



Family Resource Center News

The BTCS Connection/Family Resource Center has a new home



The Connection, which houses the BTCS Family Resource Center, recently moved to a new location at 1115 Edgemont Avenue across from Tennessee High School.

Through a variety of community partnerships, the BTCS Family Resource Center operates with a student focus on meeting basic needs, promoting good school attendance, and reading on grade level by third grade. Family Resource Center services are delivered by appointment. To learn more, visit the Family Resource Center [website](#) or call (423) 652-9251.

BTCS would like to thank Rush and Lea Powers with Burke, Powers & Harty for donating space for The BTCS Connection since 2011. Their generosity provided a home for the program to grow and serve the students and families of BTCS for more than 10 years.



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Dates to Remember

Oct 12	Report Card Distribution
Nov 7	Flexible Learning Day
Nov 8	Election Day School Closed
Nov 23-25	Thanksgiving Break School Closed
Dec 16	Early Dismissal Elementary (8:10-12:30) TMS/THS (7:30-11:45)
Dec 19-Jan 2	Holiday Break School Closed
Jan 3	Teacher Inservice School Closed

School Resource Officer News

All schools now have full-time School Resource Officers

Through a partnership with the Bristol Tennessee Police Department, BTCS now has a full-time School Resource Officer (SRO) assigned to every school in the district.

"I am thankful for our partnership with the police department," said Dr. Annette Tudor, BTCS director of schools. "The SROs in our buildings are incredible. The police department recognizes the value of hiring top-notch officers and providing them with high-quality training. Whether it be with SROs or other safety planning, the department is always working alongside us to ensure we have the safest environment possible for teaching and learning."



Lt. Greg Brown
SRO Supervisor



SRO Mallory Berenzy
Holston View



SRO Aaron Colley
Tennessee High



SRO Brandon Corby
Fairmount



SRO Sherman Eury
Tennessee Middle



SRO Josh Graham
Avoca



SRO Cade Parks
Haynesfield



SRO Storme Rivera
Anderson



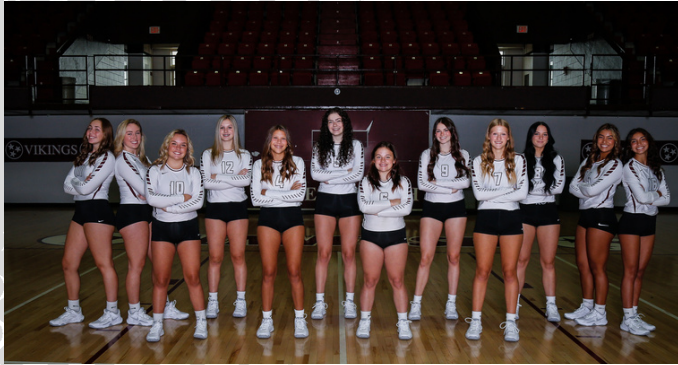
SRO Mike Rutledge
Viking Academy



Report Cards for the first nine weeks will be available through the PowerSchool Parent Portal on Wednesday, October 12.

TMS & THS Lady Viking Volleyball

Congratulations to the Lady Viking Volleyball teams on their accomplishments



Congratulations to the THS Lady Viking Volleyball team as they finish the regular season as Conference Champions with a 10-0 Conference record. Lady Viking Volleyball Coach Mary Johnson became the team's all-time winningest coach on October 4 with 378 wins, passing Coach Peggy Dempsey.



TENNESSEE MIDDLE SCHOOL LADY VIKINGS
2022 STATE SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS!

Congratulations to the TMS volleyball team, repeat State Sectional Champions!

VIKING PRIDE DAY

The first Friday of every month
WEAR MAROON & WHITE

VIKING VILLAGE
a new home football game tradition!



4:30-6:30 p.m.
Tennessee High School
Front Parking Lot



VIKING WALK 5:00 P.M.



ENJOY



Food
Tailgating



Music
Games

OCTOBER 7

TENNESSEE HIGH
VS
VOLUNTEER
7:00 p.m.

Special Celebrations
Introducing Viking Village

OCTOBER 14

TENNESSEE HIGH
VS
DANIEL BOONE
7:00 p.m.

Special Celebrations
Military Service
BTCS Support Staff

OCTOBER 21

TENNESSEE HIGH
VS
WEST RIDGE
7:00 p.m.

Special Celebrations
Senior Night
'72 National Championship

Dale Burns Youth Sports Fall Basketball and Cheerleading

Online registration will begin October 10 for basketball and cheerleading for BTCS students in grades K-5. An in-person registration will be held Saturday, October 22, from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. in the Viking Hall Lobby.

Practices will begin the week of November 7, and games are scheduled to begin December 3. A one-time registration fee of \$25 will cover participation in any youth sports activity for the 22-23 school year. Fee waivers are available.

A flyer with registration information will be sent home with all elementary students, and information will be available on the district website and social media.

SPORTS SCHEDULES



For up-to-date
SCHEDULES
for THS and TMS athletics, go to

btcs.org/athletics



Celebrating the Golden Era of Viking Football!

Friday, October 21
Tennessee High vs. West Ridge
Kickoff 7 p.m.

50-Year Reunion Celebration National Championship Football Team

All players, coaches, cheerleaders,
and managers from the
1972 National Championship Team
(Classes of 1973-1975) are invited!

Also invited are the four classes who
made up the historic 44-2 run:
'71, '72, '73, '74

Special guests **John Cropp & Bill Bingham!**

Pre-game fellowship will begin at 4:30 p.m. in the
old gym (current Wellness Room) on the Stone
Castle side of the building on Edgemont Avenue.
Those attending for the reunion will have special
reserved seating for the game.

WILLIAM KING MUSEUM OF ART

415 ACADEMY DR. ABINGDON, VA

-presents-

TENNESSEE HIGH DEPARTMENT OF ART

Art exhibition will be on display
OCTOBER 3-DECEMBER 9

on level one of the museum during regular museum hours.

Monday-Wednesday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Thursday 10 a.m.-8 p.m.
Friday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sunday 1-5 p.m.

Mighty Viking Band

The Mighty Viking Band sweeps competition

The Tennessee High School Mighty Viking Band (MVB) swept the Chilhowie Apple Festival Band Competition on September 24 with first place finishes in every category for the Class AAAA Bands and won the Grand Champion Award.

The MVB Band won first place in the drum major, color guard, percussion, general effect, marching, and music categories. The MVB also received a superior rating and took home the Theo Ganaway Color Guard Award for the highest-ranking color guard.

The MVB also hosted the 70th Annual Music in the Castle on October 1. While the remnants of Hurricane Ian forced the competition inside Viking Hall, the performances were no less magnificent. Congratulations to the winners and thanks to all who made the event a success! The MVB will compete at West Carolina's Tournament of Champions at Western Carolina University on October 15.

Welcome to Friendship Career Center

Join us for the Community Reveal



Please join us on **Wednesday, October 26**, for the Community Reveal of Friendship Career Center, including Viking Academy. This is a drop-in event from 3 to 6 p.m. The new facility is located at 1855 Volunteer Parkway.

Viking Academy is an off-site, work-based learning program designed to meet the unique learning needs of students. It is an extension of the existing CTE program.

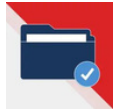
The Mitch Walters family and Friendship Automotive Enterprises donated the 24,000-square-foot facility to BTCS to expand educational and workforce development opportunities for students.



Congratulations TOPS and Holston View

Two schools earn Reward School status

Holston View Elementary and **Tennessee Online Public School** have been named by the Tennessee Department of Education as 2022 Reward Schools. Reward status is the top distinction a school can earn in Tennessee. For more information about Reward School status in the state of Tennessee, click [here](#).



SafeTN App

Keep our schools and community safe

SafeTN is an app that provides an anonymous, secure communications platform where you can send tips and access useful resources to help keep your school and community safe. With the confidential reporting system, students, staff, parents, and the public can easily report suspicious or criminal behavior and other safety concerns to help prevent violence in our schools and our communities. Tips can be submitted 24/7 through the mobile app from any compatible device. [Learn more.](#)



The CDC website has numerous mental health resources for you and your family.

At the link below, you can learn more about

Healthy Ways to Cope with Stress

Be sure to check out other mental health resources from the CDC, and as always, contact your child's school counselor for additional support.

United Way of Bristol

Be Someone's Hope

It is no secret that BTCS employees are known for their caring hearts and generous spirits. They demonstrate this each day in countless ways to our students, families, and each other.

In fact, their generosity ranks BTCS in the TOP 10 United Way of Bristol TN/VA employee campaigns year-after-year!

In one week, we will launch our annual United Way effort. We invite all Viking Nation to join our BTCS staff in supporting United Way to "Be Someone's Hope" for the future.



To learn more,
go to
unitedwaybristol.org



Being present and on time
to school each day
is important to your child's success!

Remember to contact the school
immediately if it is necessary
for your child to be absent.