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# Campus E-Update

August 8, 2017  
Faculty/Staff

**Submit**

your **announcement** by 8:30 a.m. Tuesday to be included in that day's Campus e-Update. Example: events, FYIs, and campus notices

**Submit**

your **great news**  
Example: remarkable or noteworthy accomplishments, achievements, or special recognitions

[Announcements page](#) is updated daily. The Campus E-Update is emailed on Tuesday.

## Announcements

### BHSU on KOTA Noon News Friday

Tune in to KOTA TV News at Noon Friday, Aug. 11 to hear Erica Whitiker, Student Union and Activities Assistant Director, and Justin Logue, Student Senate President, discuss the new mobile app for student activities and Orientation Week events. They'll be live, in the KOTA TV studio in Rapid City.

--Submitted by Kimberly Talcott on 2017-08-08

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### Student Early Access to D2L Courses

The AAC has approved a recommendation to allow students to access their courses in Desire2Learn (D2L) 30 days prior the official start date of a semester. **This began with the 2014FA term. The 30-day access window for Fall 2017 began July 21, 2017.**

**Instructors should not make any assignments due prior to the first day of the term.**

The specific purpose for this access is to ease the startup process for students. Once the semester begins, the students can focus on the course itself, and not on resolving technical or procedural issues. Campuses will monitor instructor compliance.

### Two factors determine when a student can access a course in D2L:

1. The start date has been reached
2. The course has been activated by the instructor

The start dates of courses are automatically changed in D2L to 30 days prior to the first day of the semester. Instructors control when students actually can access their courses by when they activate them. That being the case, student support service offices (IT, registration, advising, etc.) will direct any student questions about lack of early access to a course to the respective instructor.

To activate your course:

1. Select Edit Course from the upper right Navigation Bar
2. Select the Course Offering Information link
3. About half-way down the next screen is a "Course is active" option
4. Click on the box beside that option
5. Scroll to the bottom of the page and click on Save
6. You must activate every course every semester before students can access them

Thank you!!

Terry Hupp 6038

Anne Stevens 6064

--Submitted by Terry Hupp on 2017-08-07

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### Donations Needed for Student Pantry

Friends, the BHSU Student Pantry is in need of donations to remain open until the next Honors Club food drive in September. This pantry is widely used by various student populations across campus.

Might you be able to donate non-perishable food items, household items (like toilet paper and laundry soap), and/or personal care items (toothpaste, etc.)? The Pantry is located in the hallway of the ROTC Humbert Hall entrance and is open Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; donations can also be dropped off at Janette Hettick's office in Jonas 108, or you can contact me directly: [Courtney.HuseWika@bhsu.edu](mailto:Courtney.HuseWika@bhsu.edu). Thank you for your kindness.

--Submitted by Courtney Huse Wika on 2017-08-07

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### The Welcome Week schedule is set

Welcome back to campus! Plans are in place for the 2017 Welcome Week activities.

[Check out the schedule.](#)

Classes start Monday, Aug. 21.

--Submitted by Jodi Gabriel on 2017-08-07

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### BHSU Connection Families

Are you interested in having students over for dinner, meeting them for bowling, helping them grocery shop, sharing ideas, conversations, etc. about once a month? The BHSU Connection Family Program is a great way for our international students to build relationship within the local community and have a support system while they are here.

If you are interested, would like more details, or know of others who would be interested, please contact me at [Alysha.Weiler@bhsu.edu](mailto:Alysha.Weiler@bhsu.edu)!

--Submitted by Alysha Weiler on 2017-08-03

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### Kickstart Your Wellness Qualifications with a Health Screening

The three wellness qualifications are beneficial to you no matter the health plan that you choose and not just for the obvious health benefits! Get started on your wellness qualifications now by scheduling an **On-site Health Screening** today.

**StayWell representatives will be on campus 8/29/17 - 8/30/17 and again on 10/17/17 - 10/19/17 from 8:30 AM - 4 PM** to complete the health screening portion of your wellness requirements.

Please note participants must register for their on-site screening at least 2 weeks in advance to better assess expected participation. You can register at the new benefit site at:

<https://benefit.staywell.com/My%20Account/Login?item=/&user=extranet\Anonymous&site=Production+StateSD>

*--Submitted by Kasey Salazar on 2017-08-02*

## Events

### See You at Downtown Friday Nights

Please stop by the BHSU tent outside the Jacket Zone on Friday evening. Admissions staff members will be available to visit about BHSU. They will also be creating a one-of-a-kind interactive art piece.

Make plans to attend BHSU night on Aug. 18th. Faculty, staff and students will be recognized and welcomed.

*--Submitted by Corinne Hansen on 2017-08-08*

## News Releases

### [Sioux Falls BHSU Jacket Zone welcomes new admissions representative](#)

Joshua Marbach is ready to help you and your family make the right decision about college.

### [BHSU online Master's in education degree ranked amongst most affordable in nation](#)

AffordableColleges.com recently named Black Hills State University to its national list of the top 25 most affordable online Master's in secondary education degrees.

### [BHSU launches mobile app for campus activities](#)

Black Hills State University has a new mobile app for campus activities. The app is available through the App Store or Google Play Store by searching "BHSU Campus Activities."

### [BHSU education grad prepares for his dream job](#)

James Knutson graduated with a secondary education degree from Black Hills State University in May; this month, he's beginning a full-time teaching position with Oelrichs Public School. For James, the opportunity at Oelrichs is a slam dunk. In addition to teaching sixth grade social studies he'll also lead the boys' basketball team as head coach.

## BHSU in the Media

**Rieger to take the bench in Eastern Montana district: BHSU alum Olivia Rieger.** Read the [Billings Gazette article](#).

Summer REP follow up: Kellan Anderson. Read the [Newsletter Journal article](#).

Applause: Fort Collins students earn academic honors: Madison Druse. Read the [Coloradoan article](#).

State premiere of Casey Tibbs' documentary Aug. 12: BHSU alum Justin Koehler. Read [The San Diego Union-Tribune article](#).

Incoming freshman wings BHSU Selfie Day contest: Kirsten Chester. Read the [KEVN Black Hills Fox article](#).

Regents plan to discuss charging students a fee for faculty salaries. Read the [Watertown Public Opinion article](#).

A Reservation restored. Read [The Atlantic](#) photo essay.

The Real Legacy of Crazy Horse. Read [The Atlantic article](#).

### **CAMPUS CALENDAR**

*Check out upcoming events on the [Campus Calendar](#)*

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