

Boulder HighLights

Boulder High Parents' Newsletter

APRIL 2014 ~ NUMBER 7

FROM KEVIN BRANEY, PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Students, and Friends of Boulder High School,

I want to thank you for your support of TCAP testing completed in March. Our freshmen and sophomores applied themselves well and I'm proud to say that, with the support of PAC, our students, parents and staff, we were able to realize our goal of 95% participation. TCAP test results are one measure of student performance taken into consideration when we evaluate our program offerings, our strengths and the areas in which we need to improve. Thank you to PAC as well for the donation of snacks for our students.

March, April and May bring Advanced Placement exam registration and testing. This year we are expecting over 850 students to register for one or more AP exams. Last year we administered over 1,600 exams to over 800 students with 84% of the students earning a score of 3 or higher. I wish the best for all of our exam-takers this year. Good scores are opportunities to earn college credit – quite the achievement for high school students, and quite the college tuition savings for parents!

I want to thank our PAC members and volunteers who so generously give their time and talents to Boulder High. The students and staff are certainly the fortunate beneficiaries of this remarkable support. I am pleased to invite you to our Volunteer Tea on Thursday, April 24 at 3:30 in the library. I hope you can join us so I can thank you personally for all you do for students and staff.

Senior students and parents will soon be receiving a letter with graduation information. Please monitor our website for updated information regarding activities during the week leading up to graduation.

Jostens orders will be available for pick-up on April 15 during A and B Lunch. Senior finals will be the week of May 19 during the regularly scheduled class times. More information to follow after spring break.

I hope you have a wonderfully relaxing and enjoyable spring break. I look forward to an academically rewarding and fun conclusion to this school year and to seeing you on campus.

GO, PANTHERS!

Kevin Braney

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Dear Boulder High School Community and Staff,

After much deliberation, we have made the decision to not hire the Boulder High School Principal at this time. Unfortunately, we did not have a candidate who is the right fit for Boulder High School. This is a premiere high school requiring an experienced, creative, and collaborative instructional leader. To secure such a candidate we are postponing the selection until next year. We will designate a qualified Interim Principal for the 2014-15 school year in the next few weeks.

Sincerely,
Deirdre Pilch, Ed.D
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Concurrent Enrollment 2014-2015

Colorado law provides high school juniors and seniors the opportunity to enroll in college classes while still in high school. See your counselor if you have questions about the specific guidelines that must be met. Concurrent enrollment packets will be available in the Counseling Office after spring break.

Students planning on taking college classes while still in high school must apply for their College Opportunity Fund stipend.
Go to: <https://cof.college-assist.org> to apply

Important Dates!!!

April 23 – ACT Test

All juniors will take the ACT (no writing section) at Boulder High on April 23. Mandated by the state of Colorado, there is no cost to the student and no pre-registration is necessary.

May 5-16 – Advanced Placement Tests

The test schedule is available on the Counseling Department web pages under Testing.



2013-14 ACT/SAT/AP Test Dates & Registration Deadlines

ACT		SAT		AP
Test Date	Regular Registration	Test Dates	Regular Registration	Test Dates
June 14	May 9	May 3 June 7	April 4 May 9	May 5-16, 2014 Testing schedule is available on the Counseling website.
Register online at www.actstudent.org		Register online at www.collegeboard.com		
Note: For testing and college applications, the code for Boulder High School is 060-115.				

COUNSELORS' CORNER

Heads Up, Seniors:

Attention: Seniors Planning to Attend In-State Colleges!

It is time to register with the College Opportunity Fund to be sure you receive your tuition stipend in the fall! Registering is easy and it assures that you will get everything to which you are entitled as an in-state student. Please go to the website below (or search Colorado College Opportunity Fund) and take a few minutes to submit your information. Don't miss out!

<https://cof.college-assist.org/>

Awards & Scholarships

Our awards program will be Thursday, May 22, and if you have received an award or scholarship, we'd like you to be recognized! Please provide photocopied verification to Jonetta Roy in the Counseling Office.

Advanced Placement Diploma

AP Diploma applications are available in the Counseling Office. Applications are due to Ms. Sandford in the Counseling Office by Friday, May 2. See applications for specific qualification requirements.

Stay on Track!

Second semester is not a time for kicking back. Graduation and college acceptance may be at risk if you stop working!

Heads Up, Juniors:

Early Action/Decision & Military Academies

Now is the time to check for deadlines. Entrance tests (SAT/SATII/ACT) should be taken in the spring of your junior year. Check with your counselor about plans for early action/decision and military academies.

ACT @ BHS on April 23

All juniors will take the ACT (no writing section) at Boulder High on Tuesday, April 23 from 8:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Students should arrive by 7:50 a.m. with pencil, appropriate calculator (specific information to follow) and ID. The test is mandated by the state of Colorado. There is no cost to the student and no pre-registration is necessary.

What is Naviance??

Naviance is a web-based program for college-bound students. All students are introduced to Naviance in their freshman year and are given a password from their counselor. (Parents may also get a password from their child's counselor.) Naviance offers a personality/career assessment as well as a "learning styles" assessment. Students, counselors, and parents will use this program for college evaluation, selection, application tracking, and as a tool for letters of recommendation. For more information on Naviance, see the counseling department web pages on Boulder High's website.

Tripped Up: Dependence on Parents Leaves College Students Unprepared

By Thomas V. Chema, President of Hiram College

The overloaded SUVs, pickup trucks, and minivans are pulling up in front of our dorms at Hiram College. In my four years as president, I've seen more than a few U-Hauls filled to the brim with big-screen TVs, rolled-up rugs, and giant futons. One survey estimates the average freshman spends \$1,200 on necessities for his or her dorm room. All that new "stuff" our students bring to college doesn't bother me. It's the fact that so many of our academically well-prepared students aren't ready to cut the cord to mom and dad. And really, why should they?

Having their parents run interference has worked well for this generation. Many of today's kids are very comfortable with having dad call the coach to complain about playing time. Mom chats online with teachers and uses web-based grade books to keep daily tabs on academics. Because they are continually tracking and monitoring their children's whereabouts via cell phones, parents quickly solve any problems or scheduling glitches. Coming to the rescue is part of their job.

But what happens once the college search is over and the new extra-long sheets are on the dorm bed? As part of our three-day New Student Institute at Hiram, we intentionally scheduled family farewells for 3:00 p.m., Day One. In other words – Time for the folks to say goodbye and go home. Unfortunately, that's when our student life staff starts fielding calls. Even before the New Student Institute is over, parents are on the line asking what the college is going to do about their 18-year-old's roommate problems. Statistics show that 90 percent of first-year students arrive on campus having never shared a bedroom. These kids don't know how to live in close quarters with someone else, let alone deal with conflicts over TV channels, music choices, or when to shut off the lights.

But they do know that a cell phone call to mom will take care of it. And – even more alarming to me – when these students get their first critical comment from a professor or a grade lower than a B, their solution is to call home and have dad fix it. I feel sorry for the students and sorrier for their parents. Families are making a huge investment in a college education for their offspring, but not using that experience to prepare their children for the real world.

So what should our first-year students bring with them to college? Here's my wish list: A commitment to confront their own problems. Responsibility for the choices or decisions they make. An open mind and willingness to negotiate with others.

The stuff these young adults really need – responsibility and resiliency – is not for sale at Target or Bed, Bath, & Beyond. For 18- to 22-year olds, college is a time to begin to grow up. For parents, it's time to let them have that chance.

You Can Change a Child's Life

High school is the time when we help our kids prepare for college and the real world. High school students are studying calculus, chemistry and world history and are focused on their activities, sports, religion, community service, etc.

Unfortunately, money is among the lowest priorities in conversations between parents and their children; it ranks below talks about the importance of good manners and the benefits of good eating habits. Many parents are uncomfortable with teaching their kids about money management. In addition, most adults claim that they did not "shop" several financial institutions prior to opening an account. Convenience continues to be the number one reason consumers choose a financial institution, with better rates and lower fees being a very low priority. Regrettably, fees and higher financing rates erode savings over time.

We are fortunate that our school district embraces financial literacy, requiring students to take a personal finance class to graduate high school. While taking a class is a good start to expose students to the concepts and build a foundation, experts assert that gaining the hands-on experience is key. Using the classroom knowledge in real life before students graduate from high school can make all the difference in the world.

Most students attest that they already have a bank account and a debit card. However, most students and their parents don't realize that these free student accounts may impose larger minimum balance requirements or charge a monthly fee. In addition, many students are finding that their bank's branches and ATMs are not located near many out-of-state college campuses, leaving students to incur ATM fees or travel to less convenient locations.

The Panther Student Credit Union was incorporated into our school to help alleviate these issues and provide parents with peace-of-mind that their teens can gain the education and hands-on experience to better manage their money throughout life.

Boulder Valley Credit Union sponsors the student credit union which is located in our cafeteria. The student branch is open during lunch periods on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays to help students learn to make deposits and other transactions conveniently. Student members can also use any credit union branch and ATM in Boulder County and thousands nationwide (on or near most college campuses).

Ensure that your teen is on the right track to financial fitness with a financial institution known for value and convenient locations. Ask about joining incentives.

College Scholarships – Five graduating seniors will be awarded a college scholarship of \$2,000 each.

Application and information are available at the student branch, in the counseling office, at BVCU locations and online at www.bvcu.org/scholarship. **DEADLINE is April 11, 2014.** Call 303-415-3504 if you have any questions.

Steve Carr

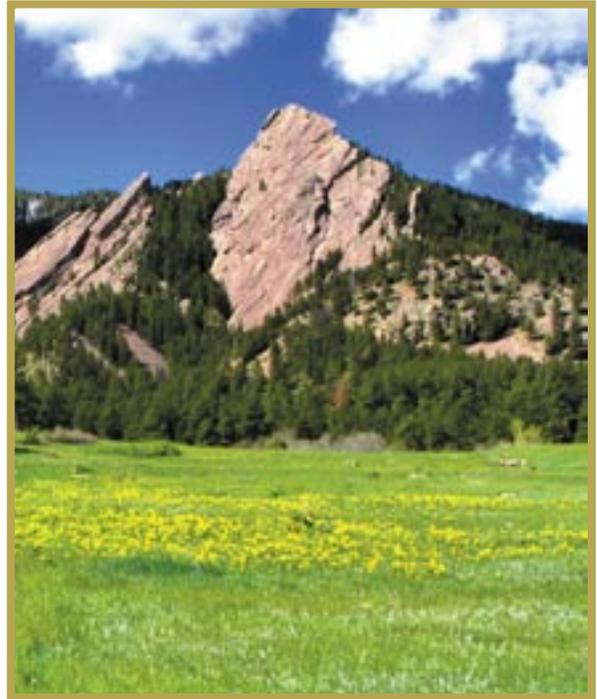
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STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Over the past few years Student Council has raised several thousand dollars for the Make-a-Wish Foundation in Colorado. This year we are sponsoring a single child's wish. Dylan is a three-year-old who is suffering from hypoplastic left heart syndrome, and his wish is to go to Disney World. Our goal this year is to raise \$7,500 to support his wish.

Over the past three years we have also hosted a Make-a-Wish Benefit, and this year we are making it bigger and better. On April 6th from 5 to 8pm at the Shine Restaurant and Gathering Place on 13th St just off the Pearl St Mall, we are hosting a silent auction, a live auction for larger items, and music from local musicians such as Face, an award-winning vocal rock band. Our silent auction has thousands of dollars' worth of incredible items, ranging from gift cards, a record player, and even a TWO-PERSON TRIP TO CANADA FOR A POLAR BEAR EXPEDITION! The event is free but donations are appreciated. Food will be provided. However, drinks will be an additional cost. Everyone is invited and we would love to have you join us!



CONTEST: US House of Representatives Student App Contest

Message from Colorado 2nd CD Representative Jared Polis:

I'm thrilled to announce that the House of Representatives Student App Contest went live earlier this month. The contest gives all high school students in participating congressional districts the opportunity to create and exhibit their own software application, or "app," for mobile, tablet, or computer devices on a platform of their choice.

Our Second Congressional District has long enjoyed a reputation for ingenuity and technological innovation, and I can't wait to see what our high school students come up with. I hope you will encourage the students in your community to participate – whether they are your children, your students, or your neighbors. A list of resources to help students get started, complete with links to online coding tutorials and app development kits, is available on my website. Participating students will also have the opportunity to work with science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) education partners located in our district.

There is still plenty of time to participate. The deadline for submissions is 9:59 p.m. Mountain Daylight Time on April 30, 2014. To enter, students must register with the House of Representatives at <http://housestudentapps.challengepost.com> and then register with me at <http://studentappchallenge.house.gov>.

For more information about the contest, including details about how the apps will be judged, please visit the House App Contest page on my website. And please don't hesitate to reach out to me and my staff if you have any questions. If you need help registering or are looking for resources to help you get started, you can call Mara Brody-Wiwchar in my Fort Collins Office at (970) 226-1239.

Thanks for your time, and I couldn't be more excited to see what ideas the students of our district are waiting to put into action.

MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Model United Nations spent an exciting, debate-filled weekend at the University of California – Berkeley national conference this March from the 6th to the 9th. We sent 18 Boulder High students this year along with our two teacher sponsors and a parent chaperone to see the sights and debate topics on an imaginative range of current and past world issues.

Yunyu Lin
Jack Daly
Audrey Lieb
Hunter Schoech
Samuel Alipour-Fard
Kevin Winseck

John Harrington
Katherine Millman
Bailee Mulholland
Clay Graubard
Emilia Van Buskirk
Jax Gordon

Arnoldo Chavez
Fiona Young
Colton Stevens
Gaige Williams
Brenn Anderson-Gregson
Vamshi Arugonda

Our team was fortunate enough to stay at the beautiful Rose Garden Inn in Berkeley, a converted historic mansion situated just a half-mile from the university campus where the conference was held. After arriving on Thursday night, the team spent Friday morning before the first council session just off Fisherman’s Wharf on the island of Alcatraz, perhaps one of the most infamous prisons in the world. There, they enjoyed the award-winning self-guided tour before taking the ferry back to the mainland and heading back to the Berkeley campus for the first council session of the conference.

This year our team represented Uruguay and the Republic of the Congo in large General Assembly councils of up to 140 states, debating the social, military, humanitarian, and political issues of Africa, the Caribbean, North Korea, Egypt, and more. At the intermediate level, Boulder High represented the Republic of the Congo and Uruguay as well as Bahrain and, in the U.S. Senate Committee, Republican Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and Democratic Senator Chris Murphy. In a Syrian Government Cabinet, a team member portrayed the Chief of Political Security while navigating the complex politics and sudden disasters of this special crisis council. All of our team members had a blast at this year’s intense, exciting national conference.

With the Berkeley conference over, the team is turning all of its energies towards our last conference of the year at the University of Denver in late April. We expect to see inventive topics and clever debate at what is considered one of the most prestigious conferences of the year. The Model UN team meets every Wednesday during A and B lunch in room 2206; new members are welcome to join at any point during the year regardless of whether they have had any previous experience, so we hope to see more students than ever joining us for the finale of the Model UN season!

United Nations Association of Boulder County

Geopolitics Discussion Group

Topic: Representing Foreign Countries at Model UN Conferences

Resource person: Bryce Anderson-Gregson, Secretary-General of Boulder High School’s MUN Club.

Time: Thursday, March 27th, 2014, 1–3pm

Where: Arapahoe Conference Room (2nd floor), Boulder Public Library, 1001 Arapahoe Ave.

All are welcome! More information about UNA-Boulder County at www.unaboulder.org

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PARENTS ASSOCIATION

IMPA Meeting:

Thursday, May 1st, 6:30 pm, Cantina Laredo at 29th Street, www.cantinalaredo.com. All parents welcome and encouraged to attend! Please join us to catch up on all the exciting happenings in our Boulder High Instrumental Music Program. Food is available for purchase, on separate checks, so enjoy dinner and a meeting in a quiet, private meeting room.

Concert with Norwegian students:

Join us for a joint concert with our Boulder Jazz kids and the visiting Norwegians on Sunday, May 4th at 5 pm at eTown Hall in downtown Boulder. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and available in advance on eTown's website or box office and at the door the night of the concert.

Music Awards Banquet:

Mark your calendars for the Instrumental and Choir Music Awards Ceremony scheduled for Tuesday, May 20 at 5:30 in the BHS Courtyard.

Get Involved!

Visit the IMPA website: <http://impa-bhs.org> to learn more about student and parent volunteer opportunities and to get up-to-date information on IMPA meetings, workshops & deadlines.

Grocery Card Program now benefits

Instrumental Music! Reloadable King Soopers, Safeway & Lucky's Markets Grocery cards are available at all concerts or by contacting Tamara Winter at boulderimpa@gmail.com. Help IMPA earn 5-7% on all purchases at no cost – together we can generate over \$5,000 per year for Boulder High's Music Program. (This program is independent from the other BHS grocery card program which channels money through MADDC.)

BHS Spring Concerts:

All concerts will start at 7:00 pm. BHS consistently has some of the best musicians in the state. Join us and be thoroughly amazed!

- Tuesday, May 6 – Band Concert
- Friday, May 9 – Orchestra Concert
- Tuesday, May 13 – Choir Concert
- Thursday, May 15 – Jazz Concert



We have several additional events coming up during May concerts where we need both student and parent help. Students will earn \$25 toward their student accounts. Please have your musician sign up for only one event so that we may allow as many students as possible to take advantage of this. Please visit the IMPA website or <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0A4DA4A723AA8-bhsinstrumental> to sign up!

Volunteers needed for upcoming music competitions and other music events:

- Wed, April 9 - Orchestra 3 parent needed to rent and drive equipment truck to Fort Collins
- Mon, April 14 - Two Symphony parents needed to ride/drive plus one parent to rent and drive equipment truck to Longmont
- Thurs, April 17 - Two Chamber parents needed to ride/drive plus one parent to rent and drive equipment truck to Denver

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Dr. Mason at kip.mason@bvdsd.org

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

Visual Arts

Congratulations to these Boulder High student artists:

- Four students had their work chosen to hang at the Denver Art Museum. Will Beach, Zach Baumann, Langley Rick and Zoe Plait have pieces on display until April 6th.
- The Studio Arts class designed posters for the Women's Wilderness Institute's annual "Gear & Cheer" event. Zoe Cobble and Kate Daley tied for first place. Shari Leach awarded each of them \$100 and tickets to the April 17th event. Check out the link for this women's empowerment organization: <https://www.womenswilderness.org>.
- Emma Wernsdorfer's sticker design was chosen by the Youth Opportunities Advisory Board (YOAB) to be printed and distributed all around Boulder and Boulder High during "Love your Body" week.

Teachers and students participated in an after-school workshop: "If you could give your heart away" - making carved and decorated clay hearts to give away for Valentine's Day.

The Boulder High Arts Focus Pathway program has grown to 242 student participants in its inaugural year! This is fantastic news as we continue to grow this program.

Boulder High School's Visual Art Department and Virginia Schick were featured in the March issue of Boulder Lifestyle magazine. The article (page 32) speaks about the excellent K-12 visual art programs in Boulder Valley Schools. Check out the link: <http://issuu.com/lifestylepubs/docs/blmarch2014finalnr/33?e=10131829/6889472>

Art teachers Kate Villarreal and Virginia Schick helped organize and attended, along with Dave Blessing, the "5th Annual BVSD Arts Education Conference: Artists as Viewers" on March 1st. The day-long art focus in Denver was a grand tour of six Denver art museums. The teachers engaged in activities at each of the museums during the day as well as collaborated with other district and out-of-district art educators.



Emma Wernsdorfer's sticker design ... soon to be displayed all over Boulder.

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS



Kate Daley and her award-winning *Gear and Cheer* poster.



Zoe Cobble and her award-winning *Gear and Cheer* poster.



Theater Dept Presents: *Weird Romance*

Weird Romance, which debuted in 1992, is actually two one-act musicals under a main title. *The Girl Who Was Plugged In* and *Her Pilgrim Soul* are both science fiction stories that deal with love, reincarnation, and memory. The stories, by the composer Alan Menken of *Little Shop of Horrors* and the Disney films *Aladdin*, *Beauty and the Beast*, and *The Little Mermaid*, deal with cloning, mind-transference, holography, and high-tech reincarnation. They are fascinating and deeply poignant without ever getting heavy or self-important. Great music and storylines performed by Boulder High's superb cast will leave you singing your way home.

Show times are April 10-12 and 17-19 at 7:00 in the Boulder HS auditorium. Go to boulderhightheater.org for more information.



“You really can Make A Difference to the Boulder High School community!”



MADC Wish List Spring 2014

Each semester Boulder High School teachers and staff submit to the Make A Difference coordinator a “Wish List” of educational materials, scholarships and programs that require additional funding beyond what is provided by the District. In late September and early February, we use online communication through eNews and *HighLights* to provide links to make a donation by credit card through the PayPal link located on the Make a Difference page of the BHS website or to print a donation form and pay by check.

Make A Difference is the BHS community's opportunity to make a direct contribution to a specific teacher or program that will enrich the quality of education for all BHS students!

100% of your donation will directly benefit both students and teachers at Boulder High School! These funds are raised under the auspices of the Boulder High School Parent Advisory Council (a 501c3 organization), and your donation is tax deductible.

We normally receive about \$40,000 in requests each semester and will need support from as many BHS families as possible in order to fund this semester's requested items and programs. No donation is too small as donations will be combined toward the purchase of “Wish List” requests.

Please consider a gift to enhance the educational experience of all our students! Thank you!

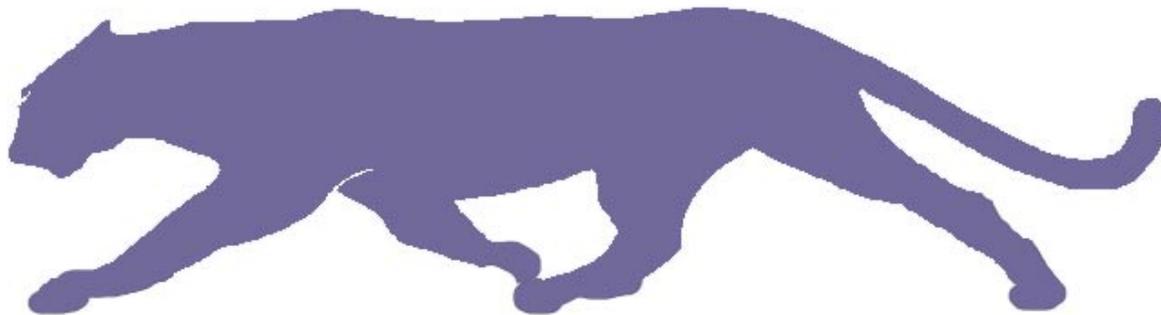
If you have questions, contact Lisa Lesniak at lisa@lesniak.com.

To donate or see the Wish List, go to this link:

<https://sites.google.com/a/bvbsd.org/boulderhigh/home/make-a-difference>

To mail a donation, please send a check payable to MADC Wish List to Ricki Hetherington, BHS, 1604 Arapahoe Avenue, Boulder, CO 80302.

Thank you!!!



Dear Boulder High Parents and Guardians:

Thank you to those who have already donated to the spring MADC Wish List! As most of you know, each semester a "Make a Difference Wish List" is gathered from BHS teachers and staff, listing items that enhance the classroom and school experience but which are not obtainable with the budget provided by BVSD.

Below are samplings of items added to the class from MADC funds and items requested this semester:

Added to classrooms with your contributions:

- * iPad Mini
- * Science Speaker
- * Chromebooks
- * SMART Boards
- * Powersync Cart for Apple products
- * Sets of Novels
- * Noise-canceling headphones
- * Reading Software

Requested this spring semester:

- * GoPro Camera and Tripod
- * Laptop for mobile lab
- * SMART Boards
- * Novels for classrooms
- * iPads
- * Force Plates
- * Links to Data Collectors (science)
- * Headphones for library use
- * Canon Laser Printer
- * Electrostatic Equipment

If you haven't done so already, please support Make a Difference Club Wish List. See the flyer in this issue of *HighLights* for details.

Thank you!

Lisa Lesniak, lisaesniak@q.com, MADC Wish List Coordinator
Carolyn Colman and Carla Graubard, PAC Co-chairs



See what Boulder High teachers have to say about their MADC Wish List grants and then please contribute:

I cannot tell you how big of a difference this grant program has made in our classrooms in the Social Studies department! Not only do we use the money to buy wonderful resources that help us bring history to life for the students, but we have also been able to install Smart Boards in our classrooms. Moving forward with advanced technology in our classrooms directly connects to our school goals to create 21st Century students, and it has provided the teachers the opportunity to keep “up with the times” and use technology more in the classroom.

Thank you!
Kristen Lewis

I used my grant from Make A Difference to purchase a class set of a New York Times magazine called Upfront. This magazine mixes current events, ethical questions, and history in an engaging format that is geared towards high school students. We read Upfront after each assessment, and my students look forward to the opportunity to read this publication.

Markham Carr
World History teacher

I have been using my Make A Difference Funds to purchase an audio magazine for AP Spanish Language students. Magazines of this type are always very expensive, and without the funds from Make A Difference, I never would have been able to purchase them. They are used extensively in our Spanish 5 classes to prepare students for their AP exam.

Thanks again!
Carol Espinoza
World Languages

AVID is a program for students who are academically in the middle and focuses on giving students skills to be successful both in high school and also to apply and be successful in college. I received \$500 from PAC for the AVID program specifically for transportation for field trips to local colleges, college fairs and the annual AVID ski trip. There are 120 students in the BHS AVID (Advancement Visa Individual Determination) program grades 9-12.

Thanks!
Jennifer Douglas-Larsson
AVID Co-coordinator

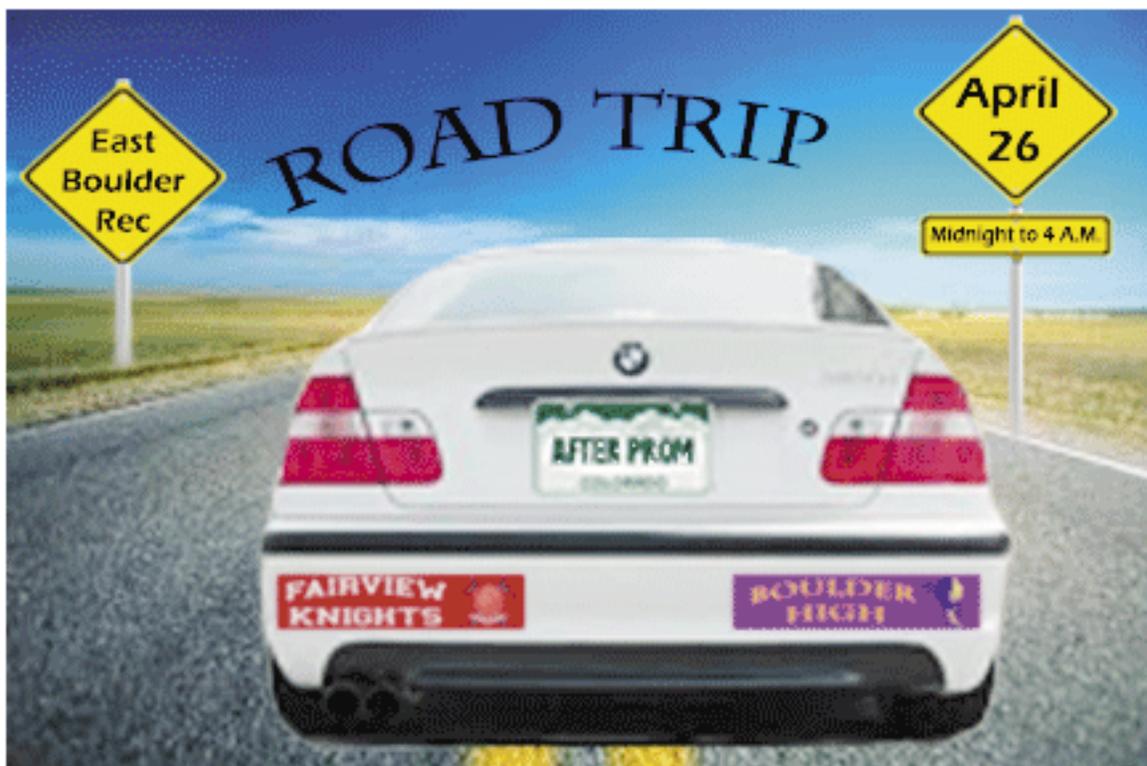
Grocery Certificates: Through the Make A Difference Club (MADC), BHS PAC raises money for BHS faculty through the sale of \$10 reloadable grocery cards from Safeway, King Soopers and \$5 cards from Lucky’s Market. Simply reload the card at the checkout stands of these stores. Every time you reload, MADC receives 5% of your reload amount from King Soopers and Safeway and 7% from Lucky’s. Last year, we raised over \$14,000! To obtain a card, contact Lisa Lesniak at grocery.cert.ljl@gmail.com.





After Prom '14 What You Need to Know

- Thank you to everyone who supported the Smashburger fundraiser last month. What a delicious way to raise money for AP14!
- The decorating committee is seeking donations for extra-large stuffed animals to be used as hiding places in the Laser Tag room.
- If you have a Facebook page, please "like" the After Prom Boulder/Fairview event page. And when information is posted, please "share" it on your personal page.
- After Prom tickets go on sale at BHS one week before After Prom. The advance price is 2 tickets for \$15. At the door the price is \$10 per person. All students purchasing tickets in advance will receive a purple cell phone pocket with "After Prom" printed in black.
- Our After Prom organization is part of a national non-profit organization and as such we are obligated to follow their guidelines. We are in jeopardy of losing our contract if we cannot get enough volunteers to help. This is especially true for 2015 and 2016.
- Please sign up to volunteer this year at www.SignUpGenius.com/go/9040D4DA4AC2C7-fairview/8348517
- If you have questions or need more information, contact Sheri Price at sheri_don_price@hotmail.com, 303.862.7906 (h), 303.653.6916 or Julie Williams at coloradowms@bellsouth.com, 303.440.3675



Request for Senior Baby Pictures or “Memory Poster”

NOTE: The “Memory Poster” is optional.

On March 17th you can start submitting Senior 2014 baby pictures (purple bin in Main Office) to be displayed at the 2014 After Prom event at the East Boulder Rec Center. Please use a copy of the baby picture and have your student’s name on the back for identification purposes. If submitting a picture with multiple children in the photo, please list all names on the back.

If you choose to create a “Memory Poster” instead, here are the guidelines to follow:

- One poster per student
- Poster may be no larger than 14” x 22” (horizontal or vertical). One poster board cut in half is the perfect size. In fairness to all students, please adhere to the size requirement.
- Posters will be hung by tape so please use lightweight poster board.
- Please list student’s name and high school. Fairview students will also have posters at After Prom.
- Your name and phone number on the back ensure that your poster will be returned to you.
- All posters can be laminated (optional) to protect pictures and items on your poster.

“Memory Poster” = Get creative! Use flat stickers, letters (not raised), captions, and other creative ideas that you come up with. We suggest using COPIES of your favorite photos. You may also display your student’s future plans, such as the logo of the college he/she is planning on attending. Heavy attachments are discouraged.

Your local craft stores have lots of great ideas for making this a special keepsake of your senior’s growth through the years. Remember to keep items flat to laminate (Kinko’s stores can do laminating). Don’t wait until the last minute, start your poster today.

Poster Drop-Off: Starting March 18th, BHS Main Office
Have Questions? email Julie at ColoradoWms@bellsouth.net

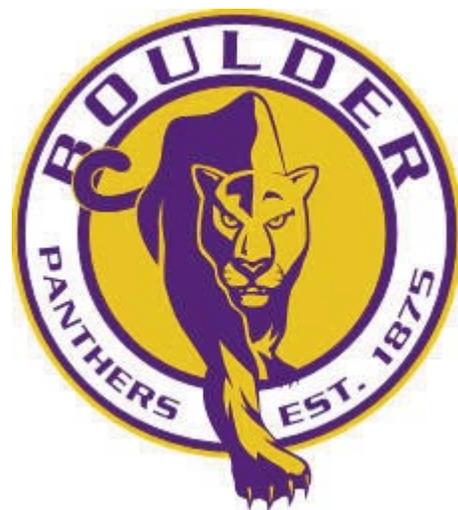
PANTHER CLUB

Panther Club is a group of concerned parents and business and community leaders who have come together to support Boulder High’s CHSAA athletic teams. We are THE booster club for athletes and athletics at Boulder High School.

Panther Club was in high gear the last several months preparing for the March 14th Gala. This was our first-ever all-sports fundraiser with a special focus on community involvement. Our success will be reported in the May HighLights issue.

Another funding source is spirit gear sales for students and adults. Gear was sold at the recent counselor-sponsored Course Selection evening for incoming freshmen. And the new spring ’14 gear was sold at the March parent-teacher conferences. Gear sales will resume when school starts in August.

Panther Club accepts Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express for spirit gear, commemorative Pavers and memberships. Come check us out at <http://www.bhspantherclub.org> and**GO, PANTHERS!**



Help Wanted

HighLights Co-Editor for 2014-15

After 3 enjoyable years the *HighLights* copy editor is retiring, and PAC is looking for a new co-editor. The main duties of the copy editor are to collect articles and photos from BHS staff and organizations, edit them (if needed) for clarity and work with the layout editor to produce 9 issues a year.

Useful characteristics of a copy editor include being organized, having an eye for detail and a basic knowledge of grammar, and being dependable. The current copy editor is happy to share her organization ideas and provide training.

The copy editor job is a great volunteer job for someone who wants to help Boulder High but might not find it so easy to go to Boulder High during school hours or for special events. You can do the job from home on your computer while wearing your pajamas!

If you think you'd be interested, contact either Susan Davis Churches at churches@indra.com or Celeste Landry at boh.highlights@bvsd.org for more information.

ATTENTION, SENIOR CLASS PARENTS & GUARDIANS!

Senior Class BBQ

Friday, May 23, the day before Commencement. The Senior BBQ is a long standing tradition for Boulder High Seniors. This event is for BHS students, teachers, and staff only, and is funded by parent/guardian donations with a contribution from PAC. It is executed by parent/guardian volunteers. If you have not already done so, please make a donation on the BHS website to support this event by clicking on "Online Payments" on the lower right-hand side of the home page. Then click on "School Donation Opportunities", then "Financial Help/Donations" and you will see the Senior BBQ option. We are also putting together our volunteer list for the various committees that are in need of helpers. If you're interested, please contact the co-chairs Jonathan and Leah Kahn at Lkahn@hayneco.com. Thank you in advance for your support of our 2014 graduates!

Congratulations to

BHS senior Joshua Munding who will represent Colorado as part of the A1 Double Black team at the 2014 ARML (American Regions Mathematics League <http://www.arml.com>) competition! The national contest will take place May 30 to June 1, 2014 at the University of Nevada at Las Vegas.

BHS sophomore Leigha Amick who placed in the top 10% at the Open Round of the NACLO (North American Computational Linguistics Olympiad) on January 30. The contest attracted 1625 participants in the US and Canada. Leigha is also an alternate to the national ARML competition.

Japanese Students Need Host Families!



- Families who would welcome an international experience this summer are needed in your community NOW!
- Learn about Japan and the Japanese culture! Develop lifetime friendships!
- Host a Japanese Girl (ages 13 –17 years of age) for 3 weeks in your home this summer.
- An excellent opportunity to introduce your family to a great, new experience you won't forget!

July 13 thru August 02, 2014

Approx. 25-30 High School girls (14-17 years old) come to our community from a private school in Japan to learn about our customs and culture by staying with families in your area.

This summer program has been returning to this area for 35 years!

During their stay, the students are involved in a program of classes and field trips weekdays near the C.U. Campus.

**For more information call:
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**Commemorating Zonta Rose Day and
International Woman's Day
Zonta Foothills Club of Boulder County
honors our
2014**

Woman of Achievement

Michelle Carpenter

dedicated Boulder High School teacher and community leader

To commemorate Zonta Rose Day and International Woman's Day, Zonta Foothills Club of Boulder County is honored to announce their 2014 Woman of Achievement, Michelle Carpenter, a dedicated Boulder High School teacher and community leader. "She exemplifies all that Zonta and Zonta EducateZ stand for," says Pam Malzbender, Zonta EducateZ Co-chair. "Her tireless support of at-risk girls has changed lives in ways that are immeasurable." As the advisor to the Zonta Foothills Club's first Z Club, Michelle has been an inspiration to us all. "She is determined to make a difference in the lives of her students and has the vision of seeing the potential in each one. We are very lucky to have someone like her as their teacher in the Boulder Valley Schools," says Marta Lindrose Zonta EducateZ Co-chair.



Michelle Carpenter (4th from left) celebrating with colleagues (L to R) Jennifer Speakman, Kate Villarreal, Virginia Schick, and Leticia de Lozano



CALENDAR

For a full listing of events, go to the BHS website (<http://schools.bvsd.org/boulderhigh/calendar.aspx>).

APRIL

- 6 Student Council's Make-a-Wish Benefit, Shine Restaurant, 5-8pm
- 7 National Honor Society Induction, 7pm, BVSD Ed Center
Athletics and Activities Night for incoming freshmen, 7pm
- 9-10 Conference on World Affairs panels at Boulder High
- 10-12, 17-19 BHS musical *Weird Romance*, 7pm, BHS auditorium
- 14 Passover starts
- 18-21 **NO SCHOOL**
- 20 Easter
- 22 Earth Day and BVSD Bike to School Day
- 23 ACT test for 11th graders – take calculator (Special Schedule)
- 24 Take Your Kid to Work Day
Tea for BHS Volunteers, 3:30pm
- 25 Assembly – Don't Drink and Drive (Special Schedule)
- 26 Prom
- 30 Senior Panoramic Photo, 8am
PAC Meeting, 6:00pm, BHS library

MAY

- 5-16 AP testing
- 6 Band Concert, 7pm, BHS auditorium
- 9 Orchestra Concert, 7pm, BHS auditorium
- 13 Choir Concert, 7pm, BHS courtyard
- 15 Jazz Concert, 7pm, BHS courtyard
- 16 Freshmen Ice Cream Social, BHS lunch periods
Color Dance hosted by Student Council
- 20 Torch Assembly (Special Schedule)
Music Awards Banquet, 5:30pm, BHS courtyard
- 20-22 Seniors take final exams
- 22 Awards Ceremony, BHS auditorium, 7pm
- 23 Senior BBQ, 11 am
- 24 2014 Commencement, Recht Field, 8:30am
- 26 **NO SCHOOL** – Memorial Day
- 27-30 Final exams
- 31 **NO SCHOOL** – Summer vacation starts for students.



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