



Brookfield Central High School

Update Virtual Learners: January 10, 2021

Greetings-

We had a great transition back into school from winter break. 290 juniors took the practice ACT in our main gym on January 4th. I appreciate the great work of the BC Student Services Team and the BC Maintenance Team for the organization, setup and proctoring of it. The juniors will take it for real on [March 9th](#).

We have utilized all school zooms (start of the school day after the pledge of allegiance) from time to time to provide updates, clarifications and reminders. Click [here](#) to view the January 5th all school zoom. We had some recording difficulties at the start and the video doesn't include the first 75 seconds. Click [here](#) to view the slide deck.

Last week, families had the opportunity to change the learning designation for students for the 3rd Term. In order for us to assign the classrooms for the third term, all schedule changes for 3rd term must be made by 3pm on January 14th. Students (using their Elmbrook Accounts) should fill out this [schedule change form](#). We are committed to assigning classes to classrooms that allow for 6ft distancing between each student desk.

Additionally to help us prepare for third term, students that have a study hall during third term can choose to study from home. Students (using their Elmbrook Accounts) should fill out this [Study Hall Opt Out Form](#).

Lastly, we have scheduled virtual learner textbook/supply pickup for 3rd Term. It will be 1/25/2021 2pm-6pm. The pickup will be at the main doors (S1) of BC. Students and parents should stay in their vehicles and the textbooks/supplies will be brought out to you.

Please reach out to us if you are in need of anything. Together we will stay safe to stay open. Feel free to email me or call or text me at 262-794-6070.

Thanks and take care-

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brett J. Gruetzmacher".

Brett J. Gruetzmacher
Proud Principal

Upcoming Events at Brookfield Central-as of 1/10/21

January 11-22

[BC Counselor Visits to English Classes-](#)

January 14

[Last day to make schedule changes for 3rd Term](#)

January 15

No School. Teacher Professional Development Day

January 18

No School. Martin Luther King Day Holiday

January 22

Last Day of Term 2

January 25

No School. Teacher Records Day

3rd Term Virtual Learner Textbook/Supply Pickup 2pm-6pm

Spring Sports Information Night 7pm via ZOOM

January 27

[8th Grade Transition Night](#) 6pm-7pm

[Academic Planning for 2021/2022 Information](#)

<p>January</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> January 5 New Students (all grades) to the District Enrollment Begins January 11-22 Counselors visit 1st Semester English Classes to discuss course requests and the Academic Planner. January 26 Second Semester Begins. January 27 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BC Student Services Team will visit WHMS to present an overview to in-person 8th Graders. BCHS 8th Grade Welcome Night 6:00pm-8:00pm Via Zoom January 28-February 12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Counselors visit 2nd Semester English Classes to discuss course requests and the Academic Planner. Department Overview Videos are shown at the start of 1st Block. Schedule
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- The alternating day classes for 2021/2022 school year have been set. Click [here](#) for the list. These courses can be selected in the IC Academic Planner.
- The BC Counselor Team will be visiting the English Classes during the month and January and February to connect with kids regarding the course requests process for the upcoming school year. Virtual learners will watch via zoom. Click [here](#) for their visit schedule. This [google slide deck](#) will guide their visits.
- In December, we mailed home [this letter](#) to current students in the 8th (WHMS), 9th, 10th, and 11th grades. It outlines the [course request process](#) for the 2021/2022 school year.
- Our Academic Planning Site houses all of the important information regarding our course offerings and the course request process for the 2021/2022 school year. Click [here](#) for the site.
- January and February are filled with opportunities to learn about our amazing offerings. The BC Student Services team has done a fantastic job in organizing the process for our students and their families. Please reach out to your school counselor if you have any questions about the course request process. Click [here](#) for their information.

Recurring Information

1st Block Reflection Prompts

Click [here](#) for the prompts for the week of January 11- January 14.

Attendance Procedures

In addition to calling the BC attendance phone line (262-785-3994), families can also send an email to BCHSattendance@elmbrookschoools.org to report an absence to school. When reporting an absence, please provide the student's name and reason for the absence. If they are missing school due to illness, it will be important to let us know ALL of your child's symptoms and any physician confirmed diagnosis such as COVID-19. It will also be important to know if your child is staying home because they have been exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19. Please note that if a student is a virtual learner, they must have their camera turned on to be considered present.

College Representatives Visits

BC Student Services continues to offer opportunities for students to connect with representatives from colleges and universities from across the country. Click [here](#) for the schedule!

Chromebooks.

If you are having trouble with your Chromebook, please check out [this site for guidance](#) and if the issue persists, bring it to the BC Library.

Connecting with Teachers

If parents/guardians need to connect with a teacher, please consider emailing rather than calling. If a phone call is absolutely necessary, please email the teacher to request a phone call. Many teachers are different classroom spaces this year and they do not have access to their voicemail.

Fan Procedures for Basketball, Swimming and Wrestling

Click [here](#) for the fan procedures for basketball, swimming and wrestling.

Request to change your learning choice designation

For overall consistency and in-building logistics, we are asking students and their parent(s)/guardian(s) to commit to a term-by-term learning choice designation: either in-person or virtual. *However*, in the event a student and their parent(s)/guardian(s) request to temporarily or permanently change their learning choice designation during a term, here is the procedure we will be utilizing:

- **All requests to change a student's learning choice designation during a term must be emailed to the student's assigned associate principal:**
 - Carolyn Hahn (hahnc@elmbrookschoools.org - works primarily with students whose last names start with A-Le)
 - Dominic Bauer (bauerd@elmbrookschoools.org - works primarily with students whose last names start with Li-Z)
- **In-Person to Virtual Requests:**
 - Requests to permanently change a student's learning choice designation from in-person to virtual for the remainder of a term will be granted.
 - Requests to temporarily change a student's learning choice designation from in-person to virtual for a specified period of time during a term will be granted with the caveat that their return to in-person learning will be contingent on space still being available in **all** of their classes when they request to return as an in-person learner.

- **Virtual to In-Person Requests:**

- Requests to change a student's learning choice designation from virtual to in-person will only be considered for permanent, remainder-of-term requests and will be granted as long as space is available in **all** of their classes.
- Requests to temporarily change a student's learning choice designation from virtual to in-person for a specified period of time during a term will not be considered.

ZOOM

If you are unable to log into a Zoom, try the following:

- 1) Full log off and power down (not just closing the screen and reopening). This process should run critical updates to Chrome.
- 2) Reset the WiFi.
- 3) Double/triple check that you are logged into their Elmbrook account. This is especially important if you are using a personal device because the default will be to your personal accounts rather than your school accounts.
- 4) Try connecting multiple times.

Past Updates

- [September 1, 2020 Update](#)
- [September 7, 2020 Update](#)
- [September 12, 2020 Update](#)
- [September 21, 2020 Update](#)
- [September 28, 2020 Update](#)
- [October 6, 2020 Update](#)
- [October 12, 2020 Update](#)
- [October 19, 2020 Update](#)
- [October 25, 2020 Update](#)
- [November 3, 2020 Update](#)
- [November 16, 2020 Update](#)
- [December 6, 2020 Update](#)
- [December 20, 2020 Update](#)
- [January 2, 2021 Update](#)