



FALCON FACTS

February 15, 2024

VOL. 7

Dear Falcon Family,

Please read this week's edition of the Falcon Facts for important information. We would like to thank Mr. Dinkler and the Video Production Class/Crew for these wonderful videos.

Today's morning announcement video (February 15) is here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5tmeaw0e0Ag>

Here is a Pep Rally video from our event couple of weeks ago:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FadFwK8uLHE>

Bahrain School's new Points of Pride video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SDKtDN582BA>

Newest info:

Cognia Parent Meeting February 21 (Flyer): Cognia (Accreditation) parent meeting from 4:30-5:30 in Gill Hall.

Track (Flyer): Informational Meeting February 21st at 7:00 am. Link to the google sign up form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdul8hQwjMUgvVbu5dGEK7ImQxn5UP7ezSTEQLduQf1BLzH6w/viewform?usp=pp_url

Strength & Conditioning (Flyer): January 15-February 21-All students are welcome to join. You must have a sports physical on file.

Yearbook Pictures (Flyer): Make-up session February 20th.

PTA:

PTA is looking for committee members for Sports, Senior Scholarships and Teacher Appreciation. Contact us via email (or Facebook messenger) if you have questions or are interested in joining thebahrainschoolpta@gmail.com FB: <https://www.facebook.com/BahrainSchoolPTA>

Box Top (Flyer): The Box Tops February contest has started. The prize for the winning class will be a framed certificate of recognition, trophy rights for the month and a surprise scratcher to reveal a special prize.

SAC (Flyer): School Advisory Committee will meet March 13th at 4:30 pm in the School Library or virtually ([Link](#)).

February Parent informational meeting ppt slides: [Powerpoint](#). February recorded meeting: [Link](#).

Our next Parent meeting will occur on **March 11th 8:15am face-to-face or 5:00pm face-to-face or virtual**

[Click here to join the meeting.](#)

Accreditation Corner: Cognia Engagement Review Team for EU South's District Accreditation Finalized: Meet the Team Members

- **Zulu Company:** The team lead is Dr. W. Darrell Barringer (Lead Evaluator). He retired from Lexington School District One in Lexington, SC, after working there for 34 years. He served as an elementary principal for 29 years and had the privilege of opening two new schools. Dr. Barringer has worked with Cognia since 1983, leading teams in more than 41 countries and in the U.S. His service has included schools, systems, digital learning institutions, corporations, and Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) schools. Accompanying Dr. Barringer will be Dr. Maria Ojeda and Dr. Jeff Arrington (EU South Superintendent).

Please see [Cognia Review Team Bios](#) to see everyone's full bio and picture.

Reminders:

School-Base Shuttle Timings

REGULAR RELEASE:

Afternoon Shuttle Pick-up: 1500 at Bahrain School Bus Stop (Drop-offs at Bus Stop A and B)

EARLY RELEASE:

Afternoon Shuttle Pick-up: 1400 at Bahrain School Bus Stop (Drop-offs at Bus Stop A and B)

HALF-DAY TIMING:

Afternoon Shuttle: 1120 at Bahrain School Bus Stop (Drop-offs at Bus Stop A and B)

If you are interested in registering your student for this service, please visit the link below to complete the form. If you have already completed registration, you do not need to complete the form again.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScE-BGCboc2IoFmMo-d47ACuQOwQ9R2yHyvRq_t5aA4b-zj1g/viewform?usp=sf_link Please reach out to Ms. Kelsey, the School Liaison, with any questions you may have BahrainSL@us.navy.mil ; DSN: 318-439-6719; COMM: +973 1785-6719

LightSpeed: With technology-based assignments and online research continuing to expand as part of the curriculum, it's important to protect student devices everywhere. DoDEA will begin using Lightspeed Filter on DoDEA Chromebooks to help ensure a safe online experience whether students use the device at school or elsewhere.

Anchor Scholarship Foundation Scholarship: [\(Flyer\)](#) Anchor Scholarship Foundation has been supporting the higher education dreams of our Surface US Navy families for the past 40+ years. We have awarded over \$1,500,000 to over 1,300 eligible family members. **Application due on March 1, 2024.**

NEX Gen Scholars Program [\(Flyer\)](#): The "You Made the Grade" program is designed to reward students, 1st-12th grade, for above-average academic achievement and to inspire them to work that much harder. Recognizing the student's academic accomplishments offers the Exchange an opportunity to contribute to the military community's quality of life. Please see the flyer for more information and the application.

Required Sports Physical: A sports physical is required to participate in DoDEA sports to include attending practices and is based on an actual health physical performed by a licensure health care practitioner. Once the form is completed and signed by the licensed health care provider with their contact information it is good for one calendar year. DoDEA accepts sports physical forms from other organizations if it is documented the student is cleared for sports, it is signed by a licensed health care provider, and contact information is included. DoDEA does not adhere to any other program policies that allow for extensions past a calendar year for the safety of students playing in a DoDEA sports program.

General Information:

Where to Find Information: ([Flyer](#))

How to Get Involved: ([Flyer](#))

Stakeholder Feedback/Suggestion links:

- Scholars: <https://forms.office.com/r/zZUAwRQVkv>
- Parents: <https://forms.office.com/r/Ux5EBXQKEE>
- Teachers: <https://forms.office.com/r/rd0ziNtrrq>

MS Intermural Sports: [Flyer](#)

High School Sports: [Flyer](#)

Student Car Pick Up & Drop Off: [Flyer](#)

Bus Transportation: [Flyer](#)

PTA: TheBahrainSchoolPTA@gmail.com

February Lunch Menus: Are posted in the scholar MS and HS Google Classrooms. (Join Codes for scholars are below)

Attendance: Contact Joanna Laskowska for attendance issues at Joanna.Laskowska@dodea.edu and at phone number 1772-7828. Please email Mrs. Laskowska to report your scholar's excused absences, tardies, and dismissals. Please note, for scholars with attendance violations, an email will be sent from Mrs. Laskowska to notify the family members of the violations and consequences given by the Administration.

ASPEN Grade/Parent Portal: Not sure about your scholar's academic and attendance progress? Here is a link for information about the Family Portal: <https://www.dodea.edu/registration> To log-in click <https://dodeasis.myfollett.com/aspden/logon.do> Please update your contact information in the SIS portal. We need updated phone numbers in case of an emergency.

BMHS's Google Classrooms: Scholars, please be sure to join and check the information in the HS or MS Google Classrooms daily. Once you join, add your parents, so they can see the posted information as well.

- **MS Google Classroom:** <https://classroom.google.com/c/NjE0ODIzMDUyNTEw?cjc=lpqgbf2> or join code: **lpqgbf2**
- **HS Google Classroom:** <https://classroom.google.com/c/NjE0ODI0ODk5Mzg1?cjc=7kwtbto> or join code: **7kwtbto**

Plan Ahead:

- **February 18- No School for Students**
- **February 20- Yearbook Picture Make-ups**
- **February 21-22-Cognia (Accreditation) Visit**
- **February 21 ([Flyer](#))-Cognia (Accreditation) parent meeting from 4:30-5:30 in Gill Hall, Black History Event during Seminar, and ([Flyer](#))- Education Links University Fair at the Gulf Hotel**
- **February 22- Senior Sunrise Breakfast & Group Picture, Cognia Accreditation visit.**
- **February 24- ACT**
- **February 27- Black History Event during Seminar**

**The last few Falcon Facts editions are archived on the Bahrain School website [Bahrain School DoDEA Website](#) . **

Go Falcons, SOAR!

Educationally,
BMHS Administration