



# Another Great Year at BCPS

### Dear Battle Creek Families,

At Battle Creek Public Schools, we aim to prepare every Bearcat for what's to come, so they graduate career, college and community-ready. We are gearing up for a successful return to school in the fall, and are as committed as ever to our vision of 100% success for every Bearcat.

We know that it has been a challenging spring with school closures and we are already working hard on a plan to ensure that students can catch up quickly when school is back in session. COVID-19 has left us more inspired than ever: Our students are strong and resilient, our educators are some of the best in the nation, and our community has rallied around us. We are getting through this together.

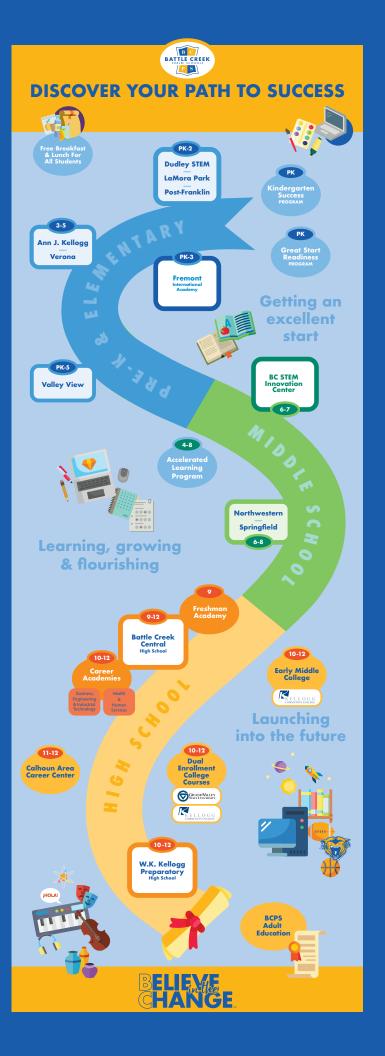
These circumstances have not held us back from celebrating our achievements, or from working to continually improve the offerings of our district. There are so many great things happening at BCPS — from new schools, to new programs to new opportunities for students at every level. BCPS is a place where students can learn safely, be creative, find their passions and prepare for their futures.

We are so proud to share all that BCPS has to offer. We can't wait to welcome your family back in the fall! We #BelieveInBattleCreek and we #BelieveInTheChange!

Sincerely,

Kimberly Carter Superintendent, Battle Creek Public Schools

At Battle Creek Public Schools (BCPS), we believe that a quality education is the foundation for future success. We see every child by name, need and strength, your child's success is our priority and failure is not an option. We offer an educational path where options equal individualized success.



## Future-Focused, Student-Centered

#### **Pre-K & Elementary**

**Great Start Readiness Program** (GSRP) is a free, incomeeligible 4-day-per-week Pre-K program.

**Kindergarten Success Program** (July 12-August 14) is a full-day program that is free and open to all incoming BCPS kindergarteners. 2020 programming is dependent on COVID-19 restrictions. If needed, the program will take place virtually.

All of our elementary schools offer enrichment, strong relationships, supervised before-school and after-school programs, language support, outdoor education center experiences, summer programs and literacy supports for every grade.

**Fremont International Academy** is an International Baccalaureate (IB) candidate magnet school offering Spanish instruction for every student and curriculum rooted in global citizenship.

#### **Middle School**

**Northwestern** and **Springfield Middle Schools** foster advancement in reading, math and science, TrueSuccess character education and a smooth transition into high school.

**Battle Creek STEM Innovation Center** is a STEM-focused magnet school where middle school students gain engineering mindsets, design thinking and research skills in a hands-on learning environment.

#### **High School**

**Battle Creek Central High School** offers a Freshman Academy experience to smooth the transition to high school, Career Academies, a wide array of Advanced Placement courses, extracurriculars activities, and dual enrollment through KCC and GVSU.

**BCCHS Career Academies** are "schools within a school" tailored to different career interest areas. After Freshman Academy in ninth grade, students declare a career-focused pathway and begin interest-based and experiential learning in that pathway.

W.K. Kellogg Preparatory High School (grades 10-12) offers a flexible educational setting where students balancing family or work needs can earn their diploma and achieve success.

Adult Education offers classes and guidance to help adults complete a high school equivalency, earn a BCPS high school diploma, and/or improve English skills and study for the U.S. Citizenship exam.