



Bowness HS Student Services – Spring 2025 Important Information

Hello! The Student Services area is busy in the spring as we look at exciting summer learning opportunities, prepare for the 2025-2026 school year, and celebrate our 2025 grads! We kindly request you review the following communication as it contains important information on:

- CBe-Learn Withdrawal Deadline
- 2025-26 Course Registration Confirmation
- CBE Summer School Registration Information
- Returning Grade 12 Applications
- CBE Dual Credit/Exploratory Programs
- Summer Work Experience
- Upcoming Scholarships
- Honour Society

CBe-learn Semester 2 Courses Withdrawal Deadline

For students currently enrolled in a semester 2 online class with CBe-learn, please note that the withdrawal date is **April 25, 2025**.

2025-26 Course Requests Confirmation

School Counsellors have now completed the course request process. ***Students are encouraged to access their PowerSchool to review and confirm their requests.*** Counsellors will be available to make changes to student requests on a drop-in basis from **March 31 – April 4**. Changes after that date will have to be made in June and will depend if there is space in the course, as we will be working on building timetables until then.

Please note that counsellors may have changed course requests if the student did not have the appropriate pre-requisite course, did not select the appropriate number of classes for graduation or post-secondary admission, or if a request did not align with the teacher's recommendation from the pre-requisite course. ***Students wanting to appeal a teacher's recommendation must complete the Pathway Appeal Form*** and then meet with their school counsellor. The Pathway Appeal Form can be accessed on the Student Services D2L under Commonly Used Forms.

At the end of semester 2, school counsellors will once again review student course requests and alter requests based on semester two teacher recommendations, achievement in a pre-requisite course, and/or graduation needs.

CBE Summer School 2025

Students may register for a **maximum of one course** for summer school with CBE. Students must choose between **online** or **in-person**. Before completing the online course registration form, visit <https://cbe.ab.ca/programs/high-school/summer-school/Pages/summer-school-courses.aspx> to view course offerings, delivery methods, and locations. Course and location availability are extremely limited.

Registration & Summer School Timeline

- Students must complete this online course registration form by the deadline of April 30: <https://forms.office.com/r/F3bEpV5j4S>
- Submission of the form does not guarantee placement.
- In May, school counsellors submit course requests based on form submission date and graduation needs.
- In early June, CBe-learn or Chinook Learning will notify students and families of successful course registrations via email.

- July 2, Summer School begins (access to online courses starts on June 25 but teachers available starting July 2)
- July 11, Summer School withdrawal deadline
- July 25, Summer School ends
- Diploma Exams | August 5 - 13, 2025
- Summer School programming is extremely condensed and intensive. Students must be prepared to manage their time and workload independently.
- Daily attendance is mandatory for in person courses.
- A time commitment of 5 hours per weekday for 5-credit courses will be required for students to be successful online. While there will be regular opportunities for synchronous instruction and support with real-time interaction, online summer school will be mostly asynchronous, taught through written instructions, pre-recorded videos, discussions, weekly live sessions, etc.
- If retaking a diploma course or rewriting a diploma exam, students must register and pay a fee by the deadline July 3rd.

Returning Grade 12s

Current grade 12 students wanting to return to BHS for an additional semester or year must complete and submit the BHS **Returning Grade 12 Application** by **April 1, 2025**. The form can be found on the Student Services D2L under Commonly Used Forms. Applicants will be notified by their school counsellor, with successful applicants being enrolled in available requested courses.

Students are encouraged to review the **Bowness High School Transition Tips and Resources** on the Student Services D2L to see what alternative options are available for upgrading and/or completing their diploma requirements. Chinook Learning will be in our cafeteria April 7 to share information with our grade 12's looking to upgrade after high school.

Free CBE Dual Credit/Exploratory Programs

Have your students do a bit of career research and apply for a summer and/or fall semester dual credit/exploratory program! There are many interesting business, IT, health, recreation, human services, natural resources, trades or transportation programs! There will also be some new programs added, like exploratory culinary, kinesiology and carpentry. Check your CBE email for a SchoolMessenger message or go to www.cbe.ab.ca/uniquepathways.

The summer and fall programs application deadline will be **April 10, 2025**. Be sure to apply for the summer or fall programs by that date. There will be an Information Meeting: April 3rd via online through the CBE.

Summer Work Experience

Students have the opportunity to earn credits during their summer employment. The program runs from July 2-August 2, 2025. For more information and how to apply, go to: <https://www.chinooklearningservices.com/OffCampusPrograms/SummerOffCampus.html>
Deadline for applications is **June 14**.

Scholarships – Student Information Meeting on April 2 at lunch – See D2L for details

Education Matters

Education Matters is a charitable trust inspiring and facilitating investment from the community to enhance equity and alleviate barriers for CBE students throughout all grades to complete high school. They have numerous scholarships, several of which are specific to Bowness High School students. Students are encouraged to review the Education Matters website well in advance of their May 1 or May 30 application deadlines. <https://www.educationmatters.ca/students/>

Prior to completing an application, students are encouraged to watch the application tutorial video: <https://www.educationmatters.ca/students/applying-for-a-scholarship/>

Students can review additional spring scholarships on the announcements page of the Student Services D2L and are encouraged to check the page as new scholarships are regularly added.

Honour Society – Application Deadline June 1, 2025

The Bowness High School Honour Society aims to recognize and reward students who have displayed academic achievement and excellence. Students need only complete this form once each year but must apply to be eligible. Students who have been a member of the Honour Society for all three grades can also be recognized as a **Lifetime Honour Society** member.

On June 24th, we will be hosting a Pride and Excellence Awards Evening for grade 12s receiving a scholarship and who are eligible for Honour Society and Lifetime Honour Society. Students will receive a letter of invitation after applications have been reviewed at the end of June. Grade 10 and 11 students will be invited to come to pick up their certificates at the end of June.

If you expect to be eligible for grade 10, 11, 12 and/or Lifetime Honour Society, please complete the Honour Society Application Form that will be available on the Student Services D2L after Spring Break.

**Application will be available starting April 1 using this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/FCu9TWkWDp>
Please apply prior to June 1, 2025.**

Admissions Criteria: Determination of marks and averages will be based on final marks for the entire school year and final class marks for second-semester diploma courses. To be eligible as a member of the Honour Society, a student must:

- **Attain no fewer than 40 credits in Grade 10; 38 credits in Grade 11; and a minimum of 30 credits in grade 12 with a final total of at least 100.*
- **Achieve an overall average of 80% or higher on grade-level courses with no individual course mark below 65%.*
- **Complete the necessary application form and return it to Student Services by June 1, 2025 .*
- **Complete specific academic courses listed below.*

The courses used to calculate the overall average must include the following:

Grade 10

English 10-1 or 10-2
Social Studies 10-1 or 10-2
Science 10
Math 10-C or French/Spanish 10

Grade 11

English 20-1 or 20-2
Social Studies 20-1 or 20-2
Math 20-1 or Math 20-2, or French/Spanish 20
Science 20, Biology 20, Chemistry 20 or Physics 20

Grade 12

English 30-1 or 30-2
Social Studies 30-1 or 30-2
Math 30-1 or Math 30-2 or Math 31, or French/Spanish 30
Science 30, Biology 30, Chemistry 30, or Physics 30