# ~Elementary student

# **STUDENT TESTIMONIALS:**

On top of school, I had a very demanding dance practice and rehearsal schedule that left little time for homework, and my grades suffered because of it. I started off as a hybrid student with BU, but have since transferred over to full time because I love it so much. The mentors and teachers are so incredibly kind and care so much about each and every student. It is such a positive and accepting environment, and every BU student is celebrated for their differences. I love coming to the lab, and I always look forward to seeing my teachers and the other awesome BU students!

~ Bella, High School

**BU** embraces people for who they are, which makes them an extremely unique school. The teachers, mentors, and staff are so supportive of your victories and help you get through the hard times. At BU, it feels like a family.

~ Lauren, BU Graduate

"I have freedom of time and space, I am not limited to where I do my school as long as I have Wi-Fi and a device to use. And with a great staff, I can get the individual help I need."

# ~ Braden, High School

"I came to BU because I wanted to be able to ride horses during the light of day for the winter semester and be able to go to two week-long horse shows without missing out on so much school."

# ~ Abby, Middle School

"I needed a way that I could still be in a school setting, without the drama of school."

#### ~ Mathea, High School

"With the time that is freed up without conventional high school I can work a job, work on my music, and do my schoolwork. The past year and a half has been the happiest I have been since middle school."

# ~ Zach, High School

The flexible schedule; the teacher offers the right amount of google meets for help

"I came to BU because I have an anxiety disorder that makes it hard for me to leave the house. BU has a really calm environment and it allows me to work from home."

# ~ Gigi, High School

"BU is more than welcoming to all people and creates a safe and learning-oriented environment for all types of students. I can have one on one work time by call, video or even in person."

# ~ Sam, High School

"I really like that I can work at my own pace. When I am done with one week, I can just work on the next week. I also have much more free time to do things I enjoy."

# ~ Clara, High School

"I was dealing with migraines and had to miss a lot of school due to doctor's appointments, but with BU I don't miss out on class. I also enjoy how they have a lab you can go when you need help, so you don't feel alone."

~ Haley, High School

"I came to BU so I could have more time to ski race. My favorite part is the schedule flexibility that I have."

# ~ Aidan, High School

"The BU lab is a great place to get work done where I can focus and receive guidance from mentors and teachers."

# ~ Paula, High School

"What brought me to BU was the thought of being able to work from wherever you wanted online, but have the support of your mentors as well as your teachers."

# ~ Kiara, High School

I'm a hybrid student, so being in school only a half-day and online for my other classes I found a balance between a manageable level of anxiety and something to keep me focused on school every day."

# ~Lucy, High School

"Although BU is an online school, there is still a sense of community, which I really appreciate."



# **PARENT TESTIMONIALS:**

"BU is BVSD's best kept secret – it's like a free private school!"

#### ~ 8th grade parent

"I just wanted to take a minute to tell you how much I appreciate your teaching style. My daughter and I always love to see your little comments about her submitted assignments, and I like that you grade them with reason and flexibility as opposed to demand for rigid conformity. And those google meets...girl, you have no idea the kind of google meets I was witnessing before getting to BU! My daughter used to be in tears, literally! You are a true superhero on those things – always sooooo patient, never ever frazzled or overwhelmed, and taking time to engage with each child so they all feel important and heard. My daughter always remarks about how kind you are, and that's everything to me as her mom. You are doing such a great job at making remote learning personal. So...THANK YOU!!"

#### ~ 2nd grade parent

"BU has been a godsend for my 15 year-old daughter who was experiencing anxiety in high school and was struggling to find her people." ~ 10th grade parent "BU has been a life-changing experience for my high schooler! She was failing out of traditional high school due to ADHD and panic disorder, and just wasn't having a good high school experience. The excellent staff at BU took her under their wings, helped her feel comfortable, and they continue to offer one-on-one support with her school work whenever she needs it. She is now an A student!" ~ 11th grade parent

"My daughter was struggling with anxiety from school pressures and we felt that we needed to do something to ease her pain. We felt that more time in the outdoors and with her horse would do the trick. Boulder Universal was paramount in allowing us this luxury. The teachers and counselors at BU are in constant communication and I feel more supported by them then we ever did at her other school."

~ 12th grade parent

"I love the attention she receives, and the understanding that every student learns differently. I also appreciate the understanding by the staff of life situations and how those things can sometimes affect learning and concentration." ~ Elementary parent "Our daughter is thriving again at BU! If you have a kid who loves to learn (BU students need to be selfdisciplined and motivated!) but is not thriving in the regular school system, BU is a great option!"

# ~ 10th grade parent

"My daughters developed robust executive functioning skills, attained their highest level of learning thus far, and are growing as self-directed learners who are able to pace themselves and establish goals. This would NOT have happened anywhere else, BU has exceeded all my expectations and I will keep my girls at BU well into Middle School."

#### ~ Elementary parent

"Our kids have the freedom to explore their athletic pursuits in addition to gaining from an individualized, thoughtful educational experience. Personal, direct access to educators has been wonderful. The time my kids spend in the lab is efficient and focused."

#### ~ 7th and 10th grade parent

"It has given us much more time together! It has also enabled me, as a Mom, to be actively aware and involved in what my kids are learning."

#### ~ Elementary parent

The alternative education that BU has provided my son has been a life saver for him. The caring counseling staff and teachers provide excellent continual support for my son.

~ 12th grade parent



"My boys are in 11th and 8th grades, and they finally love learning! I know they are finally learning skills to be successful and prepare them for college, including time management strategies, goal setting and self-regulated learning. The BU counselors, teachers and administration have high expectations and are hands-on for student success through effective and regular communication and close monitoring of student progress. They really care about their students and families. It really is a team effort and a community here."

#### ~ 8th grade and 11th grade parent