

# Blacksburg High School Weekly Bulletin



December 12 - 16, 2022

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## Upcoming Events for the Week

- December 13: Algebra I EOC
- December 13: DYW Meeting in the auditorium
- December 13: JV Boys / Girls Basketball at Chapman
- December 13: V Boys / Girls Basketball at Thomas Jefferson
- December 14: Biology EOC
- December 14: V Boys / Girls Basketball vs. Chapman
- December 16: Minimum 4 service hours due for all Beta Club Members



## EOC Testing

**Tuesday Algebra I EOC**  
**Wednesday Biology EOC**  
**Thursday Make up EOC**

## Lunch Menu

Monday: Breakfast - chicken or sausage, grits, biscuit, eggs, tater tots

Tuesday: Corn dog or meatloaf, turnip greens mashed potatoes, pinto beans, cornbread

Wednesday: Teriyaki dippers or chicken pot pie, green beans, macaroni and cheese, roll

Thursday: Baked ham or turkey, rice, green beans, macaroni and cheese, roll, apple crisp

Friday: Cheese pizza or buffalo pizza, corn, salad



## The Month at a Glance

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December 16: Minimum 4 service hours due for all Beta Club Members  
December 19: 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Block Exams  
December 19 - 20: V Girls Basketball Sub Station II Tournament  
December 20: 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Block Exams  
December 20 - 22: V Boys Roundball Tournament  
December 20: Half Day for Students  
December 21 - January 4: Christmas Break  
December 27 - 29: V Girls Basketball Christmas Tournament  
January 6: Report Cards  
January 6: V Boys / Girls Basketball at Chesnee



## BHS Mission Statement

The mission of Blacksburg High School is to ensure all students are provided with empowering and rigorous opportunities to thrive in academics, athletics, and the arts in a safe and nurturing environment in order to become lifelong learners and productive citizens.

## BHS Core Values: Relationships. High Expectations. Accountability.

- 1) BHS believes in the power of creating high quality, respectful relationships. These relationships serve as the foundation for impactful academic and social growth.
- 2) BHS believes in the need for setting high expectations for all. In conjunction with quality relationships, individuals thrive in situations where excellence is the only option.
- 3) BHS believes in the process of accountability. Accountability ensures that students have a clear goal in which the high expectations can be reached.



### **FACT #1: He was actually a saint! ... sort of**

- Born in the year 270, St. Nicholas was the Bishop of Myra.
- He was an anonymous gift giver, handing out treats and coins to children.
- It was something he did at night and who Santa Claus is really based on.



### **FACT #2: He didn't always have reindeer**

- The reindeer were only introduced in "Twas the Night Before Christmas" (originally "A Visit from Saint Nicholas" was a poem written in 1822).
- It was the first work that detailed the man himself, among those details, he was said to ride a sleigh led by reindeer!



### **FACT #3: Coca-Cola created the modern Mr. Claus**

- In the late 1800s, Santa Claus was traditionally depicted wearing red (Louis Prang, an artist, created Christmas cards in 1885 depicting Santa in that way).
- However, artist Haddon Sundblom illustrated Santa's red suit for a widely-circulated campaign for Coca-Cola.



### **FACT #4: Mall Santa is a 120-year-old tradition**

- In 1890, James Edgar was the first department store Santa, it was initially just a marketing ploy but was very popular
- Children from all over the state dragged their parents to Edgar's store and a tradition was born



### **FACT #5: Santa was once a bachelor**

- Mrs. Claus was mentioned in an 1849 short story, "A Christmas Legend" by James Rees.
- Then Mrs. Claus was mentioned in several literary publications, like the Yale Literary Magazine and Harper's Magazine.
- Mrs. Claus became famous after being mentioned in Katherine Lee Bates' 1889 poem, "Goody Santa Claus on a Sleigh Ride".