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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.







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16 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. 17 For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do.

Galatians 5:16–17

A message from our Head of School,

LES RAINEY

Dear BACS Families,

Paul reminds us in Galatians 5:16–17 that as believers we are called to walk by the Spirit, recognizing that the flesh and the Spirit are in constant opposition. Yet, when we walk by the Spirit, we are not overcome by the desires of the flesh. What does that look like in our daily lives? At its core, it comes down to three things:

- being in God's Word
- being in God's presence
- being with God's people

At BACS, our prayer is that our students experience success academically and across all areas of enrichment our school offers. Above all, however, we desire for our students to develop these spiritual disciplines. We want them to be students of Scripture, where the Bible is not just informational but transformational. We hope they grow in a genuine desire to be in God's presence, valuing it above anything the world can offer. And we pray they are surrounded by a community of friends who encourage them and walk alongside them in faith. Ultimately, our desire is that they would walk by the Spirit in every area of their lives.

As we enter the final stretch of the school year, the calendar is full with events leading up to graduation. I encourage you to stay connected through our emails, newsletters, and social media for important updates. Please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher or divisional office with any questions.

It's a great day to be a Bronco!





A message from our Early Learning Academy Director,
ANITA PIERCE

Happy April!

As we welcome the beauty of spring, we are reminded of God's amazing creation and the joy of new life all around us.

Talk with your child about how Jesus shows His love for us. You can also pray together before bedtime and thank God for the beautiful things you see in nature. "Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good." Psalm 118:1

This week, we have our Picnic with Parents events. We are excited to have all of you on campus! We are so thankful for your partnership in nurturing your child's growth academically, socially, and spiritually.

Mark Your Calendar

4/27-5/1 Teacher Appreciation Week



MARCH MISSION MADNESS UPDATE

Thank you, BACS Elementary families, for your incredible generosity! Together, you raised an amazing \$4,504.54 to help provide a clean water source for a community in Honduras through our partnership with World Vision. Your kindness is truly making a lasting difference!



A message from our Elementary Principal, **IRENE PERELLO**

Have you walked a mile in someone else's shoes? This came to my mind as we just celebrated Resurrection Sunday. I had to reflect on what Jesus did for us. He walked a mile in our shoes. He did this to build a relationship with us, understand us, and eventually save us. How awesome a God we have who loves us so much that He sent His one and only son to die for us so we can be restored to Him. Restoration is truly our goal here at BACS. We want all our students to be restored to Christ, and we also want to teach them how to restore relationships. Life can be challenging for all of us, so let's follow the example of Christ and walk a mile in someone else's shoes to truly get a better perspective of others so that we can restore relationships and be more Christlike. As it states in the book of Romans 12:18, "If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all."

Wishing you a wonderful end of the year. It is hard to believe we only have a few weeks left, so let's give it all we've got and finish strong!

Mark Your Calendar

- 4/13 - 4/16** IOWA testing for 1st-6th grade
- 4/23** 3rd and 4th grade musical at 7:00 pm
- 4/27 - 5/1** Teacher Appreciation Week





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- 4/11** Junior/Senior Prom
- 4/13-4/16** IOWA Testing
- 4/13** 7th Grade Field Trip to the Houston Health Museum
- 4/20-4/23** 8th Grade DC Trip
- 4/20-4/24** Variety Dress Week
- 4/21** 11th/12th Grade Honor Roll Field Trip
- 4/28** 9th/10th Grade Honor Roll Field Trip
- 4/29** HS Student Council Elections
- 4/30** JH Honor Roll Field Trip

A message from our Interim Secondary Principal,

JARED FUQUA

I pray everyone had a blessed Easter weekend, and that you and your family were able to sit down and reflect on the magnitude of Christ's resurrection. As we look ahead to the remaining days on the calendar, I can tell you that it is chock full of events and activities. I remember this was the time of year when I would see students entering the classroom making statements about being overwhelmed, tired, and ready for summer. I don't doubt for a second that they felt that way, and I did my best to provide positivity and encouragement. Sometimes I was preaching to myself! It's times like these that I remember a comment made by a close friend of mine. He said, "Jared, people who are not resilient are not happy." I mulled over this comment for the rest of the day, and I came to the conclusion that he was absolutely right! I needed to check myself and make sure that I was resilient if I was going to encourage my students to be resilient. Resilience is biblical. Galatians 6:9 states, "And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up." I think this not only applies in the spreading of the Gospel, but also in the day-to-day activities. My encouragement for our faculty/staff, students, and parents is that we remain focused on the purpose of our calling, that we will not grow weary in doing good, and that by doing so we will become resilient.





A message from our Academic Counselor,
NANCY GADD

It is hard to believe how quickly the school year is flying by. The final two months are sure to pass just as quickly. As we head into the last days of this school year, it's an important time for students to stay focused, organized, and committed to doing their very best. I continue to be amazed by the perseverance our students have shown throughout the year. In fact, over half of our high school students have earned an invitation to attend the honor roll field trip. This is a wonderful accomplishment and we are blessed by each and every student. Let us finish strong and keep our eyes on the reward of summer.

Reminders

Dual credit

Students, be sure to check your emails for the next steps in your College of the Mainland class registration. Information for creating your COM account and making payments for your classes is coming within the next two weeks.

Seniors

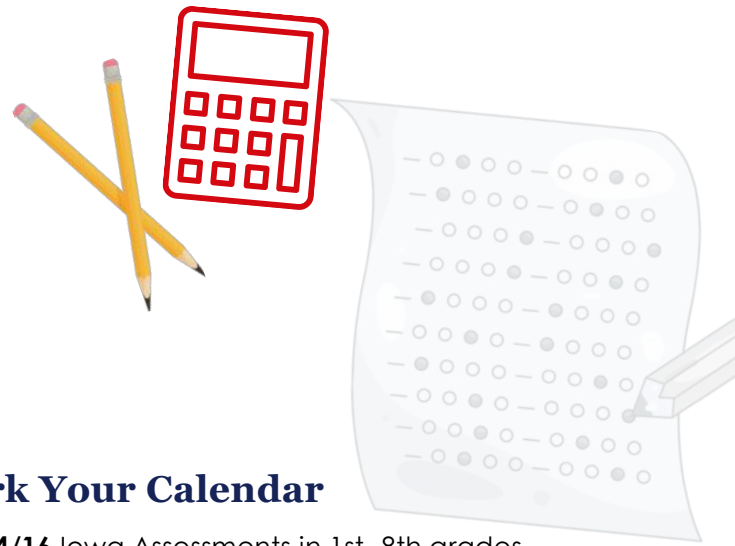
Please place your final transcript request into Parchment, and fill out your Senior Plans form in Bible class.

Mark Your Calendar

Juniors

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





Mark Your Calendar

4/13-4/16 Iowa Assessments in 1st- 8th grades

A message from our Director of Curriculum and Instruction,

LINDA MUDGETT

There are many things going on simultaneously in the Curriculum Department during the month of April. The week of April 13 is Iowa Achievement testing for 1st-8th grades. Schedules will be modified, yet students will still attend their specials and instruction will still take place. **Students will need No. 2 pencils with good erasers and calculators for 7th and 8th grades.**

Please encourage students about the importance of doing their best!



Getting good rest



Limiting TV watching



Eating a healthy breakfast



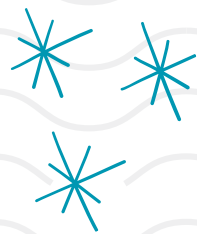
Being on time

There are three main reasons we administer the Iowa Assessments.

1. It supports our accountability to you, our stakeholders.
2. It satisfies our requirements for accreditation.
3. Finally, it helps us by identifying strengths and weaknesses at the student, class, grade, and school levels.

We can then use the data to help us evaluate our academic programming, enabling us to make sound decisions. Additionally, students in 6th-8th grades will receive information which tells them how they may score on the SAT test, and the math score for 6th grade students will be one indicator to determine 7th grade math options. Bay Area will receive hard copy scores in 3-4 weeks. Scores for K-6th grades will be sent home with students the last week of school and 7th-8th grade scores will be mailed out after school is dismissed for the year.





Keep your Bronco learning this summer with **VACATION STATION!**

We are pleased to announce that we will facilitate the purchase of Vacation Station summer workbooks (Bob Jones University Press) again this year for rising 1st through rising 7th graders. These are a great resource to help preserve academic skills learned at school and create a bridge for entering the next grade level. **Each book costs \$15, and orders are due by Wednesday, April 30.** If interested, please click on the appropriate Grade Level links below and fill out the form. All payments will be directly submitted and handled through FACTS.



[Current K](#)
[Current 1st](#)
[Current 2nd](#)
[Current 3rd](#)

[Current 4th](#)
[Current 5th](#)
[Current 6th](#)





When we hear the gospel, we are being invited to turn from sin and turn to Christ.

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

As we reflect on the Easter season, our hearts are drawn to the center of our faith, Jesus Christ. Easter is not merely a tradition on the calendar, but a reminder of the greatest hope the world has ever known. We remember the life of Jesus, perfectly righteous, full of compassion, truth, and unwavering obedience to the Father. He came not only to teach and heal, but to seek and save sinners like us.

At the cross, Jesus willingly laid down His life to bear the punishment our sins deserve. His death was not a tragic accident, but the sovereign plan of God to accomplish redemption for His people. Three days later, He rose from the grave in power, defeating sin and death forever. The resurrection assures us that Christ is who He claimed to be and that His promises are completely trustworthy.

Because Jesus lives, forgiveness is real, hope is secure, and eternal life is available to all who come to Him in faith. The good news of the gospel is not simply information we acquire, but truth that calls for a response. When we hear the gospel, we are being invited to turn from sin and turn to Christ. We are called to believe Him, trust Him, repent, and surrender our whole hearts to Him.

This invitation is personal and full of mercy. There is no better time than this moment to respond to the love of God in Christ. No family is beyond His reach, no heart is too far gone, and no life is too broken for His saving grace. As a school community, we are grateful to celebrate the hope of Easter together and to point our students again to the truth of the gospel.

My prayer is that our families would not simply appreciate the Easter message, but truly rest in the risen Savior. Our homes should be shaped by a sincere love for Christ, a growing trust in His Word, and a humble willingness to walk in repentance and faith. As parents, students, and staff, we all need the same Savior and the same grace that flows from His cross and the empty tomb. The gospel calls each of us to surrender our whole heart to Jesus and to have the joy of our salvation renewed in Him.





Mark Your Calendar

4/23 Best Week Ever Musical (3rd & 4th grades) at 7:00 pm

5/4 Fine Arts Night (Choir & Orchestra) at 6:30 pm

5/5 Fine Arts Night (Band) at 6:30 pm

A message from our Fine Arts Director,

MARIANNE MORRISON

BACS Fine Arts has enjoyed an exceptional year, and we are excited to finish strong! Our talented Broncos continue to shine across all areas of the arts. The K–12 Talent Show was our best yet, featuring a wide range of outstanding performances that truly showcased the creativity and skill of our students.

In March, our music programs achieved remarkable success. The Junior High Orchestra participated in the TPSMEA Concert & Sightreading Festival for the first time in school history, earning Superior ratings for their concert performance and Excellent ratings in sightreading. The Junior High Band also performed at the TPSMEA festival, earning a Superior rating in sightreading, while the High School Band received Excellent ratings in concert performance and Superior ratings in sightreading.

April is shaping up to be another exciting month for our Fine Arts students. The High School Orchestra will participate in a clinic with Dr. Kris Chapman at Arlington High School and will also tour UT Dallas. The Junior High Choir will represent BACS at the Blinn Choral Festival on April 10, and the High School Choir will perform at the TPSMEA Concert & Sightreading Festival on April 17. In addition, seven High School students have qualified for the TPSMEA State Solo Festival, which will be held on Saturday, April 18.

Our 3rd and 4th grade students are eagerly preparing for their spring musical, Best Week Ever, which will be performed on Thursday, April 23 at 7:00. Meanwhile, our Elementary and High School Art students have been busy creating vibrant and imaginative pieces in the classroom.

Be sure to mark your calendars for Fine Arts Night in May! This special celebration will feature Choir and Orchestra performances at 6:30 pm on Monday, May 4, followed by Band performances at 6:30 on Tuesday, May 5. You won't want to miss this showcase of the incredible talent within our Fine Arts Department. More details will be shared soon!





SIGNING DAY

We're proud to celebrate three seniors who signed to play at the next level:

- Kennedy Farrell (Basketball)
- Mackenzie Medellin (Basketball)
- Andrew Cresswell (Football)

We're incredibly proud of each of you and look forward to following your success at the collegiate level!

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

Tennis

Our tennis teams competed in the district tournament last week. They were part of several hard-fought, back-and-forth matches and represented BACS with great effort and sportsmanship. Congratulations on a strong season!

Golf

The golf teams are gearing up for their district tournaments. The girls will compete on April 20 at Gleannloch Pines Golf Club, followed by the boys on April 23 at Quail Valley Golf Club. Best of luck to both teams!

Track & Field

The track team will compete tomorrow at Lutheran South Academy in a warm-up meet as they prepare for the district meet, also at LSA, on April 15-16.

Softball

Varsity softball currently sits at 13-5 overall (2-2 in district play). They'll face Second Baptist in their next two games as they push for a potential playoff spot.

Baseball

Varsity baseball will take on Second Baptist this Thursday at 7:00 PM at Bay Area. They'll follow that with a home-and-away series next week against Emery/Weiner.



Congratulations, JH-A Baseball!

Congratulations to our players and coaches on winning the GHAC Conference Championship! Great accomplishment and a testament to your hard work this season.





Purchases anytime of the year help our school, **but purchases during AFW's 10 Day Store Rally (April 10-19) will help maximize and finalize our annual donation!** The Rally ends Sunday, April 19. *PLUS, you might win a \$500 gift card.* Feel free to forward to and share with others. Thank you for your support! Scroll to the next page for more information.



Standardized Achievement Tests will be given **April 13-16** to 1st - 8th graders. Please plan appointments around these dates. More information will be coming soon.



Our annual **Variety Dress Week** will commence the **week of April 20th**. Each division will reveal the themes of each day soon.



Elementary Field Days are on the horizon! They all begin at 8:45 am.

Kindergarten - Friday, April 24

4th grade - Friday, May 8

1st grade - Thursday, April 30

5th grade - Tuesday, May 19

2nd grade - Friday, May 1

6th grade - Monday, May 18

3rd grade - Thursday, May 7



Check out this week's chapel recaps: [Kinder-6th](#) & [7th-12th](#). Chapel Home Connections are always available in the BACS app!



Let the fun begin! [Get your Bronco signed up for summer fun at a BACS camp.](#)



Parent Summit
Saturday, April 18, 2026
9:00 - 2:00

Click [here](#) for more information.



8 Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. Philippians 4:8





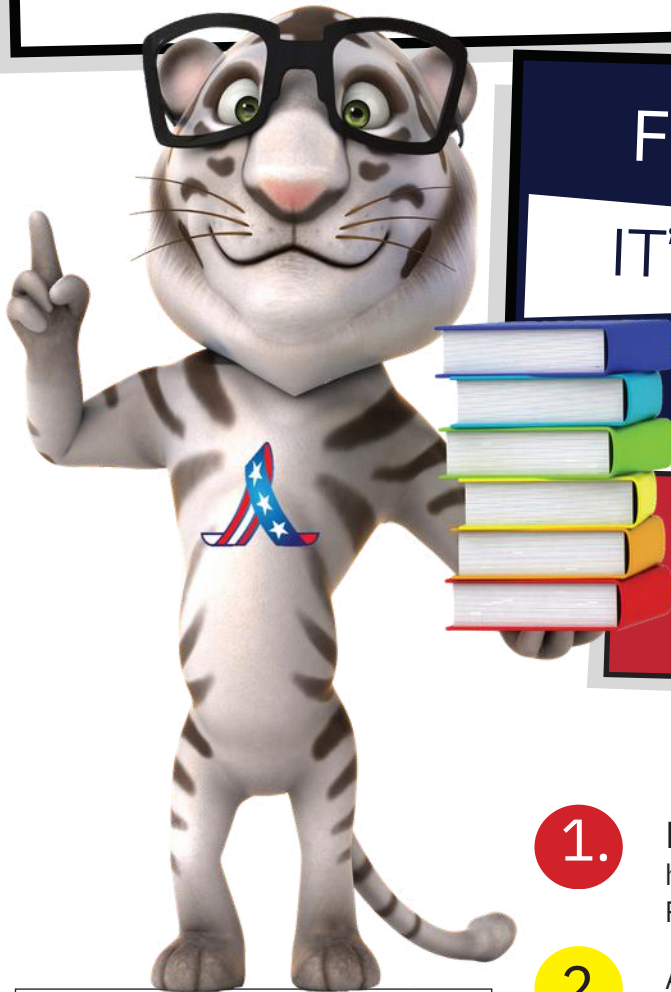
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2.

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3.

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ALSO: When shopping during the AFW Store Rally for our school, you will be entered to win an American Furniture Warehouse \$500 gift card, plus AFW will match \$500 back to our school if you win. (Drawing will be held end of Dec., 2026 - 1 winner from all AFW Store Rallies for all schools throughout the year.)