



October Dates To Remember

10/16-Eagle Booster Club Meeting, B.O.E. Room, 7:00 pm

10/17-P.I.E. Meeting, LMC, 4:15 pm

10/19-Board Of Education Meeting, B.O.E. Room, 6:30 pm

10/27-No School

10/28-No School



ATTENTION

If your child is absent from school, please call the Attendance Office at 366-2941 extension 108 **before 9:00 a.m.**

AUSENCIAS

Si su hijo(a) esta ausente usted es responsable de llamar la Escuela de Almond Bancroft antes de las **9:00 a.m.** al 715-366-2941 Ext.: 311

PBIS – Teach More – Discipline Less: Mrs. McDonald

This school year’s PBIS got off to a great start! On the first day of school, “Mimi Hamburgerandfries,” who demonstrated appropriate voice levels in each area of our school, treated students to a fun presentation. Look for posters around the building reminding students of the appropriate voice level for that area. They will have pictures of “Mimi” to assist them in remembering.

Elementary staff members dressed in green t-shirts bearing the three PBIS expectations: *Be Respectful, Be Responsible, & Solve Problems*. Several staff members taught students about appropriate behaviors going through the lunch line and in the cafeteria as well as how to behave entering and exiting the building for recess and on the playground. There was also some review regarding what respect looks like, using good manners and cleaning up after oneself and demonstrating appropriate hallway behavior. Each classroom teacher has also developed a classroom matrix which explains what *Be Respectful, Be Responsible & Solve Problems* looks like in his or her own classroom.

As we progress through the year, students will be taught expectations for all areas of the building, which are listed in our building matrix. Since all staff will be involved in this effort, expectations will be consistent. Classes will even be visiting the school bus for a demonstration of what is expected of them as they ride to and from school or on a field trip. You may notice that all expectations are worded in the positive. Instead of “No running” the expectation would be taught as “Walk quietly in the halls.”

Students may be rewarded by any staff member with a ticket that will go toward an end of the week drawing. Tickets are given when an adult sees a student demonstrating PBIS expectations. The tickets are perforated which allows a student to bring home the part of the ticket that lists the PBIS expectation he/she was caught doing and where it happened. Congratulate your student for being recognized!

In conjunction with promoting positive behaviors via PBIS, our elementary school guidance program (G.I.F.T.S.) will be focusing on the following concepts this year:
 Kindness---Assertiveness---Cooperation

Mrs. McDonald will be visiting each kindergarten through fifth grade classroom at least twice a month to explore these concepts with students. Our goal is to create a positive school climate in which *all* students feel safe and can learn effectively.





Bluebird News

Bluebirds were successful in Almond this spring/summer! We are happy to report the success of our first year of the bluebird trail here at the Almond School. We had three baby bluebirds in a box on the playground between June 14 and July 11. We are assuming they fledged successfully. Another nest was built in the box also, but another clutch of eggs was not laid.

We also fledged a total of eight tree swallows this summer in one of the boxes in the Veteran's Park, and one of the boxes in the vacant lot east of school. Another nest box had a chickadee nest, but it was unsuccessful, as the three eggs were still there this fall. The two houses up at the Lion's Park contained wren nests, but were hard to monitor, due to the height of the stick nests in the boxes. One of those boxes also had cowbird eggs laid in it. Cowbirds are nest parasites, and will lay their eggs in the nests of other birds, causing the smaller baby birds to die off as the parents struggle to feed the giant cowbird babies.

Students in Middle School learned about bluebirds during the first couple of days of school, and assisted in the final monitoring and cleaning out of the boxes to get them ready for house-hunting bluebirds this fall. Bluebirds sometimes check out the local real estate during September and October, and we want the houses in good shape. Look for bluebirds migrating this fall, and also check and clean out any birdhouses you may have on your property this fall.

Special thanks to Missy Henske for taking over the monitoring of the houses during the summer!

Thanks also to the Almond Rod and Gun Club for sponsoring this "citizen science" project at our school. Thanks to Mr. Bennett and the class of 2015 for building the birdhouses too!



A-B Music Department Notes...

The A-B music department has entered WDEZ 101.9 country radio station's "Money 4 Music" competition again this year. Please go to <http://wdez.com/money-for-music/vote/> to cast your vote once a day for Almond-Bancroft. (The site is currently blocked at school, but you can access it at home!)

If you listen to the Morning Show with Bryan and Nikki, you will hear a "bonus song" every day during the broadcast. Each time the bonus song plays between 8am and 6pm on 101.9 WDEZ or streaming live on WDEZ.com, bonus voting opens for 30 minutes to score our school 100 bonus points. Each voter is allowed to vote once in that 30 minute period <http://wdez.com/money-for-music/bonus-song/>

You'll also find a flyer in your mailbox. **Please spread the word to family and friends.** The choir and band thank you in advance for your help!

SINGING BIRTHDAY GRAMS

A-B High School will deliver singing Happy Birthday Telegrams to your favorite Student/Staff member on their birthday! There are packages you may select from:

Option 1: (\$5.00) Happy Birthday balloon on party stick decorated with ribbons, birthday hat/noisemaker, card, and your choice of a chocolate rose or 4 tootsie pops.

Option 2: (\$10.00) Same as #1, but with addition of A-B stuffed eagle.

Option 3: (\$15.00) Decorated balloon, hat, noisemaker, card, rose or pops, beads and A-B stocking hat.

Bonus Extra \$1.00—we will include 3 strands of Mardi Gras beads in school colors.

Bonus Extra \$3.00—4x6 Photograph of birthday student on professional photo paper.

Student Name: _____ Birthday: _____ Grade/Teacher: _____

Special Message: _____

OPTION 1 \$5.00 Rose Pops OPTION 2 \$10.00 Rose Pops OPTION 3 \$15.00 Rose Pops

Bonus Extra \$1.00 Bonus Extra \$3.00



**ALMOND-BANCROFT 1ST THROUGH 12TH GRADE REMEMBER THE 10TH
ANNIVERSARY OF 9-11
WITH AN ASSEMBLY AT THE FOOTBALL FIELD.**



5th graders did Pinwheels for Peace.



The school comes together to remember and honor those who died on 9-11-01.



Mrs. Schmidt led the band in playing a patriotic song, along with the National Anthem.



The choir, led by Mrs. Frank, sang a couple of patriotic songs.



The fire truck symbolized all the firefighters and police officers that lost their lives on 9-11-01.



Bunches of red, white, and blue balloons were sent flying towards the sky!

Lop Seymour's Locks

I would like to thank all those who participated in the fourth "Tri-Annual Lop Seymour's Locks" event at the Homecoming Pep Rally. All the money collected from raffle ticket sales was donated to the Almond Area Education Association's Scholarship Fund, and the braids of hair were donated to Locks of Love (<http://www.locksoflove.org/>). Thanks to your generosity, \$144 was raised for the Almond Area Education Association's Scholarship Fund. Thank you to Judy Turzinski of the Magic Mirror for braiding my hair and then "cleaning up" my chopped hair after the event. Thank you to those who donated raffle prizes: a cheese box donated by Cheese Pleasers; a "movie night" basket donated by the Huebner Family; a certificate for a quarter of free lessons, some A-B Koozies, and some A-B Dog Tags donated by Mrs. Frank; four A-B shirts donated by the A-B Student Council; an A-B shirt donated by the A-B Athletic Department; and a PC Tune-Up donated by Mr. Seymour.

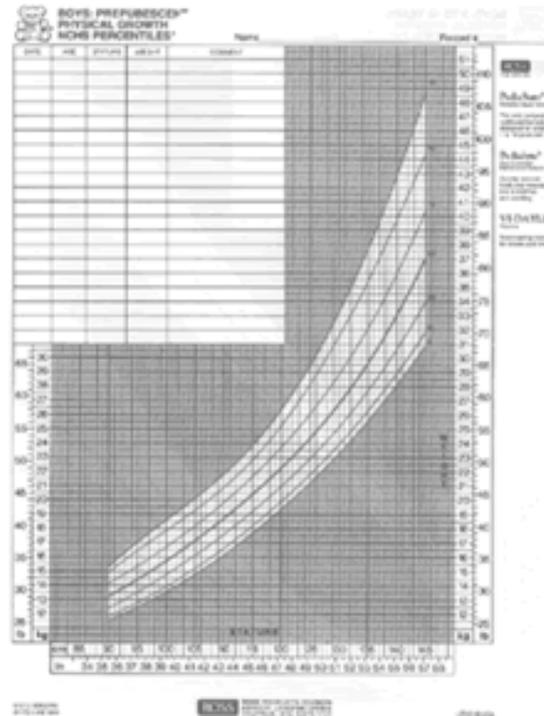
Thank you for your support and generosity,
Michael Seymour, Almond Bancroft Technology Coordinator and Technician

Ensuring Reading Success Through "Well Checks"

Dear Parent(s):

As our children grow, most of us see charts like the one to the right. Our doctors weigh our children and measure how tall they are. This information is put on a chart like the one to the right. This chart shows where our child stands compared to other children and how fast they are growing. These charts help doctors to understand if our children are growing properly or if something may be wrong, enabling them to do something to help as soon as possible.

Doctors use children's height and weight as "Well Checks", or vital signs of development. We all know how important it is for our children to "grow" in reading as well. In fact, successfully learning to read at an early age is probably one of the most important factors in a child's learning, both inside and outside of school.



Because reading and reading growth are so important, on a regular basis, our school is going to give each student in grades K-8 a "Well Check," indicating how well your child is reading. Generally, the first "Well Check" is given within the first few weeks of school.

The reading "Well Checks" are simple and accurate. We will have your child read 3 stories from passages comparable to their grade level and we will count the words they read correctly, as well as how well they read the stories. The "Well Checks" take less than 5 minutes. We like to think of it as taking your child's reading temperature.

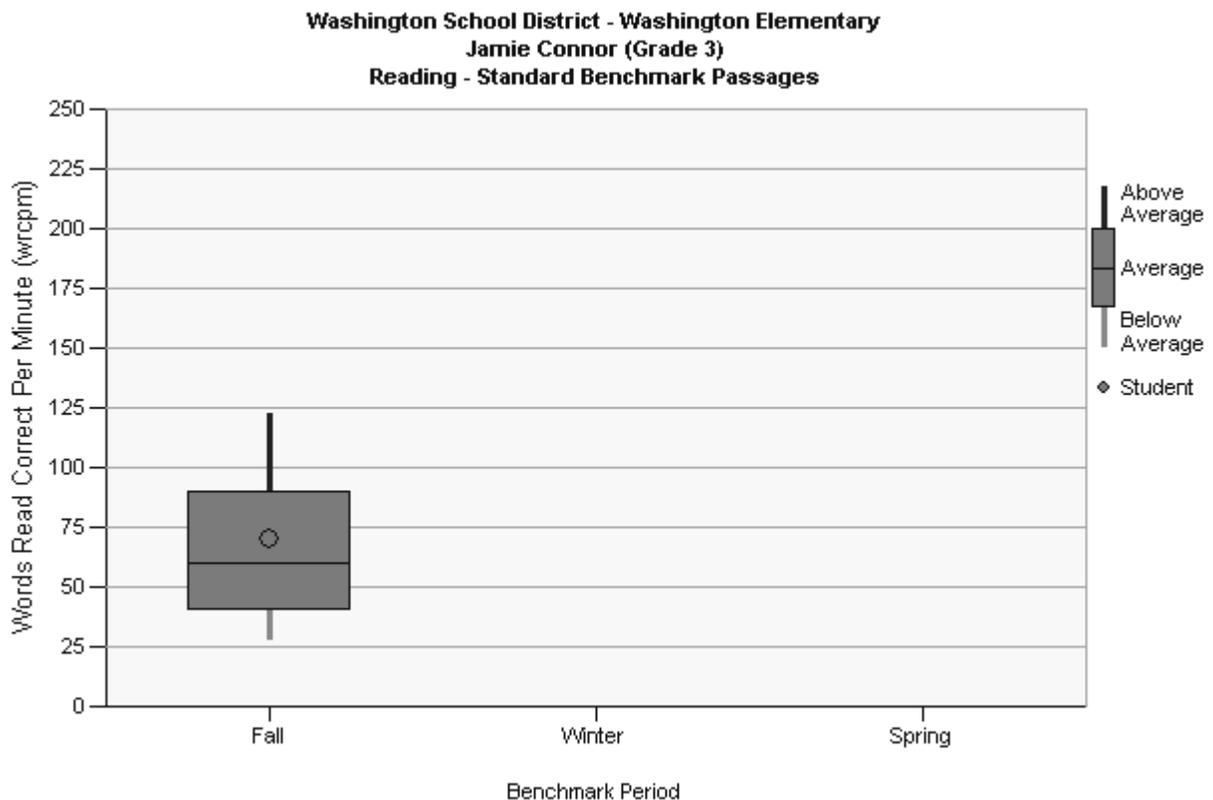
Teachers will use these "Well Checks" to help them plan their reading instruction. This information will also help them individualize for students who are above or below average in their reading abilities. The "Well Check" information for your child will be put on a chart like the one below, and your child's teacher will explain it to you at conference time.

This chart shows how one student read the stories compared to other classmates in the same grade. This chart also displays how well an average third-grade reader at our school reads a third-grade story at the beginning of the year (Fall). The number of words this child read correctly in 1 minute is indicated by a **blue** dot. The **black** horizontal line is the score of what the **very middle** student read and the **green** box displays scores of **average** readers in this grade. Scores within the **blue** line are **above average** readers, while scores within the **red** line are **below average** readers. This graph indicates the student read about 70 words correctly in 1 minute. The average reader in this grade read about 65 words correct per minute.

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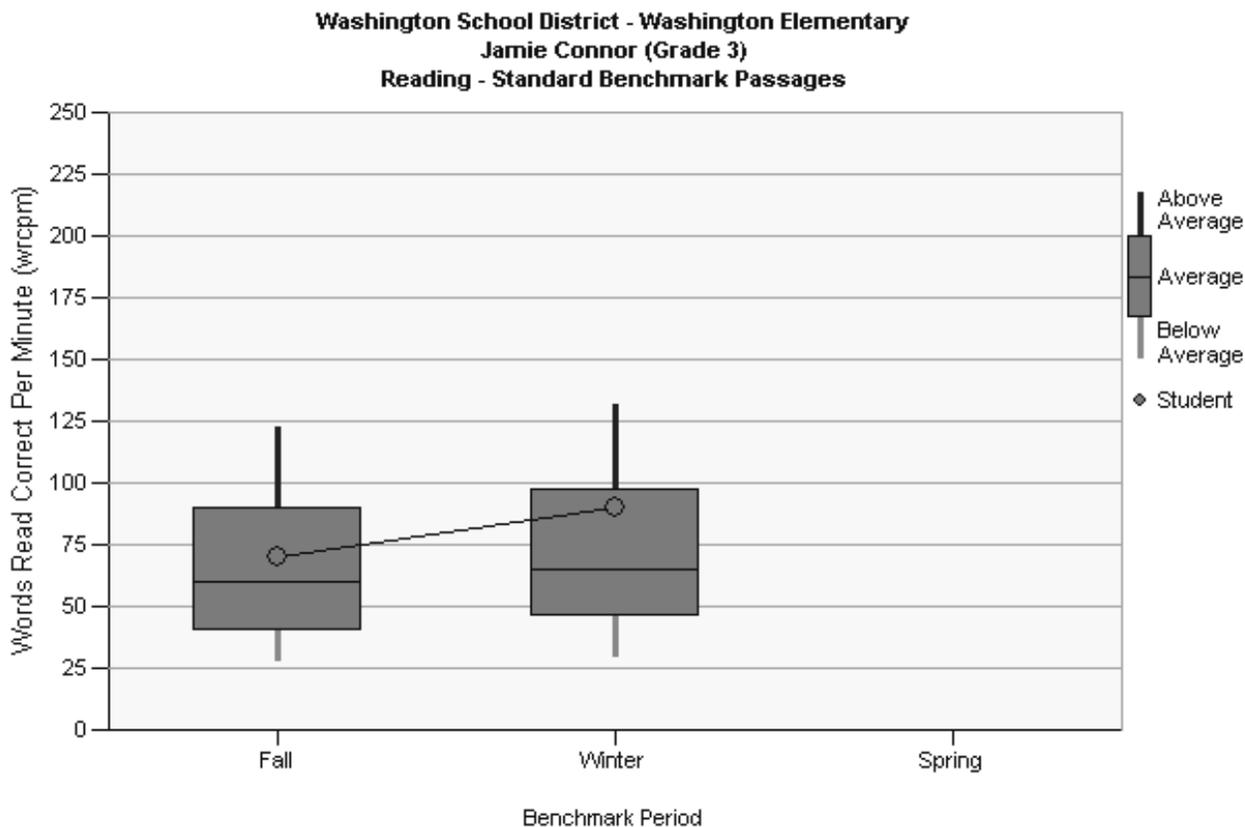
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In January (Winter), your child's teacher will do another "Well Check" to see if an improvement in your child's reading ability has been made. This chart will indicate what your child's score was in the fall and what your child's score is in Winter.

The reading "Well Check" chart below shows the rate of progress of an average student in the third grade. The lines connecting the **blue** dots show the rate of progress. Notice an improvement from 70 words correct in Fall to about 90 words correct in Winter. This reader is growing at a slightly faster rate than other students in our school. This information shows success!

Ensuring Reading Success Through "Well Checks" Continued



These reading "Well Checks" will be done again during the last several weeks of school (Spring). We will then be able to determine how much reading growth your child has made throughout the year, and what may be needed in order for your child to become a truly successful reader.

As a school staff, we are excited about our ability to know where all of our students are at on their path to being successful readers and learners. We hope that you are excited as well. We also look forward to seeing and talking with you regarding the progress of your child.

If you have any questions about our Reading Well Check Program, please feel free to contact me.

Jeff Rykal
Principal Almond Bancroft Schools

ALMOND-BANCROFT SCHOOLS
HOMEWORK HOTLINE
366-2941
Ext. 298 For Middle School Homework
Ext. 299 For High School Homework



Immunization Requirements: Clinic to be held in Almond

On **Monday, October 24th from 3:00 – 5:30** there will be an immunization clinic at Almond School in the elementary school office. ***Not every student will have vaccinations that are needed for this school year.*** Students entering **6th grade will need the Tdap vaccine** and incoming **kindergartners should have received 5th DTaP, 4th Polio (IPV), 2nd MMR and 2nd Varicella (chicken pox).** A copy of your immunization record can be sent home with your child or mailed upon request by calling the number listed below. **The school district does require parents to take action by either immunizing their child or signing a waiver for personal, religious or medical reasons.** If a waiver is signed for medical reasons a doctor's signature must be present.

Age / Grade	Number of Doses					
(2-4) Pre K	4 DTP/DTaP/DT (b)	3 Polio	3 Hep B	1 MMR (e)	1 Var (f)	
Grades K – 3	4 DTP/DTaP/DT/Td (a)	3 Polio (d)	3 Hep B	1 MMR (e)	1 Var (f)	
Grades 4 - 5	4 DTP/DTaP/DT/Td (b)	3 Polio (d)	3 Hep B	1 MMR (e)	1 Var (f)	
Grades 6 - 9	4 DTP/DTaP/DT/Td (b) 1 Tdap (c)	3 Polio (d)	3 Hep B	1 MMR (e)	1 Var (f)	
Grades 10 - 11	4 DTP/DTaP/DT/Td (b) 1 Tdap (c)	3 Polio (d)	3 Hep B	1 MMR (e)	1 Var (f)	
Grade 12	4 DTP/DTaP/DT/Td (b) 1 Tdap (c)	3 Polio (d)	3 Hep B	1 MMR (e)	1 Var (f)	

- a) DTP/DtaP/DT vaccine for children entering Kindergarten: Your child must have received one dose after the 4th birthday (either the 3rd, 4th, or 5th dose) to be compliant. (Note: a dose 4 days or less before the 4th birthday is also acceptable)
- (b) DTP/DtaP/DT/Td vaccine for students entering Pre K and grades 1 through 12: Four doses are required. However, if your child received the 3rd dose after the 4th birthday, further doses are not required. (Note: a dose 4 days or less before the 4th birthday is also acceptable)
- (c) Tdap means adolescent tetanus, diphtheria and acellular pertussis vaccine. If your child received a dose of a tetanus-containing vaccine, such as Td, within 5 years of entering the grade in which Tdap is required, your child is compliant and a dose of Tdap vaccine is not required
- (d) Polio vaccine for students entering grades Kindergarten through 12: Four doses are required. However, if your child received the 3rd dose after the 4th birthday, further doses are not required. (Note: a dose 4 days or less before the 4th birthday is also acceptable).
- (e) The first dose of MMR vaccine must have been received on or after the 1st birthday (Note: a dose 4 days or less before the 1st birthday is also acceptable).
- (f) Var means Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine. A history of chickenpox disease is also acceptable

Your child can complete their immunization requirements by:

- 1. Making an appointment with their primary provider**
- 2. Coming to the Ruth Gilfry Building's Walk-In Immunization Clinics**
817 Whiting Ave., Stevens Point, WI 54481
Tuesdays: 3-6pm and Fridays: 9-11am
Immunizations are \$5/dose
- 3. Coming to the Almond Clinic, October 24th, 2011 from 3-5:30pm**

Please act as soon as possible regarding your child's immunizations as to avoid long lines at the Ruth Gilfry Building and busy doctors offices. If you have questions, please call me Tuesday mornings at Almond School (715) 366-2941, ext. 125 or at my office (715) 345-5946.

Thank you,
 Lynn Bergman RN, BSN
 Almond/Bancroft School Nurse

**October
Eagles Athletic
Events**



- 10/3-JV FB Home vs. Rosholt
6:00 pm
-MS VB @ Westfield 4:30 pm
- 10/4-HS VB Home vs. Gresham 6:00 pm
-MS VB @ St. Pete's 5:00 pm
- 10/6-MS FB Home vs. Tri-County 7 pm
-MS VB @ Iola 5:00 pm
- 10/8-Varsity VB Pool Play-TBD
-JV VB Tournament @ Iola
10:00 am
- 10/7-Varsity FB Home vs. Tri-County
7:00 pm
- 10/10-MS VB @ Port Edwards 5:00 pm
- 10/11-MS FB Home vs. St. Pete's
4:30 pm
-Varsity VB Pool Play-TBD
- 10/13-MS VB Home vs. Tri-County
5:00 pm
- 10/14-Varsity FB @ Bowler 7:00 pm
- 10/17-JV FB Home vs. Bowler
- 10/18-MS FB @ Westfield 4:30 pm

EAGLES

Varsity Volleyball 2011



Center back: Coach Tim Kasprowicz; Back row (Lto R): Allison Evilsizor-Siem, Hattie Berry, Carissa Perzinski, Heather Merila, Deziree Warzynski, Marissa Warzynski, Kiara Turzinski; Front Row: Sierra Stucker, Kayla Smith, Destiny Dykes, Rylee Anderson, Danielle Dahms, Amber Hintz

A-B Sports Zone



The Sports Zone is located on the Almond-Bancroft web page
www.abschools.k12.wi.us



2011-12 Open Gym Hours

Sunday evenings
7 PM in the west gym.
All ages are welcome!

Contact Scott Kollock, 335-6631,
for more information.

**TEAM PHOTOS
SUPPLIED BY
LYNN HINTZ PHOTOGRAPHY.**

JV Volleyball 2011



Back row (Lto R): Hannah Lansing, Hailey Wierzba, Lacey Warzynski, Teagan Heck, Abbigail Karpen, Margaret Scott, Alexis Seitz; Middle row: Mckenzie Miner, Megan Wiczek, Ashley Takacs, Jennifer Castillo, Alex Spohn, Megan Burns; Front row: Natile Romo, Meghan Menadue, Maria Vann

Sport Light

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL 2011



Back row (L to R): Coach Peterson, Avery Faehling, Shelby Swan, Colter Stutesman, Ethan Yonke, Cody Meddaugh, Russ Carey, Jon Pagel, Garret Warzynski, AJ Ellie, Cody Leonardt, Joe Beigel, Dillon Deford, Adam Serrani, Jarod Cieslewcz, Coach Bradley; Front Row: Coach Wagner, Alex Crull, Derek Keenlance, Jesse Hunkins, Reagan Anderson, Teagan Vezina, Brett Beigel, Kyle Leonardt, Evan Pagel, Taylor Cisewski, Manager Penza; Seated: Jon Turzinski, Jacob Vallery



Eagle Booster Club News... ..

The Eagle Booster Club has been working hard on its latest project at the Sports Complex. During the week of Homecoming, we were able to complete the public restrooms that were added onto the back of the concession stand. A new septic system was installed first and the building shortly followed. We also provided hot water to the concession stand area and a permanent drain for the sink. This project could not have been completed so quickly and efficiently without the generosity, dedication and hard work of Scott Kollock, Eric Beggs, Al Meddaugh, Jeff Yonke and Spence Bunders. Eric Beggs provided his construction knowledge and donated a great deal of his time and expertise to the project. Al Meddaugh and his team from Premium Plumbing & Heating installed the new septic system, all the plumbing fixtures and plumbing pipes for the new facility. Scott Kollock dedicated a tremendous amount of his personal time and resources as well to help us reach our goal. Rod Vezina supplied some of the electrical needs for the building and Norm Yonke was great help also. We hope everyone enjoys the new facilities.

We are currently in need of new active members. As the demands of our school and its athletic activities grow, so does the need for help in the booster club. PLEASE consider joining our team! Our next meeting will be Sunday, October 16th at 7:00 PM. We typically meet once a month and even if you cannot make these meetings, we are always in need of volunteers for the projects we are involved with. Our annual membership is only \$3. So let us know if you are able to help on any level. Again, we invite everyone to join the Eagle Booster Club in our efforts to provide our kids with the best equipment, facilities and experiences possible at Almond-Bancroft Schools.

Thank You from the Eagle Booster Club!

*Almond-Bancroft athletes and spectators
greatly appreciate the Eagle Booster Club and
all they do to support A-B athletics!
We thank you for another great addition to the
sports complex!*



COMMUNITY NEWS!

More information can be found on the AB website - Family Resources

Make a Difference Day Saturday Oct. 22

Participate in the 3rd annual Almond-Bancroft Rake-a-thon during Make A Difference Day on Saturday, October 22 from 8 am-1 pm sponsored by United Way Volunteer Center and Emerging Leaders of Portage County. Last year a group of students raked leaves for a few elderly or disabled residents in Almond to clean up fall messes and get ready for winter. If you own a rake, like to work hard, and love to volunteer then you are the right person for the job. A pancake breakfast will be provided for all volunteers at 8 am in the new gym foyer before heading out to rake. If interested please register before October 14 with Jen Grezenski (715-366-2941 Ext. 325 / jgrezenski@abschools.k12.wi.us) or visit www.volunteersrock.org.

If you would like to make a referral or put your yard on the Rake-a-thon-list please contact Jen Grezenski at 715-366-2941 Ext# 325 or jgrezenski@abschools.k12.wi.us. Please provide names, addresses and phone number of the resident who could use this assistance.

Participation is greatly appreciated. Lets make Make A Difference Day Rake-a-thon a huge success!

Community Education Updates

AB Book Club

Book club will be meeting every other Monday. The next meeting is Oct. 10th@ 6 pm in the secondary library. The next selection is *The Forgotten Garden* by Kate Morton. Please come prepared to discuss the first half of the book.

Exercise Program

Get in shape and receive rewards all at the same time! If you are interested in getting or staying in shape, sign up with Jen Grezenski anytime between 8 am - 5:30pm or by email (jgrezenski@abschools.k12.wi.us). Once you are a member, just log your exercise hours and turn in your hours by the end of month to be entered into a drawing for exercise prizes.

Jen Grezenski, AmeriCorps Member for Almond-Bancroft:
jgrezenski@abschools.k12.wi.us / 715-366-2941 ext. 101

Money for Music

Vote for Almond-Bancroft at wdez.com/money-for-music/vote/

WDEZ (101.9 FM) radio station is offering an exciting promotion for local school music programs. Each school in our area is competing to get the most votes at WDEZ.com and the top 3 schools will be awarded a share of the \$10,000 prize.

Please help by voting once a day for Almond-Bancroft and ask your family and friends to do the same! Listen for bonus songs with Bryan and Nikki in the morning to earn 1000 extra points each time the song is played throughout the day. Also, earn extra votes by visiting live broadcasts in central WI.

**Voting ends November 14,
2011**



Safe Disposal Of Unused Medications Medicine Drop Off Date

The Portage County Alcohol Coalition and the Portage County Sheriff's Department are sponsoring a "Prescription Drug Take Back" event. This event will give community members an opportunity to turn in unused over-the-counter medicine and outdated prescription drugs for safe disposal.

WHEN: Saturday, October 29th, 2011

TIME: 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

WHERE: Almond Community Center



RUMMAGE SALE & BAKE SALE

to Benefit Dick and Tammie Pierce

October 8th

8 am - 6 pm

Bancroft Community Center

8412 Division Street Bancroft



Dick recently underwent surgery for esophagus cancer and will be in the hospital for sometime.
If you would like to donate items (no clothing please) call 715-335-6581.

Hope to see you there!

Almond and Bancroft Community Trick or Treating Events

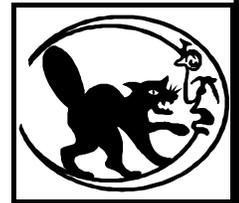
Almond

Trick or Treating will be held on
Sunday, October 30, from 3:00 to 6:00 P.M.
*If you want children to stop at your home for
treats, please leave your outside light on.*

The **Almond Lions Club** will hold a
Halloween party for pre-school through 5th grade
on **Friday, October 28, from 7:00 to 8:00 P.M.**
in the **Almond School East Gym.**

Bancroft

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Sunday, October 30, 2011,
from 3:00 to 6:00 P.M.



Collect These Items And Help Support Almond-Bancroft School Programs

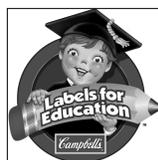
MY COKE REWARDS FOR SCHOOLS

The My Coke Rewards for Schools program can help students learn and grow by turning My Coke Rewards points into rewards for accredited schools grades K-12, providing playground equipment, art supplies, sports gear, educational resources and much more.
You can help Almond-Bancroft earn by collecting points from codes found on participating Coca-Cola products. Go to www.mycokerewards.com/schools to donate points to Almond-Bancroft Schools.

HELP US EARN PLAY EQUIPMENT FOR THE BANCROFT SCHOOL

The Bancroft School is collecting Campbell soup labels to be redeemed for equipment for the school: computer games, play ground toys and/or manipulatives.
However, the rules for turning them in have changed. They no longer want the whole front of the label. They only want to UPC symbol. In fact, we will only be able to submit the UPC symbols from now on.

Thank you,
The Bancroft Staff



TAKE CHARGE OF EDUCATION

Apply for the Target RED card or if you already have one go to target.com and designate Almond-Bancroft as your school and Target will donate up to one 1% of your RED card purchases to Almond-Bancroft Schools.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Start collecting Box Tops! Look for the 10 cent Box Tops coupon on hundreds of products. You can find Box Tops on brands such as Cheerios, Betty Crocker, Pillsbury, Ziploc, Kleenex, Hefty and more.
To see all participating products containing the Box Tops coupon go to www.boxtops4education.com.



JUNIOR CLASS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION & DROP OFF POINTS

Drop-off points for donated aluminum cans are in Bancroft at Schmidt Metals and in Almond behind the school.
The Junior class greatly appreciates your aluminum can donations!





From the desk of Pat Leary

Dear Parent (s),

The 2011-12 school year is off to a great start! Our families have been doing a great job keeping their Food Service accounts paid up. Remember, as of October 1, 2011 if you have not renewed your Free & Reduced Lunch status you will be charged the full price for meals unless you are under State Certification (then you automatically qualify for free meals). The Federal government set new guidelines on the price of our lunches. To meet those new guidelines we **raised the price of our lunch by \$0.05**. PreK-5th was raised to \$1.65, 6th-12th was raised to \$1.90, and adult meals was raised to \$2.80.

If you have any questions or need to fill out a Free & Reduced application feel free to contact me at 715-366-2941 ext. 421.

Sincerely Yours,

Pat Leary, Food Service Director
Connie Kaehn, Head Cook
Teresa Gutke, Assistant Cook

"This institution is an equal opportunity provider"

School Nutrition Association Releases "State of School Nutrition 2011"

National survey shows healthy trends taking root in school cafeterias.

NATIONAL HARBOR, MD, August 18, 2011 – A new national survey of school foodservice directors shows that students heading back to school this fall will find more fresh fruits and vegetables, whole grain options and locally grown foods in school cafeterias. School Nutrition Association (SNA)'s "School Nutrition Operations Report: The State of School Nutrition 2011" finds that more than 69% of the 1,294 directors surveyed consider implementing recently proposed nutrition standards for school meals, which require more of these healthy options, to be their top concern.

Results show limited funding and cost of food were also pressing issues for school nutrition programs. Yet despite the challenges presented by new, complex nutrition standards and tight budgets, The State of School Nutrition 2011 reveals school cafeterias nationwide have made dramatic progress in improving the quality of the meals served to nearly 32 million children every school day:

- Nationwide, nearly every school district offers fresh fruits and vegetables (98%)
- Whole grain foods have become readily accessible (97%)
- 89% of school districts offer salad bars or pre-packaged salads
- About two-thirds provide vegetarian meals (63%)
- Virtually all districts offer fat-free or 1% milk (98%)

School nutrition programs are also working to bring more locally sourced foods into schools, with nearly half (48%) of respondents offering locally sourced fruits and vegetables (up from 37% in 2009). School districts are working to help connect and educate students on the foods grown in their region, with 32% involved in farm to school initiatives and another 41% interested in or planning to implement these initiatives. Results also reveal the trend toward school gardens, with 21% of districts confirming to have a school garden and another 37% interested in or planning to implement these programs.

"From spinach to strawberries and pears to pumpkin, school nutrition professionals are constantly working to offer students more fruits and vegetables, and often they are partnering with teachers, farmers and chefs to teach kids about the importance of healthy choices at school and at home," said Helen Phillips, SNS, president of the School Nutrition Association and Senior Director of School Nutrition for the Norfolk Public Schools (Virginia). "Schools face funding and regulatory hurdles as they work to meet proposed new nutrition standards for school meals, but State of School Nutrition 2011 shows that school nutrition professionals are rising to the challenge."

Almond-Bancroft Menus, October 2011

Breakfast Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Box Breakfast	4 Oatmeal, Toast	5 Egg Omelet, Toast	6 French Toast Sticks	7 Cinnamon Roll, Yogurt
10 Pancake Sausage Wrap	11 Scrambled Eggs, Toast	12 Breakfast Sandwich	13 Box Breakfast	14 Bagel, Yogurt
17 Ham & Cheese Breakfast Bar	18 Pancakes, Sausage	19 Box Breakfast	20 Oatmeal, Toast	21 Cinnamon Roll, Yogurt
24 Egg Omelet, Toast	25 Box Breakfast	26 French Toast Sticks	27 No School	28 No School
31 Pancake Sausage Wrap	 <p>Juice Served Daily With Breakfast</p>			

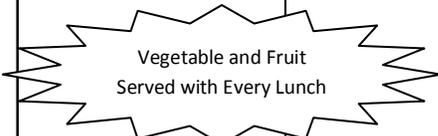
Breakfast Prices:
 Reduced – No Charge
 4K (M-W) – 9 days @ 1.00 = \$9.00
 4K (T-Th) – 8 days @ 1.00 = \$8.00
 K-12th grade – 19 days @ 1.00 = \$19.00

Morning Milk

\$11.50 Per
Quarter



Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Beefy Nachos, Dessert	4 Chicken & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Bread	5 Beef Tips, Noodles	6 Hamburger, French Fries, Dessert	7 Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup, Veggies & Dip
10 Pizza, Garden Bar, Dessert	11 Cheeseburger Mac Hot Dish	12 Frito Chili, Veggies & Dip, Dessert	13 Chicken Pot Pie, Dessert	14 Tacos
17 Hot Dog, Oven Potatoes	18 Chicken Fajita, Dessert	19 Sub, Chicken Dumpling Soup	20 Egg Rolls, Fried Rice, Dessert	21 Chicken Nuggets, Mac & Cheese
24 Cheese Fries, Garden Bar, Dessert	25 Salisbury Steak, Buttered Noodles	26 Chicken Quesadilla	27 No School	28 No School
31 Chicken Pattie, French Fries	 <p>Vegetable and Fruit Served with Every Lunch</p>			

Lunch Prices:
 Reduced 4K (M-W) – 9 days @ .40 = \$3.60
 Reduced 4K (T-Th) – 8 days @ .40 = \$3.20
 Reduced K-12 – 19 days @ .40 = \$7.60
 4K (M-W) – 9 days @ 1.65 = \$14.85
 4K (T-Th) – 8 days @ 1.65 = \$13.20
 K-5th grade – 19 days @ 1.65 = \$31.35
 6th – 12th grade – 19 days @ 1.90 = \$36.10

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Almond-Bancroft Welcomes Back Mr. Wagner

Mr. Wagner, A-B Tech. Ed. Instructor,
returns from his second tour of duty.

He left for his first tour in January of
2004. He returned in the middle of 2005, but his
unit was immediately sent to Africa in order to
assist with building water pipe lines. He finally
returned to A-B in September of 2005. Then Mr.
Wagner was sent on his second tour in June of 2010
for pre-deployment and shortly after was deployed
to Afghanistan. He
returned to the
States at the end of
August 2011.

We are grateful for
his service to our
country and
thankful for his
safe return.

Welcome Back
Mr. Wagner!



Mark your calendars.....

**The musical *Alice in Wonderland* will be performed at 7:00 pm on
Saturday, November 12th and at 2:00 pm on Sunday, November 13th.**

Tickets will go on sale on November 1st.

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