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PRINCIPAL POINTS - JOHN JAROSH

5TH AND 8TH GRADE TRANSITIONS

Beatrice Middle School is supporting the current 8th and 5th grade students as they make the transition to a new school for the 2019-2020 school year. Change is always a concern for students as they begin a new career at a different school building. Moving from a familiar location to a bigger and more diverse school will bring new and different challenges for students.

During the month of March, Tracy Post and Jennifer Prosocki, the BHS counselors, met with the 8th grade students to explain the registration process for high school scheduling. They reviewed with students the necessary courses needed to graduate and go onto a post-secondary school. Next year's classes have been selected and registration completed.

To allow 8th grade students the opportunity to see BHS during a school day, they had lunch and took a tour of BHS conducted by student council members. Beatrice fifth grade students met with BMS counselors and administration during the month of April. The counselors and an administrator went to each elementary building and described what a 6th grade student's day will look like. The counselors described classes students attend, supplies they will need, and activities they can be involved in. During the visits, the administrators talked about three areas of concern that most 5th grade students have. The concerns are: not being able to find their classrooms, opening their locker, and how to go through the lunch line. To ease their concerns, students are invited to BMS to tour the building and have lunch at the school. To find their way around the building, all incoming 6th grade students and their parents will be invited to an orientation at BMS prior to school starting. Information regarding 6th grade orientation will be mailed to you. Change can be a concern to students and parents. BMS is working with the students to help them make the adjustment to Beatrice High School and Beatrice Middle School as smooth as possible by providing opportunities to see the buildings during the day and ask questions. If you have questions about the transition, please feel free to contact BMS.

SUMMER SCHOOL AT BMS

During the month of June, BMS students will have the opportunity to participate in a summer school program; which is designed to strengthen academic skills. Students that have been recommended by a staff member will be invited to participate in the summer program, invitation letters should be in the mail soon. If your child does not receive a summer school letter and you feel your child would benefit from the program, please feel free to contact Beatrice Middle School and request the information. Summer school will run from June 3 to June 27, Monday through Thursday, from 8:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. Numbers are limited so please contact the school as soon as possible.

COUNSELORS' QUIPS

Amy Randel, Counselor; Angie Vogel, Counselor

STUDENT'S FUTURE IS SET THANKS TO 529 PLAN

By Tricia Dunn in College Savings on April 2, 2019



When Lyle Harms was just one year old, his parents, Linda and Leonard, opened a [NEST 529 College Savings](#) account for him. "We wanted to give our son the opportunity to have the education we didn't have," Linda said.

The Harms, who run an antique tractor restoration business near Paxton, Nebraska, deposited \$100 into the account and set up monthly contributions of \$50. "There were times when we almost couldn't afford that, but we made it our responsibility and we stuck with it," Linda said.

Five years = \$5,000

After five years, the Harms hit their first goal of \$5,000. That's when they upped their monthly contribution to \$100.

Their main goal was to have \$20,000 saved by the time Lyle graduated from high school. Linda said her husband, who is "pretty smart about investing," selected the NEST investment option known as "[Age-Based Aggressive](#)" and stayed with it.

When the Harms hit \$15,000, they lowered their monthly contributions back to \$50.

So, did they meet their \$20,000 goal?

Savings goal met!

Lyle graduated from Paxton Consolidated Schools in May 2018 with **\$23,405.86** in his NEST account. The money the family saved – along with seven scholarships Lyle earned – will more than cover the full cost of his education at Mid-Plains Community College in North Platte where he enrolled in the [Diesel Technology](#) program.

"He loves it," Linda said. "He is at the top of his class."

The cost of college

Linda said the cost for Lyle's first year of college (tuition, room and board, and books) was about \$5,000. "If it wasn't for saving in the NEST 529 plan, I don't know what we would have done."

Lyle also brings in income – and is gaining valuable experience – through a part-time job at Mid-America Diesel in North Platte.

Linda said Lyle looks forward to being a diesel mechanic, something he's wanted to do most of his life. "Our son is very mechanically inclined – a skill he learned from his parents," she said. "We're very proud of him."

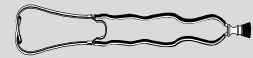
The Harms will have money left over in their 529 account after Lyle graduates from college. They plan to put that money toward their future grandchildren's education.

Don't think you can afford to save?

"We want to inform parents that it doesn't take too much to save each month for their child's future," Linda said. "You don't want your child to be paying on student loans into their fifties. Who wants their children to have the burden of being in debt for almost half their life?"



NOTES FROM THE NURSE



We are down to the last few weeks of school. If your child has medications in the nurse's office, including prescription and "as needed" meds such as Tylenol or Ibuprofen, they will need to be picked up and taken home. I will be sending notes to students the last week of school requesting this be done. Parents may stop by to pick up their child's medication if they prefer. Students MAY NOT take the medication home on the last day of school. ANY MEDICATIONS NOT PICKED UP WILL BE DESTROYED AFTER NOON ON MAY 23rd.

****REMINDER****

Any current 6th grader going into 7th grade needs a physical and current Tdap vaccine before school starts in August. Physicals and proof of vaccine are due in the nurse's office BEFORE the first day of 7th grade. ****If we do not have proof of vaccine and physical on file the first day of school your student may be excluded from school on a medical exclusion until Tdap and/or physical is completed (per Nebraska Law (79-444) and State Statute 79-4,171; 7904,117(1)(b); (2),(3)).**** Any student wanting to participate in a sport in the 2019-2020 school year will need a sports physical dated after May 1st before participating (7th grade physicals count towards sports also, so no need to get a sports physical if your child had a 7th grade physical).

GAGE COUNTY IMMUNIZATION CLINIC: 1110 Jackson St.; Every Monday 12-4pm, Every Tuesday 3-7pm, and Every Thursday 12-4pm. Call 223-2366 for an appointment. Must bring insurance card or Medicaid card to appointment.

PUBLIC HEALTH SOLUTIONS: 5109 W Scott Rd, Suite 410 (Northwest building on SCC campus); The 2nd Wednesday of each month, 2-5:30 p.m. Call 402-826-3880 for an appointment. *Taking insured and uninsured individuals, no out-of-pocket costs*

THE FOLLOWING MEDICAL OFFICES WILL BE OFFERING PHYSICALS BY PRESCHEDULED APPOINTMENT

GAGE COUNTY MEDICAL CLINIC, P.C.- 402- 228-3436. (Dr. Thomsen, Dr. Gloor, Dr. McGuffey, Jaime Hatcliff-P.A.-C, Brady Hanquest-P.A.-C, Anne Paulmeyer-P.A.-C). All physicals will be categorized as well child checks.

BEATRICE MEDICAL CENTER- 402-228-3366. (Dr. McClellan, Dr. Daharsh, Vicki Arnold P.A.-C, and Stacy Lewandowski P.A.-C, Cara Esau N.P.)

BEATRICE CHILDRENS CLINIC- 402-223-6518 or 402-228-3117. (Dr. Reyes, Dr. Dayton, Tammi Carstens-P.A., Jenny Hanshaw-Pediatric N.P., Penny Shaffer-Pediatric N.P.)

COMMUNITY MEDICAL CENTER- 402-228-4295. (Dr. Parks, Rick Blum-P.A.)

WYMORE MEDICAL CLINIC- 402-645-3310 (Don Harmon P.A.-C, Lisa Decker-Family N.P). Well child check will be done with physical.

Please return these physicals and forms to the office or nurses office as soon as they are completed so they may be entered into your child's file.



WASHINGTON D.C. HERE WE COME!!!

Washington D.C. and historical Gettysburg will be the site of a five day / four night educational tour for 64 Beatrice Middle School 8th graders, teachers, and adults. Worldstrides Educational Tours and 8th grade History and Civics teacher Michael Policky are sponsoring the trip. Students will see Mount Vernon, George Washington's home, the White House, the Holocaust Museum, Arlington National Cemetery, and other sites in the Washington D.C. area as well as Gettysburg, the famous Civil War battlefield. Policky noted the reason for sponsoring this trip is to provide students with a once in a lifetime opportunity to experience the history, culture, and government of our country's great capital and the early beginnings of our country. The group travels to the east coast from May 28th - June 1st, 2019. Please watch for emails and notices of meetings for further information. A student meeting will be held on Thursday, May 16th from 3:15-6:00 PM and a parent meeting will follow from 6:00-7:00 in room 202.

Beatrice Middle School 7th graders and parents also recently held meetings for the kickoff to the 2020 Washington D.C. and Gettysburg trip scheduled for May 26th - May 30th, 2020. Early registration discounts were available for the 5day/4 night trip. Cost of this year's trip with discount is \$2,235.00. Besides the discounted fares, it allows students and parents additional time to work and pay off the trip. Those who sign up should also ask about Flag Scholarships that help pay for the trip. This trip is open to 8th graders (2019-2020 school year), parents, and older siblings who did not have the opportunity to go to Washington D.C. but who would still like the chance to gain the experience and education associated with such a trip. There are currently 100 people signed up for this trip. The most ever!

Students who are currently in the elementary grades and 6th grade are encouraged by Mr. Policky to establish a savings account and to begin saving for the 2021 trip and those trips beyond. The tentative dates for the 2021 trip are June 1st - June 5th, 2021. With some hard work, the desire for learning, and the ability to save, anyone can make this trip a reality.

Anyone with questions concerning the 2019, 2020, or 2021 trip should direct their questions to Mr. Michael Policky at 228-4642. I wish everyone a wonderful summer.

BULLETIN

LAST SCHOOL DAY... BMS students will be dismissed at 12:00 noon on Thursday, May 23rd. Students will not be allowed into the building with backpacks, purses, or bags of any kind on that day.

LOST AND FOUND..... Please check the lost and found at the office. All unclaimed items will be distributed on Friday, May 31st.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS.... June 3-7: 9:00-12:00 and 1:00-3:00.

BACK TO SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS.... August 5-9: 9:00-12:00 and 1:00-3:00.

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS - Beginning August 12th: 7:30-4:00.

FINES AND FEES..... All fines and fees **MUST BE PAID** prior to receiving the final report card and next years class schedule.

FINAL REPORT CARDS.... will be mailed the week of June 3rd.

6TH GRADE AND NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION... Tuesday, August 6 @ 5:30 p.m.

FROM THE CAFETERIA

With only a few more weeks of school, it's important to start thinking about delinquent lunch accounts. All lunch accounts must be paid in full.

Any balances left over in your child's account will remain there until next year. No cash will be given to children who ask for their balances. Only a call from parents to me will be honored. If you have questions regarding any of these matters, you may call me at 223-1500, ext 1111.

RaJean May, Middle School Foodservice

BEATRICE MIDDLE SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST



6TH GRADE

Notebook/notebook paper for all classes-wide ruled
Pens to be used for all classes (black or blue and red)
#2 Pencils with erasers for all classes
Dictionary and Thesaurus for home use
(not necessary if student has access to internet)
Highlighters; 1 yellow, 1 pink, 1 green (for language arts)
2 boxes of tissue (bring to your mentor class)
BASIC calculator (not scientific)
Earbuds (to be used in various classes)
Paper towels - 1 roll (science)
1 - 1" 3-ring binder (math)
Trapper-optional

7TH GRADE

Notebook/notebook paper for all classes
Pens to be used for all classes (black or blue and red)
#2 pencils with erasers for all classes
Highlighters; 1 yellow, 1 pink, 1 green (Science)
Dictionary and thesaurus for home use
(not necessary if student has access to internet)
2 boxes of tissue (bring to your mentor class)
BASIC calculator (no scientific calculators)
Earbuds (to be used in various classes)
1 - 1.5" 3-ring binder (Mrs. Carpenter's Science)
2 pkg - 5 dividers (Mrs. Carpenter and Mrs. Mahoney)
Index cards (Mrs. Carpenter's Science)
1 - 1" 3-ring binder (Mrs. Sykes & Mrs. Mahoney Math)
Trapper-optional

**Throughout the school year, students will be asked to bring in the following CLEAN, undamaged items: paper towel tubes (1-4), toilet paper tubes (1-4), and two-liter bottles (1-2).

8TH GRADE

Notebook/notebook paper for all classes (need loose leaf paper for math binder)
#2 pencils with erasers for all classes
Folder (Social Studies)
2 pkgs plastic dividers, sets of 5 (Science and Math)
1 pkg Highlighters (Science)
2 boxes tissue (bring to your mentor class)
BASIC calculator (no scientific calculators)
Earbuds (to be used in various classes)
2 - 1.5" 3 ring binder (Science and Math)
Index Cards (Science)
Trapper-optional

Supplies for home use

Dictionary & thesaurus or use of internet
Colored pencils, crayons, markers, scissors, glue, ruler

READING (all grades)

Self stick markers (clear colored post-it tags)

Requested Donations

(for Monday's Warm Mug Moment)
40 oz hot cocoa mix
250 count stir straw
8 oz insulated foam cups—51 count

PE/HEALTH (all grades)

Pens or pencils
Notebook paper
Tshirt - (girls-no tank tops), no torn shirts
Shorts (no cut-offs)
Tennis shoes
Deodorant/Hand towel

FACS

(only 7th and 8th grades)

\$10-\$15 for sewing projects.

COMPUTERS

Kleenex

**ITEMS NEEDED
THROUGHOUT
THE SCHOOL
YEAR**

**** Replenish As
Needed ****



SUMMER BIRTHDAYS

JUNE

2-Jonathan Hooper
4-Selina Bench
4-Colton McGill
4-Evan Stevens
4-Maggie Schmidt
4-Anna Gleason
4-Jayden Fossler
4-Ms. Henderson
5-Jordan Creek
6-Amrielle Walker
6-Brayton Rogge
6-Aubrey Fry
7-Ceighley Behrends
7-Waylon McPheron
7-Owen Reis
8-Taionna Farley-Martin
8-Everett Allen
8-Ms. Douglas
10-Gavin Wolf
10-Ms. Smaus
12-Isabelle Rios
12-Ellie Jurgens
13-Macy Lohmeier
15-Conner McCubbin
15-Wyatt Jurgens
16-Ashton Barber
16-Benjamin Vraspir
16-Mrs. Trusty
17-Kate Gleason
18-Maliah Pittman
20-Kierra Higgins
20-Acelin Hottell
21-Gavin Henry
22-Kiera Paquette
22-Makenna Higgins
22-Rayna Schaefer
22-Alea Martin
23-Paige Lantz
23-Kirsten Bonham
23-JaeLeigh Askew
23-Mrs. Czarnick
25-Lucas Lyons
27-Andrew Clark

27-Jessa Carnes
28-Nolan Marlatt
29-Preston Norgaard
29-Michael Roschewski
30-Mrs. Carlin

JULY

1-Martha Maher-Amundson
2-Logan Kreft
2-Alexis Cox
3-Ryleigh Whitlinger
4-Jalen Reiman
4-Mrs. Bulson
5-Makira Smith
5-Emeline Edeal
6-Gabriel Evans
6-Mrs. Hovendick
7-Tucker Timmerman
7-Ava Bolli
8-Bryce Marples
8-Deighton Arena
8-Jaslynn Bordeaux
9-Ethan McLaughlin
9-Alec Myers
10-Treyten Henning
11-Blake Berke
13-Emma Stevens
14-Mickey Zhu
14-Dalton Jones
15-Laney Stevens
16-Dawson Loomis
16-Wendy Zepeda
17-Kendall Hein
18-Makenna Blum
19-Elias Morris
20-Ava Rosenthal
22-Hannah Jobman
22-Noah Jobman
22-Jeiveon Farley
22-Natasha Martin
22-Ms. Williams
23-Carson Elstun
23-Mr. Kassmeier
24-Haley Whiting

25-Jaxson Blackburn
25-Blake Harder
25-Brooke Given
25-Mrs. Cherry
29-Sawyer Crumrine
29-Kayden Nickel
31-Tavion Minor
31-Aydan Snook
31-Mr. Francis
31-Ms. Gronewold

AUGUST

3-Nazly Cruz
4-Jasper Wamsley
5-Dakota Lucas
5-Dominik Salazar
5-Reese Seibert
8-Sofia Poole
8-Megan Powers
9-Gage Forney
9-Evan Coon
9-Erin Ware
10-Aden Smith
10-Ms. Fink
12-Abigail Trantham
12-Collin Mangnall
14-Maysen Carnes
15-Christian Bridge Centeno
15-Calvin Roland
15-Delanie Roeder
16-Micaela Houseman
16-Kaydence Rusche
16-Mrs. Clay
17-Jaelynne Kosmos
17-Katelynn Wahlstrom
18-Olivia Eckert
19-Mrs. Vogel
21-Arihanna Marlatt
21-Tyler Warnsing
21-Adison Torske
23-Ashlynn Zarybnicky
23-Hadley Kelle
25-Paige Southwick
25-Lenae Willis

26-Brandy Murray
26-Macey Nanneman
26-Mr. Deke
27-Mr. Essam
27-Mrs. Zimmerman
27-Mr. Hoglund
28-Ethan Jurgens
28-Carter Simmons
28-Alfredo Benavides
28-Tyler Erikson
29-Bryan Price
31-Rylie Saathoff
31-Cheyne Oates
31-Travis Ruskamp



BMS STUDENTS OF CHARACTER



Week of March 25

Left to Right: Shelby Eldridge, Beau Spiker, Sofe Winkler, and Natasha Martin.



Week of April 1

Left to right: Thomas Pinkerton, Wyatt Jurgens, Alexa Marquez, and Reese Seibert.



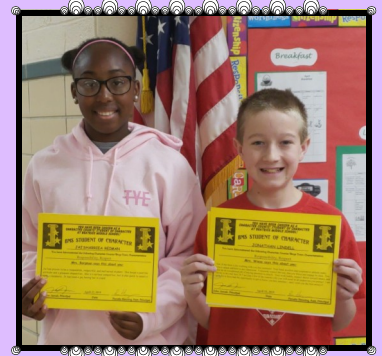
Week of April 8

Left to right: Brycen Dunlap, and Evan Coon.



Week of April 15

Left to right: Jai Reiman, and Jonathan Lindell.



SKILLS OF THE WEEK

May 6 _____ Working with Others
May 13 _____ Accepting No For An Answer

BMS TRACK MEET

FRIDAY,
MAY 3.
1:00 PM



BMS INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

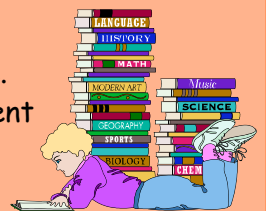
THURSDAY,
MAY 2,
7:00 P.M.

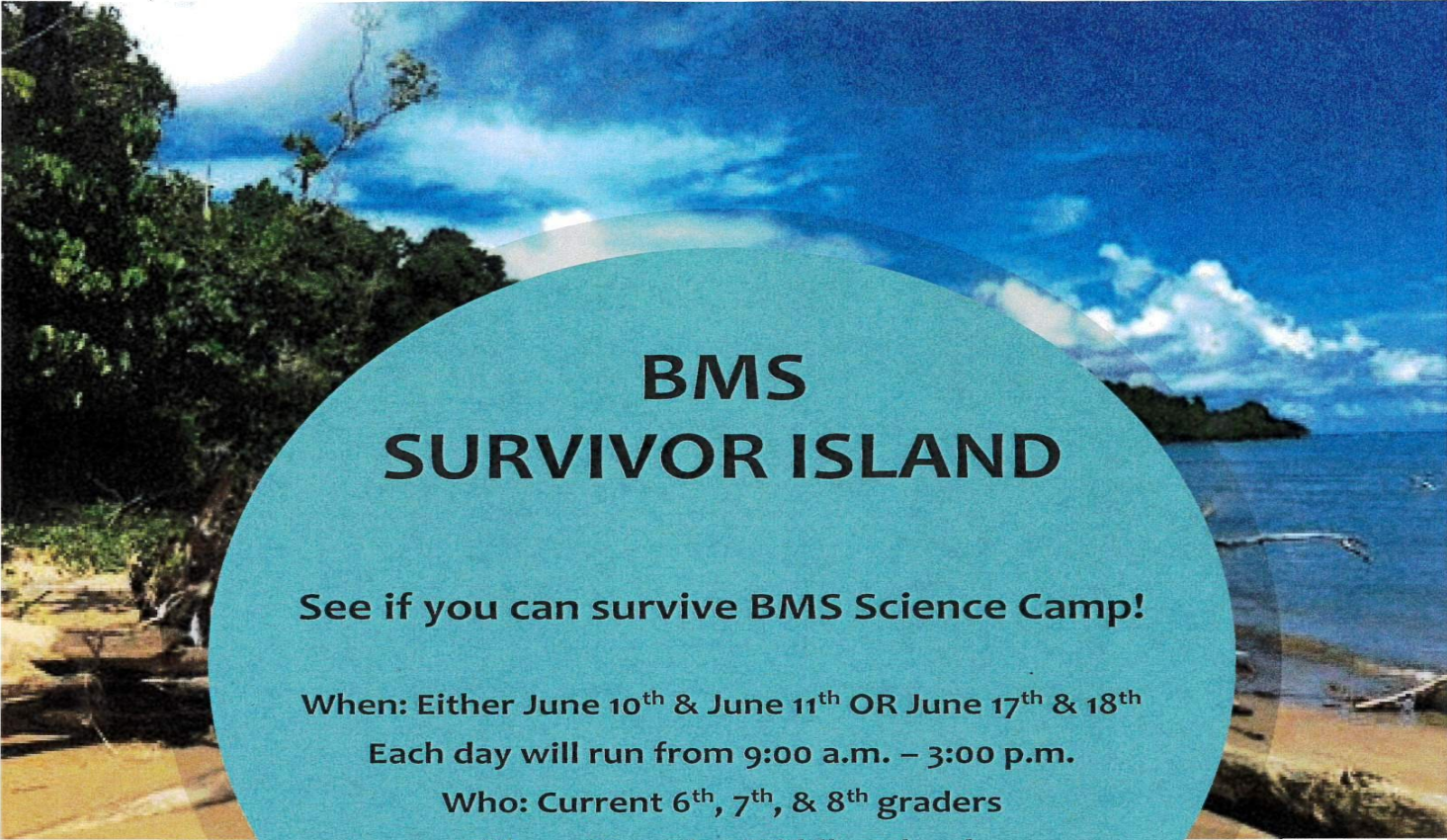


FROM THE MEDIA CENTER

Throughout the year, students are notified when library materials become overdue. Students continue to receive an overdue notice until the book is returned. Ask your student if they have received a notice and please look around the house for books that need to be returned to the Beatrice Middle School Media Center. If a book has been lost or ruined, you will need to send the replacement cost for that book to the media center as soon as possible. In the event you pay for a book and find it later, we will return your money to you.

The last day to check out books will be Thursday, May 9. All books need to be returned NO LATER than Monday, May 13. Remember, kids can continue to read using our FREE e-book system. All you need is the free app called AXIS 360. Students use their school computer username and password for this site as well. I would love to help your students access this resource, just send them my way.





BMS SURVIVOR ISLAND

See if you can survive BMS Science Camp!

When: Either June 10th & June 11th OR June 17th & 18th

Each day will run from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Who: Current 6th, 7th, & 8th graders

Where: Beatrice Middle School

Cost: \$40.00 per two day session

BMS Science Camp 2019

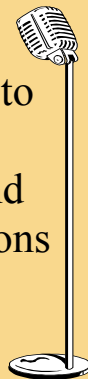
Come join us as we learn to survive by filtering water, growing things without water, generating electricity and using what we have available while working together as a team (community). There will be 2-two day sessions available. Choose the option that works for you! Lunch will be provided each day as well as a t-shirt, IF YOU ARE NOT KICKED OFF THE ISLAND!

Please register online at <https://forms.gle/Bv9VEEgvAtGP6EGq5> or call (402) 223-1500 ext. 1052, ask for Lorrie. Space will be limited (40/session). Send you \$\$ to Beatrice Administration, 320 N 5th St, Beatrice, NE 68310, ATTN: Lorrie; or with your student to turn into the BMS office.

Payment must be made by June 1st.

INTERESTED IN TRYING OUT FOR DELEGATION?

Any 2019-2020 7th or 8th grader wanting to try out for Delegation should watch for an e-mail from Mr. Francis with directions and music to practice over the summer. Auditions will be held at the beginning of the 2019-2020 school year.



BREAKFAST & LUNCH IN JUNE

BPS will offer FREE breakfast and lunch to ALL 1-18 year old kiddos in the month of June. Meals will be provided at Paddock Lane Elementary, Monday-Thursday for the month of June. Breakfast is from 7:45-8:30 a.m. and lunch is from 11:00-12:30 p.m.



GET CONNECTED WITH BEATRICE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Get connected and download the Beatrice Public School's app on your smartphone. On it you will find many resources such as the school calendar, lunch menu, staff directory, and shortcuts that will connect you to additional BPS social media sites such as Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, and the BPS Website.



The Beatrice Public Schools website (www.beatricepublicschools.org) will provide you with many resources specific to your school along with forms, district information, etc.

On the BPS Facebook page you will find up to date info on Beatrice Public Schools such as:

- *Photos of activities
- *Opportunities at BPS
- *Communication of school closings, and educational information.

If you have questions please let us know.

DID YOU KNOW BMS HAS A TWITTER AND INSTAGRAM PAGE?

CHECK US OUT ON:

Twitter: @BMSbrags

Instagram: @the_beatrice_middle_school

LOOK AT SOME OF THE FUN THINGS HAPPENING AT OUR SCHOOL!

FAREWELL & GOOD LUCK

to our 8th graders as they enter their freshman year at BHS. We wish you the best of luck and study hard!!

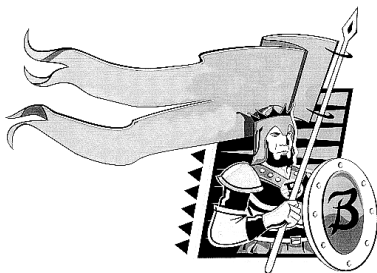


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The mission of Beatrice Public Schools, a collaborative partnership of students, staff, families, and community, is to guarantee all students achieve academic excellence and develop responsible citizenship by providing aligned, rigorous curriculum and high-quality instruction that utilizes 21st Century tools in a system that is measurably among the best in the nation.