The BARON Bulletin

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Week of January 27, 2020

This Week at B-CC (all announcements hyperlinked)

- Our schoolwide fundraiser starts soon! If you or anyone would like to donate to B-CC's Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's fundraiser page, click on this link.
- Interested in playing sports this spring? The online registration portal opens on January 29. Check the <u>B-CC Athletics website</u> or <u>email the Athletic Director</u> for more details.
- MCPS is providing a free ACT or SAT to all 11th graders. Refer to the B-CC website for important testing information.
- Students considering the IB Diploma Programme should schedule a meeting with Ms. Dean or join the Google Classroom (code: wa2y83).
- Not feeling well? Have a cold or fever? Check out this important information from the school nurse to decide if you should stay home.
- All students are reminded that TAP offers free afterschool academic help in English, Science, Social Studies, and Math every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

Important Dates to Know

- Monday, 1/27 Professional Day for Teachers (No School for Students) Possible Instructional Day to Make Up for Emergency Closure
- Tuesday, 1/28 First Day of Second Semester
- Saturday, 2/1 SGA Sponsored Out of This World Dance – 7:30 p.m. (Advanced Ticket Purchase Required)
- Tuesday, 2/4 Report Cards Distributed
- Monday, 2/17 Presidents' Day All MCPS Schools & Offices Closed
- Friday, 2/28 Early Release Day
 Students dismissed at noon

Dr. Mooney's Message

Vaping is a concern that surfaces frequently in my conversations with students, parents, and community members. Vaping, in general, is a serious issue that led to the US Department of Health and Human Services declaring it a public health emergency in April 2019. While I would like to say that B-CC students are not a part of this problem, we have discovered students vaping at various points during the year.

One of the first steps we are taking to address concerns about vaping is to educate students and parents. As an initial step, these are some of the "things to look for" when you are concerned about vaping:

- Unusual hand movement or palming
- Sweet smells that cannot be explained
- Clouds of vapor or steam
- Holes in backpacks (used to blow vapor inside)
- Odd reaction to loss of or request to inspect USB-type devices

In addition, MCPS will host an Anti-Vaping Symposium on March 28, 2020 and has launched an anti-vaping PSA contest. More details can be found at this <u>site</u>.



Did You Know?

The Greensboro Sit-ins began on February 1, 1960 and eventually led to the Woolworth department store chain revoking its racial segregation policies.

Important Counseling Updates

Spring Semester classes begin on Tuesday, January 28, 2020. Students will receive their schedules during homeroom at 7:45 a.m.

Questions about schedules can be addressed by emailing individual counselors or completing the Message for Your Counselor form linked below.



Students are also reminded that the electives fair will be held during lunch on Thursday, January 30, 2020.

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