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BARRON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Superintendent's Letter

Dear BASD Community,

As this school year came to a close, I was reminded again through the various district celebrations just how much our Golden Bears accomplished in their educational journeys at BASD. These accomplishments were realized alongside the steadfast support from our devoted staff, nurturing families and our generous community partners.

Throughout this past school year, I have witnessed countless examples of individual and team achievements. From reaching and exceeding academic goals, to artistic endeavors, athletic triumphs, to acts of kindness, our students have proven time and time again they can rise above any obstacle and make positive impacts on all those around them. Their strength and resilience fills me with hope for what the future holds.

We all know that it takes a village to raise our kids up right, and I truly believe that no one does it better than us. I am continually inspired by the outstanding community support and involvement in raising our children and securing their future successes.

It is my hope that all of our BASD families take this summer as an opportunity to explore, discover, and embrace new experiences together. Whether it's through reading, engaging in creative projects, finding pride in work life, or simply spending quality time as a family, every moment presents a chance for growth, gratefulness and gladness.

We are incredibly thankful that you entrusted your children's educational experience with us this past year, and we cannot wait to see what the future holds for us next year. We look forward to welcoming your children back in the upcoming school year and will be ready to begin engaging educational adventures, create new meaningful relationships and embrace the endless possibilities that lie ahead.

As we bid farewell to this school year, let us remember the lessons we have learned, friendships we have made, experiences that have shaped us and all the memories we have created together. It is my hope that we all take the knowledge and skills we have acquired and use this to drive ourselves forward towards reaching our dreams, so together, we can all work to make a positive impact on this world.

I wish you all a summer filled with laughter, love, and adventure.

With Heartfelt Gratitude,
Diane Tremblay



Retirees 23-24



Thank you for your service and dedication to our district. Congratulations on your retirement!



Brenda Haag: 23 years
BHS Math



Kelly Hover: 30 years,
Director of Technology



Chad Massie: 25 years
BHS Physical Education



Mary Nelsen: 25 years
RMS Science and Math



Diana Pecore: 31 years
Ridgeland-Dallas Elementary Library Aide





Pride Pump

SYNERGY DONATION



Our District proudly accepted the remarkable gift of \$5,051.77 from our Synergy Cooperative Golden Bear Pride Pump. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for continuing to Back Our Bears!

“I want to express my deepest appreciation for the generosity that our community continues to display. The impact of donations like this make an immense impact on the positive culture and climate of our school district. It also shows our students how much our community values and supports their educational journeys.” Diane Tremblay

Pictured are Michele Potvin, Store manager, Baylee Shatley 10th grade, Wyatt Weise 11th grade, student senate leaders and Diane Tremblay, Superintendent of BASD.



Barron Area Education Foundation

NEWS AND UPDATES

Annual Fundraising Mailing

The Barron Area Education Foundation sent out the annual funding raising mailing in March to Barron High School Alumni. The proceeds all go toward scholarships for graduating seniors and to help fund students who attend various camps or conferences. This year over \$147,000 will be awarded to the graduating class of 2024. The mailing does not include all alumni since addresses are lost and students who graduated after 1998 addresses are not collected. If anyone would like to donate to the BAEF, checks can be sent to BAEF P.O. Box 271, Barron, WI 54812. A QR code also can be found on the BAEF page on the district's website at barron.k12.wi.us or use the form below.

Welcome New Board Members

Amanda Johnson (1996 grad) and Karla Knutson (1995) recently joined the BAEF. Amanda Johnson brings her talent of photography and creative social media and Karla Knutson will serve as the new treasurer. Both of the new members also had children that graduated from Barron High School. Amy Beckendorf resigned after seven years as a board member.

3rd Annual Social - October 25, 2024

The third annual Social will be held at the Enchanted Barn on Friday, October 25th. Former student Matt Dobberfuhr will provide a stand up comedy act, live

music, silent and live auctions and a wine toss also will be part of the event. If anyone would like to donate an item for the auction, contact Linda Mikunda at 715-790-6461.

Barron High School student Mia Villalobos created and donated an art piece to the BAEF. Her artwork will be one of the items that will be auctioned off at the Social on October 25th. In the photo is BAEF president Susan Hanson, Mia and BHS art teacher Suzanne Vergin.



A New Initiative for BASD Staff Members

The BAEF voted to pilot a grant program for any BASD staff member to implement a project or activity that would be directly related to student achievement. The grant application will be open during the summer months to give all staff members the opportunity to apply. Awards will be announced at the beginning of the 2024-25 school year. The BAEF is committed to award \$5000 toward this new initiative.

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.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ email _____

Scan this QR Code



Or send donation to:

BAEF

P.O. Box 271

Barron, WI 54812

Make checks out to the Barron Area Education Foundation.

Questions can be emailed to barronaef@gmail.com



Mentorship

SPOTLIGHT

Eric Holten

Why is Eric the spotlight mentor?

Eric is a great mentor because he genuinely cares about his mentee and wants him to be happy and successful. He values community service and understands the impact a person can make by giving of their time. Eric has also been a conscientious mentor—making it a priority to spend time with Jordan.



What Jordan says about his mentor Eric:

I like to have Eric as my mentor because we get along well together. We both like to go fishing and hunting, and he is like a friend to me. He helps with all my homework when he doesn't have to, and we just get along overall.

How long have you been mentoring?

I started mentoring Jordan in October of 2023.

What inspired you to mentor?

I had some incredible people give back to me when I was in school. I think there is tremendous importance in giving back to the community, and this is one small thing I can do.

What is your favorite aspect of mentoring?

I have enjoyed seeing the growth and maturity Jordan has shown over the course of this school year.

Why do you think others should mentor?

Along with being able to help the youth of Barron, there is also plenty of self satisfaction that comes from the mentor program. I have learned just as much, if not more, from Jordan than he has from me this year, and I look forward to continuing our mentorship together.

MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

Eric is a mentor in the Barron Area School District Mentoring Program. This program is for students in middle and high school with the purpose of building a trusting relationship between a young person and adult volunteer and to provide support, encouragement, and guidance.

Our mentors are volunteers who have strong skills such as:

- A genuine interest in youth
- Flexibility and patience
- Good listening skills
- Tolerance and respect for individual differences

Students are matched with a mentor and typically meet every week. They may have lunch together, play games, go for a walk, share a hobby, work on school projects, or just talk.

Any middle or high school student in the Barron Area School District is eligible to participate. The student must agree to and want to have a mentor and his or her parents must also give their permission.

If you are interested in mentoring or would like your child to participate, contact the Mentor Coordinator at 715-537-5627 ext 139 or talk to your child's principal or school counselor.



Dean of Students

National Assistant Principals/Dean of Students Week:
In April, our District celebrated National Assistant Principals/Dean of Students Week.

James Schlauderaff **WOODLAND ELEMENTARY**

Celebrating National Assistant Principal's Week with a huge shoutout to Woodland Elementary's Dean of Students, James Schlauderaff! James brings incredible energy and unwavering support to our school, always ready to help with a smile. We are so grateful for his dedication and positive spirit. Thank you, James, for everything you do to make our community brighter!



Megan Danielsen **RIVERVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Riverview Middle School proudly recognizes Megan Danielsen, our Dean of Students. Mrs. Danielsen's leadership and dedication to our Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) process have been invaluable. Her commitment and collaboration with our PBIS committees, alongside the schoolwide implementation of PBIS strategies and her ability to build positive relationships with our students, have profoundly impacted our school community. Mrs. Danielsen's genuine care and dedication to understanding and supporting each student's unique needs help promote a welcoming environment where everyone feels supported. Thank you for making Riverview Middle School a place where students can thrive academically and socially. Your leadership is truly appreciated!



Brittini Hover **BARRON HIGH SCHOOL**

Barron High School proudly recognizes Brittini Hover, our Dean of Students and Athletic Director! Mrs. Hover's leadership and dedication to our high school is deeply appreciated. Her commitment to providing positive student outcomes in both the school setting and our athletic programs is valued. Thank you for assisting in making Barron High School a place where students can grow in all aspects of their educational journeys. A sincere note of gratitude for all that you do!



National School Librarian Day

Ridgeland-Dallas Elementary

The second graders at Ridgeland-Dallas Elementary are grateful for Mrs. Pecore on Librarian Day and every day!



Woodland Elementary

Woodland is so lucky to have Mrs. Lien! If it's getting to hear her read a good story, help us find our own stories to read, or lead us in the Battle of the Books!



RMS

Riverview Middle School is thrilled to extend a heartfelt shout out to Donnette Mickelson, our exceptional Librarian. Mrs. Mickelson's dedication and passion for a love of reading and learning among our students make her an invaluable asset to our school community. Her commitment to providing a welcoming and enriching library environment, along with her positive enthusiasm for helping students discover new books and resources, truly inspires us all. Thank you for promoting literacy and supporting our students' educational journey. Your presence enriches our school every day, and we appreciate all that you do!

BHS

Barron High School proudly recognizes Jordan Haas, our IMC and Athletic Director Administrative Assistant. Thanks for all you do to keep our IMC in tip top shape and for all your work with our student athletes!



Spotlight on Staff

FEBRUARY



Katie Mizer

Katie Mizer has served our students as a special education teacher for almost 16 years. During these 16 years, Barron High School and our district have been very fortunate to have Katie's talents serving our students and community.

Each year, Katie's caseload is diverse with a wide range of academic and physical needs. She develops individualized plans for each student to allow them to grow in each of their unique abilities going above and beyond to meet student needs. She frequently works during her prep period to provide a consistent one-to-one instruction in a positive classroom environment. She provides daily communication with parents to ensure collaboration and consistency between school and home.

On a regular basis, Katie juggles student and staffing schedules as needed due to staffing availability. With several new support staff transitioning to her classroom this year, she has provided leadership in the form of staff training, modeling, and support for a smooth, positive transition.

Katie's leadership role extends to Riverview Middle School. Riverview experienced a complete staffing change within the ID program, and Katie has provided regular support in the form of behavior, curriculum, scheduling, and staff training. Her problem solving skills, modeling, and mentoring has immensely assisted the students and staff at Riverview.

Katie never shies away from taking on new challenges to assist the special education teams at Barron High School and Riverview. She often sacrifices her own needs to always do what is best for our students. Katie cares deeply about the students and staff she works with. We are blessed to have Katie at Barron High School and in our district.

MARCH

Megan Danielson

We are honored to present Megan Danielson with the Barron Area School District's Spotlight on Staff. Megan became a valuable member of our team at Riverview seven years ago, following a successful tenure teaching high school English in Hayward, WI. Since her arrival, she has made a positive impact on our school community as our 8th grade ELA teacher and currently our Dean of Students. Megan's ability to connect with both students and staff on a personal level, along with her engaging academic approach, has been truly amazing. A quick example of her dedication to influencing reading was her initiative to



facilitate a cooperative learning experience with her WIN students and students at Woodland Elementary. This collaboration allowed her students the opportunity to enjoy and promote reading alongside elementary students.

Megan embraced and accepted a new opportunity at Riverview Middle School as our new Dean of Students in 2021. Her smooth transition into a leadership role illustrates her commitment to creating a positive school culture and ensuring the well-being of all our students. In her role as Dean of Students, Megan has taken the lead in implementing and leading our Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS) programs at Riverview. Her dedication to increasing positive and supportive learning environments is key to our successful growth of our PBIS process.

As we recognize Megan Danielsen's seven-year journey at Riverview Middle School, we anticipate continued positive impact in her role as Dean of Students and PBIS leader. Megan's dedication, leadership, and commitment to the success of our students make her an invaluable asset to our school district.

Thank you, Megan for your sense of humor, dedication, positive attitude, and your leadership at Riverview Middle School. You help make Riverview Middle School a better place for everyone.

APRIL

Adam Maki

Adam Maki has served as the advisor for College Bound Math and Science for the past three years.

He has organized summer programs with intensive math and science training, provided year-round counseling and advisement, led field trips to universities where our students have been exposed to college faculty members who do research in math and science, and education designed to improve the financial and economic literacy of students. He has designed programming for students with limited English proficiency, students from groups that are traditionally underrepresented in post-secondary education, and students with disabilities.



Our Barron High School College Bound Math and Science students have received all of this assistance with Adam's guidance:

- Exposure to academic programs and cultural events
- Instruction in reading, writing, study skills, and other subjects necessary for success in education beyond high school
- Academic, financial, or personal counseling
- Tutorial services
- Mentoring programs
- Information on postsecondary education opportunities
- Assistance in completing college entrance and financial aid applications
- Assistance in preparing for college entrance exams
- Information on the full range of Federal Student Financial Aid programs and benefits
- Guidance and assistance on secondary school reentry or alternative education programs; entry into general educational development programs or postsecondary education

Adam has been an incredible asset to our Barron High School students that have been fortunate enough to receive College Bound Math and Science services. His kind, calm demeanor and ability to work with students in multiple capacities has improved post-secondary outcomes. It is my hope that Adam and the partnership with College Bound Math and Science will continue for years to come. Thank you, Adam!

Spotlight on Staff, continued...

MAY



Lyndsey Lambert

Lyndsey has been a dedicated part of the Barron Area School District since 2009. She started here in various roles, including Instructional Aide, ESL Aide, and SPED Aide, all while managing the Boys and Girls Club. Five years ago, she took on coordinating the Bear Cub Den, our before and after-school care program and has done an incredible job.

Lyndsey is not just a fantastic educator, but also a mother of four, a brand-new grandma and a college student aiming to graduate in 2025. Her positive attitude and willingness to help out whenever needed make her a true asset to our community. This year, she worked with Mr. Schlauderaff to bring in high school students to help with supervision at Bear Cub Den, ensuring our students are well taken care of before school starts.

Lyndsey, your dedication to our students and community is truly inspiring. Balancing all your roles, from being a mom and grandma to managing Bear Cub Den and pursuing your studies, is no small feat. Your positive energy and commitment have made a significant impact on all of us.

Thank you, Lyndsey, for everything you do. Congratulations on this well-deserved recognition!

Special Visitors

RIDGELAND-DALLAS

Superintendent Tremblay and Goldie Bear had a special invite to Mrs. Anderson's 3rd Grade classroom where they read, [Raising a Hero](#), by Laura Numeroff and also got to enjoy the beautiful spring weather at recess with the whole school.



Bus Driver Appreciation

In February, we celebrated Bus Driver Appreciation Day with our amazing school bus drivers. We would like to continue to offer a BIG thank you to our school bus drivers for their hard work, patience and commitment to the well-being of our BASD students. They are an integral part of our school community, and we are so fortunate to have such a dedicated team. Our drivers play a vital role in the daily lives of our students, ensuring their safe transportation to and from school. It doesn't matter if it is rain or shine, early or late, our bus drivers are always there with a smile to welcome our children aboard and make their journey enjoyable. Thank you for all you do for the students and staff of the Barron Area School District!



Kindergarten

Mrs. Ovsak Updates

Mrs. Ovsak's kindergarten class wrapped up their annual postcard project! They collected postcards from mid March to mid May! They received 705 postcards which included at least one postcard from all 50 states and 85 countries!



Mrs. Ovsak's very first year of teaching was her Kindergarten class in 2011-2012. This group of students are now the graduating Class of 2024! Of the 14 students eight came back to reminisce and celebrate with Mrs. Ovsak. Good luck class of 2024!



School Board Election

SPRING ELECTION

Following the results of the April 2nd Spring Election, the three incumbents took the official Oath of Office at the April 15th School Board Meeting. The following Board members were re-elected for a three-year term to serve on the Board of Education.

Orin Thompson-Dallas Area
Dan McNeil-At Large
Brittany Stephens-City of Barron

Giving the Oath of Office is Kelli Rasmussen who also serves as our School Board Clerk.



4K Updates

SPRING

Snake Discovery

Staff from Snake Discovery: Reptile Store & Zoo shared some cool reptiles with our 4K students! We learned about a salamander and turtle, and then met four different snakes. The children had the chance to touch and hold some of the animals after the presentation. What a s-s-s-s-s-super learning experience!

Govin's Farm

4K students and staff had the opportunity to enjoy a morning down on Govin's Farm with farmers John and Julie! We were able to hold baby chicks, piglets, goats, and lambs and learned a lot of interesting facts!

Children's Museum

Our students and many family members were "hard at play" on a recent visit to The Children's Museum of Eau Claire! Afterwards, we visited a local park to enjoy some fresh air and exercise.

Thank you to Mayo Clinic Health Systems - Northland for sponsoring these exciting events with their gift of a financial grant earlier this year. We have loved learning more about our communities!



Conservation Contest



BARRON COUNTY SOIL & WATER

CONSERVATION POSTER CONTEST: "May the Forest Be With You"

ELEMENTARY

Mrs. Carr's class was excited when they did exceptionally well in the Barron County Environmental Poster Contest this school year.

The theme of this year's poster was "May the Forest Be With You."

Lue Kunkel was a third-place winner, and her poster is displayed in the Barron County Soil & Water 2024 Conservation Poster Calendar. A fun fact is that four of Mrs. Carr's

past student's posters were chosen to be in this year's wonderful calendar. Our students sure work hard, do quality work, think outside of the box and can be very proud of their artistic talents.



MIDDLE SCHOOL

Congratulations to Riverview Middle School art students Harper Vandenbrink and Kian Workman for placing in the Barron County Soil & Water Conservation Poster Contest! Harper placed Runner-up in Barron County in her age division. Kian's poster won first place for Barron County and went on to win 2nd place in the area competition and was awarded a plaque. Both students earned a certificate and a calendar.

Riverview had several great entries in this year's contest. Congratulations to all participants!



HIGH SCHOOL

The high school Basic Art class participated in the 2024 Barron County Soil And Water Poster contest. Caylan Benny received 3rd place in the 7-9 grade division. Samantha Lien received 1st place in the 9-12 grade division for the county. Lilly Kunkel received 3rd place in the 9-12 grade division. Congratulations to these talented artists!



Join us for a fun-filled summer at the Bear Cub Den Summer Camp. There will be a lot of fun and exciting activities including but not limited to:

- arts & crafts, science experiments, fun in the sun, outdoor adventures, water games and much more!



BEAR CUB DEN

Summer DAY CAMP

6am - 6pm



This year summer care will be available June, July & August located at Woodland Elementary.

DAILY COST

- \$34 Full Day
- \$20 After Summer School
- \$6 Before Summer School Session
- 10% Discount for multiple children



Available for students: 4K-5th Grade



Ridgeland News



GOVIN'S FARM

Ridgeland-Dallas 4K, kindergarten, and 1st grade took a field trip to Govin's Farm. They spent the morning exploring the farm. Students were able to play and pet baby chicks, pigs, sheep, llama, donkeys, and goats. Farmer John and his wife talked to all the students about running a farm with so many animals. Each student had so much fun learning about the farm and look forward to going again next year.



VALENTINE'S POSTCARD PROJECT

Over Valentines Day, Ridgeland-Dallas Elementary participated in the Love Makes the World Go Round project. We received one postcard from every state except Rhode Island and some from other countries! Over 300 cards and packages were mailed to the school! For every letter received that had a return address, one of the classes mailed back a thank you letter. We enjoyed all the fun cards and special items people sent to our school. Some of the cool places we received were Alaska, Hawaii, Mexico, Canada, UK/England, Ireland, Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic, Germany, Japan, the Philippines, Thailand, France, Australia, Denmark, and Costa Rica! Ridgeland-Dallas Elementary wants to thank everyone who helped make this project possible. We look forward to doing the project again next year!



Wisconsin Project

RIDGELAND-DALLAS ELEMENTARY



Mrs. Pintens and her 4th grade students worked hard on these beautiful Wisconsin History projects. These fourth graders from Ridgeland- Dallas Elementary School presented their projects to Superintendent Tremblay, and she was dazzled with their new knowledge on prehistoric animals, glacier formations, Camp Nawakwa, Wisconsin cheese industry, the Milton House, maple syrup traditions, trapping, deer hunting, America's Dairyland, logging, horse history, our Milwaukee Bucks and quilt making.

The most important goals for this project are kids and parents spending time working together, kids learning that history can be cool and fascinating, learning about Wisconsin, and hopefully finding something that sparks their interest enough to want to learn more.



Montessori School



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



It has been a busy third trimester with events, learning, and discovering! We had Food With Our Favorites, serving fruit and donuts to families that were able to join their young ones for breakfast at the school.

There was a snake discovery night showcasing many reptiles. This event was very interactive and informative! We are fortunate to have such great resources willing to travel here and also that our parent group (ACE) is so supportive. Almena Citizens for Education continues to provide fantastic opportunities for our students to enjoy.

The Brat Feed and Book Sale was another great success provided by ACE! We served more dinners this year than last year and our teachers were submerged in the dunk tank more often than last year as well!

We had a day of outdoor water fun! Also, the all-school picnic turned into a fantastic family track and field event. So many people attended and enjoyed the day with their children using the new playground equipment in Almena Park. There were foot races, tug of war, kickball, football throw and egg/spoon races.

As a fundraiser, the school sold flowers for May Day. Students love giving and receiving flowers. We discuss the origin of May Day a little bit and try to hold on to a tradition that seems to be slowly disappearing. A flower always brings a smile to the face of the recipient, and one thing we love to do is spread joy!

Miss Amanda once again showed real examples of the life cycle of a butterfly. The students were amazed at watching the transformation from caterpillar to butterfly. They learned about painted ladies and drew their own life cycles. Everyone liked going outside to release them into the environment and watch them fly away.

Our school is growing, and we will have cozy new work spaces available for our students to use thanks to wonderful donations to our classroom project sponsored by DonorsChoose.





Washington DC

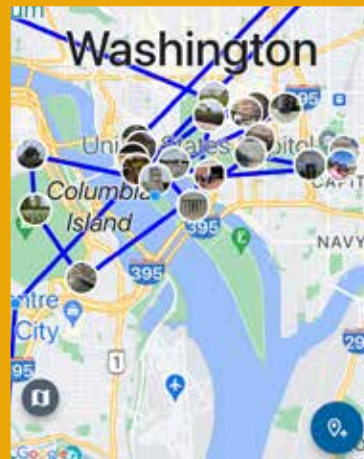
RIVERVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL



In April, twenty Riverview Middle School students embarked on an unforgettable journey to Washington D.C. Our students, accompanied by three teachers and a few parents, had the incredible opportunity to immerse themselves in the rich history of our nation's capital. In just four days, they experienced too many memorials, museums, and historical places to list. For many of our students, this was their first time traveling away from home, navigating a new city, and experiencing different cultures and perspectives.

Every other year, the Washington DC trip is offered to 7th and 8th grade students. To offset the cost of this experience, students and their families participate in various fundraising activities, including coupon book sales, a community garage sale, and candy bar sales

The Washington DC Trip of 2026 is being planned already, and we're excited to extend the invitation to our current 5th and 6th-grade students to begin fundraising efforts this summer! For more information on how to get involved, please reach out to Ms. Cox, Ms. Knapmiller, or Mrs. Bell. Let's make memories together!







Riverview Middle School is fortunate to have an exceptional Student Senate leading the way this school year. The members of the Student Senate are dedicated to actively volunteering in both the community and the school, setting positive examples, serving as role models, and advocating for the student body.



In February, we celebrated Winterfest, enjoying themed dress-up days alongside our fellow students. We held a suckergram fundraiser, selling and delivering heart-shaped suckers to our peers.

March brought State Testing. To support our classmates in performing their best, we hosted daily raffles for students who gave their best effort on the tests. Furthermore, we provided engaging activities at the Bookfair for all students and adults to enjoy.

Additionally, we celebrated a successful third quarter with a school-wide assembly and raffle. Students thoroughly enjoyed playing Battleship against the staff.



We organized a donation drive for Benjamin's House, collecting food, household cleaning supplies, and personal care items. Moreover, we volunteered at the Community Cat Coalition in Rice Lake, cleaning litter boxes, food dishes, and the facility itself. It was a rewarding experience interacting with the animals.



Student Senate

RIVerview

To celebrate the successful first part of the year, we arranged a delicious meal followed by a bowling outing.



In May our student body was also invited to our end-of-year school dance, where we had a fantastic time dancing, socializing, and playing games to commemorate a successful school year.



As we reflect on this fantastic year, we eagerly anticipate the next school year, aiming to further develop community partnerships, strengthen relationships, and foster an even more amazing school community.





5th Grade Ambassadors

UPCOMING ORIENTATION

This May, 5th Grade Ambassadors traveled to Woodland and Ridgeland Schools and met with the 4th grade students. They shared information about Riverview, answered a lot of questions, and invited the 4th graders to 5th Grade Orientation in August. The 4th graders were very concerned about lockers, finding their way around Riverview, and moving from room to room for classes.

After the Ambassadors met with them, most of the 4th graders began to realize lockers aren't as hard as they may seem, and Riverview is one big rectangle with most of the 5th grade classes on the south side of the building. The 4th graders became excited hearing about all the classes they will have in 5th grade!

Thank you to the 5th Grade Ambassadors for the work you put into preparing your presentation and sharing with the 4th graders. You were great examples of what it means to BE GOLDEN!

**Riverview is excited to welcome our new 5th graders next year,
and all the students are invited to attend 5th Grade Orientation in August.
Contact the Riverview Office to enroll your student. (715) 537-5641.**



*5th Grade Ambassadors:
Emmett Roske, Maddy Saffert,
Alyna Marks, Maymun
Mohamad, Sowda Karshe,
Landon Hoyt, Gael de la Torre,
Adriana Montes Esparza*

Youth Art Month

RIVERVIEW



The month of March is Youth Art Month! All of us at Riverview Middle School want to take this opportunity to give a big shoutout to our wonderful Art teacher, Mrs. Schneider. We truly appreciate her dedication to her students and for delivering outstanding art lessons on a daily basis. As she guides students during their art programs, Mrs. Schneider recognizes the profound impact art can have on middle school learners in the area of creativity, critical thinking, communication and observation. Your commitment and impact on our art education at Riverview Middle School are greatly appreciated!



Music in Our Schools Month

RIVERVIEW

5th and 6th Grade Band:

Riverview Middle School extends a big shoutout to Mrs. Karen Hale, our 5th and 6th grade band director. We sure do appreciate her commitment and love for music for all her students. Mrs. Hale has a passion for helping her students grow in the band, as evidenced by the progress made by those who, for many, pick up an instrument for the first time in 4th and 5th grade. We are fortunate to have Mrs. Hale as an inspiring educator leading our young musicians in 5th and 6th grade. Thank you, Mrs. Hale, for your contribution to our school's musical journey.



7th and 8th Grade Band:

We would also like to celebrate our outstanding 7th and 8th grade band director, Mr. Samuel Barrett. All of us at Riverview truly appreciate his dedication to the art of music and his commitment to all his band students. His passion, guidance, and tireless effort has created an engaging environment that goes beyond the music notes on a page. Thank you, Mr. Barrett for making the 7th and 8th grade Riverview Middle School band experience truly special.



6th, 7th and 8th Grade Choir:

Mr. John Krull, 7th and 8th grade choir director, has created an enriching choir experience for all our students at Riverview. His dedication and passion for his choir students' musical growth and his joy of teaching the craft of singing, makes it a joy to watch and listen to them perform. Thank you, Mr. Krull, for being an awesome choir teacher and inspiration in our choir classes.





January

RMS STUDENT RECOGNITION

Golden Bear Bravos are awarded to Riverview Students every month for “doing the right thing because it’s the right thing to do.” The students are nominated by Riverview Staff because they are responsible, respectful, and safe. Each student receives a certificate from the nominating staff member, an a la carte coupon for a free treat at breakfast or lunch, and a personalized medal. A positive postcard is mailed home to share the good news with the family. Thank you to our Bravos recipients for being examples of what it means to BE GOLDEN!

Riverview

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5th Grade



Mrs. Schauf, Shelby Rieschl, Austin Shipley, Lydia Provencial, Easton Remley

6th Grade



Maci Allen, Jeslyn Phrachomphonh, Mrs. Horvath, Walker Bell, Benito Meza

7th Grade



Mr. Stralka, Blake Glaser, Samariel Perez, Rylie Vroman, Nataly Garduno

8th Grade



Reuben Stokes, Bella Petri, Dominic Kolm, Mrs. Daniels
not pictured: Ben Saumier

February

5th Grade



Mr. Stralka, Aubrey Cole, William Duncan, Beau Scherer, Siham Dahir, Mrs. Bell

6th Grade



Nasro Abdi, Mrs. Halverson, Rayden Hagen, Dalanee Gander, Mrs. Horvath, Dillon Dwyer

7th Grade



Hailey Sirek, Mrs. Meincke, Charlee Gander, Braeden O'Neill, Oliver Link

8th Grade



Hannah Coss, Ellie Edwards, Grace Marvin, William Jenderny, Mr. Stralka

March

5th Grade



Mr. Stralka, Mason Ingels, Austin Vroman, Brayden Weinert, Drew Neff, Mr. Nelson

6th Grade



Mr. Stralka, Jhamaica Workman, Carter Heisz, Mrs. Horvath, Maustyn Johnson, Lowin Insong

7th Grade



Mr. Stralka, Khalid Abdi, Musab Olle, Raegan Duncan, Corey Nadeau, Mr. Thalacker

8th Grade



Bella Anderson, Mikaela Rose, Alex Apanecatl-Juarez, Chris Baumgard



5th Grade

Left to Right: Brayden Weinert, Madalyn Saffert,
Gael DelaTorre, Emmy Vandenbrink.
Not Pictured: Arienna Horton

Riverview Middle School gives a big shoutout 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, Scouts, Yearbook, Kiwanis etc.. Thank you so much!



6th Grade

Left to Right: Madelyn Weinert, Marcus Link,
Shyanne Hammann, Rayaana Abdulkadir, Lilliann
Horvath, Rankin Mathews



7th Grade

Left to Right: Cadence Holten*, Jaylin Barefoot,
Bella Meza, Caden Rose



8th Grade

Left to Right: Isabella Christianson, Hailey Ganong, Hugo
Acevedo Sanchez, Grace Marvin, and Alexis Provencial



8th Grade

Front Row Left to Right:
Custodian Randy, Izzy Felber,
Joselin Ramirez, Emily Bigler,
Hannah Coss, Ellie Edwards,
Xendra Jilek.

Back Row Left to Right:
Hugo Acevedo-Sanchez,
Sofia Dantzman*, Grace
Marvin*, Mikaela Rose, Brett
Schlosser

**Community Service Wall 125 Hours of service: Cadence Holten, Sophia Dantzman, Grace Marvin*

Junior Prom

BHS CLASS OF 2025

The Class of 2025 Junior Prom Court and their friends enjoyed prom this year at the Church Barn in Barron. The night was full of laughs and memories.



***Front row left to right: Micahlee Skjerly, Adriana Williams, Alyssa King, Tabitha Thompson, King Daniel Edwards, Queen Kasey Stauner, Maggie Cole, Rylin Vruwink, Kailynn Duncan
Back Row: Alex Gevens, Dawson Sinclair, Drew Scheps, Jack Neihart, Adam Wirth, Bronson Halverson, Brett McDonough***



The Post Prom Committee and all the students that attended would like to thank the community for all of the generous donations that made this event possible. Over 135 students attended the post prom event!!! This would not be possible without the community support. Thank you to anyone that helped in any way! A great time was had by all!

Herb Kohl Scholarship



CLASS OF 2024



Barron High School honors Emma Thompson, the recipient of the Herb Kohl Excellence Scholarship for her academic excellence and leadership. Emma is one of the 187 graduating seniors from across Wisconsin that will receive a \$10,000 scholarship from the Herb Kohl Foundation and was chosen because of her academic achievement, citizenship, and leadership through school and community involvement. Emma joins a small group of only seven students from Northwestern Wisconsin that were selected to earn this prestigious award. Throughout high school, Emma has achieved Academic Excellence by earning an impressive grade point average while enrolling in the most rigorous high school and college courses offered to BHS students. Beyond the classroom, Emma has distinguished herself as a three-sport athlete, an active member in FCCLA and a leader in Student Senate and National Honors Society. Emma plans to attend Winona State University where she will major in Health Care Management and Nursing. Emma is the daughter of Mike and Nichole Thompson.

Barron High School honors Juri ApanecatI-Juarez is the recipient of a 2024 Herb Kohl Student Initiative Scholarship who will receive a \$10,000 scholarship from the Herb Kohl Foundation. Juri was chosen to receive this award because she has shown a high level of motivation to achieve while in high school and a strong promise to succeed in college and beyond. In addition to academic achievements, Juri has been involved in Cross Country, Soccer, Drama, Concert Choir, Key Club and Conversation Club. Juri is the daughter of Marina Juarez and Domingo ApanecatI.



Academic & Technical Excellence

CLASS OF 2024



Barron High School is proud to announce the Class of 2024 recipients of the Wisconsin Academic Excellence Scholarship and the Wisconsin Technical Excellence Scholarship, selected by school board policy language.

Academic Excellence Scholarships (AES) are awarded to Wisconsin high school seniors who have the highest grade point average in each public and private high school throughout the State of Wisconsin. Technical Excellence Scholarships (TES) are to be awarded by the State of Wisconsin to Wisconsin high school seniors who have the highest demonstrated level of proficiency in technical education subjects.

Ashley Kurschner is the recipient of the Wisconsin Academic Excellence Scholarship. She plans to pursue a college degree in Health Promotion and Exercise Science. Ashley is the daughter of April Severson and Aaron Kurschner.

This year's Wisconsin Technical Excellence Scholarship recipient is Madison Donica. She is the daughter of Jeff Donica and Michelle Heldt. Madison plans to attend a technical college for Dental Hygienist.



Campus Tour

ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY

The BHS Anatomy and Physiology class had the opportunity on Friday, March 22nd to travel to UW-Stout for a campus tour and to visit the cadaver lab. Twenty-one students started their day in a large group session, learning about what UW-Stout has to offer. Many advantages of attending UW-Stout were discussed including small class sizes, laptops provided to all students and co-curricular activities. The morning continued with a guided tour of the campus including the academic, recreational and housing buildings. A free lunch was included with the tour which allowed the students to experience the college dining hall. The highlight of the day was a visit to the cadaver lab. During the first semester of the college year, some of the college students chose to take a class in which they dissected a human cadaver. During the second semester, they can choose to lead educational tours to school groups. The cadaver lab provided five different



learning stations including: body cavities, muscles and movement, the nervous system, the digestive system and the respiratory and circulatory systems. Each station had a college student or professor explain the different structures and functions of the organs and systems at each station. The Barron students had already completed the high school anatomy class and did a great job of answering questions that the presenters asked. The highlights of the cadaver lab according to the students were seeing what cancer looks like, seeing what a stroke looks like and being able to touch a brain.

BASEBALL, GOLF, SOCCER, SOFTBALL, TRACK

Senior Athletes



Wellness Day

Barron High School Puts a Focus on Student Wellness

With the generous funds from the Mayo Clinic Health System Supporting our Schools Award, Barron High School students and staff were able to designate February 13th to their emotional and physical wellness. Last Spring, school counselor Brooke Nehring met with two sophomore students who spent time researching teenage mental health as they prepared a presentation for their local FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America) Chapter. Moved by their passion for mental wellness surrounding high school students, Brooke quickly reached out to the School Mental Health Navigator, Jen Schill with the idea of school-wide Wellness Day. “For one day, I wanted students to prioritize self-care, foster empathy, and witness a supportive community that values the well-being of every student,” Brooke explained. “Planning this wellness day became a labor of love for me, I really wanted to provide the best experience for our students and our staff.”

“Wellness and Mental Health Day” took hold, and once planned, aimed to address the multifaceted challenges faced by students in their academic journey and beyond, promoting a holistic approach to self-care and mental health. The event not only addressed the immediate needs of students but also laid the foundation for a healthy future outlook.

The day kicked off with rejuvenating keynote speaker, Mike McGowan providing students with an opportunity to reflect on their own challenges and triumphs as they navigate through the life of a teenager today. The event was further kicked into action with a host of speakers and presenters from the local community and from all walks of life. Presentations targeted diverse needs and supports available, and students and staff alike were able to benefit from the insight of folks who’ve “been there.” Sectional presentations featured yoga and mindfulness, art, music, gardening and therapy dogs just to name a few. Barron High senior, Rayna Hauck, reflected, “Definitely one of those days I’ll remember from high school. It was so nice just to have a break from school and the stress that being a senior brings. There were activities for everyone to enjoy. The day was very beneficial and something I hope BHS plans in the future for other students” Max Schoenke, another student agreed, “It was very interesting to not only learn about all the different ways we can tackle stress, but by also learning new and exciting skills that we can incorporate in our day to day lives. The instructors and educators that helped bring everything together made wellness day a very enjoyable experience for both myself and my peers.”

Barron High School staff also got to actively participate in the event. English teacher Jennifer Clemens reflected on the day, “My homeroom students loved ALL of it. Me, too! It was entirely engaging, well-organized, and uplifting. My freshman homeroom was excited to share their favorite sectionals at day’s end. One of my homeroom students said that “You’re NOT unique” was his favorite sectional because he didn’t realize that other people felt depression and anxiety, too. He said he felt less alone. He wasn’t even going to come to school because he thought the day would be stupid, but he was so glad he came.” Jordan Haas, who helped provide DJ services in addition to co-facilitating a sectional shared his observations, “I think Wellness Day was a great success. Mental Health can be a heavy topic that students find hard to talk about so it was awesome to see them taking an interest in the sessions and having fun throughout the day.”

Navigator Jen Schill hopes there will be more opportunities to incorporate whole-school experiences like these in the coming years, “In the digital age, navigating the intersection of mental health and technology is crucial for

our high school students. Let’s empower young minds to strike a balance, fostering healthy online habits while prioritizing mental well-being. In a world of constant connectivity, let mindfulness be the key to a resilient and thriving student community.” Overall, student wellness and mental health at Barron High School proved to be a resounding success, demonstrating the benefits of coming together to support each other in our independent journeys toward health and wellness.



Keynote Speaker Mike McGowan speaks to the students.



Alexis Halverson and Kasey Stauner enjoy Therapy Dog "Asher" from Elite Versatility Dog Training Services.

Jose Asis, Jose Garcia, Angelica Adrande and Nancy Soto Rodriguez enjoy art-therapy during wellness day.



Junior Daniel Edwards demonstrates his strength using gymnastics rings with Mr. Chad Massie and Mr. Jon Thompson leading the way in their sectional titled "Lords of the Rings" leads students in Yoga and Mindfulness Exercises.



Sydney Clemens, a former Barron High School Graduate leads students in Yoga and Mindfulness Exercises.

Technology Education

BHS

Our High School Tech Ed Students attended a Utility Construction Field Day at PUSH Company. This was a great opportunity for our Golden Bears to learn about this specific trade and how to operate equipment associated with this career.



Music Updates



LION KING

Cast members from this fall's production of *Shrek the Musical* got the opportunity to go to the Broadway production of the *Lion King* at the Orpheum Theater in Minneapolis this spring. Many of the students had never seen a professional show before and they were astounded by the sets and costuming.



NASHVILLE/MEMPHIS TRIP

Students from the high school band and choir program traveled to the home of country and blues this spring by taking a four day trip to Nashville and Memphis, Tennessee. While there, they visited Graceland, the Country Music Hall of Fame, the Grand Ole Opry, and spent some time on the famous Beale St. in Memphis and Broadway St. in Nashville. Along with the sight-seeing, students had the chance to work with professors and students at Vanderbilt University who gave great new wisdom for them to bring into their music making.



SPRING CONCERT



The music department tried something new this spring, holding two combined grade concerts: a 6-12 Choir Concert and a 7-12 Band Concert. Both concerts included a special song to round out the program with over 100 singers together performing "Why We Sing" and 80 band members performing



"Uncharted Seas" together. Younger students were inspired by seeing the complex music they can perform one day and older students were reminded of fond memories of their younger years. Pictured is the combined 6-12 grade choir, barely squeezing onto the risers in the BACC.

LARGE GROUP ENSEMBLE

The choir program brought four ensembles to Large Group this spring, Riverview's 7th-8th grade choir, and the High School's Treble Clef Choir, Bass Clef Choir, and Mixed Choir. All choirs received 1 ratings from all three judges including one perfect score for both the Bass Clef Choir and Mixed Choir. Pictured is the Treble Clef Choir during their performance. The 7th-8th grade band and the high school band also performed at Rice Lake High School. Both groups received 2 ratings from all three judges.



SOLO & ENSEMBLE

The high school choir brought a total 27 students to Rice Lake this spring to perform 36 events at District Solo and Ensemble. Their performances included Classical, Jazz Improv, and Music Theater solos as well as duets, trios, and quartets. 23 events received a 1 rating including nine events being selected for state and two events receiving the prestigious Best in Site award. At state, five of those nine events again received a 1 rating. Pictures are the 16 students selected for state. The high school band brought a total of 12 students performing in 11 events. Students performed solos and duets in a variety of styles including



classical and jazz. Of those 11 events seven were given a 1 rating and two were selected to go to state. At state both events received a 1. Congratulations to all who performed at District and State Solo and Ensemble!



RMS HONOR CHOIR

Members of the choirs at Riverview were selected to perform in the Shell Lake Middle Level Honor Choir in April. Riverview brought an unprecedented amount of students, 32 in total, from 6-8 grade to experience some higher level music making with peers from neighboring schools.



BEGINNING BAND TOUR

In March the high school band traveled to Woodland and Ridgeland-Dallas elementary schools to perform and talk about joining band. Students in



grades 1st-4th got to hear the band perform some pep band music as well as a mashup of movie music. The high school students also demonstrated the instruments of the band and current 4th graders were able to make their selections on what instruments they would like to play next year in 5th grade. This event was a huge hit with over 40 4th graders taking the next step to joining band next year! The high school band is already looking forward to coming back next year!!

ELEMENTARY CHORAL FEST



On Thursday, March 7, nine 5th graders went to Shell Lake to participate in the Elementary Choral Festival directed by Dr. Cera Babb of UW-River Falls. The day was spent learning four songs that were sung for parents and community members at a concert that evening. All the students who participated enjoyed learning from Dr. Babb and highly recommend it for students in the future!



Music Updates, continued...

6th GRADERS TO DAYBREAK

To celebrate National Music Week, which is the first week in May, several 6th grade band members shared their talents with folks at Daybreak. They planned and performed a program that included their instruments and piano playing. The residents, workers and students were entertained and all did a wonderful job!



BEGINNING BAND SIGN UP AND RENTAL NIGHT

Current 4th graders have already been very active in the process of joining band leading up to the next school year. At the beginning of May our instrument rental company assisted Mrs. Hale in testing 4th grade students on different instruments in order to help them decide what to play next year. Students tried out their top three choices and got the chance to test which one fits them the best. The next week families had the chance to meet with the rental company to secure an instrument for next year. We had many families come and learn about their options for renting. The 4th graders are already looking forward to receiving their instruments this summer and learning how to play them!

FACEBOOK LIVE CONCERTS

While the 5th and 6th grade bands did not perform an in-person live concert, they did perform a Facebook Live Concert! The full band played some music as well as students who chose to play with their friends and bandmates. In March, we celebrated Music in Our Schools month by bringing music to our community via social media! We hope you can join us when we perform next year in March.

UW STEVENS POINT HONOR BAND

In April, three band students (Wyatt Wiese, Zoey Frandsen, Braiden Eraquam) were selected to perform with other musicians from around the state at the prestigious On Point! honor band at UW Stevens Point. They got the chance to work with world renowned conductor Dr. John Lych, explore the UWSP campus, take classes from professionals on their instrument, and perform a fantastic finale concert. Though it was a long day all three students enjoyed their time thoroughly and will be back next year to do it again!



BEGINNING BAND FESTIVAL



Thursday, April 25, eight beginning band students arrived in Shell Lake for a day of music-making with other beginning band students. They had time to work with band directors who play their instruments so they could ask questions and get expert answers. They played in bands of approximately 80 students each directed by former middle school band teachers to get a thrilling experience of playing in a large ensemble. Every student said they loved the day even though they felt like they had played about as much as they could handle.



BOYS BASKETBALL

Alumni Basketball

The 2024 Barron Alumni Basketball Tournament took place over Easter Break this year. Thank you to the 25 returning alumni who came to support the Boys Basketball Program. Special thanks to Kevin and Andrew for reffing the games!! The champs this year are: David Sloan, Derek Borgen, Regan Vruwink, Justin Balts, Caiden LaLiberty, and Eric Holten.



GIRLS WRESTLING

State Athlete



We would like to congratulate our Golden Bear, Micahlee Skjerly, for finishing 6th at State Wrestling!

Micahlee entered the tournament seeded 14th and ended up winning two matches for a sixth place finish. Micahlee, your coaches, teammates, and community are so proud of you for a fabulous season!

Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America

FCCLA

In April, the Barron High School and Riverview Middle School FCCLA members traveled to Wisconsin Dells to attend the State Leadership Conference, The Ultimate Journey. The goal of the 2024 conference was to bring together Family and Consumer Sciences professionals, FCCLA advisers, FCCLA members, STAR Event competitors, post-secondary students, community members and industry partners to expand leadership potential, develop life skills, and celebrate the success of student members.

Monday night kicked off with the opening general session including the keynote speaker, Jim Love. He focused on authentic leadership, finding your “voice”, overcoming adversity, mental health and much more! Students were fully engaged!

Tuesday was competition day! The following BHS students competed in their respective categories and events:

Trinity Halverson, Maggie Cole, Emma Thompson - Focus on Children, Level 3 - Earning a Top Silver & Qualifying for Nationals!



Ella Mathews, Winona Schneider - Chapter in Review, Level 3 - Silver



Reese Allen, Isabella Kallenbach, Elizabeth Sadowski - Sustainability Challenge - Silver



Devon Otto, Greyson White - Culinary Skills/Baking - Silvers



Braiden Eraquam, Wesley Mickelson - Culinary Skills/Knife Skills & Garnishing - Silvers

Wednesday - The awards ceremony!

Students had a great leadership experience with plenty of waterpark fun & great food!

Thank you BASD for your continued support of FCCLA (Family, Career, Community, Leaders of America) the only student-led leadership organization with family as its central focus! #studentproud

RMS Results

Hailey Ganong and Sophia Dantzman - Interior Design - Silver - National Qualifiers



Grace Marvin - Wildgame Fabrication - Gold - Top Wisconsin Gold

- Caleb Duncan and Gus Schoenke - Wildgame Fabrication - Bronze
- Lilliann Horvath - Children's Literature - Gold
- Rankin Mathews - Children's Literature - Gold
- Annabella Bartels - Culinary Creations - Gold
- Hugo Acevedo - Sanchez - Culinary Creations - Silver





Healthy Futures

CERTIFICATION

Written by Emma Thompson

I am a student enrolled in Ms. Lettner's Healthy Futures class. This is an elective class geared towards giving students a foundation of knowledge and skills for entering any health or medical field. I knew this class would be essential as I plan to attend nursing school next year. One of the most important aspects of this class has been the opportunity to earn my Basic Life Support Certification. The CPR certification course is structured for healthcare professionals and public safety personnel, but we were lucky enough to have a volunteer instructor come in and certify us. Peter Potts-Schufledt, a highly experienced nurse, came into our class on April 2nd. He not only took us through a BLS/CPR and Stop the Bleed Course, but also explained to us the many different aspects of the medical field. Myself along with my 12 classmates learned how to conduct proper CPR, use an AED, apply a tourniquet, and pack wounds. We would like to thank the Barron Area School District, Ms. Lettner, and Peter Potts-Schufelt for giving us this opportunity.



Row 1: Brady Mickelson, Alexia Paulsen,
Elizabeth Sadowski, Rylin Vruwink,
Row 2: Alina Garcia, Luciano Lopez, Kailynn Duncan, Nora
Benny, Isabella Kallenbach, Ms. Lettner, Emma Thompson,
Madison Donica, Hannah Bigler,
Not Pictured: Valeria Acevedo-Sanchez

Key Club

HONORING BRENDA HAAG



Retiree, Brenda Haag, was recently honored at the Kiwanis meeting for her commitment to service, leadership, and community that has been the cornerstone of the club's success.

Brenda's journey with Key Club has been nothing short of remarkable. For 21 school years, she has selflessly dedicated her time, energy, and heart to guiding our Key Club members to become the leaders they are today.

Under her mentorship, our Key Club has flourished, truly becoming a hub of positive and impactful change in our school and community. She has inspired countless young minds to step up, take initiative, and make a difference in the world around them. Her guidance has not only shaped the lives of our students, but inspired our Kiwanis Club, as well.

Brenda's tireless efforts behind the scenes, whether it be organizing service projects, coordinating fundraisers, or offering words of encouragement, have not gone unnoticed. She has been the driving force behind every smile, every accomplishment, and every moment of growth within Key Club.

Brenda has led our students on numerous service projects including:

- Initiated a 'Comfort Closet' at BHS-Providing clothing, hygiene products, and other for BHS students
- Served Benjamin's House Meals
- Led 'Embrace Domestic Abuse Shelter' fundraiser
- Gift From the Heart contributions
- Reverse Trick-or-Treating food drive for Cupboard and Closet
- Toys for Tots
- Adopt a Soldier Outreach Program
- Salvation Army Bell Ringing
- Bus Driver Appreciation Breakfast
- Staff Appreciation Breakfast during Key Club Week in November
- Barnebirkie in Almena
- Woodland Trunk or Treat
- Kiwanis projects assistance (roadside cleanup, etc)

We are filled with a mixture of gratitude, admiration, and honestly a bit of sadness but would like to thank Brenda for everything she has done for our students and our community. We wish you all the best in this new chapter of your life. You have truly made a difference. Congratulations on your retirement!



FFA Updates



STATE COMPETITION

On April 25th, the Barron FFA Dairy Cattle Evaluation team traveled to Madison to compete in the Wisconsin FFA State Career Development Events! The team qualified for the contest by placing 5th at UW- Platteville in March. Team members are Brody Hammann, Summer Hammann, Jorey Feidt, Reanna Cook and Makenna Roske (not pictured).



TOP AWARD

The Barron FFA team earned a Gold rating and placed in the top eight teams at the event! Summer Hammann was the contest's TOP INDIVIDUAL - a tremendous honor and accomplishment! She will be recognized on stage at the Wisconsin State FFA Convention in Madison in June. We are very proud of Summer and the entire team!



UPCOMING EVENTS

June

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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BHS Summer School						
4:30 Policy/Personnel Cmte Mtg 6:00 Finance/Facility Cmte Mtg	6:45 am Curriculum/Tech Cmte Mtg					
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
BHS Summer School Elementary / RVMS Summer School						
6:30 School Board Mtg						
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BHS Summer School Elementary / RVMS Summer School						



UPCOMING EVENTS

July

2024

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Parent' Day



UPCOMING EVENTS

August

2024

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	Elementary / Middle School Summer School					GTEN: @ Baldwin-Woodville
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New Staff Inservice 6:30 School Board Mtg BSCR: 1 st Practice VB: 1 st Practice CC: 1 st Practice GTEN: @ Mondovi <i>National Aviation Day</i>	Professional Development				GTEN: @ Altoona FB: @ Cameron	GTEN: Home VB: Scrimmage @ Clayton
		GGF: @ Superior	6:00-7:30 9 th Grade Orientation GGF: Home GTEN: @ Amery	GTEN: @ Altoona		
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Professional Development C Team FB: Cameron	Elem Welcome Day BHS/RVMS Goal Setting Day BHS/RVMS/WD Picture Day GTEN: @ Rice Lake VB: Home Tri BSCR: Osceola	Professional Development	CC: @ Ashland GTEN: Barron BSCR: Hayward VB: Tri @ Unity	VB: @ UW Stout FB: Turtle Lake	VB: @ UW Stout	



2024-2025 School Calendar

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Aug 19	New Staff Inservice
Aug 20-22,26, 28	Professional Development Day
Aug 27	Goal Setting/Welcome Back Day
Sep 2	Labor Day
Sep 3	First Day of School
Oct 10	Parent/Teacher Conferences 4-7pm
Oct 11	No School P/T Conferences 8-4pm
Oct 14	Professional Development Day
Nov 22	End of 1st Trimester
Nov 25-27	Professional Development Days
Nov 27-29	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 23	Professional Development Day
Dec 24-Jan 1	Winter Break
Jan 23	P/T Conf 4-7pm (BHS only)
Jan 24	Professional Development Day
Feb 14	Professional Development Day
Feb 17	Professional Development Day
Feb 28	End of 2nd Trimester
Mar 3	Professional Development Day
Mar 11 & 13	P/T Conf 4-7pm (Elem & MS only)
Mar 17-21	Spring Break
April 18	No School
April 21	Professional Development Day
April 24	P/T Conf 4-7pm (BHS only)
May 23	Graduation
May 26	No School Memorial Day
June 6	Last Day of School (3 hour early release)
June 9	Professional Development Day or Snow Day Make up
June 10 & 11	Make up days due to weather

Student Days	172	
Teacher Prof. Dev.	15	
Goal Setting/P/T conferences	4	
Holidays	3	
<i>(Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Memorial Day)</i>		
Total Teacher Days	194	
Trimester 1	September 5-Nov 22	57
Trimester 2	December 2-Feb 28	54
Trimester 3	March 4-June 5	61

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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

No School Students & Staff
Professional Develop. (no school for students)
First/Last Day of School
End of Trimester

New Staff Inservice
Goal Setting
Makeup Days due to Inclement Weather

Parent Teacher Conferences (4-7pm)
Parent Teacher Conf.-No School (8-4pm)
Graduation

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**“On our way to make new memories
in the new chapters of our lives.”**