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OUR MISSION

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Welcome back to our 53rd year of serving the community through Kingdom Education! We are so glad to have our students back on campus. It was a joy to greet our nearly 1000 PreK-12th grade students earlier this week and meet our new families. If you haven't done so already please join me in welcoming our new Broncos!

As a ministry of Bay Area Church we are thrilled to have the opportunity to partner with parents to equip the next generation to serve Christ. At Bay Area Christian School, our mission is 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 is more than adding Bible verses or stories to the school day—it is intentional discipleship, shaping students to follow Christ in every aspect of life. In today's culture, where truth is often confused, we want our kids to think biblically, not just critically.

This happens when parents and teachers work together to:



Show how God's Word connects to every subject and activity.



Model Christlike character in how we live and treat others.



Equip students to stand for truth with confidence.

We're not just preparing students for college or careers—we're preparing them for life and eternity. Thank you for partnering with us in this mission.

It's a great day to be a Bronco!



Bay Area Church has three new service times: 8:30am, 10:00am, & 11:30am. We would love for you to join us!





A message from our Early Learning Academy Director,

ANÎTA PIERCE

Welcome to a new school year at The Early Learning Academy! We hope you had a restful summer. We are excited to welcome our new and returning ELA students and families back for the 2025/2026 school year. It's a blessing to partner with you in guiding your children as they grow.

"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, 8/25

Meet The Teacher event for part-time students (9:15am-11:15am)

Monday, 9/1

Labor Day - School Holiday

Monday, 9/8

Stay & Play Program begins for part-time students







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A message from our Elementary Principal,

IRENE PERELLO

Have you ever pondered how the Lord will use you in your home, job, community, etc.? A few years ago, I too pondered that question. Should I venture into an administrator role and leave my role as a teacher, which I loved? After much prayer, the Lord called me into administration and spoke loudly and clearly of what type of leader He needed me to be, a servant leader. This summer, I picked up my towel and went to the Dominican Republic to teach VBS, and a pastor there shared this verse, which I used to charge my division. John 13:14-15 states, "Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you." My hope is that I will be a servant leader to my own family, teachers, staff, and students and their families. I want to follow the example of my King and use my towel to wash others' feet through acts of service. I hope I can be that example to you all, but also to encourage you to be a servant leader in your homes, communities, and jobs. Life can be challenging at times, so remember when you want to throw in the towel, pick it up and serve! Serving others allows us to learn humility, and that is where we find joy. Jesus is the ultimate servant leader, who laid down His life so we too can have eternal life. My hope and prayer is that this new school year will bring you many blessings and opportunities to be servant leaders.

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, 9/1 Labor Day - School Holiday

Thursday, 9/4 Picture Day











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A message from our Junior High Principal,

JARED FUQUA

The Lord has been good to us with a great, fresh start to the school year. The students were all smiles as they greeted one another back to the school. Our admin, faculty, and staff have been praying for our students to have a blessed school year in JH. We are thankful for all of our families that believe in the power and purpose of Christian schooling, and entrust us with the education of their children. Bay Area Christian School is truly a special place that I believe has been blessed by God to help families form the hearts and minds of students for Christ. Please keep in mind that you may be receiving emails from our JH Office with important information such as the 8th Grade DC Trip and other various announcements as we begin this school year. Again, we are thankful you are a part of the Bronco Family, and we are praying for a blessed year!

Mark Your Calendar

Friday, 8/15Deadline for Schedule Change Requests

Tuesday, 8/19 Secondary Open House (6:30-7:30pm)

Thursday, 8/28Back-to-School Donuts with Trac (7:30-7:45am)

Monday, 9/1 Labor Day - School Holiday

Thursday, 9/4 Picture Day







God's people live together in unity.



A message from our High School Principal,

HAŘOLD PAYNE

We are only a short time into the school year, but the unity and positive spirit among our students is already evident. From the moment they walked through the doors, there has been a sense of excitement, connection, and support for one another. It is encouraging to see students not only focusing on their academics, but also taking time to build relationships and make our campus a welcoming place for everyone.

Right before school started, our seniors gathered for Pavement Picasso, a creative and memorable event where they decorated their parking spots with chalk. It was a fun evening filled with music, popsicles, and plenty of laughter. Whether they were designing their own space or simply spending time with friends, the event was a great example of the community and school spirit that is already shaping this year.

The seniors also came together for the annual Senior Sunrise. This tradition gave them the opportunity to watch the sun rise on their last first day of high school. They gathered to worship, share in fellowship, and celebrate the start of their senior year. It was a beautiful way to begin the day and a powerful reminder of the journey ahead.

This year is especially meaningful for me because this senior class came in with me as freshmen. I have had the privilege of watching them grow into amazing young men and women, and I am excited to see what this year will bring for each of them.

As we move forward into the semester, I am looking forward to more moments where students lift each other up, work together, and reflect the love of Christ in their actions. If the first few days are any indication, this is going to be a special year for our school family.





A message from our Academic Counselor, NANCY GADD

Summer days bring warm evenings and beautiful sunsets. God gives us these moments of rest. I am incredibly thankful for my summer break, and equally grateful to begin my fourteenth year at BACS. Each new school year brings fresh perspectives and expectations. As we welcome the Class of 2029 and walk alongside our seniors in their final year, our Kingdom Education commitment stands firm. My prayer for this school year is that our students experience God's love and goodness not just in words, but in the way we teach, serve, and lead each other. I am excited for what this new school year will bring. 31% of our current senior class has attended BACS since kindergarten. It is a powerful testimony of dedication to Christian education.

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Monday, 8/25 College Parent Information Night (6:00pm)

Announcements

Dual Credit

Dual credit fall classes begin August 18th. Students, please log in to Brightspace and check that your classes are posted. If you have difficulty, make an appointment to come see me.



A message from our Director of Curriculum and Instruction,

LINDA MUDGETT

Welcome back, families! We missed you during the summer!

The SkyTree Book Fair was a success! Thank you to the families who participated and helped us earn SkyTree Bucks for teachers to use to build their classroom libraries with wholesome books.

This summer, we sent eight of our faculty to Dallas for the Rooted Educator Worldview Summit. It was a wonderful time of fellowship as well as a time for worship with singer, songwriter, licensed counselor, and minister, Josh Bales. The focus of the conference was identity and how to help our students find their identity in Christ.

New Updated Editions

- Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd Math
- 5th Science
- 6th Writing & Grammar
- Biology
- 10th Writing & Grammar

New Adoptions

- 4th History (Bob Jones University Press)
- 7th Bible (Crossway)
- Spanish III & IV (McGraw-Hill Education)
- Forensic Science (Cengage)
- Ethics 12 (Bob Jones University Press)



As always, reach out with any questions you may have.







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A message from our Director of Student Support,

MIKE AMMONS

We are back! The 2025–2026 school year is underway, and our campus is already buzzing with events and activities. It is so exciting when our students return to campus and the school year officially begins. With all the buzz, excitement, and activity, it feels as though there aren't enough minutes in the day. Our calendars fill and our time gets squeezed. So, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on priorities that fuel family devotion and foster sincere faith in our homes.

Scripture reminds us in Deuteronomy 6:4–6 (ESV): "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart." Christians have long understood these verses as God's call to actively and completely love Him. This kind of love should deeply impact every part of our lives. When God tells us to love Him "with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might," He is calling us to love Him fully, with our intellect, our thoughts and desires, and our actions.

As parents, this means living out our faith in a visible, consistent way for our children to see. God has entrusted us with the responsibility of discipling our kids, and we are to be diligent in this process. Deuteronomy goes on to say we should "teach them diligently to your children... when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise." That means engaging in faith conversations at the dinner table, prayers in the morning, devotions in the evening, and developing daily habits that serve as object lessons of God's goodness.



We should actively look for God's faithfulness and point it out to our children, teaching them to see His hand in both small details and big moments. As the year begins and our schedules overflow, let's be intentional about using the busyness as opportunities to point our families toward Him. Here are a few practical ways to start:

Practical Ways

to Seek God and His Faithfulness



** Share a "God moment" from your day during dinner, and invite your children to share theirs.

** Begin the school day with prayer together, even if it's brief.

- * Commit to attending worship together weekly, protecting it on the family calendar.
- *Post a Scripture verse somewhere visible in your home for the week and discuss its meaning.

It's a joy to walk alongside you in both the educational and spiritual growth of your children. Let's make this a year where our love for God is evident in every aspect of our lives; heart, soul, and might.

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This season, let's focus on effort, attitude, and teamwork, remembering Colossians 3:23, "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord."

A message from our Athletics Director, KYLE KENNEDY

The start of a new year in BACS Athletics is always exciting—it's an opportunity from the Lord to grow, compete, and honor Him in all we do. This season, let's focus on effort, attitude, and teamwork, remembering Colossians 3:23: "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord." Let's fill the stands, cheer with joy, and show Christ's love in the way we play and support one another. Go Broncos!

Football

The Broncos kick off their season with a home scrimmage this Friday, August 15 against Cypress Christian and The Village School, starting at 6:00 PM. Next, they'll travel to Danbury on Thursday, August 21 for a 7:00 PM scrimmage. The official season opener will be on Friday, August 29 at Bishop Gorman High School in Tyler. Head Coach: Kyle Kennedy

Varsity Volleyball

The Lady Broncos opened their season this past Tuesday against CHSA. They'll host Fort Bend Christian Homeschool on Thursday, then hit the road to Galveston O'Connell for tournament play this Friday and Saturday, August 16 and 17. Head Coach: Ashlie Fry (1st year)

Cross Country

After a summer of hard work, the Cross Country team is ready to race! Their first meet will be Saturday, August 16, at Challenger Park for the Incarnate Word Academy Meet.

Head Coach: Chris Meyer

Cheerleading

The Varsity Cheerleaders have been busy perfecting their routines all summer long! Fans can look forward to exciting theme nights at varsity football games and high-energy pep rallies throughout the year. Coaches: Nikki Thompson & Jaime Slafka





A message from our Fine Arts Director,

MARIANNE MORRISON

The Fine Arts Department is thrilled to be back for a brand-new school year! We have missed your students and can't wait to see all that God has planned for us in the months ahead. Our mission is to honor and glorify God through the incredible gift of creative expression. We are committed to equipping our students to pursue excellence in their artistry, allowing the beauty and nature of God to shine through every step of the creative process.

Welcome Ms. Hughes!

We have a new Assistant Band Director, Lydia Hughes! Ms. Hughes comes from a strong musical family and has a varied musical background. A graduate of Dickinson High School, she was a proud member of the Dickinson Gator Marching Band. She later earned her Bachelor's degree in Music Education from the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor (UMHB) in Belton. She is a member of Hope Christian Reformed Church in Houston.





Ms. Hughes has already begun working with high school students at Band Camp and is quickly becoming an invaluable part of the BACS Marching Band. She brings both skill and enthusiasm, and I am confident she will be a tremendous asset to our program and our students.

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After-School Art & Music Programs

After-school art & music is a wonderful opportunity for students entering grades 1–6 to grow in their artistic knowledge and skills in a fun, encouraging environment. If you are interested in more information, please click the link below to explore all of our available program options and secure a spot:



for After-School Art & Music Programs



After-School Art Sign-Up Form

• Starts in November



After-School Music Sign-Up Form

• Starts in September

If you have not yet registered, please complete the form by Friday, August 22nd. After School Music classes will begin in September. After school Art classes will begin in November. Please note that class sizes are limited, and registration will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. (If you submitted the form last year, we already have your information—no need to fill it out again!) Teachers will be reaching out with more details a week before the class start date.

We can't wait to see how our students will grow, create, and glorify God through music this year!







Thank you faculty, staff, parents and students for a FABULOUS start to the school year! Elementary pick up will become smoother by the end of next week.



At the beginning of every school year, we like to honor and inform those K-12th grade "Very Involved Persons" who will be volunteering in the classroom or on the campus anytime during the year. We have many areas for you to be a part of and sign up! This is a great time to gather with old friends and make new ones. An email invitation for our VIP (Very Involved Parent or Person) Breakfast on Friday, August 22 8:00am was sent on August 13. Feel free to click here to RSVP now.



You can still **order BACS spirit t-shirts**, **hoodies**, **sweat shirts and hats** from Southern Sass **through Monday**, **August 18 at midnight**. You will pick up the items at the store located at 2047 West Main A6 in League City. This is just before 145 behind Starbucks in the strip center. Southern Sass added the big bow graphic displayed on the sweatshirt to t-shirts per your input! Click **here** to order.



PARENTS: **Please label your student's name on EVERYTHING** including, outerwear, lunch kits, water bottles, headbands, backpacks, calculators etc. If your student loses anything, you will have until the end of the quarter to reclaim it. Items will be disposed of at the end of each quarter. You may reclaim lost items in your division office.



Teacher Wish Lists can be accessed on our **website** through each division or click **here**. One list covers all teachers who submit a wish list. It starts with elementary. Scoll down to the bottom to access specials teachers and secondary. Thank you to those who have already blessed our teachers! They are very appreciative.



The **Cafeteria** does **NOT** accept **cash**. Please have a minimum of \$10.00 in each student's snack bar account for those days when lunch doesn't make it to school.

By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

John 13:35



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