

Bulldog Blitz

BUTLER HIGH
SCHOOL



December 2024



Upcoming December Events

- December 2-6: Registration for 2025/2026 school year
December 4: Registration Virtual Help Desk for Parents
AP Night (5:30 PM-6:30 PM)
December 12: Winter Band Concert (7 PM)
December 17: Winter Chorus Concert (7 PM)
December 17-18: Quarter 2 Progress Reports go home
December 23-
January 3: Winter Break (No School)

Get Up to the Minute News!


[Butler's Website](#)

 facebook.com/butlerHS

[School Calendar](#)

 [butlerbulldawgs](https://twitter.com/butlerbulldawgs)

[Our Athletic Page](#)

 [butler_high_school](https://www.instagram.com/butler_high_school)

[Student/Parent Handbook](#)

Principal:

[Yolanda Blakeney](#)

Assistant

Principals:

[Melissa Booth](#)

Last names A-Est

[Michael Dodson](#)

Last names Ev-Le

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2025/2026 Course Registration

SAVE THE DATE!!!

Course Registration for next year, 2025/26, will begin Dec. 2, 2024. The Registration website with videos and course cards will be updated and available on 11/25/24. During the Thanksgiving break take a moment to review options. Students will bring home Course Cards on 12/3/24. They need to complete the card and enter their selections in PowerSchool by 12/6/24. Counselors will enter information for students who do not participate. Counselors will meet one-on-one with each student to review course requests.

1:1 Meeting Schedule with Student/Counselor

Rising 12th Grade - Dec. 16 - 20
Rising 11th Grade - Jan. 6 -10
Rising 10th Grade - Jan. 27 - Jan 31
Rising 9th Grade - Early Feb.

Support is available

- Counselors will host a VIRTUAL Help Desk for parents on 12/4/24 from 11 AM to 1 PM via MS TEAMS. Please use the link below to log in or call in.
- Counselors will be available during lunches outside the Cafeteria from 12/2/24 to 12/5/24 to answer and support students.
- Student Services Registration Page (active 11/25/24) - access to course cards, resources for selecting Math, AP, Dual Enrollment classes, and informational/instructional videos.

MS TEAMS LOG IN for Dec 4
VIRTUAL HELP DESK for parents

Join the meeting now

Meeting ID: 254 426 123 509

Passcode: SXwpJE



BUTLER HIGH SCHOOL

2025/26

COURSE

REGISTRATION

OPENS 12/2 - 12/6



Virtual Parent Helpdesk

12/4/24

11:00 - 1:00 PM

MS TEAMS Link on School Page

Grades
9 -11

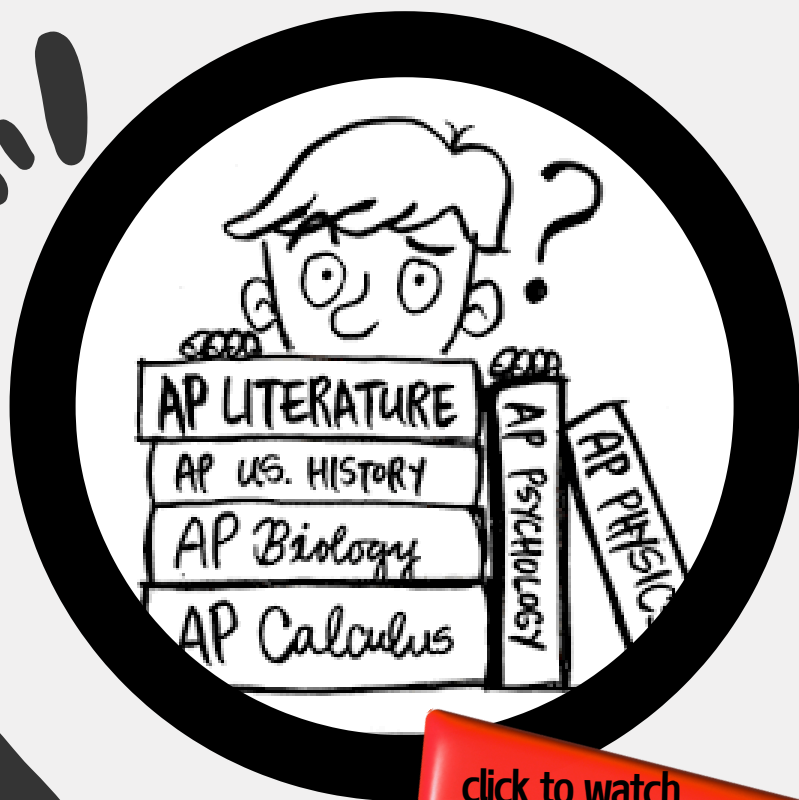
**AM I
READY
FOR AP?**

Butler AP Info

Click **HERE** for a list
of course offerings

**WANT
MORE
INFO?**

Join us for AP Night
Dec 4th, 2024
5:30-6:30pm in the
Butler Media Center



click to watch
videos from
AP our
teachers



For more info:
<https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/courses>
<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/home>

Attendance Matters

This holiday season, the best gift you can give your child is a good education. And the best place to get an education is in school. It's tempting to extend your vacation by a few days, but remember, those days count as absences. Just a few missed days here and there, even if they're excused, can add up to too much lost learning time. So, make sure your child is in school every day, right up until vacation starts. Our teachers will be teaching, and our students will be learning.

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Lifetouch Discounts

As a token of appreciation, Lifetouch is offering discounts on school photography!

- 25% off a purchase of \$29.99+ with code THANKFUL25

Valid through 12/31/2024

To order, please click [here](#).

Terms & Conditions: Offer is only available through December 31, 2024, 11:59pm PST. Use code THANKFUL25 to get 25% off an online purchase of \$29.99 or more. Not valid for adjustments on prior purchases or after the promotional period, or with any other offer. Products, prices, availability, and offers are subject to change without notice. Shutterfly Lifetouch, LLC has the right to cancel an order due to altered, unauthorized, or ineligible use of discount.

Graduation Updates

Mid-Year Graduation Information

- Mid-Year graduation is Thursday, February 6th, 2025 at Bojangles Coliseum.
- The time is TBD.
- Mid-year grads need to order their caps and gowns by November 4th.
- There is no rehearsal for this ceremony.

Spring Graduation Information

- June graduation is Monday, June 16, 2025 at 3:30 PM. The graduation will take place at Bojangles Coliseum.
- Rehearsal for the June graduation will take place on Tuesday, June 10th, 2025 at 5:30. Rehearsal will take place at Bojangles Coliseum.
- June graduates need to order their caps and gowns by January 31st.

National Technical Honor Society

Congratulations to the newly inducted National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) members!



Free Tutoring for All CMS Students

All CMS students have access to 10 hours per week of free virtual tutoring in English and Spanish, through **Tutor.com**, a digital resource available through ONE Access resources provisioned by the public library. Tutoring is available from 3-12 pm, every day of the week. Students may also upload a paper and receive feedback from a tutor within 24 hours and this may be done anytime, including during the school day. Students log into ONE Access (and Tutor.com) through the Student Portal.

Information about how to log in and how to upload a paper for feedback are included below:

- **ONE Access login information**
- **How to upload a paper to Tutor.com**

Other Tutor.com offerings:

Prepare for a test

- Connect with a tutor
- Prep for the SAT/ACT
 - Full length practice tests
 - Detailed score reports
 - Engaging video lessons
 - Powerful practice drills
- Prep for Advanced Placement Tests
 - AP Biology, AP Calculus, AP U.S. History, & AP World History

Get Help Finding a Job

- Connect with a career coach
- Drop off a resume for review
- Search online job resources



@dream_team_bhs

BHS DREAM Team and SAVE Promise Club host

14 DAYS OF ACTIONS

Sandy Hook
PROMISE



Sun Dec 1

Instagram Challenge!

Tag 10 People You Are Grateful For!
@dream_team_bhs



Mon Dec 2

Do a Good Deed!

Watch for tickets being passed around the school. Get the ticket and pass it along while showing a good deed!
@dream_team_bhs

Tue Dec 3

What staff member are you grateful for?



Wed Dec 4

WEAR ORANGE

To Show Your Stance Against Gun Violence!

Thur Dec 5

Ring-a-Friend Gram!

Write a kind message to a friend. DREAM Team will deliver it!



Fri Dec 6

Toy Drive!

Donate a toy to support Matthews Help Center.



Sat Dec 7

Self-Care Day!

Tag:
@dream_team_bhs



Sun Dec 8

Who is your trusted adult?

Respond to the Instagram poll and shout out a trusted adult!



Mon Dec 9

Challenge: Talk to 5 new people!

(Reach out to others and start a conversation.)



Tue Dec 10

Dessert Bar For Butler Security Guards and Resource Officers



Wed Dec 11

Homeroom Presentation

(Watch the Team Talk in homerooms)



Thur Dec 12

WEAR GREEN

In Remembrance of Victims of Sandy Hook

Fri Dec 13

Celebrate Life with Lunchtime Games!



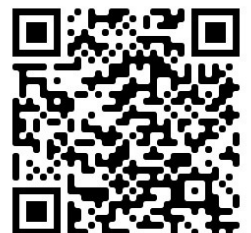
Last Day To Donate To The Toy Drive

Sat Dec 14

Make a Commitment to Live Violence Free
#HonorWithAction

Share your experiences and encourage others to join!

Tag @dream_team_bhs
and
#SandyHookPromise
#HonorWithAction



SENIORS!!



CAP & GOWN ORDERING
IS NOW AVAILABLE
ONLINE AT
WWW.HJCHARLOTTE.COM

Your Senior year is a celebration of your High School career and Herff Jones is here to help you celebrate! Although your graduation isn't until June, this event takes planning and preparation by your school, Herff Jones, and You! We ask that all Cap and Gown, Class of 2025 Wearables, and Graduation Announcement orders are placed by January 31st, 2025. Orders placed after this date may not arrive in time for pictures, banquets and awards ceremonies. Late orders may also incur extra fees.



Caps and Gowns are custom made for you specific to height and weight. It is very important that your height and weight are entered correctly on your order. If either one is inaccurate your gown will not fit.

All Senior Items including the Cap and Gown will be delivered at school in the Spring. These dates will be set by the school and announced in February.

Please email
hjcharlotte@herffjones.com
with any questions.





SENIOR CLASS OF '25

portraits & yearbook to-do's

- SCHEDULE A SENIOR PORTRAIT**, due 11/07/24
 - photo options available through Prestige Portraits, Indian Trail, NC
 - Butler tux/drape sessions (no charge; sign up online for a slot) 8/14/24 or 11/07/24
- PURCHASE A SENIOR AD. IN THE YEARBOOK**, due 12/01/24
- PURCHASE A YEARBOOK**, due 1/25/25
 - early bird special available in August
- CAP & GOWN PICTURES**, event hosted by Butler on 2/07/25
 - no fee, sign up required, more to come in January
 - CMS also takes pictures during commencement (no sign up required)

Contact Mr. Rusk via email with any senior portrait or yearbook questions.

steven1.rusk@cms.k12.nc.us



THE PAWPRINT RETURNS SPRING '25



SCAN ME

100 Donations in 100 Days!
We need YOU!!!

Please consider donating to the **Butler "Paw Print,"** published by Butler's *Quill & Scroll* (Journalism Honors Society), in conjunction with Yearbook, the Book Club, the Creative Writing Club, and National Art Honors Society.

The "**Paw Print**" is the school literary magazine and highlights excellence in student-made prose, poetry, and art. Your donation will help to publish the literary magazine for Spring sales. Proceeds will then be donated to our supporting student clubs and be used for next year's publishing cycle.

Donors will receive a shout-out inside the "Paw Print." We appreciate your support of our Butler Bulldogs! Any donation is greatly appreciated!

Sponsorship Levels

- Top Dog - \$100
- Man's Best Friend - \$50
- Happy Tails - \$20
- Companion - \$10

Congratulations!

College Bound!

We want to celebrate our Butler Seniors. If your Senior received an acceptance letter from any 2 or 4 year college, trade school, military acceptance papers, or scholarship awards, please have your student use the link below on their CMS Chromebook to complete the Google Form and attach their letter of acceptance. We want to celebrate them and post their name along with the school name on the College Board in the Main Hallway! The more the merrier!

<https://bit.ly/bhcelebrate>

**=Scholarships



Davis Walker

Western Carolina University

Bonham Jackson

UNC Charlotte

Student Services Resources



Senior Appointment
Calendar



Common Black College
Application



Common Application



Federal Student Aid



Senior Brag Sheet



Student Services
Website



Residency
Determination Service



Herff Jones : Cap&Gown



Khan Academy



College Board SAT
Practice



Free ACT Practice Test &
Resources



Parent Power School



StudentSquare



ParentSquare

Support Butler PTSO



Please re-link your Harris Teeter VIC Cards!

Cards are not automatically re-linked. Program runs August 1st—May 31st .

By linking your Harris Teeter VIC card to **Butler High School PTSO (#1243)**, we will earn a percentage of your Harris Teeter purchases.

There are three ways to link your card:

1. Go directly to the Harris Teeter website and follow their instructions:

Click here: [Harris Teeter VIC Link](#).

2. Ask a cashier at Harris Teeter to link your VIC number to #1243

3. Go to **Pay4SchoolStuff.com** , *Login to your account/Click on your student name/select VIC-card/Enter your information.*

Click here: [Pay4SchoolStuff](#)



The Publix Partner program has changed!!

You do not need to carry the card.

Click here to sign up: <https://www.publix.com>

- Click on Sign Up to create an account.
- After your email address is confirmed, scroll down to Select a School
- Enter *Butler High School PTS*
- When you shop, mention your phone number to the cashier at checkout.



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