

Dear BCS Community,

This Friday is a benchmark day in your student's online education. As of this Friday, May 8, your student will have completed the necessary TEKS lessons to advance to the next level of education. Next week will be a wrap-up week and will be provided in group and/or individual Zoom formats. Please understand that even though the online videos and homework section is complete, participation and attendance next week is still required. School is in session until May 15. Next Thursday, May 14 notification will go out for the students that will be required to attend the two-week standards mastery online education with the exception of Monday, May 25 in which no online sessions will occur in observance of Memorial Day. Again, attendance and participation for students placed into this section of online learning will be mandatory and these students will finish school on the published end date of May 29. Finally, those students who want to participate in an extra two-weeks of online learning in enrichment programming will have the opportunity to register next Wednesday, May 13. There will be no fee for participating in this ongoing online program and its end date will also be May 29.

Aside from these dates, there are many other important events occurring between now and mid-June. There will be separate emails with details sent for each event noted below to the relevant participants. Here are the important dates:

- May 8 - Grandparents' Day and Online Partnership Auction closes at 8:00pm (get your bid in at <https://brentwood2020.givesmart.com>)
- May 15 - Senior Cap & Gown Pick Up on campus at 2:00pm
- May 18 - Finance Office Drop Off - contracts, paperwork, and payments
- May 24 - Baccalaureate and Senior Blessings on campus at 5:00pm
- June 1-3 - Textbook Drop Off and Locker Clean Out on campus 1:00-4:00pm daily
- June 13 - Graduation on the Athletic Field at 7:30pm

As stated above, details for each of these events will be going to participating parties in the coming days. Other events such as Kindergarten, Fifth Grade, and Eighth Grade graduations; academic, art, and athletic awards; citizenship and class awards will be in a virtual format. The dates and times for each of these events will go out to the relevant parties in the coming days.

Finally, please note that discretionary attendance of any live event is not allowed. Attendance will be limited, based on the event, to the participant and designated family members.

These are strange and unprecedented times. As we enter into the final weeks of the school year please know that I am proud of our students and equally proud of our teachers and our staff who have poured countless hours into online learning to make it quality, personal, and as special as possible for our students. We all realize that the students losing field trips, class parties, hallway conversations, concerts, games, practices, and walking side by side along the halls of BCS is something we cannot make up to our students. However, they have received thousands of online instructional videos, thousands of Zooms, an untold number of prayers,

online community events attended by large portions of our community, and finally - the entire heart and spirit of every teacher, administrator, staff member, and support person of Brentwood Christian School. We are living in strange but historical times and I pray that when your students look back on this time they feel blessed by the men and women who shifted everything they have trained their life to do into a new format to give your child the best opportunity to succeed. And in this, Christ has been glorified.

It is a great day to be a Brentwood Christian Bear!

***Blessings,
Jay Burcham
President***