



## December 2011 212: The Extra Degree

Greetings Parent/Guardian,

Please read below for important events and activities for the month of December. If you have any questions about any of the events, please contact the school at 404-802-4664.

- **LOCAL SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING**~There will be a Local School Council Meeting Thursday, December 15, 2011, at 5:00 pm in the Media Center. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Nathan Jackson, Sr., at [njackson@atlanta.k12.ga.us](mailto:njackson@atlanta.k12.ga.us)
- **FINAL EXAMS**- Students will be taking their final exams December 19 & 20, 2011. Please make sure your child is studying and prepared for this assessment which is comprehensive of the entire semester.
- **ATTENDANCE SPECIALIST WELCOME** We would like to welcome our new attendance specialist Ms. Avis Blanton. Ms. Blanton will be working very closely with our ninth and tenth grade students. She can be reached at 404-802-4613.
- **SACS**~ We are currently going through the accreditation process. This information was presented in the various parent nights in September. The dates for the visit are April 17-18, 2011. We are very excited and welcome our visiting team.
- **BIG THINGS HAPPENING**~We have had numerous students selected for various programs. We would like to recognize those students. James Riley and Tre'Quan Guinyard participated November 18-20, 2011, in the Steve Harvey Mentoring Program. They were selected from a pool of 5,000 applicants. Alexi Williams was selected to be a member of the Usher Raymond World Leadership Team. Alexi will be working with students from around the world on entrepreneurship ventures. Rodney Hill has been selected as a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Scholar. This program grooms eligible students for the small Ivy League schools. Marionte Poole and Rodney Hill were accepted to the Dual enrollment program at Atlanta Metropolitan College for the next semester. These two students will be enrolled in a college level course and will obtain college credit. Congratulations to all of our students!!!!

### Congratulations to the Students of the Month and Educator of the Month of November

Ariel Daniels-9<sup>th</sup> Lit  
Justice Lawson- Physics  
Charlie Copeland- Biology  
Braylon Brown- Banking  
Jerquanda Major- Spanish I  
Antavius Rowe- Chemistry  
Tiffany Stoutmire-Risk Management  
Alecia Kenney- American Lit

Markeyvous Fields- Math III  
Justice Lawson- US History  
Alise Wilson- AP US History  
Andre Jackson- World Lit  
Jarius Little- Math II  
Tiana Williams- Bus Essentials  
Jarius Little-AP W. History  
Jontez Robbins- Entrepreneurship

Mykasha Fuqua-Math I  
Viola Mathis-Study Skills  
Angel Williams- World Geography  
John Ruff- AP Chemistry  
Marionte Poole- Spanish III  
Antoinette Rayton-World History  
Brandy Gray-Comp. Apps  
Demeisha Crowley Business Law

Counselor's Featured F.A.C. E. –Christopher Cruz

Educator of the Month- Kemberlee Bingham

- **ACADEMIC HALL**-Teachers are now coordinating Academic Hall meetings. Teachers, Student/Parent, Counselor and Principal meet to discuss student academic/behavior challenges in class to improve student achievement. Academic Hall meetings are done during teacher's planning periods. If you are interested in scheduling a Academic Hall, please contact Ms. Phillips 404-802-4662.
- **HOLIDAY BASKETS** –There will be a holiday basket competition among grade levels beginning Monday, December 12, 2011. We will have three baskets available. Please contact Ms. Cray if you are interested in receiving a Holiday Basket. She can be reached at 404-802-4630.

Yours in Education.

## Brief Parent Survey

We would like to know what you think about the Title I program services offered to your child. We would also like information about parent involvement part of the program. Please take a few minutes to complete this survey. The responses will be used to improve the Title I program. Please return this page to your child's teacher by 09/16/11.

### School Activities

1. Does BFI School encourage you to be involved in your child's education? **Yes No**

2. Do you feel welcome in BFI SCHOOL? **Yes No**

3. Did you participate in and /or attend any of the following school activities this year?

**Title I meeting**

**Title I program planning and evaluation**

**The development of the parent involvement policies**

**Parent advisory committee/councils**

**Parent-teacher conference**

**Explanation of state standards and school curriculum**

**Explanation of state tests**

**How to help your child with reading/math at home**

**Family reading/math nights**

**Observing and/or volunteering in your child's classroom**

4. Do you know about volunteer work you can do at school? **Yes No**

5. Do you know you can join school planning and review committees? **Yes No**

### Instruction

6. Do you know how extra help with reading and/or mathematics is given to students in the Title I program? **Yes No**

7. Do you know how students are selected for the Title I program? **Yes No**

8. Do you know what your child should know and be able to do in ELA and Math for the grade he/she is in? **Yes No**