

Bulldog Blitz

BUTLER HIGH
SCHOOL



September 2024



Upcoming September Events

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| September 11: | BHS Club Fair (during lunches) |
| September 19: | Curriculum Night 6PM-7PM
Butler Abroad Meeting 7:30 PM |
| September 25: | Early Release Day- Dismissal @ 11:15 |
| September 26: | Underclassmen Pictures |

Get Up to the Minute News!

[Butler's Website](#)

 facebook.com/butlerHS

[School Calendar](#)

 [butlerbulldawgs](https://twitter.com/butlerbulldawgs)

[Our Athletic Page](#)

 [butler_high_school](https://www.instagram.com/butler_high_school)

[Student/Parent Handbook](#)

Principal:
[Yolanda Blakeney](#)

Assistant

Principals:

[Melissa Booth](#)

Last names A-Est

[Michael Dodson](#)

Last names Ev-Le

[LaShaunda Pankey](#)

Last names Li-Rit

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A Note from Student Services



September is Attendance Awareness Month! Join us in making school attendance a priority by helping your student come to school on time, every day.!

Here at Butler we are committed to removing barriers that prevent students from attending school regularly. If you are in need of assistance please contact our social workers, Mrs. Corzine- caroline1.corzine@cms.k12.nc.us or Mrs. Joyner- marcelette1.joyner@cms.k12.nc.us for further support. Let's commit to excellence by partnering together to ensure that all students are in school on time, every day!

¡Septiembre es el mes de concientización sobre la asistencia! Únase a nosotros para hacer de la asistencia a la escuela una prioridad ayudando a su estudiante a llegar a la escuela a tiempo, todos los días.

Aquí en Butler estamos comprometidos a eliminar las barreras que impiden que los estudiantes asistan a la escuela con regularidad. Si necesita ayuda, comuníquese con nuestros trabajadores sociales, Sra. Corzine- caroline1.corzine@cms.k12.nc.us o Sra. Joyner- marcelette1.joyner@cms.k12.nc.us para obtener más ayuda. ¡Comprometámonos con la excelencia asociándonos para garantizar que todos los estudiantes lleguen a la escuela a tiempo, todos los días!



Attendance Awareness Month

Wednesday Spirit Day Themes



SEPTEMBER



2024

**WED
04**

X-PLORE BUTLER

WEAR YOUR FAVORITE BRIGHT COLORS- GOOD ATTENDANCE LEADS TO BRIGHT FUTURES.

**WED
11**

ENGAGE BUTLER

WEAR YOUR BUTLER GEAR OR SCHOOL COLORS- TAKE TIME TO EXPLORE THE CLUB FAIR

**WED
18**

WE ARE A TEAM

WEAR YOUR FAVORITE TEAM GEAR OR COLORS

**WED
25**

BE PRESENT, BE POWERFUL

DRESS UP AS YOUR FUTURE CAREER OR WEAR YOUR FAVORITE COLLEGE GEAR.

Participate in activities and enter for a chance to win prizes each Wednesday outside the cafeteria during lunch!

A Note from the Cafeteria

Students Without Meal Money

All students must have an approved meal application, cash or money on account to make lunch purchases. Procedures are in place for all school students who do not have money to receive a complete lunch. The price of the lunch will be charged to the student's account. The student will be asked to return any extra items on his/her tray to the cashier.

Parents will be notified of balances due and are responsible for payment. If payment is not received within 10 days of the date of the notice, the matter will be referred to the school principal for further action.

High school students are not allowed to go into the negative to purchase any food items. There is a "no charge" policy in high schools. High school lunch is \$3.00.

At the beginning of the school year or during the school year, if a student moves from a CEP school to a school that is not CEP the parent must complete a meal application within 30 days to be considered for meal benefits.

Students will need to have money for meals if an approved meal application is not on file.

Adding Money On Accounts

Parents are encouraged to place money in their student's accounts in advance. Advance payment allows the cafeteria to provide the most efficient service to all customers.

Money may be placed in your student's account for the convenience of purchasing extra items for students.

Signing up for PAYPAMS

Step 1: Register with PAMS: With paypams.com or You can also call 1-877-726-7586.

Step 2: Choose your Payment Options: Make manual payments at your convenience or set up automatic payments.

Step 3: Make a Payment: Pay by credit or VISA logo debit card. You will receive an immediate confirmation that your payment has been received. Payments take 24 to 48 hours to post to your student's account at their school cafeteria.

To apply for Free/ Reduced School Lunch, click [here!](#)

A Note from Nurse Beth

Please see the below COVID guidelines. There are no changes or updates for the 2024-25 school year.

As of Friday, March 1, 2024, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) updated the COVID isolation requirements, removing the five day isolation period. In alignment with the CDC, effective Wednesday, March 6, 2024, Mecklenburg County Public Health will no longer require isolation, nor provide isolation letters due to positive COVID test results. CDC and NC Department of Health and Human Services now follow respiratory virus guidelines for schools, which state that individuals with a respiratory virus can return to school after it has been 24 hours since a fever was present (without fever-reducing medicine) and other symptoms are improving. Wearing a mask upon return to school can reduce the risk of respiratory virus transmission.”

Link(s): For guidelines and procedures, click on the following links:

[CDC Respiratory Virus Guidelines for schools](#)

[CMS Updated COVID Guidelines](#)

Missing immunizations and health assessments

Letters regarding missing immunizations and health assessments have been sent home. All students must be in compliance by September 25th or they will be excluded from school beginning September 26th until the requirements are met. If you have questions or need to submit records contact the school nurse Beth Mintich RN,BSN,NCSN at 980-343-6300 or beth1.mintich@cms.k12.nc.us

Spring 2025-Career & College Promise (Dual Enrollment).@ CCCC

Applications

Open: September 3, 2024

Close: October 3, 2024

Link to steps and application:

<https://sites.google.com/cms.k12.nc.us/welcome/career-college-promise-program-dual-enrollment-cpcc-information>

*FIRST DEADLINE: Submitted: September 3rd - September 26th---Register for classes on October 21st

*SECOND DEADLINE: Submitted: September 27th- October 3rd---Register for classes on October 28th (could be before if CCCC processes your application earlier)

Interest Meetings:

Butler High School Student Services/
Career Center

Pick one meeting time to learn more-You must have a pass from your teacher

- September 6th: Bulldog Block: 1st and 4th
- September 13th: Bulldog Block: 1st and 2nd
- September 17th: Bulldog Block: 2nd and 4th
- September 27th: Bulldog Block: 1st and 2nd

Accepted Student Meeting:

A pass from your teacher is needed for Bulldog Block (Media Center)
October 8th OR October 15th

NTHS- National Technical Honor Society

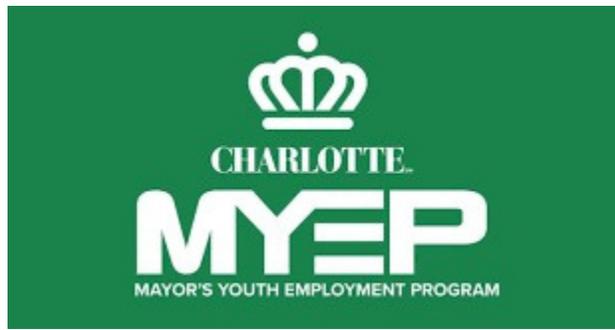
Applications:

Open-September 18th

Due-September 30th

Link to more information and application:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Db5muCK5_Kik0xdZ_45oCVsYyAeoPbLnFoa4RjtsQNc/edit?usp=sharing



Summer 2025 Internship

More Information:

<https://charlottenc.gov/Mayor/Youth/MYEP/Pages/default.aspx>

MYEP Instagram/LinkedIn: @myepclt

Contact: Butler High School Career Development Coordinator (CDC): JessicaM.Walker@cms.k12.nc.us

MYEP MISSION: To provide all Charlotte youth with equitable career development opportunities to explore the world of work, build social capital, and enhance economic mobility.

MYEP VISION: MYEP participants explore careers, hone skills, and gain exposure to models of professionalism, creating pathways to attainable career goals. As youth achieve, our community is strengthened.

MYEP seeks to build partnerships with host employers in the private, public, and non-profit sectors of Charlotte's economy who are able to provide one-of-a-kind career experiences for MYEP participants. Businesses provide career experiences that help youth develop career goals, stay in school, achieve academically, and enhance social skills that enable them to succeed in life. Students connect to

the world of work which enables businesses and communities to knowtheneedsandsuccessesofthestudentsandschools.

About Our Program: MYEP participants are motivated high school age youth seeking career exploration or employment opportunities. Participants include youth associated with various community partners, charter schools, home school, elearning and others. Charlotte Mecklenburg-Schools students may contact the Career Development Coordinator (CDC) at their school regarding participating in the MYEP.

History: Since 1986, the MYEP has worked to prepare Charlotte's youth for future employment. The program focuses on leveraging relationships with businesses and the community to provide meaningful, career-oriented internships for participants.

MYEP Internships (Summer 2025):

- During the six-week window, students are required to prioritize their MYEP work experience for six weeks
 - Students will average 25 hours of work per 6 weeks for a total of 150 hours (June-August)
 - Students will be paid a *minimum* rate of \$13.00 per hour
- The MYEP cannot guarantee internship or job placement-business partner placement is subject to position availability (virtual and in-person)

Applying youth must:

- Have a current photo ID and a Social Security number
- Be enrolled as a current student in Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools or reside in the City of Charlotte
- Complete the registration forms by the deadline
- Be 16 years old on or before April 15, 2025
- Successfully pass a drug screening and background check



Steps to Apply:

1. Join MYEP group on Parent/Student Square (This is how Mrs. Walker will communicate to you)
2. Registration for JCRT (Job & Career Readiness Training)---Use personal email-NO CMS EMAIL-SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER

Opens: August 26, 2024

Closes: September 25, 2024

*Butler MYEP JCRT Training (you can select a Saturday training instead): October 22, 2024 (8 am-1pm)-Butler Media Center (please let your teachers know)

3. Orientation (Virtual with MYEP)---MYEP will send you an email
 4. You must have completed the application for JCRT and attend the JCRT training to move forward in the MYEP process.
 5. Let Mrs. Walker know when you have completed the Registration for JCRT-Google Form: bit.ly/3AFGQdD
- *All steps are mandatory*

A Note from Yearbook

**Get More
in '24!**

NEW LOWER PRICES!

Better Value. More to Smile About.

Underclassmen Pictures

Please save the date for underclassmen pictures scheduled for September 26. All students are expected to take their pictures in order to update PowerSchool.

Parents may reach out to Mr. Rusk via email if your child does not want to include their picture in the yearbook. Please communicate this to him via email by Dec. 1.
steven1.rusk@cms.k12.nc.us

A makeup date is scheduled for late October if your child is absent for picture day.



Yearbook - Senior Ads

Purchase our award-winning Senior Ads. to celebrate that special senior in your life. You submit the writing and the pictures, and our yearbook staff does the rest.... did we mention our ads. were award winning?! Please purchase your senior ad. along with the yearbook at yearbooksforever.com.

Due by 12/01.



SENIOR CLASS OF '25

portraits & yearbook to-do's

- SCHEDULE A SENIOR PORTRAIT**, due 11/07/24
 - photo options available through Prestige Portraits, Indian Trail, NC
 - Butler tux/drape sessions (no charge; sign up online for a slot) 8/14/24 or 11/07/24
- PURCHASE A SENIOR AD. IN THE YEARBOOK**, due 12/01/24
- PURCHASE A YEARBOOK**, due 1/25/25
 - early bird special available in August
- CAP & GOWN PICTURES**, event hosted by Butler on 2/07/25
 - no fee, sign up required, more to come in January
 - CMS also takes pictures during commencement (no sign up required)

Contact Mr. Rusk via email with any senior portrait or yearbook questions.

steven1.rusk@cms.k12.nc.us



EARLY BIRD SPECIAL!

BUY

8/26 - 9/16

YOUR

¡El tiempo se agota, compra tu anuario escolar!

YEARBOOK!

~~\$85~~ **\$75**

Buy your yearbook from Aug. 26 - Sept. 16 to receive **\$10 off** regular price. The online store opens 8/26 @ **YEARBOOKFOREVER.COM**

SCAN ME



SENIORS - PLEASE CONTACT A YEARBOOK STAFF MEMBER TO BUY A SENIOR AD!!

Por favor contacta al personal del anuario para comprar un anuncio de graduación.

FRIDAY FOOD BAGS

Butler has partnered with Food for Families to support those with need by providing food bags to go home with students from school on Friday afternoons. They often contain non-perishable items and snacks. They are plastic shopping bags that can fit into a regular student's bookbag. We will be providing drawstring bags (similar to photo below) to students to help maintain privacy, but they must remember to bring them back each week or they will have to utilize the plastic bags.

- Parents must sign the permission slip by scanning the QR code below, giving their student(s) permission to receive the bags on Fridays.
- It is the parent's responsibility to check food labels to make sure there are not any food allergies. By signing below, you release "Food for Families" and Butler High School/Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools, and their employees of any liability.



BOLSAS DE COMIDA DEL VIERNES

Butler se ha asociado con Food for Families para apoyar a los necesitados proporcionándoles bolsas de comida para que los estudiantes las lleven a casa desde la escuela los viernes por la tarde. A menudo contienen artículos no perecederos y snacks. Son bolsas de plástico para la compra que caben en la mochila de un estudiante normal. Proporcionaremos bolsas con cordón (similares a la foto a continuación) a los estudiantes para ayudar a mantener la privacidad, pero deben recordar traerlas cada semana o tendrán que utilizar las bolsas de plástico.

- Los padres deben firmar el formulario de permiso a continuación, dando permiso a sus estudiantes para recibir las bolsas los viernes.
- Es responsabilidad de los padres revisar las etiquetas de los alimentos para asegurarse de que no haya alergias alimentarias. Al firmar a continuación, usted libera de cualquier responsabilidad a “Food for Families” y a Butler High School/Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools, y a sus empleados.



Support Butler PTSO



Please re-link your Harris Teeter VIC Cards!

Cards are not automatically re-linked. Program runs August 1st—May 31st .

By linking your Harris Teeter VIC card to **Butler High School PTSO (#1243)**, we will earn a percentage of your Harris Teeter purchases.

There are three ways to link your card:

1. Go directly to the Harris Teeter website and follow their instructions:

Click here: [Harris Teeter VIC Link](#).

2. Ask a cashier at Harris Teeter to link your VIC number to #1243

3. Go to **Pay4SchoolStuff.com** , *Login to your account/Click on your student name/select VIC-card/Enter your information.*

Click here: [Pay4SchoolStuff](#)



The Publix Partner program has changed!!

You do not need to carry the card.

Click here to sign up: <https://www.publix.com>

- Click on Sign Up to create an account.
- After your email address is confirmed, scroll down to Select a School
- Enter *Butler High School PTS*
- When you shop, mention your phone number to the cashier at checkout.



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