BMS ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

ATTENDANCE WILL BE A FACTOR IN DETERMINING IF YOUR CHILD IS PROMOTED TO THE NEXT GRADE LEVEL!

*Please regularly check attendance in PowerSchool. Since the attendance is focused on per class, please make sure you look at the attendance in each class.

6th grade students:

In grades K-6, students can miss no more than 20 days total (excused or unexcused) per year.

7th and 8th grade students:

Students on A/B block schedule (grades 7-8) can miss no more than 10 days total (excused or unexcused) in a course that is scheduled all year and can miss no more than 5 days in a course that is scheduled for one semester. The only exception is the English Language Arts Class (ELA) in which students may miss no more than 20 days.

Exceptions may be made when circumstances warrant such and will be based on the recommendation of a physician and the approval of the principal after consideration of the student's scholastic record and causes of absence. Progress reports sent to parents shall indicate grades and the attendance record of the student to date. This information is available in PowerSchool.

Students in grades 7-12 who exceed this standard may not, pending appeal, receive a grade or Carnegie unit in the course. A notation of inadequate attendance (IA) will be recorded on the report card and on the transcript if the student is passing the course. Students may, pending appeal, be required to make up class time on an hour-for-hour basis in order to remove the IA status. Class time may be made up during Saturday school, After-School Detention, or other times as deemed appropriate by school administration.

Please Note: One day of Saturday School will be equivalent to 2 blocks of class time. Students who elect to attend Saturday School or other make-up opportunities do not recoup the days missed. Though students will make up the seat time, they still will not qualify for exemptions.
If a student is failing a course, the actual failing grade will be posted on the report card and the transcript. If the principal determines that credit should be withheld based on attendance, the parent will have five (5) days to appeal the principal's decision. Appeal procedures will be reviewed annually and published in the Student Handbook.