

# BASD

BARRON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

*Newsletter*

A group of Barron Area School District volleyball players and coaches are celebrating their victory. They are wearing white long-sleeved jerseys with "BARRON" and "STATE CHAMPIONS" printed on them, along with black shorts. Several players are holding a large, ornate trophy that reads "STATE CHAMPIONS GIRLS VOLLEYBALL DIVISION 3". The background shows a gymnasium with red bleachers and spectators.

**State Champs:  
Barron Volleyball brings  
home the GOLD!**

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*Fall* 2024  
DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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# Amundson's Appliance

## DONATION

Thank you Amundson's Appliance for your support!...Just as your trusty appliances keep our homes running smoothly, you have helped us keep dreams cooking and futures bright here at BASD! Your generous donation has washed away obstacles for kids in need and filled our schools with hope and opportunity. Thank you for being a cornerstone of support to our Golden Bears!



# Swant Graber

## DONATION

Thank you, Swant Graber, for driving our Golden Bears to success! Your generous donation fuels our youth athletes' dreams and keeps us moving forward!

We are so truly grateful for your partnership and support towards our Youth Sports programs.





# Superintendent's Letter

Dear BASD Community,

It is with immense pride and gratitude that I welcome you to this special fall edition of our school newsletter. In this publication, we are celebrating remarkable achievements that truly reflect the strength, talent, and dedication within our district and community. Together we've reached significant milestones across sports, academics, and community leadership that deserve to be recognized and celebrated.

First and foremost, we are thrilled to highlight the outstanding success of our student-athletes whose hard work, sportsmanship, and determination have led to impressive victories. Whether on the field, court, or course, our teams have shown resilience and teamwork, embodying the values that make us proud to be part of this district. Their achievements are a testament not only to their commitment but also to the dedication of our coaches, staff, families, and supportive community and business members.



Our students continue to excel in academics and extracurricular activities, making strides in innovative projects, community service and competitions that showcase their talents and commitment to learning and making positive differences in our world. These accomplishments are the result of our dedicated teachers, supportive parents, and most importantly, students who are motivated to reach new heights. Each success story adds to the rich academic legacy of our district, and we look forward to seeing what these bright minds will achieve next.

This edition also honors a very special person in our community: our beloved former teacher and coach, Sue Bedient Steffen, whose dedication and passion have left a lasting legacy. The impact on generations of students and athletes extends beyond wins and losses; she has taught life lessons, instilled values, and inspired countless young people. We are privileged to celebrate Coach Bedient Steffen and all that she has contributed to our school and community.

Finally, I want to express my gratitude to each and every one of you for being a part of these accomplishments and victories. I am truly proud of all that we've accomplished together, and I am excited to see what the future holds for us. Let's continue to lift one another up, celebrate each achievement, continue to work hard to reach beyond our potential and also remember that Fun Matters at BASD!

Together we can strive for even greater heights, and together we are unstoppable!

Sincerely,

Diane Tremblay



# Spotlight on Staff

SEPTEMBER

## Jennifer Clemens

At Barron High School, we are fortunate to have an exceptional team of educators who are passionate about inspiring and shaping the future of our students. One such educator is Mrs. Jen Clemens, our dedicated high school English teacher.

Jen has a deep love for literature and language, which she channels into creating an engaging and dynamic learning environment for her students. Her ability to bring stories and texts to life helps students develop critical thinking skills and a strong appreciation for reading and writing. In 11th Grade English and Advanced Placement English, Jen encourages her students to think deeply, express their ideas clearly, and develop a lifelong love of learning.

Beyond her expertise in the classroom, Jen is known for her commitment to student success. She fosters a supportive atmosphere, always available for extra help and guidance, and goes above and beyond to ensure her students feel confident and capable in their academic pursuits. She is committed to making all students feel comfortable in their learning environment and in their lives through her work with our GSA Club. Her commitment to building strong female leaders has shown through her work with our Green Queens the last few summer school sessions.

Jen is described by one of her colleagues as someone who cares about all humans, and she is like the Goddess of Love and Compassion (not my words, Jen). She always sees the good in people and their strengths. As elementary principal, she did whatever it took to make someone else's life/job better - she would sub all the time for teachers, and even planned her own lessons so the teachers didn't have to prepare anything. She was no nonsense. She never wants to waste people's time. She respects it and never asked us to do something she wouldn't do.

We are proud to have Ms. Clemens as part of our Barron High School family and appreciate her tireless dedication to our students and their futures.



# Spotlight on Staff, continued...

OCTOBER

## Cari Colgrove

We are honored to present the “Spotlight on Staff Award” to an exceptional Special Education teacher, Cari Colegrove.

Cari has been a dedicated part of the Barron Area School District since the start of the 2016-2017 school year. Throughout her time with us, Cari has worked closely with students who have some of the greatest needs, always advocating for them. She has a unique talent for connecting with students in ways that many people simply can't, and it shows in the success and growth of those she works with every day.

Cari has also been a tremendous teammate, working alongside Kaydie, Carly, Codi, and Lexus to form an incredible team of professionals. Together, they've accomplished so much, always stepping up to meet challenges head-on. Whether it's finding ways to be more present in the classroom or responding to the sudden influx of new SPED students this summer, Cari and her team have consistently risen to the occasion.

Beyond her day-to-day work, Cari has been a mentor to new Special Education teachers, offering guidance and support as they find their way. She's also been instrumental in initiatives that benefit our students, like the development of the Sensory Room, a project she and her colleagues have worked hard to bring to life.

Cari's efforts, while sometimes behind the scenes, have made a profound impact on our entire school community. Her positive mindset and team-oriented approach have truly strengthened us all. Not everyone fully understands the extent of her influence, but I want to make everyone knows just how much she has contributed.

Thank you, Cari, for all that you do. You are truly deserving of this recognition!





NOVEMBER

# Lindsey Bell

We are pleased to recognize our outstanding 5th grade ELA and Social Studies teacher, Lindsey Bell, with the Barron Area School District's Spotlight on Staff. Lindsey has made a positive impact on our school community since joining the district in the fall of 2013 at Woodland Elementary. We are fortunate that most of her career has been at Riverview Middle School, where she has consistently demonstrated her passion for education and dedication to her students' success.

Lindsey brings energy, expertise, and compassion to everything she does, from coaching girls' basketball and leading her grade-level team meetings to advancing our PBIS and Tiered Approach to Learning initiatives. Her commitment to helping students succeed extends to her leadership, particularly through her guidance in WIN groups. Lindsey is a pioneer in developing positive working lunches to help students manage their assignments, which led her to establish a new WIN- Executive Functioning Group. This group focuses on helping her students develop skills for academic success, such as organization, time management, task initiation, and self-regulation. With her kind support, students learn strategies to improve their focus, manage assignments, and complete tasks effectively. The kids truly appreciate her help.

Lindsey, we are grateful that your journey in education continues at Riverview Middle School. We appreciate your leadership, dedication, and commitment to our staff, students, and families. We're fortunate to have you on the Barron Area School District team.



# Veterans Day: 2024

## ALMENA: BARRON AREA MONTESSORI SCHOOL

The Veterans Day program at Barron Area Montessori School included the children singing and the presentation of a quilt.



## RIDGELAND ELEMENTARY

The Ridgeland Community and families filled the gymnasium with patriotic music and decorations to honor our Veterans.





## WOODLAND ELEMENTARY

Barron County Veterans Honor Guard, staff, students, community members, and Veterans, all gathered in the gym to celebrate Veterans Day. Activities included the posting of the colors, patriotic songs, a flag pole ceremony, and the playing of taps.



# RIVERVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL

Riverview staff and students welcomed our community members for our 2024 Veterans Program. A big thank you to our band and choir for providing wonderful music for our Veterans. We had the privilege to honor and recognize all our Veterans including the Brown-Selvig American Legion Post #212, The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8338, The Amvets Post 888 and their Auxiliaries for their patriotism, sacrifice, and service to our country.



Congratulations to the local winners of the 2024 VFW-sponsored Patriot's Pen youth essay contest. These students were recognized for their responses to this year's theme: "My Voice in America's Democracy?" The first-place entrant will go on to compete at the regional level against other middle school students.

Pictured from left to right: Lilliann Horvath, First Place Winner. Jacob Reinikainen, Second Place Winner. Mateo de la Torre Ramirez, Third Place Winner. Lt. Colonel Greg Roth, VFW Quartermaster for the Barron VFW Post 8338.



## The Power of Your Voice in America's Democracy *By Lilliann Horvath*

America's democracy is built on the power of its citizen's voices. While celebrations like the Fourth of July and Veterans Day remind us of our nation's values and those who sacrificed for our freedom, they also highlight the responsibility that comes with having a voice in democracy. Wearing red, white, and blue or honoring Veterans is symbolic, but true patriotism requires action beyond just participation.



Imagine living in a country where you have no say in who leads or how decisions are made. Would you want to live under the rule of others, powerless to influence change? America's representative democracy gives you the right—and responsibility—to have a say in the future. Each vote is a powerful tool for change. If you don't use it, you're giving up control of your life to others. Your voice can shape policies, push for justice, and protect freedom.

Patriotism, at its core, is about more than national holidays. It's about being informed, standing up for what's right, and voting for leaders who represent your values. Henry James once said, "I think patriotism is like charity – it begins at home." If you are passionate about change, your voice could even inspire you to run for office or represent others in Congress. In a democracy, real power lies not with politicians but with the people who elect them.

What does your voice in democracy mean? It's more than just voting or celebrating patriotic holidays. It's about using your influence to build a just society. Your voice can drive progress, inspire reform, and ensure that democracy thrives.

My voice in America's democracy means that I celebrate and participate in holidays, events, and memorials. Every year on Veterans Day, I wholeheartedly honor and remember our Veterans that fought for our freedom. I actively participate and engage in our programs. After all, Veterans fought for us. I honor and respect the right to have my voice being heard.

Having your own individual voice in America's democracy is a privilege and a responsibility. It's not enough to celebrate; we must engage. Voting, speaking up, and being active in civic life are ways we make our voices heard. If we want to preserve freedom, we must use our voices to shape a better future for all.



# BARRON HIGH SCHOOL

Maggie Cole shared her speech, "Is America Today Our Forefathers' Vision?" to our Veterans Day Observance audience.

## Is America Today Our Forefathers' Vision?

*By Maggie Cole*

Freedom is not free, but has been brutally fought for, to create a land of opportunity and equal rights for our citizens. Our unalienable rights and participation in government were not always available to everyone in our nation's infancy. With the help of our Constitution, Declaration of Independence, and amendments within our Bill of Rights, America has transformed into a thriving, independent country. With that being said, America today is not what our forefathers had envisioned. America today is significantly better.

Change within our nation is inevitable, as growth is bound to happen.

Our constitution has been amended 27 times, ratifying each amendment to fit the nation's vision at the time. The abolition of slavery, end of women's suffrage, voting age, and the state's independence from being overruled by the federal government are all ensured changes that have created a better vision of equality and freedom within our nation. With help from the Constitution, the judicial, legislative, and executive branches have divided power, preventing the branches from overruling one another. While that is the case now, these checks and balances have not always been as influential. The executive branch has gained more influence as presidential power has expanded, leading a large expansion into partisan politics. The legislative branch, consisting of both chambers of Congress, continues to influence our country through the introduction of bills, budgets and taxation. The judicial branch has enhanced its rule in the political landscape, allowing it to interpret laws and actions and their constitutionality. Without having equal power among these branches, our nation would fail, leaving the constitution to crumble.

"Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" is a commonly referenced phrase from the Declaration of Independence which introduces three unalienable rights given to our fellow citizens. "Life", deriving from the ability to flourish, exist, and thrive, lets the people not only be free from death, violence, and persecution, but to live a quality life with access to essential needs and equal justice. "Liberty", gives us the freedom to act and think without restriction from the government. An example of liberty provided to us by our forefathers can be found in the First Amendment to the Constitution, preventing the government from abridging the freedom of speech. This amendment has made it possible for the people to express ideas and opinions freely. "The pursuit of happiness", a broad but deep statement, allows our citizens to define happiness on their own terms. This right allows our citizens to seek happiness by choosing their own path in life and pursuing their dreams as they see fit. Each of these unalienable rights has been fostered to create a land of freedom and equality for all who are considered a citizen of the USA. This has been self-evident as the nation has grown into a prosperous country.

America today is significantly better than what our forefathers' had envisioned. Through the act of each ratified amendment, equal power sharing among the three branches of government, and our right to seek life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, the citizens of the United States of America can continue exceeding our forefathers vision.



# Barron Area Education Foundation

## 3rd Annual BAEF Social held on November 15

The 3rd Annual Barron Area Education Foundation Social scheduled for October 25 was moved to November 15 to show support for the Barron High School athletes who experienced success with their fall seasons.

Once again, Lorin Humphrey, owner of the Enchanted Barn, graciously donated his facility for the event which raised funds for scholarships, fees for camps and clinics, and grants for staff to enhance learning. Approximately 150 people attended the event and participated in silent and live auctions and other activities for prizes donated by 98 different area businesses and community members. Over \$30,000 was raised!

One of the goals of the Barron Area Education Foundation is to bring community members together along with alumni. The BAEF appreciates all the alumni who contribute to the annual mailing and donate to the mission of making dreams come true for our students. Our community is so blessed to have such great support and for the alumni who continue to give back. An example of the impact alumni have is proven by the Enchanted Barn which employs 13 Barron Area School District Alumni and six current BHS students.

Barron High School students Adam Wirth, Zoe Frandsen, and Wyatt Weise provided background music during the Social. Matt Dobberfuhl, a 1996 grad, shared his comedy act with the crowd. Andrew Sloan, an alumni, and Nick Schroeder, BHS teacher served as the emcees for the live auction. Reed Grimm, an American Idol finalist, finished the night with his music.



### Barron Area Education Foundation

Making Dreams Come True For All Students

Yes, I would like to donate funds to the Barron Area Education Foundation to help students reach their dreams.  
A receipt will be mailed to each donor for their tax deductible contribution.

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*Make checks out to the Barron Area Education Foundation.  
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# DONORS



**Thank you to the following businesses and community members for their support by donating funds, gift cards, and other items for the event.**

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Suzanne Nehring	Sharpley's Season's Cafe - Barron
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Matt Kolpack	Moonflower Nails
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Pine Crest Golf Course	Golden Bear Fuel - Noel Belmore
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Wirth Excavating	Turtleback Golf Course
Springer Eye Care - Dr. Todd Swanson	Coates Corner
GTC Auto Parts - Dillon Palmquist	Blueberry Line Coffeehouse
Blackbird Acupuncture - Carrie Jurek	Bird's Place
Fringe - Laura Johnson	Karla & Chad Knutson
TMC - Mitch and Sarah Stauner	Carol & Jay Frank
Tanner Johnson & Kyle Zeman	Amanda & Kevin Johnson
BACC	Nancy Kasper
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Happy Wok	Diane & Charles Tremblay
Carsten & Sally Ellison	Mary DeJardin

**The following businesses supplied food and beverages for the event:**

- Steel and Rausch, David Steel, BHS alumni: Beverages
- Nordby Construction, Rod Nordby, BHS alumni: Beverages
- Erickson Agency, Selene Wosepka, BHS alumni: Charcuterie Board
- Vanguard Agency, James Rausch II, BHS alumni: Cookies
- Hoff Financial: Brownies
- Enchanted Barn, Lorin Humphrey, BHS alumni: Venue and Pizza for dance

# Mentorship

## Mentor Spotlight: Doug Larson (Mentee: Evan)

### **Why is Doug the Spotlight Mentor?**

Giving back to your community is a powerful way to make an impact, and Doug does just that through the Mentorship Program. Doug possesses many of the key qualities of a good mentor. He is kind, approachable, reliable and an active listener. He genuinely wants to make a difference in the life of a student!

### **What Evan says about the mentoring program:**

I like the mentorship program because I think it gives students an opportunity to have another adult to talk to, get advice from, or get help from. I can have someone to talk about stuff that I may not want to talk to my parents or friends about. My mentor is someone who worked in a field that I am interested in working in the future. I can ask him questions about what he did to receive his training and what it was like while he was working in the field.

### **What inspired you to mentor?**

I have had several mentors and have mentored a couple of younger people over my careers and have really enjoyed both sides of the experience. I didn't realize that BASD had an active mentor program until I was contacted about it last year after I retired from the power plant. It was a very easy decision for me to get involved with the program.

### **What is your favorite aspect of mentoring?**

Getting to know people better and learning from them. I always learn something from a mentoring relationship, whether it be as a mentor or as a mentee. It's amazing to get fresh perspectives on things that I may have been mired in the past about!

### **Why do you think others should mentor?**

Parents are awesome, but it's nice for kids to have an adult friend who is safe and accessible to talk to that isn't a parent. I think that most mentors really get a lot out of being a mentor. It's rewarding to establish a connection with your mentee and to know that you're helping someone navigate a difficult period of life. A lot of decisions are made during the teen years, and it's really cool to help someone make those decisions!





### Career Mentorships

To help students plan for their futures, the Mentorship Program offers career mentorships and job shadows.

If a student is interested in learning more about a career, the program will work to connect students with a “career mentor” who will meet with them and share information about their profession and education. Students may also job shadow to observe a typical day in the career occupation.

There are many career mentorship opportunities in a wide-variety of occupations. Students at Barron High School may request a job shadow by contacting Mentor Coordinator, Kelly Hover at 715-537-5627 Ext. 139 or [hoverk@barron.k12.wi.us](mailto:hoverk@barron.k12.wi.us)

### FEATURED JOB SHADOW:

#### *Veterinary Technician*

Here is what Mattie Whitehead, Senior at BHS, has to share about her job shadow with Northern Lakes Veterinary Clinic, Cumberland:

The job shadow was exactly as I pictured. Everyone was really nice and super kind to their patients and animals. There was a vet assistant I met there who went to New Richmond Northwood Tech, the school I applied for, and she was more than helpful telling me all about it. I enjoyed hearing the patients’ opinions of self diagnosing about their animals compared to the doctor or vet techs’ diagnosis. Usually the patients’ opinions or self diagnosing is way off which makes it a joy to hear about and listen to. The job is absolutely perfect for the type of career I wanted. I know I didn’t have the guts to physically do surgery on animals, but I wanted to help animals and make them get better. Being a vet tech was the perfect position in my opinion. For future students doing job shadowing, don’t be scared to ask questions, go ahead and explore your surroundings. Don’t stand in one spot, you won’t get a feel of the experience. Don’t forget to go in with the doctors to their appointments, I didn’t know I could do that until I had two hours left of my job shadow, but I still had a blast and gained a lot of knowledge.



# Montessori School



The Montessori classroom is set up to allow children to be independent and learn at their own pace.



## We Are Ready for Observers!

We are pleased to invite adults to schedule a visit to observe in Miss Carolyn's, Miss Amanda's, or Ms. Tawnee's class. It is a great opportunity to learn more about how the Montessori Method works to meet each child's developmental needs and more about how your child learns. If your child is not currently enrolled at the Montessori school, we welcome you to bring your child with you to the observation.

Call 715-357-3263 ext 206 to schedule.

Observations are available mornings from 8:30-10:00

Observe one-half hour in the classroom, then meet with Tawnee Keller, Montessori Principal for Q&As.  
Don't wait, schedule your observation today!







# Music

## ELEMENTARY



These 4th grade music students led by Mrs. Lytle are learning how to play the ukulele!

*“Teaching kids music is like giving them the key to a world where creativity, discipline and joy harmonize.”*



# 4K

## NEWS

October was Fire Safety and Prevention Month, and our 4K classes have been learning what to do in the event of a fire at home or school. As a culminating event, we took a field trip to the Barron-Maple Grove Fire Station. During our visit, Captain Tim and Firefighter Sarah taught us so much about fire safety and prevention. Most importantly, they showed us what they look and sound like when wearing all their equipment and reminded us that, in the event of a fire, they are there to help. We even got to try on their helmets and jackets and sit in a real fire truck!









# Trunk or Treat



We are already counting down the days to Woodland's next Trunk or Treating event . . . only about 300 more days until Halloween! We had SO MUCH FUN this year! Thank you to all who participated and all who helped make this a memorable event for our Golden Bears!



# Riverview Student Senate

## PRESENTED FOR NOVEMBER'S SPOTLIGHT ON EDUCATION

Riverview is fortunate to have an amazing Student Senate leading our student body. We started the year by seating our new 6-8 grade senate. Our new members are excited to welcome our 5th grade members to the Senate now that they have had some time to acclimate to the middle school. The Riverview Student Senate concluded the 2023-24 school year on a high note, supporting our community with two generous donations: \$500 to the Community Cat Coalition and \$500 to the Cupboard and Closet.



We kicked off this school year with enthusiasm, celebrating Homecoming through themed dress-up days. The top three winning homerooms enjoyed a donut party. Any staff that dressed up were entered in a drawing, and four lucky staff members received a Starbucks gift card.



In October, our Student Senate participated in the elementary school's Trunk-or-Treat event, bringing an "Under the Sea" theme to life. Our students connected with our younger students through fun activities like a fish-themed ring toss and a shark bowling game. Community involvement remains central to our mission.



During Trunk-or-Treat, we donated diving rings to the outdoor pool and provided bubble machines, bubbles and books to pre-kindergarten classrooms. Additionally, we contributed Culver's calendars to Community Cats to support their fundraising efforts.

Riverview Middle School students went all out for Halloween! From classic spooky characters to creative, unique costumes, everyone embraced the Halloween spirit. The highlight of the day was the Costume Contest at lunch, proudly sponsored by the Riverview Student Senate. The halls buzzed with excitement as students





showcased their costumes, hoping to win a prize. Every student started their day with a spooktacular treat- a caramel apple sucker to celebrate caramel apple day. The Student Senate worked hard to make this event memorable.



Our Student Senate works tirelessly year-round, fundraising through activities like concessions, fundraisers of selling beach towels, blankets, and Culver's calendar to fulfill our service-oriented mission. This year, we're especially grateful for our partnership with Kwik Trip, whose generous donation of two pizza ovens and a pizza warmer has been a hit with student-athletes and fans who can now enjoy hot, nutritious snacks at our middle school sporting events.



The Riverview Student Senate also showed appreciation to our incredible custodians, Ellie, Randy, and Deb, with a small gift for their hard work, dedication, and positivity. Their tireless efforts to keep our school clean, safe, and welcoming are truly appreciated, and their kindness and warm presence brighten our days, creating a positive environment for students and staff alike. We are grateful for everything they do to make Riverview Middle School a better place every day!



We can't thank our bus drivers enough! Every day, they take on the big responsibility of getting our students to and from school safely, rain or shine. Their dedication, patience, and warm smiles make a huge difference in our students' lives. We appreciate you!



Finally, we were proud to honor and thank our Veterans on Veterans Day. We appreciate our Veterans for their unwavering dedication and courage in defending our nation's freedoms. They have sacrificed so much—time with loved ones, personal safety, and often their well-being—to protect our values and security. Veterans represent resilience and selflessness, reminding us that our freedom is hard-won and must never be taken for granted. Today and every day, we honor their service and commitment, grateful for the peace and liberty they have safeguarded for us all. We are looking forward to leading our student body throughout the 2024-2025 school year.





# Bravo!

## RIVERVIEW GOLDEN BEAR BRAVOS

Each month students are nominated by Riverview Staff for being respectful, responsible, and safe. After nominations are complete, four students from each grade level are honored with the Golden Bear Bravos. Students receive a certificate from the nominating staff member, a personalized medal, and a coupon for a free ala carte food item. The certificate is sent home to celebrate the student's Bravos accomplishment with family. Congratulations to our Golden Bear Bravo recipients!

### September: 5th Grade



Mr. Stralka, Ellie Taylor, Michelle Apanecatl,  
Karli Baker, Alyana Goodlet, Mr. Nelson

### September: 6th Grade



Mr. Stralka, Aubrey Cole, Dulce Asis-Lopez,  
Lainis Kraucis, Adriana Montes Esparza, Mrs.  
Horvath

### September: 7th Grade



Mr. Stralka, Lowin Insong, Victor Ramirez,  
Maci Allen, Lilli Horvath

### September: 8th Grade



Mr. Stralka, Domanic Fogelberg, Amber Insong,  
Morghan Ecklor, Mateo de la Torre Ramirez





Riverview Middle School gives a big shout out to our students that have reached a milestone for community service. Great Job! You may see students volunteering in our community for church projects, helping improve our community properties, providing help at our summer school programs and volunteering at our community programs such as 4H, Boy and Girl Scouts, Kiwanis etc.. Thank you so much! We truly appreciate this!



## 6th Grade

Left to Right: Lainis Kraucis, Emmett Roske, Jacob Gunther, Alea Hoyt, Jesus Montes, Maddy Saffert, Emili Aldana, Gael de la Torre, Randall Rivera



## 7th Grade

Eden Kisting, Oliver Buck, Rankin Mathews, Rayaana Abdulkadir, Annie Edwards, Lilly Marion, Lilliann Horvath, Bella Olson, Addy Goodlet



Gold Medal for 100 Hours:  
Eden Kisting

## 8th Grade

Mateo de la Torres Ramirez, Hailey Sirek, Madison Cimfl, Mia Davis



Towards the end of September,  
7th grade students participated in  
Kindness in Chalk.

Using chalk to write kind messages  
on sidewalks is something students,  
staff and local businesses look forward  
to each year. This year, the students  
visited CCF Bank, Subway, Barron  
Public Library and the Senior Center.

Riverview FCCLA was proud to  
sponsor this activity by donating all  
the chalk.



# Kindness in Chalk

RIVERVIEW







# Family and Consumer Sciences

## LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

FCCLA members from the high school and Riverview had an opportunity to join almost 300 other members from across west central and northern Wisconsin at UW-Stout for the Fall Leadership Conference titled Dare To Dream. Students had the opportunity to attend breakout sessions focusing on healthy minds, healthy bodies, strategies for personal growth, leadership development and discovered the advantages of being a member of FCCLA. It was also a great opportunity for members to create new friendships and make lasting memories.



BHS Attendees: Row 1 Sophia Dantzman, Wesley Mickelson, Grace Marvin, Hailey Ganong  
Row 2 Isabella Kallenbach, Chole Ericksen, Elizabeth Sadowski, Maggie Cole, Alyssa Ottum, Mason Honaker



RMS Attendees: Gus Schoenke, Rankin Mathews, Asher Johnson, Caleb Duncan, Madelyn Weinert, Lilliann Horvath, Cadence Holten



## Agricultural Education Off to Busy Fall Start!

The Barron High School Agricultural Education department has had a very busy and successful fall season in the classroom, in Supervised Agricultural Education (SAE) projects, and in FFA leadership development activities.

## ACTIVITIES



Classroom and laboratory activities have included various hands-on learning activities, including taking advantage of our outdoor learning lab spaces to learn about tree identification, forest management, and wildlife management. In Small Animal Science, students completed their

study of dog breeds with these second annual BHS Mock "AKC" Dog Show. Students each chose a dog breed and then created a life-size model showcasing each animal's conformation and breed characteristics, and exhibited their dogs to a panel of judges. Best in Group and Best in Show winners earned Dairy Queen gift certificates for their efforts. Both students and staff judges thoroughly enjoyed the activity.

## HOLIDAY CHEER

In the greenhouse, students are turning their attention to raising poinsettias for the holiday season. Students assist with caring for the plants daily; in December members will work with the Barron County ADRC program to deliver the plants to Barron area residents receiving Meals on Wheels. Students love being able to spread holiday cheer to our community!



## WORLD DAIRY EXPO

FFA fall events also provided an opportunity to develop their SAE programs. Barron FFA members kicked off the month of October with a visit to the World Dairy Expo in Madison. Makenna Roske, Jorey Feidt, Reanna Cook, and Audrey Cutsforth competed at Central National FFA Dairy Judging Contests, and Raina Cook participated in the dairy showmanship contest. Following the contests, members were able to take part in industry workshops and the dairy industry trade show.



## CROP SHOW

The annual Barron FFA Crop Show & School Fair was held in October. Students engaged in some friendly competition against students with products from their Supervised Agricultural Experience programs. Entries in the crop show ranged from traditional field crops of hay, corn, & soybeans to horticulture products like fruits, vegetables, and preserved foods, as well as agricultural artwork and various agricultural education displays. Crop show judges were Sarah McHenry, animal nutritionist from Synergy Cooperative, and Keith Kolpack, retired ag education instructor.



Students participating in the event and overall winners received cash prizes for their efforts.



## SCIENCE NIGHT

Barron FFA students also participated in the Barron Public Library's Wisconsin Science night, with a focus on agricultural sciences. Brody Hammann and Thorfin Moe presented tractor safety information and led students through an experiment comparing which kind of milk created the best bubbles.

## LEADERSHIP

FFA Leadership Development activities have been in full swing this fall! Leadership development conferences started in September with Chapter President Drew Scheps and Chapter Secretary-Treasurer Brody Hammann attending the Fall Leadership Workshop at Amery High School. They were trained in duties for their respective offices and shared ideas with neighboring FFA chapters for planning events and member activities.



## FIRE



In October, Grace Marvin, Callie Stokes, and Caden Witscher participated in the FIRE (Foundations in Reaching Excellence) Leadership Conference in Marshfield. FFA members

learned about FFA programs and opportunities and were encouraged to set goals for their FFA experiences.

## PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

In early November, the Barron FFA hosted UW-River Falls Agricultural Education Society students to hold a regional Parliamentary Procedure workshop. Over 40 members attended to learn the basics of running meetings with parliamentary procedure and learned about the upcoming FFA Parliamentary Procedure Leadership Development Event contests. FFA members also participated in a fun night of volleyball hosted by the Amery FFA chapter. Members enjoyed the chance to be active and have fun with other FFA members.



## FOOD FOR AMERICA

The annual Food For America farm tour program was held in September at Jerland Farms. This event included the Barron, Cumberland, and Prairie Farm FFA chapters presenting hands-on learning stations to their district's fourth and sixth-grade students. Ridgeland and Woodland's fourth graders were among the 200 students participating in this event. High School FFA members were responsible for planning and organizing the event, including what stations to hold, station demonstrations, and serving as tour guides for the elementary students.



## NATIONAL CONVENTION

Audrey Cutsforth, Summer Hammann and Reanna Cook, represented the chapter at the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis IN. They were among the 73,000 FFA members and supporters in attendance! Barron members participated in general sessions with keynote speakers including Dr. Temple Grandin held in Lucas Oil Stadium. They also were able to participate in the FFA Career Expo and attended workshops on various leadership topics. Members also toured a wind farm, specialty animal livestock farm and apple orchard while at the convention.



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As the fall turns to the winter term, FFA members will be completing the annual FFA Fruit Sale fundraiser and will be preparing to host the District FFA Leadership Development Events on Wednesday, January 29. Many volunteers will be needed for this event; if you are interested in assisting, please contact Barron FFA Advisor Kristin Hanson at [hansonk@barron.k12.wi.us](mailto:hansonk@barron.k12.wi.us), or at 715-537-5627, ext 126. We thank everyone for your continued support of agricultural education and FFA in the Barron Area School District.



# Summer Hammann

## PROFICIENCY AWARD WINNER

Summer Hammann, class of 2024, recently wrapped up her high school FFA career as one of the top four FFA members in the nation in dairy production! Summer was recognized as a National Proficiency Finalist in Dairy Entrepreneurship at the 2024 National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN. This award was the capstone to her outstanding high school FFA career, which included Career Development Events, SAE, and leadership achievements.



Agricultural Proficiency Awards honor FFA members who, through supervised agricultural experiences (SAEs), have developed specialized skills that they can apply toward their future careers. Students compete in areas ranging from agricultural communications to wildlife management. Proficiency awards are also recognized at local and state levels and provide recognition to members exploring and becoming established in agricultural career pathways. To compete in this award area, students must keep records of their SAE program over the course of their FFA membership and compile a yearly report documenting income and expenses, annual goal setting and reflection and documentation of specific industry-related skills learned. Proficiency award applications are submitted to the

state FFA association each year, with the state winners competing for National FFA Recognition. Summer's program was named the Wisconsin FFA state winner in Dairy Entrepreneurship at the 2024 Wisconsin State FFA Convention. Her application was then forwarded to the national level, where she was selected as one of four FFA members nationwide to be recognized with this honor! All four finalists were then interviewed by a panel of judges and were recognized on the Lucas Oil Stadium main stage at the National FFA Convention in late October 2024. This award included a prize of \$500 for being named a finalist.



In addition to the proficiency award programs, Summer earned her Wisconsin State FFA Degree and was named Wisconsin Star Farmer Finalist at the 2024 Wisconsin State FFA Convention in June. The Wisconsin State FFA Degree recognizes students' SAE program achievements and overall FFA involvement. State degree requirements include earning or investing \$1500 in a project or working in 1000 hours outside of class time, completing 25 hours of community service, participating in five FFA activities beyond the chapter level, presenting at least two ag-related speeches, and explanation of at least 10 industry related skills developed through their SAE project. Star Finalist candidates must complete additional documentation displaying their knowledge and skills and reflections on project goals and accomplishments. The top ten candidates are then interviewed by a panel of judges to explain their projects. Finalists are recognized on stage at the Wisconsin FFA







Convention and earn prize money for their efforts.

Summer has also earned top honors for her skills in Dairy Cattle Evaluation. As a member of the Barron FFA Dairy Cattle Evaluation team, Summer led the team in regional qualifications at UW-Platteville and qualified for the

Wisconsin State FFA Career Development in April 2024; this marked her fourth consecutive year qualifying for state! Participants of this contest judge six classes of dairy cattle, present oral reasons, evaluate pedigrees, complete a linear evaluation of five dairy cattle, engage in sire selection exercises, and take a written exam on industry principles and competencies. The team placed in the top 10, and Summer was the state-winning individual out of 100 FFA contestants! Summer was recognized at the Wisconsin State FFA Convention for this honor. Additionally, Summer recently represented Wisconsin 4-H in the Dairy Cattle Evaluation contests at the North American International Livestock Exposition at Louisville, Kentucky.

Summer's love for the dairy industry started with growing up on her parents' sixty-five cow dairy farm,

Triple H Holsteins & Jerseys; Summer's parents are Scot and Becky Hammann. Summer's herd started with two Holsteins and one Jersey, which she received as gifts for her first three birthdays. She now is the proud owner of over 50 head, including 39 Holstein and 12 Jersey cows, heifers, and calves. At Triple H Holsteins, her family's farm where her cattle are homed, Summer assists with milking duties, calf feeding, breeding decisions, and much more to ensure that both her own and her family's herd can thrive. Summer was an active member and role model in the Barron FFA chapter, serving as chapter officer for three years, two as chapter president. She was also successful in the Employment Skills Leadership Development event and led chapter activities such as the annual fruit sale, crop show, and Food For America tour program., and was named the 2024 DeKalb Outstanding Senior for the Barron FFA Chapter. Summer is pursuing a degree in Dairy Science with a minor in Agribusiness at UW-Madison.



Congratulations to Summer on these major accomplishments! You have left a lasting impact on the Barron FFA chapter!



## ATTENTION JUNIORS AND PARENTS OF JUNIORS

### *\* Important Information \**

Mrs. Johnson would like to have a Junior Planning Conference with every Junior. At the conference you will discuss graduation requirements, post-secondary options, career interests and the steps you need to take to get there.

She will be starting conferences in December. Please use the <https://johnsonash.youcanbook.me/> link or contact Student Services to get signed up.

715-537-5627 x 155 or 158

thomem@barron.k12.wi.us

or

johnsonash@barron.k12.wi.us

# Key Club

## 23RD ANNUAL RACINE DANISH KRINGLE SALE



*\*December 12 - January 6\**

Key Club members will again be selling Racine Danish Kringles for \$13.00 each.

Flavors include: Almond, Raspberry Cheesecake, Pecan, Turtle, Apple Cinnamon, Cherry, Chocolate Eclair, Raspberry Cheesecake, Cinnamon, Blueberry Cheesecake, Strawberry, along with new varieties of Pecan Praline, Maple Walnut, Pistachio, Blueberry, Bavarian Creme, Cherry Cheesecake, Chocolate Chip, Merry Berry, Sea Salt Caramel, Chocolate Silk, and Strawberry Cheesecake. This is our one and only fundraiser for the year.

If students miss reaching out to you and you would like to make a purchase, please contact Michele Thome at [thomem@barron.k12.wi.us](mailto:thomem@barron.k12.wi.us).

Thank you for your continued support!

# Caught Being Kind

## NATIONAL KEY CLUB WEEK

Congratulations to Brody Hammann, Josie Ramirez, and Bella Petri for winning the 'Caught Being Kind' campaign during National Key Club Week. When students were "Caught Being Kind," staff placed their names on tickets, and winners were drawn on Thursday morning. Thanks to all the staff who submitted nominations and to the students for spreading kindness. Great job, let's keep being kind!

Brody Hammann & Josie Ramirez  
Not pictured: Bella Petri





# Betty Dodge

## AWARD OF EXCELLENCE



Betty Dodge received an "Award of Excellence" on Friday night, Oct. 11th, during halftime of Barron's home football game in recognition of her "outstanding dedication to the Barron School District." Dodge served as a secretary at Riverview Middle School for nearly three decades before retiring in the 1990s. She lives at Our House Senior Living, which helps residents live out bucket list items. Betty, age 92, chose to spend a day visiting Barron schools before attending the football game. She is pictured with Woodland Elementary Dean of Students, James Schlauderaff, who presented the award.

# Terry Jergenson

## HONORARY CAPTAIN

Lifelong Barron Golden Bear fan, Terry Jergenson, served as an honorary captain during the Bears' home game against St. Croix Falls on Friday, October 11th. Terry has been a long-time supporter of Barron Athletics. He makes it to nearly every event that he can and is often the first one at the games. He beats us up to the field on Friday nights like clockwork. It was a privilege to honor him in this way. The football team was fired up to see him on the sidelines and have him be an honorary captain. We are so lucky to have him be a part of our FAMILY and to support us through thick and thin!



# Packers Coach of the Week



Week three of September, the Green Bay Packers announced that our very own, Nick Schroeder was named the Packers High School Coach of the Week.

In his second year as the varsity head coach of Barron, Schroeder had the Bears out to a perfect 5-0 start to the season. This start came after the program's 5-46 record over the past six seasons. Schroeder's leadership and shift of culture has led Barron to a mighty turnaround and has the Bears on an exciting upward trajectory. When asked about the program's turnaround, Schroeder is quick to mention his players, coaches, administration and how the ideas of family, love and community have put the Barron Bears on the winning side of football games.

"It starts with our kids. Since day one, they didn't have to believe in us [coaches], and they've bought into everything we've been preaching about being a family. Fighting for each other. Loving each other and understanding love is tough. It's not an easy thing to do to love other people. It takes risk," said Schroeder. "We also have an incredibly supportive administration and community that have had our backs since day one and have empowered not only our staff but our players to run with what we're doing and support them unconditionally."

Schroeder also mentioned the importance of community within the program's turnaround.

"Every opportunity we get, we're getting our guys out to do volunteer work. We skipped a day of fall practice to volunteer at a Special Olympics softball tournament, which was an awesome experience for our guys," said Schroeder. "One of our team managers who's been with the program for over 30 years was competing in that, and we were able to surprise him with our whole staff and team."

I think that was really a huge turning point for this team, because it showed how much bigger football is than just football, it's everybody, it's a community effort and the little things you can do to make someone's day are important."

Schroeder grew up in Oconomowoc, Wis., and attended Arrowhead High School, graduating in 2013. Schroeder played quarterback for the Warhawks under both Greg Malling and Wisconsin Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame member Tom Taraska. Schroeder went on to play quarterback at Wisconsin Lutheran College before transferring to Lakeland University and graduating in 2018. He began his coaching career in 2017 as a student assistant at Lakeland before becoming a graduate assistant in 2018. He coached for two more seasons at Lakeland as the pass game coordinator before becoming the offensive coordinator at Kettle Moraine High School for three seasons. In February of 2023, Schroeder was named the head coach of the Barron Bears. Schroeder was honored to win the Coach of the Week award but was quick to share it with his staff and players.

"It's a testament to the hard work that our players have put in on and off the field for building our culture and getting our program back on track. The same goes for our coaches. Our whole staff has been bought in and have worked night and day to get us to the point that we're at. It means the world to me that we get to be recognized for this."

Schroeder and his assistants oversee a program of 55 players with all of them suiting up for the varsity games. His staff includes Trent Nelson, Jordan Haas, Nick Mauthe, Bob Edwards and Mike Thompson. In addition to coaching, Schroeder is a long-term substitute teacher for the Barron School District. Schroeder would like to recognize his mother, Jacquie, and his grandmother, Midge, for being instrumental figures in his life.

## About the Green Bay Packers High School Coach of the Week Program:

The Packers will recognize one outstanding high school coach as their 'Coach of the Week' winner during the 2024 high school football season. Winners are awarded several items and privileges, including a \$1,000 donation to the school's football program from the Green Bay Packers and the NFL Foundation, as well as recognition of the award on [packers.com](http://packers.com), [wissports.net](http://wissports.net) and [wifca.org](http://wifca.org).





## FOOTBALL

This year for homecoming, The high school football team honored our District staff by having the football players present them with their jerseys. Players picked a staff member who has positively impacted them during their educational journey.





# Cross Country

## TRADITION

It is a homecoming tradition that each year, the cross country team travels to our opponent's school and runs a relay from that school back to BHS carrying the football for the homecoming game. They run a mile at a time and hand off the football from one teammate to the next as they go.

The Cross Country team completed the first 89 miles of their homecoming relay this weekend, running the football from Northwestern High School to Long Lake! They ran the final 27 miles back to BHS on Friday for the big football game! GO BEARS!





# Sportsmanship Conference

## HEART O' NORTH



Sixty Heart O' North student-athletes recently participated in a Sportsmanship and Leadership Conference in Cumberland!



Melissa Gehring, Assistant Director of the WIAA, delivered an inspiring keynote on the importance of sportsmanship and positive conduct at events. Jeff Schmidt, a multi-sport WIAA official, led a breakout session offering insights on sportsmanship from an official's perspective. HON Athletic Directors also facilitated various workshops to build leadership skills.

*Representing Barron were Brett Schlosser, Brody Hammann, Alexis Halverson, Baylee Shatley, Ellie Edwards, Konnor Severson, Zachary Edwards, Kasey Stauner*

# Wall of Honor Inductee

## SUE BEDIENT STEFFEN

Education: Merrill High School - 1972  
UW-River Falls - 1976

Sue Bedient Steffen positively influenced countless students during her career as a teacher and coach. Sue, a longtime high school physical education teacher, served in the Barron Area School District for 32 years (1977-2008).

Sue also made a significant impact while coaching the Barron Volleyball team. During her 14 seasons as head coach, the Golden Bears won 12 Heart O' North Conference championships, including 10 consecutive titles from 1989-1998. Under Steffen's leadership, Barron won four sectional championships and earned state volleyball appearances in 1982, 1995, 1997 and 1998. The Golden Bears won the State Volleyball Championship in 1982, securing the Heart O' North Conference's first girls team state title.



Sue also served as a varsity track coach (four years), seventh grade girls basketball coach (three years) and varsity boys tennis coach (two years). Upon retiring as a teacher and coach, Sue was named head coach of the UW-Barron County

Charger Volleyball team. During her four seasons at the helm (2009- 2012), the Chargers won a pair of WCC State Championships in 2011 and 2012. Following those successful campaigns, Sue was named WCC Coach of the Year.

Sue's infectious energy, kind heart and impactful leadership lessons set a positive example for many.

# Volleyball

## STATE CHAMPS

**The Barron Golden Bears are Wisconsin's Division 3 state volleyball champions!**

Making the program's eighth trip to the WIAA State Girls Volleyball Tournament, the Golden Bears won the program's second gold ball and the first since 1982. An outstanding 37-2 season – which ended on a 30-game winning streak – was capped with a 3-1 win over 28-5 Aquinas in the Division 3 state championship match in front of hundreds of Barron fans Saturday afternoon, Nov. 9, at the Resch Center in Green Bay.





# 2024

## UBUNTU

During the 2024 volleyball season, Coach Halverson and the Golden Girls embraced the African proverb "Ubuntu," meaning "I am because we are," which we adapted to "It Takes All of Us." Initially met with skepticism, the proverb—popularized by coach Doc Rivers and featured in Netflix's "The Coach's Playbook"—focused on community, respect, and unselfishness. Throughout the season, they emphasized the importance of teamwork over individual glory, developing a culture where each player supported one another, ultimately leading to a unified and competitive team.

As the season progressed, this commitment to Ubuntu strengthened their bonds, allowing them to overcome challenges together. Their collective mindset resulted in remarkable success as the top team in Division 3 of the state. This journey demonstrated that true achievement comes from a unified effort, where every player contributes to the whole.





# Homecoming

2024







### HOMECOMING COURT 2024

Row 1: Queen Winona Schneider, King Brett McDonough

Row 2: Alina Garcia, Tabby Thompson, Kasey Stauner, Maggie Cole, Kailynn Duncan,  
Adriana Williams, Rylin Vruwink

Row 3: Caden Loftus, Wyatt Weise, Drew Scheps, Jack Neihart, Adam Wirth, Daniel  
Edwards, Bronson Halverson



# BARRON AREA COMMUNITY CENTER

## HOLIDAY SHOPPING

With Barron Chamber Businesses

December 16th 2024  
Monday 3:45-5:00pm

- Holiday Shopping
- Photo with The Grinch
- Cookie Decorating & Cocoa Bar
- Make an Ornament

BASD Students - Grades 1-6  
\$10.00 per child



Winter

## AQUATICS

Subscribe to the BACC email newsletter via our website to be the first to know about these upcoming classes:

Swimming Lessons in February/March

Parent & Child swimming lessons

Adult Swim Club

**theBACC.com**



## HOLIDAY DISCOUNT FAMILY SWIM & GYM

### Additional Holiday Swim & Gym Hours

Thursday, December 28 1-4PM

Friday, December 29 1-4PM

### Special Pricing

On December 28th and 29th, purchase a Family Day Pass for only \$20! For this holiday special your family day pass may include grandparents instead of only parents/guardians and children.

Thank you for spending time at the BACC this holiday season (and all year long!)



# UPCOMING EVENTS

# December

# 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 BB: Regis	2 4:00 R-D Parent's Club Mtg 5:30 Almena ACE Mtg BB: @ Somerset HKY: Ashland GB: @ Northwestern MSBB: @ Spooner	3 BB: Northwestern HKY: @ Altoona MSBB: St Croix Falls WR: @ Superior	4 <i>International Volunteer Day</i>	5 GB: Hayward BAMS: Secret Santa Shopping	6 WR Invit: @ Black River Falls	7 <i>Pearl Harbor Day</i>
8 4:30 Policy/Personnel Cmte Mtg 6:00 Finance/Facility Cmte Mtg HKY: @ Moose Lake	9 6:45 am Curriculum/Tech Cmte Mtg BB: @ Hayward GB: Bloomer HKY: Lakeland Union MSBB: Bloomer R-D: Kids Holiday Shopping	10 GB: @ Ladysmith HKY: @ Chequamegon	11 BHS: Sing-Along Messiah	12 GB: @ Grantsburg HKY: Amery MSBB: @ Cameron WR: @ Ladysmith 10:00 am & 1:00 District Wide Gr. 1 & 3 Music Program @ BACC	13 BB: Cumberland GB C Team: @ Baldwin-Woodville GB: Cumberland	14 WR: Home Invit
15 5:30 School Board Mtg 7:00 BHS Band & Choir Holiday Concert @ BHS Gym <i>Bill of Rights Day</i>	16	17	18	19 BB: Ladysmith GB: @ Cameron 5:30 5 <sup>th</sup> Gr Band & Vocal Concert @ RVMS Gym 6:30 6 <sup>th</sup> Gr Band & Vocal Concert @ RVMS Gym	20 GB C Team: @ Cameron	21 WR Invit: @ Osceola <i>First Day of Winter</i>
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 WR Invit: @ River Falls
NO SCHOOL – Winter Break						
Professional Development					GB Varsity: Shell Lake HKY: Medford WR: Invit @ River Falls	
	<i>Christmas Eve</i>	<i>Christmas Day</i>				
29	30	31				
	NO SCHOOL – Winter Break				Theme of the Month: Self-Esteem / Sense of Purpose	
		<i>New Year's Eve</i>				



## UPCOMING EVENTS

# January 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Theme of the Month: Compassion / Tolerance			NO SCHOOL – Winter Break			
			1 New Year's Day	2 School Resumes	3 BB: Amery GB: Varsity @ Osceola HKY: DC Everest	4 HKY: Shawano
5	6 GB: Chetek-Weyer	7 4:00 R-D Parent's Club Mtg BB: Cameron HKY: Frederic	8	9 GB: @ Ashland HKY: @ Ashland WR: Cumberland	10 BB: @ Chetek-Weyer	11 WR: Invit @ Cadott
12	13 4:30 Policy/Personnel Cmte Mtg 6:00 Finance/Facility Cmte Mtg Red Cedar District honors Choir @ Barron	14 6:45 am Curriculum/Tech Cmte Mtg 5:30 BAMS Board Mtg GB: Spooner HKY: Chequamegon	15	16 BB: Ashland WR: @ Cameron	17 BB: @ Osceola GB: @ St Croix Falls WR: @ St Croix Central HKY: Spooner	18
19	20 6:30 School Board Mtg @RD GB: Northwestern HKY: Black River Falls Middle School Solo & Ensemble	21 End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter BB: @ Spooner	22 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Starts	23 4-7 BHS Parent Teacher Conferences GB: @ Hayward HKY: Baldwin-Woodville MSGB: @ Chetek-Weyer WR: Home BHS & RVMS: Visual Arts Day	24 NO SCHOOL – Professional Development BB: St Croix Falls HKY: Moose Lake	25
26	27 BB: @ Northwestern	28 GB: St Croix Central MSGB: Cumberland	29 Child Development Day 9 am – 7 pm BAMS: CH Only- No School 6:30 NHS Induction	30 BB: Hayward HKY: @ Hayward MSGB: @ Hayward	31 GB: Ladysmith	





# UPCOMING EVENTS

# February 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Theme of the Month: Honesty / Trustworthiness						1 HKY: @ Johnson
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Winterfest Week						WR: Conf @ Northwestern HKY: Menomonie
WD & R-D Heart Wellness Week						WinterFest Dance
Groundhog Day		4:00 R-D Parent's Club Mtg 5:30 Almena ACE Mtg BB: @ Cumberland GB: @ Cumberland MSGB: @ Rice Lake HKY: @ Siren Rosa Parks Day		GB: Cameron HKY: Somerset MSGB: Ladysmith	BB: @ Ladysmith	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
RVMS Winter Survival Week					NO SCHOOL Professional Development	HKY: Conference WR: Regionals
4:30 Policy/Personnel Cmte Mtg 6:00 Finance/Facility Cmte Mtg BB: Spooner	6:45 am Curriculum/Tech Cmte Mtg 5:30 BAMS Board Mtg BB: Bloomer HKY: Conference GB: @ Chetek-Weyer MSGB: Spooner	Abraham Lincoln's Birthday	BB: @ Cameron	GB: Ashland MSGB: @ St Croix Falls		Susan B Anthony's Birthday
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
NO SCHOOL Professional Development 5:30 School Board Mtg @ Almena GB: @ Spooner President's Day	BB: Chetek-Weyer HKY: Regionals MSGB: @ Bloomer WR: Team Sectionals		HKY: Regionals GB: St Croix Falls MSGB: Cameron FCCA: Regional STAR Events @ UW Stout	BB: @ Ashland BAMS: Barnebirkie		WR: Individual State
23	24	25	26	27	28	
7:00 7-12 Band Mid-Winter Concert @ BHS Gym	GB: Regionals HKY: Sectionals		WR: State BB: @ St Croix Falls	End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Trimester GB: Regionals WR: State		





# BASD Fall Highlights

