



# PARENT/GUARDIAN NEWSLETTER

# SEPTEMBER 2019

## Banting Memorial High School

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### IMPORTANT DATES

September 3	First Day of School
September 23	Picture Day
September 26	School Council Meeting (7pm)
October 4	PA Day
October 11	Progress Reports Go Home
October 14	Thanksgiving Holiday
October 17	Parent/Teacher Interviews
November 8	Picture Re-Take Day

### REGULAR SCHOOL DAY

Warning Bell	7:54 am
<b>PERIOD 1</b>	<b>8:00 - 9:20 am</b>
Travel Time	9:20 - 9:25 am
<b>PERIOD 2</b>	<b>9:25 - 10:40 am</b>
<b>LUNCH</b>	<b>10:40 - 11:55 am</b>
<b>PERIOD 3</b>	<b>11:55 - 1:10 pm</b>
Travel Time	1:10 - 1:15 pm
<b>PERIOD 4</b>	<b>1:15 - 2:30 pm</b>

### FROM THE LIBRARY

Parents! Should you discover library books (with a BMHS barcode) in your home, please ask your child whether the book needs to be returned to the library. We appreciate any help you can give us in retrieving missing books.



**The School Cash Online program** is available and encouraged to be used at our school. Parents can pay online for field trips, yearbooks, student fees, locks, spirit wear, gym uniforms and other items.

This is a great way to keep track of your purchase history. Parents who sign-up will receive a notification when a new item becomes available for purchase.

Parents use a secure online account to process payments and can either make a one-time payment for each item as it occurs, or load money to carry a balance in the online account to make payments in the future.

To create an online account, go to [simcoecounty.schoolcashonline.com](http://simcoecounty.schoolcashonline.com)

## School Cash Online

Paying for school items just got easier!  
Sign up to get started today.

### What is School Cash Online?

School cash online is an easy way to pay for your student's school fees.

#### Step One:

Go to the Banting Website: [ban.scdsb.on.ca](http://ban.scdsb.on.ca)

#### Step Two:

Click on 'pay fees' icon in the Quick Access List



#### Step Three:

Click 'Get Started Today'



If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the BMHS Main Office 705-435-6288

## Dear Parents —

Please review carefully and revise your child's **Student Information Verification Form**. Don't forget to sign & date the back! **We strongly encourage you to use this form to include/ update your email address**. Should your email address require updating throughout the year, please email [jburek@scdsb.on.ca](mailto:jburek@scdsb.on.ca).

We try to send electronic communications wherever possible, to save paper. All newsletters are sent via email as well as posted on the Banting website.

This is the perfect opportunity to make sure you don't miss any important announcements or communication from the school office or administration. — *Thank-you, Main Office*



**Community Service Hours** forms can be downloaded on our Banting website, under the guidance/volunteer tabs.

<http://bantingguidance.weebly.com/volunteer.html>

\*You can also follow us on Twitter and Instagram ([@BMHSVolunteer](https://twitter.com/BMHSVolunteer)) and join our Google Classroom ([btl8qz](https://classroom.google.com/join/btl8qz))

## BMHS Concussion Protocol

Any hit on the head can cause concussion and serious long-lasting symptoms if not treated carefully. Concussions are invisible injuries, so it's important to treat every hit on the head with caution. If your child hits their head, watch for symptoms, such as trouble remembering, low energy, headaches, sensitivity to light and noise or being more emotional than usual. If you see any of these, stop play and take them to a doctor right away. **Remember to tell their Vice Principal, teachers, coaches and the Main Office about any head injuries that happen outside of school.** Depending on the injury, your child may need a personalized plan, time off from school work, sports or other activities to help them fully recover.

- **Concussion protocol forms (to be completed by your medical practitioner) are available at the Main Office or online at [ban.scdsb.on.ca](http://ban.scdsb.on.ca).**
- If you have any questions or require further information, or if you have completed protocol forms to send in, please contact/forward to Julie Burek in the Main Office at [jburek@scdsb.on.ca](mailto:jburek@scdsb.on.ca)

## Keep connected with our school and with the SCDSB

Want to ensure you are receiving up-to-date, accurate information about what's going on at your school and our school board?

### Here's how:

- ◆ You can subscribe to our school's website by clicking on 'Subscribe' at the top of our school website: [ban.scdsb.on.ca](http://ban.scdsb.on.ca).



- ◆ Follow our school on Twitter [@BMarauders](https://twitter.com/BMarauders) and [@BantingGuidance](https://twitter.com/BantingGuidance), [@BMHSVolunteer](https://twitter.com/BMHSVolunteer)



- ◆ Follow us on Instagram [@bmhsvolunteer](https://www.instagram.com/bmhsvolunteer)

- ◆ Follow the SCDSB on Twitter ([@SCDSB\\_Schools](https://twitter.com/SCDSB_Schools)), Facebook ([facebook.com/SCDSB](https://facebook.com/SCDSB)) and Instagram ([instagram.com/scdsb](https://www.instagram.com/scdsb)). Check out our Sharing Simcoe blog ([www.sharingsimcoe.com](http://www.sharingsimcoe.com)), where we share stories of our amazing students, staff and community members.
- ◆ For school bus transportation information, visit the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC)'s website at: [main.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca](http://main.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca) and bookmark the school bus information page for bus delay and cancellation information on inclement weather days. You can subscribe at <https://scstc.ca/Subscriptions/>. **Banting is in the SOUTH ZONE.** Follow them on twitter [@SCSTC\\_SchoolBus](https://twitter.com/SCSTC_SchoolBus)

## Student Medical Plans

A completed Student Medical Form (FORM A1420-1) is required each school year, or when a medical need is identified, or when the student transfers to another school, in order to authorize the administration of prescribed medication to students who require it during school hours, or when the medication and/or dosage requirements change.

Specific to asthma, every student is now permitted to carry his or her asthma medication if the student has his or her parent's or guardian's permission.

Parents/guardians and adult students are responsible for ensuring that a current, completed Student Medical Form is signed by a physician and on file at the school.

Some students may experience severe life-threatening allergic reactions to bee, hornet, wasp or other flying insect stings or to certain foods or food ingredients, such as peanuts. For students with life-threatening allergies, it is recommended that two doses of an epinephrine auto-injector are available on site at school.

Forms are available on the Banting website under the 'What's New' section. Please do not hesitate to contact the school with any questions you may have.



# FALL SPORTS



For a detailed list of some of the clubs currently offered at Banting, please visit:  
<http://ban.scdsb.on.ca/sports-and-clubs>

There are many sports teams for Fall sports in early September! Visit our Banting Athletics website for more information!

<https://bantingathletics.weebly.com/>

**Are you interested in trying out for Banting's Contact Football Team? Be prepared to attend tryouts after school on first day of school, September 3rd, 2019!**

## STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE 2019-2020

Student injuries at school during school events and extra-curricular activities (athletics, clubs) or out-of-province/out-of-country trips, are not covered by the SCDSB or its insurance company. While every precaution is taken to provide a safe learning environment, accidents can and do happen.

The SCDSB has selected the "insure my kids" program through Old Republic Canada as an option for students/parents/guardians to consider. This insurance offers a variety of plans and benefits at reasonable annual prices. Coverage can be purchased online at [www.insuremykids.com](http://www.insuremykids.com).

Participation in extra-curricular activities (athletics, clubs) or out-of-province/out-of-country trips requires the purchase of this insurance, or other extended health and dental coverage.

Student accident insurance packages will be sent home with students.

## Parent Portal—Gives Parents Real-Time Access to Attendance, Grade Information

The SCDSB Parent Portal is a secure online tool that provides parents/guardians (of students less than 18 years of age) with quick access to their children's attendance and grades and includes the option to sign up for email notifications. To access the Parent Portal, parents/guardians will need their child's SCDSB Pupil ID Number, which can be found on the Student Information Verification Form, as well as an Access ID. Request your Access ID by visiting us in the school main office and we'll provide it to you after verifying your identity.

### Student Drop off/Pick-up:

THE **ONLY** area for drop-off and pick-up is the **EAST side of the school by the cafeteria & student parking lot.**

You can access the pick-up zone from Victoria Street and exit onto East Avenue.



**Do not** use the staff parking lot by the Main Office or the School Bus Loading zones.

## BMHS Breakfast Club

Banting's Breakfast Club fed approximately 50,000+ students from September to June this past school year.

As we start another school year **we rely on donations in order to give our students a healthy start to the day.** If you are able to give juice, milk, cereal, nut-free cereal bars, fresh fruit, yogurt or cash, please know that all of your help is very much appreciated.

Contact Alana Cowl at [acowl@scdsb.on.ca](mailto:acowl@scdsb.on.ca) for more information.

## REPORTING YOUR STUDENT ABSENCE JUST GOT EASIER!

All parents/guardians are asked to contact their school when their child will be absent from school. When schools do not hear from a parent/guardian, and a student is absent, the school will call home to find out the reason for the absence.

For your convenience, we have a few options for you to select from:

- 1. Phone Call** to Attendance Line: **705-435-6288**, Press “1” to leave a voicemail message.
- 2. Send a note** to the school with your student (*include the date of absence(s), student’s full name, Parent name & signature and a phone number where we may contact parent*).
- 3. Email** to: [banattendance@scdsb.on.ca](mailto:banattendance@scdsb.on.ca) (*include the date of absence(s), student’s full name, parent name and a phone number where we may contact parent*).

## BMHS Video Billboard

### You Channel!

At Banting we have a communications technology class which broadcasts our **daily announcements** via Youtube at 9:15am.

*We will update you on a start date, usually a few weeks into each semester.*



Visit Youtube and search for “Marauder TV” and look for the Marauder TV logo to subscribe to the channel!

You will always want to look for the word “LIVE” to ensure you are watching the present day’s announcements!

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

**Yearbook & Student Fee**  
**COMBO PACKAGE \$45 (Reg.\$55.)**  
**Limited Time Offer!**  
**SAVE over 15% - only with**  
**CASH ONLINE PURCHASE**

- Student Activity Fee/Student Card: **\$10.** (Reg.\$15.) — allows you to participate in all teams, clubs, dances, school activities, Colour Run, Banting Games, etc. - and your Student Card!
- Yearbook **\$35.** (Reg.\$40.) — a must-have cherished highschool keepsake, hard cover, full colour, approx. 120 pages of memories. Priceless. (*Copies distributed in June*)
- Combination Lock: **\$7.** — high quality, Master brand, 3 number combination locks, black & chrome.
- Phys. Ed. Uniform: **\$25.** — students must wear this mandatory school uniform in all physical education classes. Shirt (\$12.), shorts (\$13.) If you have gym, this is a must have!

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**Combo package only available on cash online and only until September 30, 2019.**

If paying by cash or cheque, please make cheque payable to Banting Memorial High School. If paying by cash or cheque, or purchasing only individual items, they are offered only at regular price.