

Blue Ridge High
School 2020-
2021
Orientation

The Blue Ridge Staff is Committed

We acknowledge online-only is challenging for everyone, and all hope to return to in-person classes in the near future. The schedule created keeps that in mind.

When in-person classes resume, the schedule provides a seamless transition for students.

Our experience last spring was informative and incorporated within the online schedule.

Additionally, our partnership with **ASU Prep Digital** provides an established and successful platform from which most of courses were constructed.

Finally, we, remain committed to doing everything we can to help our students and teachers succeed!

ASU Prep Digital Curriculum in partnership with BRUSD

► We are excited to launch our partnership with ASU Prep Digital. Some benefits of partnering with ASU Prep Digital include:

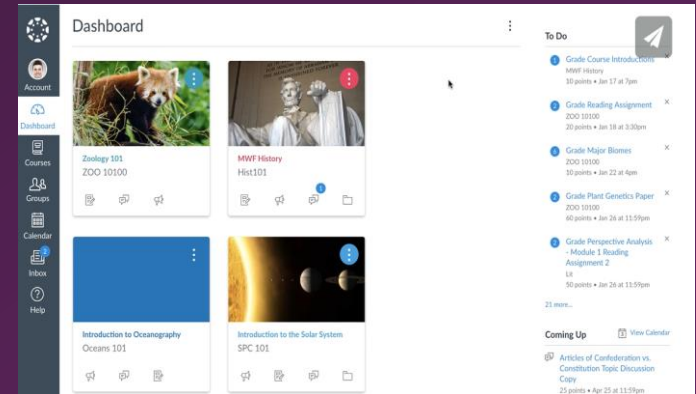
- Curriculum aligned to the state standards that provides consistent content throughout grade levels
- Curriculum taught by Blue Ridge teachers
- Curriculum that provides an easy transition between online learning and in-person instruction.



One Platform: Canvas

- ▶ Students spending a large portion of their online instruction in Canvas, our online learning management system (LMS). From Canvas, students can
 - ▶ View and submit assignments
 - ▶ Connect with teachers and classmates
 - ▶ Take assessments

Students will access Canvas with their network username and password.



STRUCTURE & COMMUNICATION = SUCCESS

STRUCTURE:

Learning to build structure into your life is an essential component of success in the real-world.

Our aim is to give your student structured time daily with four hours of online instruction five days a week.

We've created space for students to work virtually, one-on-one with their teachers as needed.

COMMUNICATION:

Communication is vital to real-world success.

Frequent communication with teachers is vital to student success.

Multiple tools provided to connect with teachers: including Canvas messaging, email, phone, and scheduling office hours, etc.

Parents must be proactive by monitoring their student's learning and communicating regularly with teachers

Weekly Modules

- ▶ Teachers provide weekly modules each Monday morning so students understand exactly what's required in each class.
- ▶ The number and nature of each assignment is determined by each teacher as well as the requirements to earn a passing grade.
- ▶ Sharing course requirements with students establish clear student expectations.
- ▶ Please note, grades will NOT be issued on a Pass/Fail basis. Grades are earned on a typical A-F scale.

Office Hours: Everyday, Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM-11:00 AM

- ▶ Between 8:00am and 11:00am (M-F) teachers provide students the opportunity to schedule one-on-one or group tutoring sessions as capacity permits. All meetings are virtual.
- ▶ Students must reserve meeting times in advance.
- ▶ Students are encouraged to utilize office hours frequently to enhance their experience.

Student Schedules

Schedules are available via Student Vue/ Parent Vue on **August 9th**. Printed schedules will not be mailed.

- **Parents:** To view schedules, you must have an active account in ParentVue. If you have not enrolled your child through ParentVue, please visit https://az-blr.edupoint.com/PXP2_Login.aspx.
- Parent Vue can also be accessed through brusd.org. If you need assistance, please call Marnie Lay at (928) 368-6126, ext. 5101 or email mLAY@brusd.org.
- Schedules provide synchronous (live online) class time twice weekly. Courses occur daily 11:00am -2:45pm. Classes originally scheduled in the morning meet on Mondays & Wednesdays; classes originally scheduled for the afternoon occur Tuesdays & Thursdays.

Distance Learning Daily Schedules

Monday and Wednesday

8:00 – 11:00 Teachers' office hours

11:00– 12:30 1st block

12:30 – 1:00 lunch break

1:00 – 2:45 2nd Block

Or

1:00-1:45 2A Skinny

1:45-2:00- Break

2:00-2:45- 2B Skinny

Tuesday and Thursday

➤ 8:00 – 11:00 Teachers' office hours

➤ 11:00– 12:30 3rd block

Or

11:00-11:45 – 3A skinny

11:45-12:00 – Break

12:00-12:45 – 3B Skinny

➤ 12:30 – 1:00 lunch break

➤ 1:00 – 2:45 4th Block

Or

➤ 1:00-1:45 4A Skinny

➤ 1:45-2:00- Break

➤ 2:00-2:45- 4B Skinny

Fridays

- ▶ 8:00-11:00 – Office Hours – get any help from your instructors that you need to complete the weekly modules for each class.
- ▶ A great day to complete all of your assignments in the weekly modules.
- ▶ Friday afternoons are reserved for teachers to accomplish additional communication, grading, and planning.

Laptops and Hotspots

All students will be provided a laptop before school begins, and hotspots will be available to households that need internet connectivity.

Laptops and hotspots will be available for high school students to pick up on August 7th from the front of the HS, based out of the NAVIT door.

- ▶ 8am-12pm for students with last names of A-L
- ▶ 2pm-6pm for students with last names of M-Z.

Attendance & Behavior

Attendance is taken daily. Daily login and participation are required. A portion of teachings occurs live, via Zoom and other technologies.

We understand some families require flexibility demonstrating attendance. In such cases must communicate with Administration and the teachers to determine what reasonable adjustments may be needed.

Inappropriate online behavior is NOT tolerate. Students will be held highly accountable for any misbehavior.

Student participating in posting inappropriate content or behaving in conflict with the student handbook are subject to **long-term suspension or expulsion**, depending upon the severity of their actions.

Social- Emotional Support

BRHS provides Social-Emotional supports for all students. Some of these supports include:

- Daily announcements available on the BRHS school website and Canvas.
- Office staff & counselors are here to help manage emotional wellbeing.
- If you're struggling in anyway, communicate with Ms. Dunsmore, Ms. London, Mr. Webb, Mr. Crain, Coach London, Ms. Olney, Ms. Slaughter, or Ms. Marnie.
- We will work with you to find support and comfort. The ultimate goal is to support our your and keep them safe!

Technology Helpline

Students experiencing technical difficulties with their assigned device should contact our tech support:

- Email: studentsupport@brusd.org
- Telephone: (928)368-6126 x1500 Must leave a voicemail

Questions?

As we begin the school year, Mr. Webb will be sending communication to parents and students through email with information regarding upcoming events, policies, procedures, and student expectations. Please verify your address is correct in ParentVue.

Please contact Mr. Webb or Mr. Crain at lwebbr@brusd.org or bcrain@brusd.org with your questions or concerns.