
Tuesday, January 13, 2026



Dear Parents:

A mighty roar emerged from the sea of crimson and cream last week as the Indiana Hoosiers beat the Oregon Ducks in the Peach Bowl to qualify for the College Football Championship game. "Hoo, Hoo, Hoo Hoosiers" could be heard loudly and plainly as the Indiana faithful, estimated at 60,000, took up about 85% of the stadium. We will see who gets the tickets at the venue in Miami this coming Monday night since the opponent is the home team.

So is a "Hoosier" a hill-dweller as the Saxon root, "hoo," would indicate? Perhaps the most accepted explanation is someone knocking on a door and calling, "Who's here?" Let's not trifle with minutia. What counts is loyalty of heart. Of course, a good set of lungs is helpful, too!

Here are some other events to cheer about!



January 13: Second Quarter Progress Reports go home



January 16: Professional Development Day; **School will be dismissed at 2:15.**



January 19: There will be **no classes** in session in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.



January 26-30: National School Choice Week; details will follow



January 27: January Mileage Club Challenge



February 5: BTCS Annual Open House – This event is for prospective families to visit the school for the purpose of possible enrollment next year. Please spread the word to your friends, church family and neighbors.



February 20: Grandparents Day - We are expecting a grand time! Our theme follows the Winter Olympics with "Bring Home the Gold!"

So in life there comes many times to say a heart-felt, "good-bye." In my experience, it is never easy, particularly when you love the people involved. After nearly sixteen years at Burge Terrace Christian School, I am retiring at the end of this year. My husband and I will be moving to South Carolina to live near our two sons and their families.

I will always keep many fond memories of BTCS close to my heart. I have had the opportunity to love many children as I attempted to not only teach them academic material, but also more importantly, show them that God and His Word is what really matters in life.

My successor will be Mrs. Bethany Baker. She has taught at Burge Terrace for almost ten years and is no stranger to its mission. She is an experienced educator and is deeply grounded in her faith. I am confident that she will make choices for the school that reflect its core values.

We are working on getting re-enrollment information ready to launch in a couple of weeks. I know that you will want to continue to be part of the Burge family next year as God continues to bless our school.

Thanks for being in the stands to root us onward!

Mrs. Newton

