



From the Principal

Dear Friends of BMHS:

It gives me great pride to share with you the many things we have to celebrate at Brien McMahon.

Red, White, & Blue Night was once again a most enjoyable evening—despite the temperature and the rain! The seniors won the field event competition and the juniors won the powder puff football game between the senior and junior girls. What impresses me most is how this night brings together students of different levels and backgrounds, and displays the true spirit of our school. A special note of appreciation is extended to staff, captains, class advisors, and The Parents' Club for coordinating the events and providing refreshments to this huge crowd of spirited students and staff.

The NJROTC cadets continue to represent BMHS well at school and community events. Their annual Military Ball was a big success and our cadets were praised by veterans for their contributions to Veteran's Day celebrations.

Fall sports teams had good seasons. Our student athletes' hard work was rewarded with a sense of pride when wearing our red, white, and blue uniforms during all competitions. Our students turned out in record numbers to cheer our teams to victory. The students at BMHS gave us many things to rejoice and celebrate.

The Guidance Department, in concert with the National Honor Society, is again hosting RANSACK (Relevant Academic Needed Support Aimed at College-bound Kids). The goal of RANSACK is to assist students in achieving their academic goals and maximizing their potential. Services include: assisting with organizational and time management strategies, offering a quiet space to study, and affording access to computers for research and project completion.

Counselors are available to assist students on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 6:45 a.m. to 7:15 a.m. and/or 2:30 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. Students will also have an opportunity to work with a tutor from the BMHS National Honor Society during the afternoon sessions. Students may choose to attend any combination of days or times.

On a serious note, I have two things that I need to share about cell phones and electronic devices. Unfortunately, there have been several thefts of these items. I am asking you to tell your students NOT to bring valuables to school. We do our best to investigate stolen items, however, we are rarely successful and our time is better spent supporting teaching and learning. In addition, the use of phones and electronic devices is distracting from your child's engagement at school.

The holiday season arrives in full force on December 20 with Brien McMahon High School's annual Poinsettia Concert. This year marks the return of last year's collage-style format, featuring lighting effects and musicians placed throughout the auditorium to create a captivating, festive performance. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. and will include a wide variety of musical styles to suit every taste. It is a wonderful evening filled with the magic of the holiday season.

My best wishes to you and your family for a safe and happy holiday and a prosperous new year.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Brown Koroshetz, Principal

Mark your Calendars:

December 26-Jan. 2 – No School –Holiday Recess

- January 3 - First Day of School 2012
- January 10 – Orientation for Parents of Rising Freshman 2012
- January 16 - NO SCHOOL- Dr. Martin Luther King Day**
- January 31 - AP Night in CGS CR – 6pm
- February 14 - Winter Concert
- February 17, 20, 21 NO SCHOOL – 3 Day Winter Recess**
- March 2 – Senior Fashion Show – Snow Date: March 3



“West Side Story”– Spring Musical

March 23, 24, 30, 31

All shows 8pm

March 23 - NO SCHOOL - Professional Day for Staff

April 4 – College Fair– 6:00-8:00 pm - Cafeteria

April 16-20 - NO SCHOOL- Spring Recess

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