

Byron Center Christian Middle School

Dismissal and Byron Extra Study Time (BEST) Policy

General Dismissal Notes:

Students that are being picked up by a parent (or other designated individual) will be picked up outside the office doors.

Students that are taking the bus will be dismissed from the gym doors.

Students walking home (or to a friend's house or other) will be dismissed from the main entrance and must leave campus prior to 3:00 PM. They are not to return to campus unsupervised (i.e. they cannot return to campus without a parent or other adult who is responsible for them).

Any middle school students still on campus at 3:00 PM will report to BEST.

Students are not to remain on campus unsupervised.

BEST Policy:

Parents must complete the BEST Registration Form (including days of attendance) for their child to attend BEST. A student will attend BEST on their designated days. Students are not allowed to leave campus on a day they have been scheduled for BEST without written or verbal notification to staff from a parent. This includes leaving campus before home athletic or other after-school events.

If your child's BEST schedule needs to change, notify Andy Reidsma so the schedule can be adjusted.

The BEST after school study hall is available from 2:50 PM to 3:25 PM

Best students leaving with younger siblings will be dismissed at 3:20 to join the elementary car line by the office doors.

If a 'drop-in' BEST day is needed, a parent must notify Deb Zondervan (5th/6th) or Anna Konyonenbelt (7th/8th) at least one hour prior to middle school dismissal. If you have a day where your child will not need scheduled care, please notify the teacher as well.

Any student that is assigned to BEST and chooses not to stay in the assigned room will earn a detention. Any student that leaves campus and returns before 4:00 PM without supervision will

also receive a detention. Students on campus after 4:00 for extracurricular activities are the responsibility of their parents or guardians.

BEST Expectations for Student Behavior:

Students will come to the assigned BEST room prepared to successfully manage their own time. While students are not required to complete homework, the time and space is designed for students to independently complete their school requirements.

Since BEST is an extension of our academic day, technology rules will follow school day expectations. Cell phones will not be allowed and Chromebooks can only be used for academic purposes with the permission and supervision of the teacher(s) (no games, music etc).

Student choices in BEST should not be a problem for other students, nor should it result in distracting, disruptive, or disrespectful behavior. Students that repeatedly make choices that are a problem for the BEST community will meet with Mr. DeBlecourt to discuss consequences that will address the issue and prevent the problem moving forward. If a resolution can not be achieved or if problems persist the use of BEST will be discontinued for students who do not meet behavioral expectations.

Students will be able to have snacks until 3:00 PM. After this time period, students will put their snacks away.