Bethlehem Christian School

SUMMER NEWSLETTER

2025

Be More Courageous

"Have I not commanded you<mark>?</mark> Be strong and courageous.

Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God

will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

IMPORTANT DATES

September 2...ORIENTATION

Preschool/PreK 10:00-11:00 am

Lower Campus (K-4th Grade) 9:00-9:30 am New Family Orientation in the sanctuary Classroom Session #1 9:40-10:10 am #2 10:20-10:50 am

Upper Campus (5th & 6th Grade)
12:00-12:30 Family Orientation in the Youth Room
12:30-1:00 5th Grade Orientation in Room 207
12:30-1:00 6th Grade Orientation in Room 206

Upper Campus (7th-12th Grade) 1:00-2:30 pm in the sanctuary & gym

Please make it a priority to attend the appropriate session with your student.

September 3...FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday 8:00-2:00 Wednesday 8:00-2:00 Thursday 8:00-12:00

Normal office hours resume August 25.

Offices may be closed for meetings. It's best to call before coming.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

To see the list of supplies needed for each grade level, simply log into <u>TeacherLists.com</u>

Do your search by campus zipcode: (Preschool-4th grade) LC - 18020 (5th-12th grade) UC - 18045

Supplies can be purchased online and delivered directly to your home, or you can print a copy and take it shopping with you.

LOWER CAMPUS

Preschool through 4th Grade

3100 Hecktown Road, Bethlehem, PA 18020

Administrative Assistant - Kris Keady kkeady@bcspanthers.net Office Number 610-868-6020 Preschool Number 610-865-9557 Fax Number 610-868-6939

School begins: 8:20 am

If your children are transported by car they must arrive between 8:00-8:20 am.

Dismissal: 12:30 pm (1/2 day K) 2:50 pm (Preschool, Full day K-4th Grade)

WHERE TO FIND

Please refer to the school website for medical forms, school calendar, RaiseRight schedule, dress code, absence excuse slips, etc.

www.bethlehemchristianschool.org

SOCIAL MEDIA

Facebook: Bethlehem Christian School Instagram: @bcs.panthers

ADMISSIONS

For admissions, contact Maureen Algeo 484-937-5670 <u>malgeo@bcspanthers.net</u>

UPPER CAMPUS

5th -12th Grade

5300 Green Pond Road, Easton, PA 18045

Office Manager - Catina Pacchioni cpacchioni@bcspanthers.net
Office Number 610-365-8176
Fax Number 610-365-8407

School begins: 8:10 am

If your children are transported by car they must arrive between 7:40-8:00 am.

No homeroom - Classes start promptly at 8:10 am.

Dismissal: 3:00 pm

EXTENDED CARE

BCS Offers Extended Care
at the Lower Campus,
during the school year,
from 7:00-8:00 am and 2:50-5:30 pm.
To sign up or get more information
contact Sharon Kritzberger
at skritzberger@bcspanthers.net

LUNCH PROGRAM

The Lower Campus lunch program is on Mondays and Fridays. The Upper Campus will have a lunch program 5 days a week.

For questions about lunch, contact Amy deBoer at amydeboer@bcspanthers.net.

TUITION

Tuition or other financial questions should be directed to Ruth Blose.

<u>rblose@bcspanthers.net</u>

610-767-7574



The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania requires certain immunizations for entry into school. Proof of immunizations must be presented to the school office prior to the child starting school. The only exemptions for immunizations are medical, religious, and moral beliefs. Parents must sign an exemption form in the school office to exempt a student. Additionally, school health law requires students entering kindergarten to have a physical and dental examination, no exceptions.

GRADE REQUIREMENTS







Students entering kindergarten and grades 1,3 & 7 must have a dental exam. Students entering Preschool, Prek, kindergarten and grades 1, 7 & 11 must have a physical exam. Students entering grades 7 & 12 need booster shots. Please submit updated dental, physical and immunization records to the school office. **These medical records are DUE AUGUST 1st, 2025.**

If your student is not eligible for these exams/immunizations until after August 1st, due to insurance, please send a note to the school office stating the date of the scheduled appointments.

Anytime your student's health status has changed, please notify the school office.

ABSENCE EXCUSE

If your student is absent, please submit a completed absence form.

All absence excuse notes must be hand-signed.

https://www.bethlehemchristiansch ool.org/resources/absenceexcuse.cfm

The form can also be found on the BCS website under the recourses tab.

If your student is absent for 3 consecutive days, due to illness or medical procedure, a doctor's note is required.

Vacations are not excused absences

Any student exhibiting a fever of 100 + or vomiting, will be held in an isolated space and parents will be notified to pick up their student to be transported home.

BCS does not dispense
over-the-counter medication.
Prescription medication will be
administered only with parental and doctor
permission. Should your student need
prescription medication during school hours,
please request a form from the school office.

Please avoid non-illness absences during the week of standardized testing May 4-8 (Grades 2-7).

> 8th & 9th Grade PSAT's - April 16 10th Grade PSAT's - April 24 11th Grade SAT's -April 24

TRANSPORTATION

BY CAR

Please have your student ready to exit the car once you've arrived at the drop off door (ie: coat on, backpack and lunch in hand). This makes the drop off process go smoothly.

CAR TAGS

Please hold on to your car tags for next year. If you lose all of your tags, contact the school office to request replacements. New families who have not received a set of tags can pick one up at Orientation.

NOTIFY US WHEN...

Contact your student's campus office whenever your student's dismissal plans change. For daily changes, please submit to the proper campus by 2:00 pm.

BY BUS

The school bus assignments will be mailed to you directly by your public school before the first day of school, if you have requested busing. If you haven't received bus details by August 31, call your public school office. It's very important that you relay your student's bus number to the BCS school office on or before Orientation day.

Most districts do not notify us.

If you have not yet requested busing and wish to do so, please contact the BCS office. Request submissions after August 1st may not be processed until mid-September and you may have to provide car transportation for the first few weeks of school.

2025 AUCTION & GALA



On November 7, 2025, Bethlehem Christian School will host our annual Roots to Grow, Wings to Fly Auction and Gala. We are blessed to have 'The Big Game Show' join us this year. We are also looking for volunteers in many areas to help make this event a success. For questions about table sponsorship and volunteer opportunities, or if you'd like to make a donation of a unique item/experience/vacation/service, please email Rachael Wilson at rwilson@bcspanthers.net.