



Patriot Nation Weekly

4/11/25

From the Principal's desk...

This will be the last newsletter before April break. We hope you have a very Happy Easter!

Up from the grave He arose! Hallelujah!

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." I Peter 1:3

BCS HIGH SCHOOL SEMI-FORMAL-TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE!!!!!!

<https://bangorchristian.wufoo.com/forms/r1nqnctd1v7ydv0/>



COIN DRIVE MEMORIAL FUNDRAISER FOR RIGHT TO LIFE

The 3rd annual Christopher Swanson Memorial Coin Drive will be taking place April 10-17th.

Each classroom will be given a container to collect coins from their students.

There are prizes for all classes that raise \$100 or more
and the class with the highest total will earn a pizza party

Christopher Swanson was an alumni of Bangor Christian Schools.
His family is raising funds in his honor to benefit the Maine Right to Life.



Absentee Form

If your child will be absent, late or dismissed early, please fill out our Student Absence Form. This is the best form of communication!

<https://bangorchristian.wufoo.com/forms/zyuxtjf0ykm0mc/>

Emailing a teacher or the principal is not necessary or enough, the Elem or MS/HS office needs to hear from you, that is where official attendance is recorded.

SENIORS

If you need a transcript sent to a school that you are applying to, please go to <https://www.bangorchristian.com/Experience-BCS/Alumni> There you will find the form you need to fill out. Mrs. Straubel can usually have them sent by the next day but you must go through the request form. If you call or email, you will just be told to go to the website. :)

Ministry Opportunities

We are in need of **Substitute Teachers**.

Contact the school if you have any questions or are interested!

Driver's Ed

The next driver's ed class through Warman's Driving Academy will start on May 23rd at 3:00 here in the BCS high school building. He will have another one starting on July 18th at 8:30. If people have any questions, they can call Margaret at 478-7415 or email her at wda@warmansdrivingacademy.com.

Patriot Fund Link & Update

If you are interested in giving, the Patriot Fund is a fantastic opportunity! It provides money for all of the basics (and beyond!) that keep BCS going. We would love for you to consider giving to support this incredible ministry as we strive for excellence in all we do!

We are working to meet our April goal and we are just \$7,500 away from our year end goal! Can you help us out? Anything you could do would be greatly appreciated so if you would like to contribute, feel free to donate via the school directly or at the link below!

"The one who blesses others shall be abundantly blessed; those who help others are helped."

Proverbs 11:25

Please visit the link! [Patriot Fund Link](#)

Patriots Athletics

BCS Fans,

The NEW Bangor Christian Schools website is released and public! Check out our new BCS Athletics pages at

<https://www.bangorchristian.com/Athletics>

Our new website features:

Social Media Feeds to all BCS Athletics sites

Click on "Patriot Teams" for a link to the BCS Athletics Master Sports Calendar and individual team pages that include team calendars and coaching staff. You are now able to subscribe to all calendars through these pages.

Not loving the new Google Calendar system? Bookmark

<https://www.bangorchristian.com/Athletics/Patriot-Teams/Master-Sports-Calendar> for a website view of our master sports calendar!

See Sports News and Announcements for coaching positions available, required forms and documents, and social media and MPA links for all of our athletic leagues and conferences.

New Business Sponsors page. Check out all of the local businesses supporting our school and athletics programs. Click on their logos to link to all business sponsor websites and contact info!

<https://www.bangorchristian.com/Giving/Business-Sponsors>

New BCS Boosters Page!

Future Pee wee Athletics signups and news will be on our Pee wee Athletics page.

We hope that these changes help make your BCS Athletics experience easier to navigate and share with Friends and Family.

Go Patriots!

BCS School Store

If you are interested in ordering more items from the school store, here is the link.

[BCS School Store](#)

Follow Us on Facebook and Instagram to see what our students are learning and doing while attending BCS!

Tim Hortons Lunch Program

We offer lunch through Tim Hortons! Please check your email for the order form and email aduff@bangorchristian.org with any questions!
Orders must be placed by 8pm the night before!

Parent Opportunity

This forum is sponsored by Baptist Youth Camp and United Baptist Church.



You are invited to a **Parents' Forum**

What are the challenges that your family faces?
What does the Bible say about parenting in 2025?
How can Christians navigate the world of technology with their kids?

Join the conversation . . .

**@ United Baptist Church • 28 Hancock St, Ellsworth
April 13th, 2025 • Sunday, 3-4:30pm**

At this inaugural Parents' Forum, we will get start to consider what we are dealing with as parents in 2025. We will look to God's Word to help encourage and equip us to faithfully parent the precious ones the Lord has entrusted to us.

Childcare will be available.



Please RSVP so we can plan accordingly
A@BYC.cc or 207-460-1536



Summer Camp Opportunities

This week we are highlighting our friends from Crossroads Christian Camp in Bradley, Maine. Crossroads offers day camps and overnight teen camps throughout the entire summer. Check them out [here](#)!



Summer Tutoring

If you are looking for summer tutoring possibilities for your students, the staff listed below will be offering summer tutoring hours. Please reach out to them individually. Each person will be setting their own schedule, location, and fees.

Kelly Robinson- Grades K-6th

ksherwood-robinson@bangorchristian.org or cor2517@gmail.com

Amanda Ripton

aripton@bangorchristian.org

Stacy Boyle- Grades 4th-8th Math-

First three weeks of August only (Tues/Thurs morning group sessions)

sboyle@bangorchristian.org

Summer Reading- Beyond The Bookmark Program



Check out these [summer reading boxes](#) from our Christian book fair company I55.

“We are thrilled to bring you our summer reading program, Beyond the Bookmark! Make reading fun again with our handpicked books and carefully curated activities. Each box is designed to engage children and inspire a passion for reading.”

Opportunities for Families

JOIN US FOR A

NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM

At the Cole Land Transportation Museum

Admission:
Adults \$5
Children FREE



Located at 405 Perry Rd, Bangor. Please call (207) 990-3600 with any questions!

MAY 13, 2025
4:00 PM TO 7:00 PM

The Museum will be full of actors bringing history to life! There will be special scavenger hunts with prizes and plenty of fun for all ages!





Tri-County 4-H Sampler

Activities for youth ages 5-18
Information and resources for
parents, guardians and caregivers



Learn more about 4-H with monthly
workshops hosted by Penobscot,
Piscataquis, and Somerset County
4-H Positive Youth Development staff
Coming May 27: Marine Touch Tank!
Location TBA

For more information or a reasonable
accommodation,
please contact
Emily Pigeon
By Phone: 207-942-7396
or
By Email: emily.pigeon@maine.edu
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Straw Rocket STEM Challenge REGISTRATION

Non 4-H
Member



4-H
Member



Lafayette & Rawcliffe 4-H Science and
Engineering Learning Center

Free Event!

Open House

Fun for all ages!

Learn about:
Our Space
Our Touch Tank
4-H Programs
4-H Toolkits
Aquaponics

**April 19, 2025
from 10am - 1pm**

491 College Ave
Orono, ME 04473

**Meet Coral &
Frances!**



For more info:



<https://extension.umaine.edu/4h/science-center/>

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April & May Date Reminders

April 17- Early Release Day (12:00 dismissal; No After Care)

April 18- Good Friday (No School)

April 20- Happy Easter!

April 21-25- April Vacation; students return on April 28th

May 3- Semi-Formal (High School)

May 5-9- IOWA Testing (Grades 2-11)

May 5-9- Teacher Appreciation Week

May 12-16-Spirit Week

May 22- Spring Concert- 6:00

May 23- Early Release Day (12:00 dismissal; No After Care)

May 26-Memorial Day (No School)

May 30- Friday Fundraiser (Dress Down Day)

Maine Children's Scholarship Fund Open Enrollment

The application period is January 1, 2025, and ends on April 30, 2025.

Our random drawing will be in July.

The purpose of the Maine Children's Scholarship Fund is to increase the educational opportunities for the children of low-income families.

MCSF grants help pay for up to seventy-five percent (75%) of the private school tuition (maximum of \$1,400 per child, per year) for families that meet our income guidelines. We have Homeschool and Hybrid scholarships as well.

We are asking to spread the word to parents, friends, family, other Maine private schools, churches and encourage any private school or homeschool families that meets our income guidelines to apply.

Please feel free to add our website to your school web page as a scholarship opportunity

Please visit our website mecsf.org for more information and to apply online or download our application to mail.

2024 – 2025 Income Eligibility Guidelines

Total Number of People in your Household:	Your Total Family Annual Income is Less Than:
1	\$27,861
2	\$37,814
3	\$47,767
4	\$57,720
5	\$67,673
6	\$77,626
7	\$87,579
8	\$97,532
Additional Members of the family please add:	\$9,953

A Note from Elementary

Our lost and found is filling up! Please stop by and check to see if anything belongs to you!

Please send your child with a coat, hat, gloves, boots and snow pants as they go outside for recess! If your child forgets snow pants, they will play on the pavement and not be allowed to play in the snow. We try to have extra coats, hats and gloves on hand, but don't always have enough to go around.

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