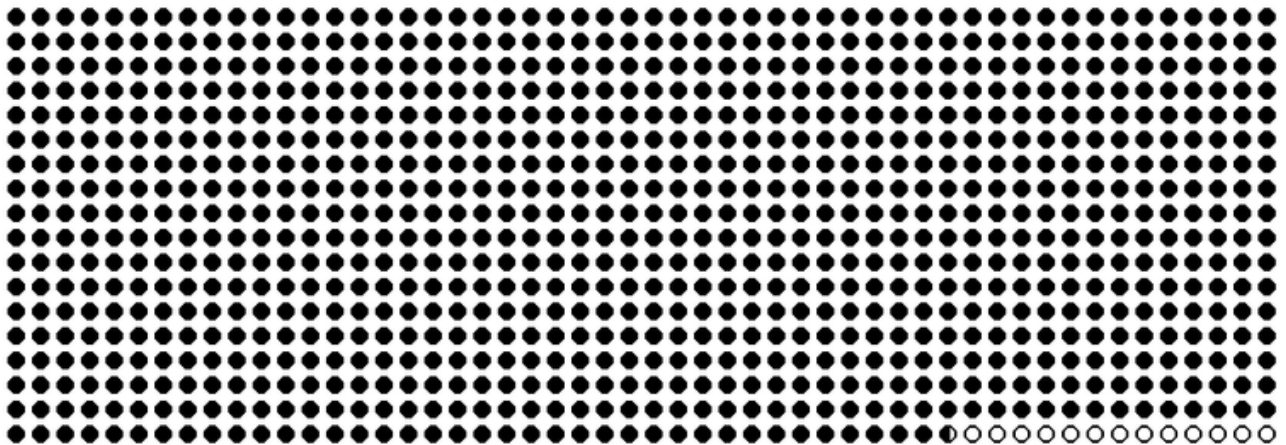
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A message from our Director of Student Support,  
**MIKE AMMONS**

Time with our children is one of God's most precious gifts. It arrives quietly, moves quickly, and never pauses for us to catch up. The calling of Christian parents is to steward that time by loving our children and pointing them to Jesus. Even daily ordinary moments can become an opportunity to point our kids to Christ.

The graphic below represents the exact number of weeks from my son's birth to his eighteenth birthday. Seeing it laid out like this hardly seems real. My phone regularly surfaces memories from earlier seasons that feel like they happened yesterday.



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Those reminders bring great memories and warm emotion, but they are also a clear reality that our weeks are limited. God entrusted all parents with a short window to teach, correct, encourage, and enjoy our children in our homes.

As parents we have to remember that the goal is not perfect parenting, but faithful parenting under the grace of Christ. That means speaking the truth, asking forgiveness quickly, and modeling a life of repentance and joy. It means praying with our children, opening Scripture with them, and showing them what it looks like to depend on the Lord in real life.

As my son graduates from Bay Area Christian School this year, my heart is full of thanksgiving for what God has done in him and in our family. I'm also grateful for the next step in our relationship as he grows into adulthood and takes on new challenges and opportunities.

By God's kindness, we will soon get to parent a young adult who seeks Christ and desires to walk with the Lord beyond our home. May we treat every week God gives us as a gift, and use it to lovingly point our children to a life lived with Jesus.





A message from our Fine Arts Director,

## MARIANNE MORRISON



20 of our BACS vocalists represented our school with excellence at the TPSMEA Solo & Ensemble Festival on Friday, February 27th. All students earned Superior and Excellent ratings across the board. Even more exciting...9 students qualified for the State Festival in April!

### Mark Your Calendar

**Thursday, 3/19** Talent Show

- K-3 Show begins at 5:30
- 4-6 Show begins at 6:30
- 7-12 Show begins at 7:30

[Get your  
Talent Show  
tickets now!](#)





A message from our Athletics Director,  
**KYLE KENNEDY**

**Varsity Girls Soccer**

The Lady Broncos concluded an outstanding season last Thursday in the Regional Championship against district opponent Second Baptist. In a hard-fought and competitive match, they came up just short, falling 1-0. The team finishes the year as Area Champions and represented BACS with tremendous heart and determination all season long. Congratulations on a fantastic year, Lady Broncos!



**Varsity Wrestling**

Varsity wrestling wrapped up an unforgettable season as BACS hosted the TAPPS State Tournament for the first time in school history. Not only was the event a tremendous success, but our team delivered an incredible performance on the mat.

The Broncos finished as TAPPS State Runner-Up, the highest finish in school history. Five wrestlers earned State Runner-Up honors in their respective weight classes, and Carter Murphy (215 lbs) captured a State Championship, adding another title to our wall of fame.

Congratulations to our wrestlers and coaching staff on a historic season! A special thank you to all of the parents and volunteers who helped make the state tournament such a success.

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## Softball

The Lady Broncos opened their season strong with two wins over Pasadena Faith, followed by a competitive showing at the Hallettsville Tournament where they finished 2–2. The team currently sits at 4–2 overall and continues to improve each week.

They have a busy stretch ahead with games against St. Francis, O'Connell, and Rosehill before beginning district play after Spring Break. Keep up the great work, Lady Broncos!

## Baseball

The Broncos are preparing for district play and will travel to Franklin this weekend for tournament action. They will then face East Bernard High School the following Friday before officially opening district play after Spring Break. We look forward to an exciting district season ahead.

## Golf

The golf team continues to impress in tournament play. In the most recent event:

- Ashton Heubner placed 2nd overall
- Caroline Garcia finished 4th overall

The team will compete in the Briarwood Invitational on 3/17 before hosting our second tournament of the year on 3/23 at Magnolia Creek Golf Club. Great job, Broncos!

## Tennis

The tennis team will travel to LSA on 3/5 for a key district matchup. Following Spring Break, they will compete against Frassati Catholic in another district contest. The District Tournament is scheduled for 3/30. Best of luck to our Broncos on the court!

## Track & Field

Track & Field heads to LSA on 3/5 for their next meet and will compete at The Woodlands Christian Academy after Spring Break. The District Meet will take place on 4/15–4/16. We are excited to see their continued progress this season!

## Announcement

Congratulations to our Junior High Principal, Jared Fuqua, on being named the next Varsity Head Football Coach at BACS! We are excited for his leadership and the future of our football program.





March 5, 2026

**TEACHER**  
work day

Tomorrow, Friday, March 6 is a student holiday and a teacher workday. We will see you after Spring Break!



Monday, March 9 - Friday, March 13 is Spring Break. Enjoy your time off and be safe!



The Annual Talent Show will be held on Thursday, March 19. Tickets are now on sale until March 19 for \$5 each. Click [here](#) to purchase tickets and for more details.

- Kindergarten - 3rd Grade - 5:30 p.m.
- 4th-6th Grade - 6:30 p.m.
- 7th-12th Grade - 7:30 p.m.



BACS will host the 8th Annual Bronco Backers Golf Tournament on Monday, April 6 at Magnolia Creek Golf Club. Get your team together and start practicing now because there are prizes to be won! There are also sponsorships to be purchased. Click [here](#) or scan the QR code for more information.



We will celebrate Faculty and Staff Appreciation Week April 27-May 1. To supply a decadent dessert for Tuesday, April 28, please click [here](#). If you would like to donate financially to this week-long event please click [here](#) and choose "Faculty Staff Appreciation" by April 10 so we can plan accordingly. We have something special scheduled for each day.

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*Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9*



# SUMMER

is right around the corner!



LET THE  
FUN BEGIN!

**BACS SUMMER CAMP GUIDE**