



# BRADLEY-BOURBONNAIS COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL

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Home of the Boilermakers

700 West North Street | Bradley, IL 60915

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Dear Seniors and Parents of the Class of 2021,

I am very proud of our student body, especially the seniors, for their perseverance and dedication. I am thankful that our students have had as close to a normal school year as was possible; that was the goal. The end of a school year for seniors looks quite different from previous years for obvious reasons. The finality of a high school career brings about a level of excitement and wonder as our Class of 2021 begins a new chapter in their lives. I trust BBCHS has been all that it could be for our seniors. Our goal is to prepare our students for life beyond our walls. I have complete confidence in our seniors - they will do great things!

The most important item to communicate is graduation. In order to earn a diploma from BBCHS, all seniors must meet local AND state requirements. The Counseling Department can help answer any questions related to this. An additional graduation requirement per the State of Illinois for the Class of 2021 includes the completion of one of the following: Completion of a FAFSA form, an Illinois Alternate Application, or an opt-out form. Those still needing to meet this requirement will be notified.

At the bottom of this letter is information about the various activities that pertain to seniors. Please read the information; some activities may not pertain to all. Please know that the district is doing all we can to open activities to as many people as we can. However, the number of people in attendance may be limited at each venue based on Illinois Department of Public Health and/or CDC guidelines. At this time, final numbers are not known for Academic Awards and Graduation. As more information becomes available, especially for graduation, I will release details as I recognize families are starting to make plans for this special event.

Graduation caps and gowns have arrived and can be picked up in the Main Office. Students who are in need of these items are encouraged to place an order at the Jostens website. Participation in Commencement requires a cap and gown.

**Please Note:** Seniors are NOT to decorate their cap. All graduates will wear identical attire unless cords or medals have been distributed to them by the district. No outside cords or decor may be worn!

Parents, please let me know how I may be of service to you. Thank you for your patience throughout the last 14 months. I wish that we could finish the school year the way it was meant to be finished. Regardless, I am proud of our seniors, and proud to have been along for the ride.

Boiler Up!

Dr. Brian Wright, Principal

## Important Information - Chronological

Senior Academic Awards	Seniors who will be receiving recognition for academic achievement or will be awarded a scholarship will be celebrated on <b>Wednesday, May 5</b> , at 6:00pm in the Auditorium. Invitations will be sent to seniors who will be recognized at the end of April. The number of non-student attendees at this event will be released at a later date and depends on IDPH/CDC guidelines.
Stoles, Cords, and Medals	Qualifying seniors will receive their stole and cord(s) at Senior Academic Awards and may be worn during Commencement. Medals earned by the Top 10% will be distributed at the banquet and may be worn during Commencement.
Prom	Prom will be held on <b>Saturday, May 8</b> , at Tuscan Falls in Mokena. Students and parents must sign a consent form to attend. Consent forms were emailed to parents and are available in the Main Office. Tickets are \$65 per person. <b>Prom is open to current BBCHS students only.</b>
Seniors' Last Week	The final week for all seniors will begin Monday, May 10. Final outcome assessments will be taken on Monday and Tuesday. Seniors Last Day will be <b>Wednesday, May 12</b> . Seniors who would like to reassess or require it for course credit will report to school on Thursday and Friday. Grades will be finalized on Monday, May 17. Seniors who have not met graduation requirements by this date will not be part of the commencement ceremony.
Chromebook Return or Purchase	Seniors may purchase their Chromebook and charger anytime for \$25. <u>Cases need to be returned.</u> Interested students will stop by the Technology Office to complete the technology exit process. Seniors who do not wish to purchase will return the Chromebook, charger, and case using the following schedule: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In-Person Seniors - Turn in via English courses on May 12 unless reassessing May 13-14</li> <li>• Remote Seniors - Drive by turn in at the Atrium on May 11 and May 12, 1:30 - 3:00pm unless reassessing May 13-14</li> <li>• Seniors reassessing with their Chromebook will return it to the Technology Office after reassessments</li> <li>• Unreturned technology will result in a \$40 fee.</li> </ul>
School Resources and Fees	School fees need to be paid in order to receive a diploma. Participation in Commencement can occur; however, the diploma will be withheld until fees are cleared. Seniors will return all district owned resources such as books, a school-issued calculator, and athletic uniforms. This can be accomplished <b>May 10-12.</b>
Senior Athletic Awards	Seniors who will be receiving recognition for athletic achievement will be celebrated on <b>Wednesday, May 12</b> , at 6:00pm in the Auditorium. Invitations have been sent to seniors via email and are due on April 23 to the Athletic Department. The number of non-student attendees at this event will be released at a later date and depends on IDPH/CDC guidelines.
Top 10% Banquet	Students who have ended their career in the top 10% of the graduating class have been notified of the banquet. Seniors will be celebrated on Wednesday, May 19, at ONU. The deadline to RSVP and submit their essay to a staff member to Mrs. Blake is April 30. Students and two guests will be the honored guest of the district.
Commencement for the Class of 2021	Commencement will be held at ONU on <b>Friday, May 21</b> , at 7:30pm. The location of the event will be announced at a later date and will be made based on IDPH/CDC guidelines. It is the district's goal to have parents and family members attend graduation. Information will be shared as decisions are made.
Immunization Records	Immunization records can be requested by filling out the Medical Record Release form found under the Nursing Department on the BBCHS website. Submission is to the Nursing Office.
Final Transcripts	Official student transcripts are sent through Parchment. Students should have set up a Parchment account in the beginning of this school year. Seniors headed to college need to request final transcripts. This can be done at any time. Be sure to select "Hold for Grades" when requesting.