



Bear Valley International

Family Newsletter

January 9th-13th

Weekly Happenings:

- **Thursday, January 12th**
 - 2:30-3:30 - Tardy Study Hall
- **Friday, January 13th**
 - Happy Friday
 - 8th grade Monthly Awards
- **Monday, January 16th**
 - No School, MLK Holiday

From Principal Klava

Greetings BVIS Community,

I would like to welcome everyone back to 2nd semester and a very strong start for BVIS. I would like to introduce myself as the new Interim Principal for BVIS. I started just after Thanksgiving and am very excited to be with your students for the remainder of the year.

The principal selection process will begin in the next few weeks. The PAC/CSC will work together with Hillary Niebauer, Director of Middle Schools, to determine a candidate profile, hold interviews and recommend candidates to the superintendent. The community will have an opportunity to review final candidates through virtual presentations and provide feedback to the PAC/CSC before finalists are moved forward. The process will run over the next few months, we will provide more information as it becomes available.

I appreciate the kindness and support that I have felt from the BVIS community. As a retired principal, I recognize how hard the shifts in leadership can be for students, families and staff. Please reach out if you need anything.

Thank you,
Teresa Klava
Interim Principal

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Interim Principal- Teresa Klava

Attendance-

*In order for your student to be excused, you must call the main number 720-423-9600 and leave a detailed message on the attendance line. Or email us at bvoffice@dpsk12.org
Thank you!*

Upcoming Events

JANUARY

Jan 16- MLK Day NO SCHOOL
Jan 23-27- Access Testing
Jan 24- BFA Mtg/Kennedy V TJ Basketball game
Jan 26-BVIS PAC/CSC Mtg

FEBRUARY

Feb 20-President's Day NO SCHOOL
Feb 21-PD Day, No Students

MARCH

Mar 9-End of Quarter
Mar 10-BVIS PD Day, No Students
Mar 27-31- Spring Break

APRIL

Apr 3- PD Day, No Students
April 17-21- CMAS Early Release

MAY

May 8- BVIS PD, No Students
May 26- Last Day Students

Important Announcements

Tardy Study Hall (Every Tuesday and Thursday 2:30-3:30)

We believe that EVERY MINUTE OF INSTRUCTION MATTERS; therefore, it is imperative that our students arrive on time to every class.

Starting on Monday 1/9/23 we will be implementing the below tardy policy to ensure our scholars are maximizing learning time and building the time management skills that will carry onto their time outside school.

Our current bell schedule has a 3 minute passing period to allow ample time for scholars to move class-to-class. If a scholar is late to more than 3 classes in a day they will need to stay from 2:30-3:30 to make-up for missed instructional time. This hour will also be used to help talk with each scholar to build additional skills to help build good time management skills going forward. If your child has earned this reflection time you will receive a call/email and text alerting you to the day they will stay late.

- If a scholar is tardy 3+ times on a Thursday, Friday or Monday they stay late on Tuesday
- If a scholar is tardy 3+ times on a Tuesday or Wednesday they stay late on Thursday.

Please note : Morning tardies to period 1 are NOT counted in this policy. However, Scholars are expected to be in their Learning Community classroom by 7:30am. If you find yourself dropping off your child right at 7:30 am please start leaving home 5-10 minutes earlier to ensure they are not missing out on this important social and emotional instructional time.

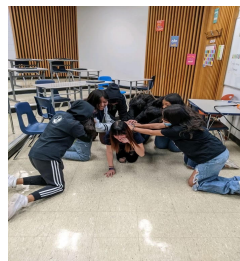
Weekly Spotlight!

Colorado Uplift is in the House!!

Colorado Uplift is a nonprofit organization, teaching character education and leadership in partnership with Denver public schools. Our staff was excited to join the Bear Valley International team in the Fall of 2021. The mission of Colorado UpLift is to build long-term, life-changing relationships with urban youth. We fulfill this mission by supporting students In-School and After-school. We are currently teaching an elective course of 8th grade scholars during period 4. Our South team serves Sabin Elementary, BVIS middle school, and Kennedy high school students.



Our team staff includes David Ubaldo, Elsy Martinez, Sirena



From the Nurse

Does your child need dental (oral) care?

If you do NOT have insurance (private, CHP or Medicaid) AND your child is a current DPS student who qualifies for free and reduced lunch, please contact Carmen Rivera 720-610-0413 to apply for pediatric (children's) dental care through Denver Public Schools.

Attn 8th Grade families- During LC on Monday mornings, 8th graders will be sending an email to their families that includes their current grades. This will support them in building email skills as well as give them a dedicated time to look at their grades and complete missing assignments. Please help us hold your student accountable and take some time to read this email each week. If you do not have a current or updated email on file, please contact the main office. We are looking forward to this family partnership! Kelsey Alley

Rodriguez, Bo Perez, Jacob Valdez and Bernadette Torrez.

Please say "hi" if you see us in the hall. We would love to meet you!

Student Shout Outs!!

- ★ 6th Grade- Auriah Montez- She showed others respect when they did not show her respect.
- ★ 7th Grade- Grace Ervin- Grace is such a positive and friendly person. She knows how to balance having fun with working hard. But more importantly to me is that she has shown herself to be a very thoughtful and kind person to so many people in the building. I really appreciate having her in class and in our school.
- ★ 7th Grade- Diego Ortellano- Returned to class ready to work.
- ★ 7th Grade- Alex Knaub- He is goes out of his way to be kind and thoughtful to lunch bunch buddies

Resources and Information from DPS

Youth Violence Prevention Through Art Program.

Wednesday Open Art Classes

Southwest Denver Coalition, BuCu West, & Art Students League of Denver are happy to announce Youth Violence Prevention Through Art ~ Open Art Classes are back in 2023!

We are hosting the Youth Violence Prevention Through Art Open Art Kickoff where youth can come and check out our class before the first 12-week session starts on January 11th. Join us on Saturday, January 7th 12:00pm – 2:00pm at the Paloma Villa Community Room [4200 Morrison Rd](#) Unit 5 Denver 80219. Our instructors & local artists, Mark Romero and Felipe Dominguez, will be offering a preview of what the first session will cover. Lunch and snacks will be provided for youth.

Our first session of classes will run from January 11th - March 29th on Wednesday evening's from 5:00pm – 7:00pm. We are expanding our Graffiti Art & Street Art class, and instructors will incorporate sketching, watercolor, and canvas painting. Youth will learn techniques from Letter Structure, Color Theory, Background & Scenery and more. Classes are for ages 5 to 18 years old. Youth under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult but all parent's welcome to attend the class with their children Supplies: In class supplies are provided but youth are welcome to bring their own.

Dinner and Snacks Provided for youth!

To register contact: Kasandra or Rosemary (en español) at 720-675-8313. You can also register by scanning the QR Code. or visiting the link below:

<https://forms.gle/vGdb7omXa9EQjXm49>

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