



Bishop Chatard High School 2010 Back-to-School Fact Sheet

The information below will help you navigate the first few days of school of the 2010-2011 school year. If you have additional questions, please call BCHS at (317)251-1451. Administration, faculty and staff directories can also be found at www.BishopChatard.org/personnel/uno.

Orientation days for students

Orientation for all upperclassmen will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 11. An e-mail will be sent to parents later this month providing arrival and dismissal times for each class.

Orientation for freshmen will be held on Thursday, Aug. 12. Students report to school at 8:10 a.m. Freshmen orientation will conclude with a Mass at Christ the King. Freshmen will walk over to Christ the King at 3:45 p.m., and Mass will begin at 4 p.m. A family picnic on the BCHS lawn will immediately follow at approximately 5 p.m. Families of freshmen are invited to join us for Mass and dinner!

Uniforms – Schoolbelles continues to be the exclusive provider of all Bishop Chatard uniform apparel, except for the winter (non-hooded) uniform-approved sweatshirt available in our Spirit Shoppe. (Please note: Schoolbelles has moved and is now located on the north side of the Glendale Center next to Famous Footwear.)

Freshmen are required to wear the blue BCHS polo, while upperclassmen may wear either the blue or white polo. All students must wear the monogrammed BC pants or shorts available at Schoolbelles. Shorts are permissible during the fall and spring months — students/parents are notified via daily announcements and the Trojan Times newsletter when “shorts season” ends and begins. **Students must wear the school uniform on orientation day.**

Sports teams may wear approved team shirts on Mondays or Fridays only. These shirts may be worn on Mondays or Fridays as designated by a coach only when the team is “in season.” Activity or club-related apparel may be worn as directed by the respective group’s teacher or sponsor with the approval of Mr. Vince Lorenzani.

School Lunch – Bishop Chatard’s participation in the National School Lunch Program allows us to serve balanced and nutritious meals at an affordable cost. A “meal deal” lunch, which includes a choice of one entrée, two side dishes, and one carton of milk, is available to all students for \$2.85. For those who qualify, the same “meal deal” is available for no cost or at a reduced price. (Parents interested in this option for their student, must complete the “Application for Free and Reduced Price Meals and Other Benefits” found on the BCHS Web site and be approved for the reduced price.) A la carte items are also available and may be purchased at an additional cost.

We will continue to use **Mealtime** as a convenient way for families to pay for and keep track of student lunch expenses. Each student is assigned an account and PIN and may deposit money into this account to pay for school lunches. This is offered as a convenience for families and is not mandatory. We have had much feedback about the positive effects of being able to deposit money into student accounts and not worry about having money for lunch each day, but “pay as you go” does continue to be an option. Click on “Lunch Menu” on the front page of the Web site for all of the details.

Students will receive lunch free of charge on orientation days.

School Hours and After-School Supervision – The first bell rings at 7:30 a.m. with first period beginning at 7:35 a.m. The school day ends at 3:10 p.m. The school building remains unlocked and available to students until 5 p.m. Supervision is provided for students remaining on the BCHS campus in the Student Life Center (located in the library). Students may also access lockers in the school corridors and may relax in one of the school’s outdoor seating areas while awaiting a practice or ride home. Students are not allowed to wait in the school lobbies or Hall of Fame area after 3:30 p.m.

Book Rental – BCHS operates under a book rental system, and books your student requires will be provided in the classroom. If students are required to purchase any additional books or supplies, teachers will provide information to students on the first day of school.

Medications – Parents are reminded that Indiana State law requires parent/physician written authorization for any prescription medications taken at school. The school requests that all medications be in their original container and taken to the main office. After the medication is brought to the office, a form regarding permission and distribution of medication will be sent to the parent for the parent and physician to fill out and fax back to the school.

Parent communication

The Trojan Times e-newsletter is distributed twice a month during the school year. Important information is provided in this newsletter, on the school's Web site at www.BishopChatard.org, and in regular e-mail updates.

E-mail addresses for all current parents have been entered into our e-mail system. If your family has an e-mail address that you would like added to the system, please e-mail Kelly Lucas at klu-cas@BishopChatard.org. If you have already received e-mails from BCHS, that address does not need to be added to the system – **please send new addresses only**. In your e-mail, please include the address you would like added, name of person who will receive those e-mails, student(s) name, and student(s) year of graduation.

Additional Important Parent Information: Please visit the Bishop Chatard Web site at www.BishopChatard.org and click on the 2010-2011 School Information icon to view and print the information sheets and/or forms provided. These forms contain important school and parental involvement opportunities for all BCHS parents.

Information and forms that you will find on the website include:

- 2010-2011 Campus Ministry information including service program requirements and a retreat schedule that each sophomore, junior, and senior at BCHS is scheduled to attend;
- The 2010 Summer reading list – all students are assigned required summer reading that must be completed prior to the first day of classes;
- BCHS Athletic Department information;
- Application and instruction sheet for free and reduced meals and textbook assistance that is available for those who do not receive state assistance;
- BCHS 2010-2011 school calendar;
- 2010 Dance Marathon information;
- Trinity Club (BCHS parent organization) information including committee descriptions, a volunteer sheet, and Parent to Parent contract;
- 2011 Chatard-a-Bration committee descriptions and volunteer opportunities.

Please be sure to have your student return the enclosed cards/forms at his/her orientation:

- **Biographical Info Sheet**
- **Picture Information (underclassmen)**
- **I.D. Information (seniors)**
- **Marion County Health Card**
- **Parking Registration (upperclassmen)**
- **Emergency Card**