

# M E N U & N O T I C E S

# Bob Jones Elementary School

March 2010

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*Bob Jones Elementary School exists to grow Christlike character that is Scripturally disciplined, others-serving, God-loving, Christ-proclaiming, and focused Above.*

## *This week . . .*

### March 14

- Daylight Saving Time  
Spring Forward!

### March 15-19

- Parent/Teacher Conferences

### March 15

- Beginning Choir, 2:45-3:25
- Vocal Ensemble, 3:30-4:15

### March 16

- Chapel – 1A
- Advanced Choir 2:45-3:30
- Choir Concert, 7:00 p.m.  
Main Building Cafetorium

### March 17

- Beginning Choir, 2:45-3:25
- Vocal Ensemble, 3:30-4:15

### March 18

- Chapel – 1A
- Mental Math Contest, Gr. 4-6  
9:15 a.m., Main Bldg. Cafetorium

### March 19

- Fourth Grade Field Trip

### March 20

- Choir sings at  
BJUnited vs. Furman  
Soccer Game

## *What's for Lunch?*

**Monday:** Grilled Chicken or Peanut Butter Sandwiches, Peas, Chips, Fruit, Oreo Brownie, Milk

**Tuesday:** Sloppy Joes or Peanut Butter Sandwiches, Corn, Chips, Fruit, Lemon Velvet Cake, Milk

**Wednesday:** Pepperoni Pizza or Peanut Butter Sandwiches, Seasoned Green Beans, Applesauce, Snickerdoodles, Milk

**Thursday:** Burritos or Peanut Butter Sandwiches, Pinto Beans, Tortilla Chips, Fruit, Cherry Crisp, Milk

**Friday:** Chicken Broccoli Bake or Peanut Butter Sandwiches, Baby Carrots, Fruit, Yellow Cake, Milk

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for Income Tax Child-care  
Deductions

## PRINCIPAL POINTS

Periodically questions arise about various types of schools. People ask if classroom differences in public, charter and Christian schools are really that significant. Much could be said about the subject, but several major distinctions are listed below.

### Public Schools

Public schools are operated by state, county or local governments. The budgets are funded by tax dollars paid to those governments. Their mission is to train students to be proper citizens in society. Textbooks are obtained from secular publishing companies and provide a secular world view.

### Charter Schools

Charter schools are public schools, and most often they are sanctioned by public school districts or governmental agencies. They are operated by various organizations including universities, corporations and public school districts. Charter schools have freedom from some regulations typically established for public schools and sometimes interweave themes such as technology, art or character development into curricula. Budgets are provided by governments and are usually based on a per student formula similar to other public schools. The mission varies at each charter school, but it is usually based on the focus of the curriculum. Charter schools use a variety of textbooks and other instructional resources. Textbooks are usually the same as those used in other public schools.

### Christian Schools

Christian schools may be part of a local church or other ministry, or they may operate as an independent entity. Other than in fire, safety and some additional tenets, Christian schools are independent of governmental authority. As part of that independence, their budgets are not funded with tax dollars. The mission of a Christian school is to provide instruction that is biblically based and focused on developing godly character and principles that will guide the student throughout his or her life. Christian schools are free to choose textbooks. Some may use several texts produced by secular publishers, while most select textbooks written and printed by Christian publishers. Textbooks from Christian publishers support a world view based on godly principles.

### Consideration

In facing a health condition, people will select the best options possible. They will seek the finest personnel, treatment and medical center. They will want a great doctor but not one who is hampered in the procedures he may use and the environment in which he works. Any component in the treatment that is less than optimal can mire the desired outcome.

Parents desiring to raise children with godly principles face a similar situation. Christian teachers can be found in public, charter and Christian schools. Only in Christian schools, however, are all facets of education focused on helping students learn and grow in a Christ-like manner. In other settings a Christ-honoring education can be hindered by personnel, instructional resources or secular setting.

I understand this article "preaches to the choir." You have chosen to educate your children in a Christian school. We very much appreciate you making Bob Jones Elementary School your choice in Christian education. For 40 years, BJES has sought to provide the best academic, fine arts and spiritual instruction possible. We thank you for making that choice. We also hope this information provides answers for when someone asks whether there are really differences in types of schools.