



HIGH SCHOOL HAPPENINGS

A NEWSLETTER FOR BFHS INCOMING 7TH GRADE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

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Charger families,

Congratulations to all of our rising 7th graders who just completed a major milestone: finishing elementary school! Hard to believe that in just six years, the Class of 2028 will be walking the stage at BFHS graduation!

Chargers, throughout this next adventure you will form new life-long friendships, be inspired by your talented and thoughtful teachers, grow in virtue and self-discipline, and otherwise accomplish things that maybe you never even thought possible. I know that many of you may be nervous, but don't let any fear hold you back. Easier said than done, I know... So let's break it down into smaller chunks.

Remember to....

BRANCH OUT!

It's totally normal to feel nervous about new experiences, but remember: **don't close yourself off!** Be open to new friendships and new opportunities. 7th grade is the perfect time to try something new!

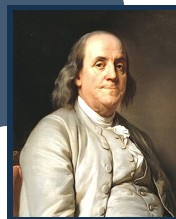
CHECK YOUR GRADES!

Check your grades once a week on PowerSchool to be sure that you are **not missing any assignments** & that you **know how you are doing** on tests, homework, and participation. On PowerSchool can see **overall grades & specific assignment grades**, too!

Being behind on your grades can affect your ability to play sports & participate in other extracurricular activities.

BE KIND!

We have a welcoming, friendly community. Chargers remember the **Golden Rule: treat others the way you want to be treated.** Choosing to be kind and inclusive will not only transform another person's day, but it will also transform yours!



"Always be ready to serve any other person that may need your assistance... for humankind are all a family."
- Benjamin Franklin

Continue reading to find information on **Optional Summer Assignments (for extra credit)**, information about **Summer Athletics**, and reminders about **7th Grade Orientation** and **Charger Days**. See you soon!

- Ms. Dressel, JH Transition Coordinator

RSVP FOR 7TH GRADE ORIENTATION!



Don't forget to RSVP to Benjamin Franklin High School's

7TH GRADE ORIENTATION

THURSDAY, JULY 14, 2022

9AM-11:30AM, DROP OFF & STUDENT CHECK-IN 8:30-9AM

18864 E GERMANN RD, QUEEN CREEK, AZ 85142

RSVP at hs.bfcsaz.com/rsvp7th before June 17!

RSVPs allow us to organize small groups, order food, and plan appropriately. Thank you for your help in making this event a success!

EARN EXTRA CREDIT!

The purpose of summer assignments are to cultivate knowledge and better prepare students for their upcoming English classes. Though none of these books are on the reading list for next year, each one of these stories has been selected due to their thematic connections to the courses and for their place in the pantheon of great books in the Western Tradition.



PART ONE:

CHOOSE YOUR SUMMER BOOK & GET READING!

Out of the Silent Planet, C.S. Lewis
Treasure Island, Robert Louis Stevenson
Island of the Blue Dolphins, Scott O'Dell
Around the World in Eighty Days, Jules Verne
The Giver, Lois Lowry



PART TWO:

PICK A PROJECT,
COMPLETE IT,
& GET EXTRA CREDIT TO
START THE YEAR STRONG!

Once you are done reading the book, please refer to the "Summer Project Options" to see which activities are open to you to complete. This summer assignment is **NOT MANDATORY**, but will earn you **EXTRA CREDIT** in your English class!

SUMMER PROJECT OPTIONS

These projects are intended to reflect the student's time spent with the book as they ruminate on the themes and central ideas of the story. Therefore, a certain level of quality and effort is expected when completing a project.

MAKE A...

Book
Cover

OR A...

MOVIE
POSTER

MAKE A
COMIC STRIP

Write a Letter
from one Character to
another Character in the
Book

See detailed project instructions in the [Summer Assignments handout](#) emailed to families on June 3. If you have any questions on summer assignments please reach out to Ms. Wright, Classical Education Instructional Coach, at twright@bfcsaz.com.

During the school year, 7th grade students will read the following books in their *Intro to Classical Literature* course:
*IMPORTANT: BE SURE TO GET THE CORRECT ISBN NUMBER!
Odyssey, Homer, Lombardo Translation (ISBN-13 978-0872204843)
Julius Caesar, William Shakespeare (ISBN-13: 0-7434-8274-3)
The Hobbit, JRR Tolkien (ISBN: 978-0-547-92822-7)
The Endless Steppe, Esther Hautzig (ISBN-13: 9780064405775)

SUMMER ATHLETICS AT THE HIGH SCHOOL



Register now for **Summer Strength Camp** taking place during the month of June. Coach Jefferies will be running speed, agility, and weight room sessions from June 6-June 30 for any BFHS student interested, whether you have played sports or not. Registrations are still being accepted (but you will not receive a T-shirt).

Junior High (7th-8th) camp options:

- Football & Weights, Mon. & Wed. from 8:30-10:00am (\$30)
- Weights Only, Tue. & Thur. from 9:00-10:00am (\$30)

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

CHARGERS WRESTLING OPEN MATS

1st Session

Tuesday, June 7, 14, 21, 28

Thursday, June 9, 16, 23, 30

4:30 PM - 6:00 PM

Saturday, June 11, 18 (Jamboree)

8:00 AM - 9:30 AM

Open Mat opportunities are for boys and girls interested in learning more about the sport. 1st - 12th grades are invited to participate. Open mats focus on building fundamentals, technique, mindset, and strategy for developing wrestlers.

**\$50.00
PER SESSION
\$100.00
FOR BOTH**

Bring wrestling shoes and running shoes. we will work in the wrestling room, gym, weight room and outside.

Please scan the QR code for the waiver. Fill it out and bring it to your first open mat.



Waiver Form

Sign up

Coach Payne:

(480) 268-0112

tpayne@bfcsaz.com



2nd Session

Tuesdays, July 5, 12, 26 & Thursdays, July 7, 28: 4:30-6pm

Saturdays, July 9, 30 (Jamboree): 8-9:30am

CHARGERS Girls Volleyball

JH PRE TRYOUT SKILLS CAMP

**JULY 25 - 28
2P - 3:30P**

\$60 PER PARTICIPANT
EVERY PLAYER WILL RECEIVE A T-SHIRT

INDIVIDUAL SKILLS, DEFENSIVE AND OFFENSIVE SYSTEMS

[EMAIL COACH MAGLUNOG FOR MORE INFORMATION: KBMAGLUNOG@GMAIL.COM](mailto:KBMAGLUNOG@GMAIL.COM)



BFHS Girls Basketball

Any 7th-12th grade female student-athletes enrolled at BFHS are welcome to attend summer basketball workouts. The schedule will be as follows:

Monday/Tuesdays/Thursday/Friday

Please let Coach Jay

Luce know if your

student-athlete will

be able to attend!

(jayduce@gmail.com)

5/31-6/3: 3:00pm-5:00pm

6/6-6/10: 1:00pm-3:00pm

6/13-6/17: 1:00pm-3:00pm

6/20-6/24: 2:00pm-4:00pm

6/27-7/1: 2:00pm-4:00pm

BFHS Boys Basketball Summer Camps

Available to all BFCS students 4-8th grade

Week 1: June 20th-23rd & Week 2: June 27th-30th

Please register/pay by Fri., June 3rd, 2022. **Registrations will be accepted after this date** but you will not receive a T-shirt.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

Pay online:

Lil Charger Basketball Camp One Week (\$75):

<https://square.link/u/pOfYCXFq>

Lil Charger Basketball Camp Both Weeks (\$130):

<https://square.link/u/OpUemSmk>

Please contact Coach Jonny Magnus, jmagmus@bfcsaz.com



BFHS Girls/Boys Soccer

Available to all BFCS students 7-12th grade

Indoor futsal will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays, June 7th- June 30th from 7:00pm-9:00pm in the gym at no cost. Coach Greksa will be holding open fields every Saturday beginning June 11th until July 23rd from 7:00pm-9:00pm. Cost for open fields will be \$3 per day.

Please contact Coach John Greksa,
coachgreksa@gmail.com

SUMMER ATHLETICS AT THE HIGH SCHOOL CONT'D

Join the Benjamin Franklin Cross Country Team!
2022-2023



Do you love to run?

Do you want to be in the best shape of your life and compete in races all over the Valley? How about making friends and fun memories?

Then join Benjamin Franklin Cross Country; we want YOU on our TEAM!
Open to grades 5th - 12th

Please join our Remind to receive updates on the upcoming season, and other important events!

For Junior High School information text the number:
81010
send the message:
@xcbfjh

What should you be doing before the program starts? Join our communication and start RUNNING!

Pre-season starts in July. Official season starts in August!

Will you be ready when the season starts??

Coach Valentine: Email: cvalentine@bfcsaz.com

or message through the Remind or Instagram: coachvalentine

**If you have any sport specific questions,
please reach out to our lovely coaches!**

Football: Coach Dave Jefferies, djefferies@bfcsaz.com

Boys/Girls Volleyball: Kris Maglunog,
kbmaglunog@bfcsaz.com

Boys Basketball: Jonny Magnus, jmagnus@bfcsaz.com

Girls Basketball: Jay Luce, jayduce@gmail.com

Boys Soccer: Brad Peterson, bpeterson@bfcsaz.com

Girls Soccer: John Greksa, coachgreksa@gmail.com

Wrestling: Tomasi Payne, tpayne@bfcsaz.com

Softball: Fadi Elias, fadielias73@gmail.com

Cheer: Callie Russell, cmccormack@bfcsaz.com

Pom: Melanie Ellis, mellis@bfcsaz.com

Golf: Doug Steele, dsteele@bfcsaz.com

Swim: Jeremy Burnett, jburnett@bfcsaz.com

Cross Country: Carri Valentine, cvalentine@bfcsaz.com

eSports: Marcus Byrd, mbyrd@bfcsaz.com

Don't forget!

CHARGER DAYS 2022

July 20th - 22nd

Open 8am-12pm & 2-6pm

July 20: Last names A-I

July 21: Last names J-Q

July 22: Last names R-Z



DURING CHARGER DAYS, STUDENTS AND/OR FAMILIES COME TO:

- Receive lunch information, bell schedule, 2022-2023 school calendar, & other important info
- Pay any Fees
- Receive temporary student ID cards
- Receive the reading list for the year (Books can be purchased from any retailer as long as they match the ISBN numbers on the list)
- Collect textbooks and/or BFHS readers; purchase or pay for their BFHS readers, parking passes, family sports passes, agendas, PE uniforms, calculator rental & class fees
- Confirm medical information with our school nurse
- Purchase school swag from the school Boosters

CONTACT US

Ms. Christina Dressel

JH Transition Coordinator, JH Advisor

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*Here to answer your questions about the transition from
6th to 7th grade, including classes & student life!*

Mrs. Sharon Turgeon

High School Registrar

sturgeon@bfcsaz.com

*Here to answer your questions about enrollment procedures,
documentation, scheduling a tour, & registration!*