



BLUE SPRINGS SOUTH ALMA MATER

To Blue Springs South, our High School
Our loyalty is true.
Our colors all unite us
The Silver, Green and Blue,
With friendship and spirit,
Voices bold and free,
We honor you with pride and joy,
For all eternity.

GENERAL INFORMATION

School Address: 1200 SE Adams Dairy Parkway; Blue Springs, MO 64014
Phone Number: (816) 874-3500
Fax Number Main Office: (816) 224-1324 Fax Number South Office: (816) 224-1421

Office Hours: 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Administrative Staff:

Dr. Charlie Belt – Principal
Mr. Doug Mattson – Associate Principal – H-O
Mr. Andy Mayfield– Assistant Principal – A-G
Mr. Ryan Gettings – Assistant Principal – P-Z
Mr. Tim Michael – Activities Director
Mr. Jon Grice– Assistant Activities Director

Counseling Staff:

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| Lisa Peterson | A-Eh | Danielle O’Donnell | Lf - R |
| Mary Kenady | Ei-Le | Barb Legate | Ro-Z |

A+ Schools Coordinator:

Ben Baier

Student Senate Officers:

President – Kadie Clark
Vice President – Sierra Pollard
Secretary – Evan Fitzmaurice
Treasurer – Trent Michael

PTSA Officers:

President – Cassi Connors
1st Vice President/Membership – Jann Riggs
2nd Vice President/Homecoming Pep Rally & Parade – Kristi Simms & Zandee Bahr
3rd Vice President/Senior Breakfast – Jamie Conaty & Kristi White
Junior Representatives for Senior Breakfast – Tiffany Gillig
Secretary – Amy Clark
Treasurer – Nanette Padilla

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Attendance Policy: High School students

A student shall be allowed no more than nine (9) absences, excused or unexcused, per semester in any one class. When a student reaches ten (10) absences in any one class the student will not earn credit for that class. Absences related to Homebound instruction and/or School Functions do not count toward a student's total absences.

The school will initiate communication with parents/guardians when a student reaches 5 absences in any one class.

The school will initiate communication with parents/guardians when a student reaches 9 absences in any one class.

When a student reaches 10 absences in any class, he/she will have the opportunity to work with their administrator to make up missed time prior to the end of the semester. Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday make up sessions will be available to the student to make up time and be able to retain credit.

Appeal Process

Students will have the opportunity to submit an attendance waiver appeal. The waiver should include documentation of illness, funeral, or family emergency from a medical doctor, dentist, minister, or other official source. The waiver should be submitted to the student's administrative office by the end of the semester.

The appeal will be reviewed by the Attendance Review Committee in a reasonable amount of time following the end of the semester. The Attendance Review Committee will consist of at least one administrator, one guidance counselor, and one teacher. The committee will consider:

- Reasons for all of the student's absences, not only those above nine (9) allowed.
- Appropriate documentation provided which explains absences.
- Completion of semester course work.

The possible outcomes for an appeal to the Attendance Review Committee include:

- Credit is awarded.
- Credit is not awarded.
- The student is assigned make up time in order to earn credit.
- The student is placed on probation for the next semester, with credit held in escrow pending satisfactory attendance during the probationary period.

All BSSH staff may be reached by e-mail using the first initial of their first name, their last name followed by @bssd.net. Example: cbelt@bssd.net

PLEASE NOTE:

Blue Springs South High School students will be allowed two tardies per class per semester. After two tardies, the student will receive a warning and disciplinary action will occur as a result of a third tardy to the same class in a semester.

Regular Bell Schedule

Hour 1 7:25 am – 8:15 am
Hour 2 8:20 am – 9:10 am
Hour 3 9:15 am – 10:05 am
Hour 4 10:10 am – 11:00 am
Hour 5 11:05 am – 12:25 pm
Hour 6 12:30 pm – 1:20 pm
Hour 7 1:25 pm – 2:15 pm

LUNCH SCHEDULE

A – 11:00 am – 11:21 am
B – 11:21 am – 11:42 am
C – 11:42 am – 12:03 pm
D – 12:03 pm – 12:25 pm

STUDENT DRIVING AND PARKING RULES

Students who park in the student parking lots must consider this a **privilege** at Blue Springs South High School. In order for students to drive to school and park in the student lot (or adjacent lot), students must obtain a student parking sticker from the BSSHS office in charge of parking and display it clearly on the lower corner of the driver's side windshield. **The school district is not responsible for damage or accidents that occur to students' vehicles on school property.** As per board policy 5.64, student vehicles parked on school grounds are subject to search when suspicion warrants such action. Student parking in the Young Park area (north side of BSSHS) is by special permit and only includes the main parking area by the ball fields. Students are subject to the same rules and policies per Board Policy 5.64. **Areas reserved for staff parking are marked with a blue curb. Vehicles parked on a blue curb which is reserved for staff will be ticketed accordingly.**

Parking decals are color-coded to specific parking lots – students must park in the lots assigned by the color of the decal. Replacement permits will cost the full price of the permit.

Student Parking Permits:

- Parking permits will be sold to licensed drivers based upon the student's grade level.
- Permits may be purchased during the student's scheduled enrollment time or any later date in the South office.
- Permit purchase price is \$30.00 for blue and silver, \$25 for green.
- Permits for the lot at Young Park will be Silver and will be sold to students in band and orchestra based upon availability.
- Permits for the blue parking lot will be sold to ALL SENIORS based on availability.
- Permits for the green parking lot (east of the YMCA on Ryan Road) will be sold to Juniors and Sophomores based on availability.

Scope and Sequence

Parking in Unauthorized Locations:

Fines will be issued for the value of the permit price for the respective location (i.e. blue lot fines would be \$30). Multiple fines may result in a consequence that may extend into the next school year.

If you have purchased a parking sticker, but it is not displayed properly on your vehicle you are subject to be ticketed.

If you drive another vehicle other than the one registered, you must visit the South Office and sign in on the clipboard. If you do not do this, you are subject to be ticketed.

Violation of City Ordinances and Towing of Vehicles:

Autos parked in violation of city ordinance such as in handicap parking, a fire lane or adjacent to a fire hydrant are subject to a citation by the Blue Springs Police Department and or being towed at the owner's expense.

Autos parked in such a way as to impede the normal operation of school business will result in a school citation and may be towed at the owner's expense. (i.e. Parked in a traffic lane, blocking dumpsters or entrances).

Careless/Reckless Driving:

- a. Minor: Fine and warning to revocation of parking permit.
- b. Severe: Fine and possible loss of parking permit for the year and consideration for additional disciplinary consequences.

No Loitering in Parking Lots:

A pass must be secured from the student's principal to be in the parking lot during school hours.

Unauthorized Use of Auto During the School Day:

If the student uses his/her car during a truancy situation, he/she will receive consequences for the truancy and for unauthorized use of an auto during the school day.

Parking in Unauthorized Locations:

- a. First Violation: Fine will be issued for the value of the permit price.
- b. Parking in a fire lane or handicap spot may result in a ticket.
- c. Cars may be towed if parked in an unauthorized area.

Smoking/Drinking/Intoxicants in Parking Lot:

First Violation: Permit revoked and further disciplinary action consistent with school board policy as it applies to smoking/drinking/intoxicants.

Replacement Stickers:

Students should see the parking office for replacement stickers. Replacement permits will cost the full price of the permit.

Habitual Tardiness Related to Student Driving/Late to Class:

Students who drive and are tardy to school are subject to the school tardy policy and possible revocation/suspension of their parking permit.

Counterfeit/Forged Parking Tags:

Use of forged parking stickers will result in:

- a. Fine
- b. Loss of privilege to park
- c. Disciplinary consequences

STUDENT LOCKERS

Each student at Blue Springs South High School will be offered the opportunity to sign up for a locker during registration. Lockers can be used for storage of books, coats, and other items a student may choose not to carry around school all day. Lockers are issued to students with the following understanding:

1. Students assigned to a specific locker will not allow other students to share the locker or have knowledge of the combination.
2. Students should take precautions to make sure the combination lock is locked and the door latch closed when leaving the locker.
3. Valuables cannot be secure in lockers if students indiscriminately give out lock combinations or do not properly close the door latch.
4. Lockers that need repair should be reported to their principal's office.
5. Items that are stolen out of lockers should be reported to the student's principal promptly.
6. Students are discouraged from taping or gluing items in lockers.
7. Students are encouraged to take care of their assigned locker. Vandalism, unusual wear, or damage to a locker may require the principal to assess a fine for repairs.

STUDENT DRESS GUIDELINES

BP 5.87

All pupils should maintain a neat appearance. The staff and students of Blue Springs South High School believe that clothing styles and specific articles of dress directly affect the educational atmosphere and order of the school. We are proud of our school and believe that pride in one's self is reflected in his/her own concern for appearance and grooming. We encourage all students to use good judgment and dress appropriately for school.

Extremes in wearing apparel or personal appearance which DISRUPT THE LEARNING PROCESS OR INTERFERE WITH THE INTENDED FUNCTION OF THE SCHOOL are not acceptable. Students with inappropriate attire may be asked to turn their shirt inside out or cover it with a jacket (clothing and accessories that display statements, signs, or pictures with alcohol, tobacco, other drugs, weapons, violent themes, sexual innuendo, inappropriate language, inappropriate slogans, are not safe, or references to gang affiliations will not be permitted.)

Appropriate dress for school is for all undergarments to be covered by clothing. **Clothing such as Yoga Pants, Compression Shorts/Leggings, and clothing that is similar to spandex, are considered to be undergarments and should be covered by a shirt or top when wearing them without other pants/shorts etc. over them. Additionally,** clothing should also cover all cleavage, belly buttons, torsos, bare backs, while standing or sitting. Students who wear jeans and/or pants that "sag" on the buttocks will be required to pull pants to the natural waist. Hoods are not allowed to be worn in district facilities. Other examples of school dress that are **NOT PERMISSIBLE**: Skirts and shorts worn at a length shorter than that of the student's **knuckles when making a fist and having the** arms down at the sides; strapless, partially strapless tops; men's tank tops that do not fully cover the student's back and shoulder blades; spandex worn as outer garments; sleepwear; and sunglasses. Shoes must be worn at all times.

When a student's appearance or mode of dress disrupts the educational process, or constitutes a threat to health or safety, the student will be required to make modifications.