

Parent / Guardian Notices

Monday, October 21, 2024

What's New?

BJM Blood Drive: Hello parents of the BJM community! The first BJM blood drive of the year is quickly approaching, so here are some reasons for you to participate and to encourage your child if they are eligible: Over 50% of Canadians will need or know someone who needs blood. Continuous needs require continuous supply. It has been found that teens who start donating blood early tend to continue to do so for the rest of their lives. Furthermore, 35% of Canadian Blood Services donations come through groups like businesses and schools. Both of these reasons make participating in and encouraging the high school initiative so important. Signing up for the Blood Drives as part of BJMs team is super easy!

- 1. Download the Give Blood app, or visit blood.ca
- 2. Select partners from the menu
- 3. Select 'join existing team' and enter 'Bishop James Mahoney High School'
- 4. Select that as your team (BJM)
- 5. From here you can book appointments, via team bookings, or individually. Feel free to book more appointments than what the school has planned!

Your donations will not only help the people of our province, but also BJM, who is in competition with the other high schools in Saskatoon to have the most donors for the prize of a pizza party! First school drive is November 8th, more information will be available as the day approaches.

Thanks for considering becoming a donor on behalf of BJM!

Canadian Blood Services BJM Representatives,

Elsa, Julia and Mackenzie

In Case You Missed It:

Curling! The meeting and registration have been moved to **Friday, October 25**th **at lunch time**. Meet in Room 225 (EAL room), bring your lunch. All players welcome, both new and veteran. The season runs from November to March.

2024 / 2025 BJM School Fees: My School Bucks is a website that we use to communicate fee amounts, as well as provide an easy-to-use on-line payment option. You will soon receive emails from My School Bucks; each fee will trigger an individual email. (A full statement will shortly follow.)

If paying on-line is not for you, stop by BJM's Main Office where we accept cash, debit, and cheques (made out to 'BJM High School'). (Cheques are only accepted until May 1st).

BJM Main Office hours are 8am – 4pm, **except for early dismissal Thursdays**, the office is closed in the afternoon.

Even if you plan on paying in person, <u>My School Bucks</u> is a great way of checking on the status of your fees. Please go to the site and ensure that you have an account set-up, with your student(s) attached to your profile.

A few things to note:

- There are still quite a few overdue fees, please go to My School Bucks and make a payment or 2 before we add on to your account.
- Fees are due March 15, 2025.
- ALL school fees must be paid before participating in BJM Graduation 2025.

School Wins Twice is Back! Click <u>here</u> for more info and to purchase tickets.

A Message from Ms. Fenrich, BJM Principal:

Thank you for the great month of September....It was a month filled with new academic courses, meeting new friends, and fun activities to kick off the school year.

A special thank you to our coaches, club directors, and staff organizers for allowing our students to participate in many events that make our school a better place.

Important Information and Upcoming Events:

Monday, October 21st - CSCC Meeting

6:30 PM BJM Commons. All parents are welcome.

Tuesday, October 22nd - Fall Awards - St. Anne's Church

11:00 AM – Award Winners & Families are invited to celebrate their students.

Thursday, October 24th – Early Dismissal

The staff will participate in professional learning in the afternoon.

Tuesday, October 29th - School-wide Lockdown at 9:45 AM

Wednesday, November 6th – Take our Kids to Work Day

GRADE 9's only

Parent communication to follow via email and EDSBY.

Click on the links below for information:

