



# ALMOND-BANCROFT SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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*October/November 2022*

## Dates To Remember

- 10/4-Middle & High School Parent Teacher Conferences, 4:00-7:30pm
- 10/10-No School, Teacher In-service
- 10/19-Annual Meeting/Budget Hearing, 6:30 pm, Auditorium  
-Board Of Education Meeting, 7:15 pm, Board Room
- 10/27-Picture Re-Take Day
- 11/4-Half day for Students, End of Quarter
- 11/10-Elementary School Parent Teacher Conferences, 4:00-7:30pm
- 11/15-Elementary School Parent Teacher Conferences, 4:00-7:30pm
- 11/16-Board Of Education Meeting, 6:30 pm, Board Room
- 11/21-22-Virtual Days for Students
- 11/23-25- No School, Thanksgiving Break



## District Administrator Message

We have had an amazing start to the school year! The atmosphere around school is one of confidence and joy and celebration. It seems like we have been working so long through different restrictions that it was hard to find the good things that have been happening. That is not the case this year.

First and foremost, we have a fantastic staff who come together in so many different ways to support all of our students. Teachers are collaborating to make sure that what the students are learning each year builds on the year so that our students are ready to succeed when they leave our school. We have a new assessment, iReady, and teachers are analyzing the information and using its resources to meet the needs of our students. They are collaborating to brainstorm ideas on how best to support our students who are struggling academically and behaviorally. They consistently make decisions that are best for students. All staff, from teachers, administrators, aides, support staff, come to school every day with a smile on their faces ready to make a difference in the lives of our students.

Secondly, we have thoughtful, caring and engaged students. I have received several emails this year regarding our students and their thoughtfulness with other students and adults in and out of the district. Recently a group of senior students made a proposal to the school board to paint their parking spaces to show their school spirit. This was approved and you will see a much more colorful student parking lot in the near future. The student council has scheduled a bunch of fun activities that include all of our students for Homecoming week.

Thirdly, our parents and community are very supportive of our school district. This summer we had community members that took time out of their day to help make our school property beautiful. Every week I am amazed at how many parents and community members I see at the student activities and athletic events. We are now able to open our school back up to some volunteers, and we already have people who are interested in working with our students. The Eagle Booster Club has partnered with our Student Council to expand Homecoming activities to build school spirit and fun for all students.

Finally, our school board works together to provide resources, support and direction to our district that is always focused on making our schools, district and community better. They take time out of their schedules to do all of this work, and it has been a pleasure being a part of their team. October 2-8 is Wisconsin School Board Week and we are thankful for each one of our board members.

I recently attended the state superintendents' conference and had a lot of discussions with people from across the state. I couldn't be more proud to talk about all of the great things happening in Almond-Bancroft and express how happy I am to be leading this district. We have something special here, and I'm so glad that we can focus more on these great things this year.

Thank you for your continued support of our schools, teachers and students. Please feel free to reach out with any questions, concerns, suggestions or just to chat about what is going on in the district. I look forward to hearing from you!

Dr. Jodi Becker



### **Almond-Bancroft School District**

Jodi Becker  
District Administrator

Toni Schumacher  
PK-12 Principal  
Hallie Ritchay  
Director of Pupil Services

### School Board

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Keith Dernbach  
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It's going to be a great year!

This year's word is CELEBRATE and we are looking to celebrate our students, our school, our staff, and our community. Almond-Bancroft is full of good people doing good things and we need to make sure we are acknowledging as many as we can. The news is full of the sad and the bad, with very little time devoted to the good in the world. We see our staff and students doing things that should make us all proud, and we are; but do they know that? Do they understand how wonderful we think they are? They need to!

Sometimes at school we focus only on academic or extracurricular excellence. We definitely want to do that since, well, we are an academic institution; but there are so many more things to acknowledge. There are quiet acts of kindness and compassion. There are areas in which we see effort and improvement. We see people with amazing skills in organization, mechanics, or the arts (just to name a very few). This place is LOADED with good!

Some celebrations might be very small, an acknowledgment of something we saw, for example, the student who lent a fellow student a shirt for a kickball game, or the student who held the hand of a sad classmate. It might be something that shows improvement, such as a student who has had a lot of trouble with vocabulary quizzes getting 100s 3 times in a row. Maybe the day will come when no 5th grader needs to clean their locker - time to celebrate!

We focus so often on the big: the student who receives a prestigious scholarship, the team that wins in the playoffs. Will we still celebrate those things? You bet! But we also want to celebrate the good that shows up in so many other ways. It is going to be a year of celebration!

Toni Schumacher



## Welcome New Staff

Hi. My name is Brenda Sherman and I am pleased to be joining the team at Almond-Bancroft Schools as the Middle School Science Teacher. I received my Bachelor's degree from UW-Stevens Point some years ago, spent the last decade and a half in Southeastern Wisconsin, and am excited to be back in Central Wisconsin. In my free time I enjoy painting and drawing, reading and cooking. I am looking forward to joining the community and helping our students achieve their goals.

### Mark Your Calendars Almond-Bancroft High School Play

The play has been chosen for this year and it is called *2222: The Zombie Apocalypse*. Set in February 22, 2222. The dead become living, and living become dead. The only thing that can possibly survive.... is love. It's the zombie love story musical comedy. Opening soon in a theatre near you.... Just as soon as we finish filming it, which is just a soon as we finish writing it, but that's only if the zombies don't come to life for real. But maybe they already have....

**Performances will be November 12-13. Come join in on the spooky and hilarious fun!**

### Substitute Teachers Substitute Classroom Aides , & Kitchen Assistants Substitute Custodians

The Almond-Bancroft application can be found on the District website, hover over the District tab and click on Employment Opportunities.

Return application to:

Almond-Bancroft Schools  
Dr. Jodi Becker  
1336 Elm Street  
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If you would like additional information contact:  
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### Almond-Bancroft School District Mission Statement

The Almond-Bancroft School District, with support of families and community members, will provide a safe and supportive learning environment, which challenges and prepares each student for success today and tomorrow.

### Almond-Bancroft School District Vision Statement

We are a collaborative community focused on continued growth in opportunities, choices, and expectations for all students. We prepare self-motivated and responsible students to become well-rounded and successful citizens.

**NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING & ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING**

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the Almond-Bancroft School District that the Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting will be held in the Almond-Bancroft Auditorium on Wednesday October 19, 2022. Budget Hearing begins at 6:30 P.M. and the Annual Meeting begins 6:45 P.M. The summary of the preliminary budget is printed below. Detailed copies of the budget are available for review in the district office at 1336 Elm Street, Almond, WI.

Debbie Bradley, Clerk.

<b>ALMOND-BANCROFT SCHOOL DISTRICT'S BUDGET ADOPTION 2022-23</b>			
<b>GENERAL FUND (FUND 10)</b>	<b>Audited 2020-21</b>	<b>Unaudited 2021-22</b>	<b>Budget 2022-23</b>
Beginning Fund Balance (Account 930 000)	1,443,157.65	1,707,689.52	1,710,421.62
Ending Fund Balance, Nonspendable (Acct. 935 000)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ending Fund Balance, Restricted (Acct. 936 000)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ending Fund Balance, Committed (Acct. 937 000)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ending Fund Balance, Assigned (Acct. 938 000)	1,707,689.52	1,710,421.62	1,710,421.61
Ending Fund Balance, Unassigned (Acct. 939 000)	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL ENDING FUND BALANCE (ACCT. 930 000)</b>	<b>1,707,689.52</b>	<b>1,710,421.62</b>	<b>1,710,421.61</b>
<b>REVENUES &amp; OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>			
100 Transfers-in	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Local Sources</b>			
210 Taxes	1,912,463.14	1,557,480.70	1,380,109.00
240 Payments for Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
260 Non-Capital Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00
270 School Activity Income	2,253.70	12,529.06	10,000.00
280 Interest on Investments	8,834.98	3,472.30	3,560.00
290 Other Revenue, Local Sources	8,224.26	11,826.79	9,000.00
<b>Subtotal Local Sources</b>	<b>1,931,776.08</b>	<b>1,585,308.85</b>	<b>1,402,669.00</b>
<b>Other School Districts Within Wisconsin</b>			
310 Transit of Aids	5,903.00	5,454.00	2,730.00
340 Payments for Services	260,384.00	243,835.00	222,048.00
380 Medical Service Reimbursements	0.00	0.00	0.00
390 Other Inter-district, Within Wisconsin	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Subtotal Other School Districts within Wisconsin</b>	<b>266,287.00</b>	<b>249,289.00</b>	<b>224,778.00</b>
<b>Other School Districts Outside Wisconsin</b>			
440 Payments for Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
490 Other Inter-district, Outside Wisconsin	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Subtotal Other School Districts Outside Wisconsin</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Intermediate Sources</b>			
510 Transit of Aids	4,631.64	4,431.29	4,400.00
530 Payments for Services from CCDEB	0.00	0.00	0.00
540 Payments for Services from CESA	0.00	0.00	0.00
580 Medical Services Reimbursement	0.00	0.00	0.00
590 Other Intermediate Sources	957.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Subtotal Intermediate Sources</b>	<b>5,588.64</b>	<b>4,431.29</b>	<b>4,400.00</b>
<b>State Sources</b>			
610 State Aid -- Categorical	45,274.00	47,192.00	46,000.00
620 State Aid -- General	3,046,953.00	3,346,147.00	3,566,633.00
630 DPI Special Project Grants	4,735.64	10,760.30	17,200.00
640 Payments for Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
650 Student Achievement Guarantee in Education (SAGE Grant)	141,537.00	144,706.36	145,000.00
660 Other State Revenue Through Local Units	31,471.55	28,153.97	28,000.00
690 Other Revenue	564,693.41	559,696.19	563,594.00
<b>Subtotal State Sources</b>	<b>3,834,664.60</b>	<b>4,136,655.82</b>	<b>4,366,427.00</b>
<b>Federal Sources</b>			
710 Federal Aid - Categorical	0.00	0.00	0.00
720 Impact Aid	0.00	0.00	0.00
730 DPI Special Project Grants	162,698.46	335,894.00	292,525.08
750 IASA Grants	95,625.00	84,814.00	73,548.00
760 JTPA	0.00	0.00	0.00
770 Other Federal Revenue Through Local Units	0.00	0.00	0.00
780 Other Federal Revenue Through State	0.00	74,245.00	55,734.00
790 Other Federal Revenue - Direct	32,234.00	39,074.00	42,462.00
<b>Subtotal Federal Sources</b>	<b>290,557.46</b>	<b>534,027.00</b>	<b>464,269.08</b>

<b>Other Financing Sources</b>			
850 Reorganization Settlement	0.00	0.00	0.00
860 Compensation, Fixed Assets	935.00	0.00	500.00
870 Long-Term Obligations	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Subtotal Other Financing Sources</b>	<b>935.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>500.00</b>
<b>Other Revenues</b>			
960 Adjustments	0.00	0.00	0.00
970 Refund of Disbursement	5,093.83	13,193.64	6,500.00
980 Medical Service Reimbursement	0.00	0.00	0.00
990 Miscellaneous	7,959.08	12,528.43	2,000.00
<b>Subtotal Other Revenues</b>	<b>13,052.91</b>	<b>25,722.07</b>	<b>8,500.00</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES &amp; OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>	<b>6,342,861.69</b>	<b>6,535,434.03</b>	<b>6,471,543.08</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES &amp; OTHER FINANCING USES</b>			
<b>Instruction</b>			
110 000 Undifferentiated Curriculum	890,123.33	995,603.71	1,024,137.84
120 000 Regular Curriculum	1,090,732.05	1,281,216.23	1,390,236.72
130 000 Vocational Curriculum	149,650.63	154,011.64	116,738.22
140 000 Physical Curriculum	154,477.71	168,379.70	123,098.89
160 000 Co-Curricular Activities	148,881.08	170,160.23	171,018.33
170 000 Other Special Needs	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Subtotal Instruction</b>	<b>2,433,864.80</b>	<b>2,769,371.51</b>	<b>2,825,230.00</b>
<b>Support Sources</b>			
210 000 Pupil Services	39,404.48	65,896.01	71,705.55
220 000 Instructional Staff Services	213,360.76	141,822.99	138,168.73
230 000 General Administration	217,942.59	217,094.07	230,491.60
240 000 School Building Administration	209,492.29	190,186.47	220,199.28
250 000 Business Administration	1,004,157.80	891,749.85	1,011,496.18
260 000 Central Services	19,354.55	59,733.34	19,135.00
270 000 Insurance & Judgments	43,388.00	48,551.95	50,511.00
280 000 Debt Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
290 000 Other Support Services	308,405.63	219,146.27	191,842.52
<b>Subtotal Support Sources</b>	<b>2,053,506.10</b>	<b>1,834,180.95</b>	<b>1,933,549.85</b>
<b>Non-Program Transactions</b>			
410 000 Inter-fund Transfers	667,503.38	942,939.73	773,535.23
430 000 Instructional Service Payments	923,455.54	975,249.75	939,228.00
450 000 Post-Secondary Scholarship Expenditures	0.00	0.00	0.00
490 000 Other Non-Program Transactions	0.00	10,960.00	0.00
<b>Subtotal Non-Program Transactions</b>	<b>1,590,958.92</b>	<b>1,929,149.48</b>	<b>1,712,763.23</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES &amp; OTHER FINANCING USES</b>	<b>6,078,329.82</b>	<b>6,532,701.93</b>	<b>6,471,543.08</b>

<b>SPECIAL PROJECT FUNDS (FUNDS 21, 23, 27, 29)</b>	<b>Audited 2020-21</b>	<b>Unaudited 2021-22</b>	<b>Budget 2022-23</b>
900 000 Beginning Fund Balance	63,901.78	59,148.16	557,187.89
<b>900 000 Ending Fund Balance</b>	<b>59,148.16</b>	<b>557,187.89</b>	<b>552,587.89</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES &amp; OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>	<b>855,472.78</b>	<b>1,486,493.82</b>	<b>1,051,100.28</b>
100 000 Instruction	440,262.04	511,339.22	558,937.18
200 000 Support Services	251,964.36	277,272.19	307,763.09
400 000 Non-Program Transactions	168,000.00	199,842.68	189,000.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES &amp; OTHER FINANCING USES</b>	<b>860,226.40</b>	<b>988,454.09</b>	<b>1,055,700.28</b>

<b>DEBT SERVICE FUND (FUNDS 38, 39)</b>	<b>Audited 2020-21</b>	<b>Unaudited 2021-22</b>	<b>Budget 2022-23</b>
900 000 Beginning Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>900 000 ENDING FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES &amp; OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>	<b>65,633.62</b>	<b>65,633.62</b>	<b>65,633.62</b>
281 000 Long-Term Capital Debt	65,633.62	65,633.62	65,633.62
282 000 Refinancing	0.00	0.00	0.00
283 000 Operational Debt	0.00	0.00	0.00
285 000 Post Employment Benefit Debt	0.00	0.00	0.00
289 000 Other Long-Term General Obligation Debt	0.00	0.00	0.00
400 000 Non-Program Transactions	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES &amp; OTHER FINANCING USES</b>	<b>65,633.62</b>	<b>65,633.62</b>	<b>65,633.62</b>
<b>842 000 INDEBTEDNESS, END OF YEAR</b>	<b>147,313.65</b>	<b>86,467.72</b>	<b>23,644.30</b>

<b>CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND (FUNDS 41, 46, 48, 49)</b>	<b>Audited 2020-21</b>	<b>Unaudited 2021-22</b>	<b>Budget 2022-23</b>
900 000 Beginning Fund Balance	78,069.86	128,776.42	424,098.72
<b>900 000 Ending Fund Balance</b>	<b>128,776.42</b>	<b>424,098.72</b>	<b>445,701.05</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES &amp; OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>	<b>50,706.56</b>	<b>295,322.30</b>	<b>21,602.33</b>
100 000 Instructional Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
200 000 Support Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
300 000 Community Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
400 000 Non-Program Transactions	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES &amp; OTHER FINANCING USES</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>

<b>FOOD SERVICE FUND (FUND 50)</b>	<b>Audited 2020-21</b>	<b>Unaudited 2021-22</b>	<b>Budget 2022-23</b>
900 000 Beginning Fund Balance	18,104.14	23,695.02	90,808.38
<b>900 000 ENDING FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>23,695.02</b>	<b>90,808.38</b>	<b>95,674.81</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES &amp; OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>	<b>200,498.82</b>	<b>297,697.37</b>	<b>237,804.84</b>
200 000 Support Services	194,907.94	230,584.01	232,938.41
400 000 Non-Program Transactions	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES &amp; OTHER FINANCING USES</b>	<b>194,907.94</b>	<b>230,584.01</b>	<b>232,938.41</b>

<b>COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND (FUND 80)</b>	<b>Audited 2020-21</b>	<b>Unaudited 2021-22</b>	<b>Budget 2022-23</b>
900 000 Beginning Fund Balance	26,596.16	17,034.39	15,952.78
<b>900 000 ENDING FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>17,034.39</b>	<b>15,952.78</b>	<b>12,054.08</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES &amp; OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>	<b>30,000.00</b>	<b>40,000.00</b>	<b>40,000.00</b>
200 000 Support Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
300 000 Community Services	39,561.77	41,081.61	43,898.70
400 000 Non-Program Transactions	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES &amp; OTHER FINANCING USES</b>	<b>39,561.77</b>	<b>41,081.61</b>	<b>43,898.70</b>

**Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses**

<b>ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>Audited 2020-21</b>	<b>Unaudited 2021-22</b>	<b>Budget 2022-23</b>
<b>GROSS TOTAL EXPENDITURES -- ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>7,238,659.55</b>	<b>7,858,455.26</b>	<b>7,869,714.09</b>
Interfund Transfers (Source 100) - ALL FUNDS	667,503.38	942,939.73	773,535.23
Refinancing Expenditures (FUND 30)	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>NET TOTAL EXPENDITURES -- ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>6,571,156.17</b>	<b>6,915,515.53</b>	<b>7,096,178.86</b>
<b>PERCENTAGE INCREASE -- NET TOTAL FUND EXPENDITURES FROM PRIOR YEAR</b>		<b>5.24%</b>	<b>2.61%</b>

**PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY**

<b>FUND</b>	<b>Audited 2020-21</b>	<b>Unaudited 2021-22</b>	<b>Budget 2022-23</b>
General Fund	1,910,305.00	1,555,440.00	1,378,109.00
Referendum Debt Service Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-Referendum Debt Service Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Capital Expansion Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Community Service Fund	30,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
<b>TOTAL SCHOOL LEVY</b>	<b>1,940,305.00</b>	<b>1,595,440.00</b>	<b>1,418,109.00</b>
<b>PERCENTAGE INCREASE -- TOTAL LEVY FROM PRIOR YEAR</b>		<b>-17.77%</b>	<b>-11.11%</b>

<b>Mil Rate</b>	<b>9.48</b>	<b>7.41</b>	<b>5.67</b>
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## Reading Tips for Parents:

### Getting the Most Out of Nonfiction Reading Time

Reading together remains one of the most important things adults can do with their young learner. Today, recommendations include reading information or nonfiction books with much more regularity. Nonfiction books present many opportunities to learn new concepts and vocabulary, as well as broaden a student's view of the world. Nonfiction books are written differently than picture books in that there are often more pictures, graphics, charts, and photographs included within the pages. Parents can ease the transition into more nonfiction reading by encouraging their child to preview a book before reading and to be an active reader who asks lots of questions.

Mrs. Menadue  
Reading Interventionist

## Thank You From 2nd Grade

I have some exciting news to share! With the help of friends, family members, and community members we were able to purchase a Social Emotional Learning program for 2nd grade called Slumberkins. Slumberkins is dedicated to helping families raise caring, confident, and resilient children through affirmations, stories and creature characters. I was able to purchase all of the Slumberkins creatures, big books, curriculum, and additional creatures. I can't wait to see the emotional growth in the second grade class this year! Thank you to all that made contributions to make this happen!

There is still time to donate to the cause if you'd like as well. If you'd like to donate, please email [sperzinski@abschools.k12.wi.us](mailto:sperzinski@abschools.k12.wi.us) and I can get you the link to donate.

Mrs. Perzinski



## WASHINGTON D.C. TRIP 2023

We are excited to announce plans for another Washington D.C. trip for June of 2023. The D.C. Trip has quickly become a A-B tradition. Due to the success and popularity of the previous trips, the school district will once again make the trip available this coming June for the current Freshman and Sophomore classes. Plans for the trip have already been greeted by an outpouring of interest from students and families. The trip will take place over the dates of June 11th-16th, 2023. At \$675 the trip cost includes all lodging, transportation and entry to all venues such as Gettysburg, Mt. Vernon, Arlington National Cemetery, the U.S. Capitol building, and the many other famous memorials and landmarks.

This fall, participants will be conducting a Fund Run fundraiser to help raise support for the trip. In past years, supporters have also partnered by supporting fundraiser participants or have gone as far as to sponsor the entire cost of a trip anonymously through our scholarship program. Other supporters have donated toward the overall cost of the trip for all participants. Please consider partnering with the district, or a participant's family close to you, to help make this trip a reality for all of our students. If you would like more information on how to help support this cause, please contact me directly or through the main office.

Thank you for the continued support in helping to make this awesome opportunity a reality for so many!

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# EAGLES SPORTLIGHT

## Varsity Football In Action.....

### Eagles Athletic Events

- 10/3-MS volleyball @ Tri-County, 4:30 pm
- 10/4-MS football home vs. Tri-County, 6:00 pm  
-HS volleyball @ Pacelli, JV 6:00 pm and varsity 7:30 pm
- 10/6-MS volleyball home vs. Pittsville, 5:00 pm  
-HS volleyball @ Marion, JV 6:00 pm and varsity 7:15 pm
- 10/7-HS football @ Port Edwards, 4:00 pm
- 10/11-MS football @ Port Edwards, 4:00 pm  
-MS volleyball @ St. Peter, 4:30 pm
- 10/13-HS volleyball home vs. Tigerton, JV 6:00 pm and varsity 7:15 pm
- 10/14-HS football @ Tigerton, 7:00 pm
- 10/21-HS football home vs. Wild Rose, 7:00 pm
- 11/3-MS boys basketball home vs. Rosholt, 5:00 pm
- 11/7-MS boys basketball @ Tri-County, 5:00 pm
- 11/10-MS boys basketball home vs. Pittsville, 5:00 pm
- 11/12-HS girls basketball scrimmage @ Weyauwega-Fremont, 9:00 am
- 11/14-MS boys basketball @ St. Peter, 5:00 pm
- 11/15-MS boys basketball @ Port Edwards, 5:30 pm
- 11/17-HS girls basketball @ Marion, JV 5:45 pm and varsity 7:00 pm
- 11/21-MS boys basketball home vs. Wild Rose 5:00 pm  
-HS girls basketball home vs. Weyauwega-Fremont, JV 5:45 pm and varsity 7:00 pm
- 11/22-HS boys basketball home vs. Manawa, JV 5:45 pm and varsity 7:00 pm
- 11/28-MS boys basketball @ Rosholt, 5:00 pm
- 11/29-HS boys basketball @ Northland Lutheran, JV 6:00 pm and varsity 7:15 pm  
-HS girls basketball @ Stockbridge, 6:30 pm

*\*Schedule is subject to change.*



GO EAGLES!			
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### ...Lamb to Klismith for the TD!

*High School football team photo not available at time of printing.*



## Eagle Booster Club

### Join Us!!!!

#### It benefits your child ages K-12!

Eagle Booster Club supports All sports for All students and All teams. We are always looking for more ways to support all students!

#### It benefits the school!

Supporting student activities contributes to a positive school atmosphere.

#### It benefits you!

When you participate in Booster Club meetings and events, you have a voice and a part in helping the school and community.

## What do we do?

- Award scholarships
- Provide equipment, apparel, and uniforms for athletics
- Assist in facility upkeep and improvements
- Sponsor camps
- Sponsor tournaments
- Purchase items for training room
- Provide meals for seasonal sports banquets
- Sponsor awards
- Support HOCO and tailgate party

#### Have questions?

Contact a Booster Club Officer:  
Keith Dernbach, President 715-340-1930  
Chad Newby, Vice President 715-252-2267  
Nicole Dernbach, Treasurer 715-340-3389  
April Stiles, Secretary 715-340-4250 or astiles123@gmail.com

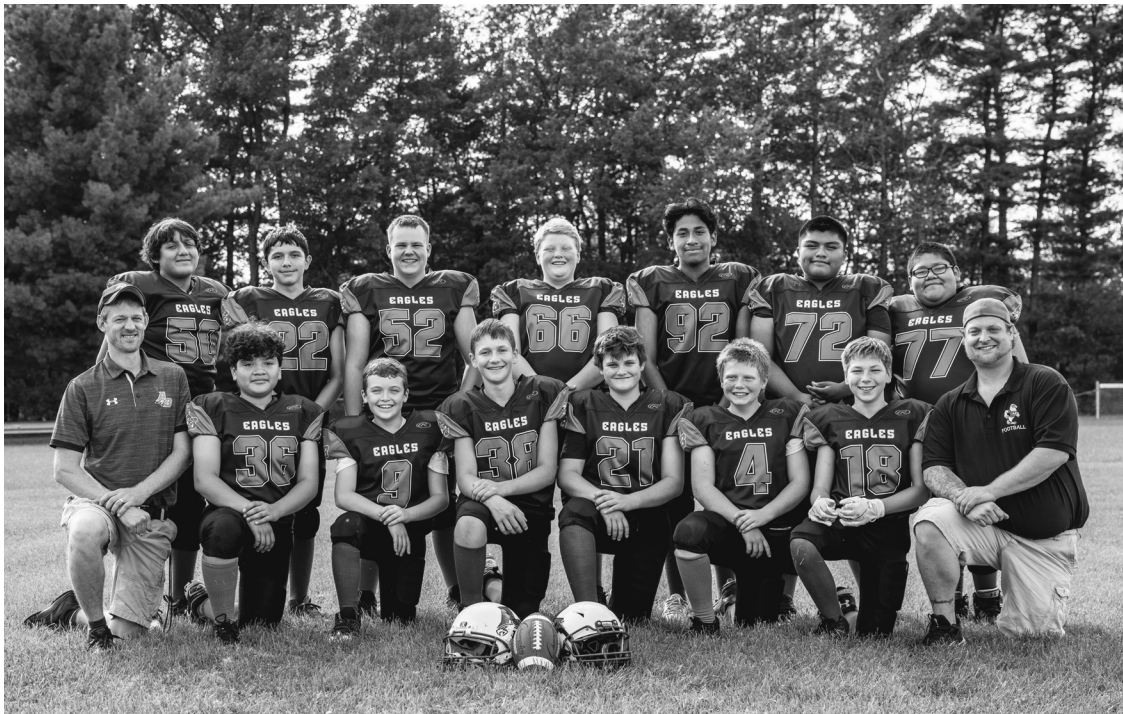
We meet the third Sunday of each month @ 7 pm in the auditorium. Please join us and share your ideas to help support students!

# Middle School Football

Back row (L to R): Malachi Ramirez, Kaden Martinez, Shawn Carpenter, Blake Williams, David Castellanos, Milton Perez-Pacheco, Eddie Ortiz

Front: Coach Steuerwald, Jared Pena, Jackson Barden, Karson Garner, Tucker Stiles, Jon Curtin, Hazen Garlow, Coach Dahl

Not pictured: Odin Cousineau



# 8th Grade Volleyball

Back row (L to R): Lacie Bradley, Callie Warzynski, Delaney Omernick, Tia Dernbach, Coach Newby Duchow  
Front: Lexi Carlton, Emersyn Budelier, Aubree Wojcik, Sophia Chapa



# 7th Grade Volleyball

Back row (L to R): Coach Klismith, Macy McCracken, Alexa Sanchez, Nora Lein, Addisyn Phillips, Anahi Aguirre, Madi Banda, Tia Dernbach, Sophia Chapa  
Front: Diana Garcia, Hailie Pavelski, Brystol Christianson, Audrinna Sikorski, Makayla Peskie, Indigo Sheffy, Kassidy Warzynski



# Varsity Volleyball



Back row (L to R): Coach Grote, Lexi Dernbach, Destiny Kiefer, Madalyn Potts, Mya Dernbach, Mckenze Kowalski, Emalee Petrick, Coach Hintz  
 Middle: Riya Ceballos, Felicity Budelier, Raegen Omernik, Messina Meddaugh  
 Front: Gracelyn Breitenstein, Jillian Newby  
 Not pictured: Coach Winn

# Junior Varsity Volleyball



Back row (L to R): Coach Hintz, Valerie Banda, Destiny Kiefer, Isabelle Behnke, Aubree Phillips, Oakley Omernik, Mckenze Kowalski, Coach Grote  
 Front: Alyssa Borski, Camryn Wade, Laney Carlton, Kerstyn Clark, Aaliyah Newby, Riya Ceballos  
 Not pictured: Coach Winn

*-Middle School Football and High School Volleyball Team Photos Courtesy of Emily Wysocki, MLE Photo Art.*

*-Middle School Volleyball Team Photos Courtesy of Brock Raabe.*

## Trick-or-Treat Dates & Times

### Village of Almond

Friday, October 28th  
5:00-7:00 p.m.

Turn on your outside lights if you want trick-or-treaters to visit. Make sure to visit the Almond-Bancroft School (District Office Doors) and the Almond Fire Department too.



### Town of Pine Grove -Bancroft

Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>  
3:00 to 6:00 P.M.

If you want children to stop at your home for treats, please leave your light on. The Fire Department and EMS will also have treats, stop in and visit them!

## Almond Lions Club

### Annual Halloween Party

Costume Contest, Games & prizes!

Where: Almond-Bancroft East Gym

When: Friday, October 28, 2022

Time: 7:00-8:00 pm

Ages: Infant to 5th grade



## THE ALMOND BUSY BEES 4-H CLUB WILL BE COLLECTING CANNED GOODS OR NONPERISHABLE ITEMS FOR OPERATION BOOTSTRAP.

Please leave your porch lights on if you want us to stop by during the Village of Almond Trick-or-Treating on Friday, October 28, 2022 from 5-7pm .



The Almond Busy Bees 4-H Club is looking for new members to join in the fun. Our projects include animals, from rabbits and dogs to cattle, sheep, goats, and pigs, home, garden and crafts,

to name a few. Contact General Leader Barb Kasprovicz at 715-630-5663 for more information if you are interested in Making the Best Better with 4-H!

## THANK YOU

A big thank you to the Oasis Prairie Ramblers 4-H club for their donation of school supplies! Pictured are Karson and Kylie Garner, who delivered the supplies, which were purchased with money that was donated to the club during the Waushara County Livestock animal sale. The club chose to use the money to give back to the communities that were represented by the club officers. The supplies are greatly appreciated!



FREE EVENT!

## Fall 2022 Portage County Prescription Drug Take Back

Bring unwanted, unneeded, or expired prescriptions and over-the-counter medications in their original container for disposal.

**Please remove the patient's name, but leave the identity of the medication intact.**

- | Accepted Items: | Items <u>not</u> accepted:      |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| • Pills         | • Inhalers                      |
| • Syrups        | • Oxygen Tanks                  |
| • Salves        | • Nebulizers                    |
| • Creams        | • Sharps                        |
| • Capsules      | • Radioactive Cancer Medication |

Contact Portage County Solid Waste at 715-346-1931 for information on how to dispose of items not accepted.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24  
11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.  
ROSHOLT CAFE - ROSHOLT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29  
8 A.M.-NOON  
LINCOLN CENTER - STEVENS POINT

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26  
11:30 A.M.-1:00 P.M.  
JENSEN CENTER - AMHERST

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29  
12:30 P.M.-2 P.M.  
COMMUNITY CENTER - ALMOND

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27  
11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.  
VILLAGE PARK LODGE  
JUNCTION CITY



Prescriptions can also be disposed of at the Portage County Sheriff's Office drop box, or the Stevens Point or Plover Police Departments drop boxes.

Sponsored by the Portage County Coalition for Alcohol & Drug Abuse Prevention, Portage County Sheriff's Office, the Stevens Point Police Department, and the Jensen Center.

# FREE SCHOOL VACCINATIONS,

REGARDLESS OF INSURANCE AND WHILE SUPPLIES LASTS



By appointment only.  
Please call to schedule.  
**(715) 345-5889**

Vaccines available

Polio, MMR, Hep B,  
Varicella, HPV,  
Meningococcal, Tdap,  
Influenza, COVID-19  
(Pfizer)

COVID PRECAUTIONS

Please come at the scheduled time of your appointment. If in the last 10 days you have been exposed or tested positive for COVID and/or are currently ill, we ask that you do not come to your scheduled appointment.

**October 15th, 2022**

**Time: 10AM - 2PM**

RUTH GILFRY BUILDING  
817 WHITING AVE  
STEVENS POINT, WI 54481



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A MASK IN OUR CLINIC SETTING!



PORTAGE COUNTY  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
Division of Public Health

## Vaccine Age Recommendations

VACCINE TYPE	AGE
Polio <small>(4 dose series)</small>	2 months, 4 months, 6 months-18 months, 4-6 years
MMR <small>(2 dose series)</small>	12-18 months, 4-6 years
Hep B <small>(3 dose series)</small>	birth, 1-2 months, 6 months-18 months
Tdap <small>(1 dose series)</small>	11-12 years old
Varicella <small>(2 dose series)</small>	12-18 months, 4-6 years
Influenza <small>(Yearly)</small>	6 months and older
HPV <small>(2 dose series)</small>	11-12 years old (can start at 9)
MENINGOCOCCAL <small>(2 dose series)</small>	16-18 years old
COVID <small>(2-3 dose series*)</small>	6 months and older. Booster for those 5 and older *Talk to provider about an additional dose for those immunocompromised

## Boys & Girls Club Almond-Bancroft Ext.

We are very sad to announce, due to low staffing, we are unable to open the Almond-Bancroft Extension on September 6th.

If you are interested or know of someone that might be interested, please visit our website at [www.bgclubpc.org/employment](http://www.bgclubpc.org/employment) to learn more or to apply. We are looking to hire:

**Site Coordinator  
and  
Program Leader**

We are very sorry the inconvenience this may cause our families in Almond-Bancroft but do know we are working very diligently to open this site.

If you are interested in signing your child up for BGC we will put your child on a wait-list and contact you as soon as we are able to open.

- Boys & Girls Club of Portage County



If you have any questions, please contact Dana Kaminski, Director of Rural Programming at [dana.kaminski@bgclubpc.org](mailto:dana.kaminski@bgclubpc.org)

## THE FARMSHED LOCAL FOOD FUNDRAISER

**ORDER NOW THROUGH NOV. 10TH**

All proceeds will go to A-B Partners in Education (PIE) to benefit students 4k-12.

This year's fundraiser has so many wonderful and locally made or grown products such as: many types of produce, popcorn, coffee, maple syrup, egg rolls, honey, gift cards, gifts, and more!

Stock up on gift cards for stocking stuffers and get your pantry ready for fall with yummy local food!

Order pick-up will take place November 16th from 4:30-6:30 in the west gym lobby.

Thank you for your support!

**ALL ORDERING IS ONLINE AT:**  
**[www.farmshed.org](http://www.farmshed.org)**  
(Scroll down until you see A-B School.)



# **Free School Meals for All Have Ended**

*-Families must now apply and qualify for Free and Reduced Meals.*

Dear Almond-Bancroft Public Schools Families,

Welcome to the 2022-2023 School Year! The Almond-Bancroft Schools Food Service Department is proud to serve healthy and delicious meals to our PK-12 students. While meals were free for all families the last few years with funding provided through USDA COVID-19 waivers, we have returned to a Paid meal structure because the waivers expired on the last day of school in June 2022. ***This means families must apply for Free and Reduced Price Meals if they wish to receive financial assistance for meals during the 2022-2023 school year.***

**For the 2022-23 school year, Almond-Bancroft student meal prices will be as follows:**

Breakfast: PK-12<sup>th</sup> grade **\$1.70**

Lunch: PK-5<sup>th</sup> grade **\$2.45** and 6th-12<sup>th</sup> grade **\$2.70**

Morning Milk: PK-5<sup>th</sup> grade **\$.35**

All families have the opportunity to complete a Free and Reduced Price Meal Application, the application, instructions, and frequently asked questions are included in this newsletter and was included with the student registration packet mailing sent out in early August. The application is also located on the school district website, [abschools.k12.wi.us](http://abschools.k12.wi.us), under Family Resources tab.

***If you have recently received a letter stating your family is automatically eligible to receive free price meals through Direct Certification for the 2022-2023 school year, you have all ready been approved and do not need to complete an application.***

**You may apply for Free and Reduced Price Meals three different ways:**

- 1) Email a copy of the completed application to [twarzynski@abschools.k12.wi.us](mailto:twarzynski@abschools.k12.wi.us).
- 2) Mail a paper copy to:  
Almond-Bancroft Public Schools Attn: Food Service Director  
1336 Elm Street  
Almond, WI 54909
- 3) Return a completed application to the main office at any time.

***We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information.***

**Frequently Asked Questions:**

1) *I don't have a way to print the online form, can I request a paper copy?* Yes! Email [twarzynski@abschools.k12.wi.us](mailto:twarzynski@abschools.k12.wi.us) or call 715-366-2941 ext. 422 and we will mail you a copy of the application and instructions.

2) *My family qualified for Free or Reduced price meals last school year, do I need to re-apply?* Yes! Applications are only active for one school year, with a very short carryover period at the beginning of the next school year. Submit your application as soon as possible.

3) *I received a letter stating my family automatically qualified for FREE meals - do I need to fill out an application?* No, you are set for the 2022-2023 school year. Contact Trina Warzynski at 715-366-2941 ext. 422 to verify the information. Additionally, if there are students in your household that are not listed on the letter, contact Trina Warzynski as soon as possible.

4) *I received a letter stating my family automatically qualified for REDUCED meals- do I need to fill out an application?* You may choose to complete an application to see if your household qualifies for Free meals. You may also choose to keep the reduced price status. Contact Trina Warzynski at 715-366-2941 ext. 422 to verify the information. Additionally, if there are students in your household that are not listed on the letter, contact Trina Warzynski as soon as possible.

5) *My family does not need this benefit at this time, but may need it in the fall, can I apply at a later date?* Yes! We accept Free and Reduced Price School Meal Applications throughout the entire school year. You may apply at any point in time. Additionally, if your family does not qualify the first time you apply and your situation changes, you may always re-apply.

**Additionally, please read through our School Lunch Policies for more information. School policies are located on the school website, [abschools.k12.wi.us](http://abschools.k12.wi.us). Go to the DISTRICT tab, Board of Education tab, under DISTRICT POLICIES click on the 700 Series: Support Services bar, then click on the food service management policies and rules.**

Contact Trina Warzynski at 715-366-2941 ext. 422 or [twarzynski@abschools.k12.wi.us](mailto:twarzynski@abschools.k12.wi.us) with any questions.

# Almond-Bancroft Menus: October 2022

## Breakfast Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>3</b> Breakfast Pizza	<b>4</b> Oatmeal Toast	<b>5</b> French Toast Sticks	<b>6</b> Cereal Breakfast Kit	<b>7</b> Bagel and Cream Cheese Yogurt
<b>10</b> <b>No School</b>	<b>11</b> Waffle	<b>12</b> Cereal Breakfast Kit	<b>13</b> Breakfast Bar	<b>14</b> Cinnamon Roll Yogurt
<b>17</b> Pancake Wrapped Sausage on Stick	<b>18</b> Breakfast Pizza	<b>19</b> Cereal Breakfast Kit	<b>20</b> Scrambled Eggs Sausage Toast	<b>21</b> Bagel and Cream Cheese Yogurt
<b>24</b> Frudel Yogurt	<b>25</b> Cereal Breakfast Kit	<b>26</b> Oatmeal Toast	<b>27</b> Poptart Yogurt	<b>28</b> Apple Turnover Yogurt
<b>31</b> Cereal Breakfast Kit				

### Breakfast Prices:

Reduced: No Charge

4K (M-Th): 16 days @ \$1.70=\$27.20

K-12<sup>th</sup> Grade: 20 days @ \$1.70 = \$34.00

### Juice Included with Breakfast

#### Choices:

- Apple Cherry
- Apple
- Grape
- Orange

Single item price \$0.50

### Milk Included with Every Meal

#### Choices:

- Skim
- 1% White
- F/F Chocolate

Single item price \$0.35

### 4K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom Milk Break:

\$0.35 a day or free with an approved free/reduced application

## Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>3</b> Garlic Cheese Bread Salad Fruit of the Day	<b>4</b> BBQ Pork on Bun Hash Brown Baked Beans Fruit of the Day	<b>5</b> Corn Dogs Ravioli Green Beans Fruit of the Day	<b>6</b> Baked Chicken Mashed Potatoes Whole Grain Bread Corn Fruit of the Day	<b>7</b> Popcorn Chicken French Fries Carrots Fruit of the Day
<b>10</b> <b>No School</b>	<b>11</b> Pizza Salad Bar Fruit of the Day	<b>12</b> Frito Chili Veggies & Dip Fruit of the Day	<b>13</b> Chicken Gravy Mashed Potatoes Whole Grain Bread Peas Fruit of the Day	<b>14</b> Tacos Hard or Soft Shell Corn Fruit of the Day
<b>17</b> Beefy Nachos Corn Fruit of the Day	<b>18</b> Hamburger on Bun Tater Barrels Baked Beans Fruit of the Day	<b>19</b> Scalloped Potatoes & Ham Whole Grain Bread Carrots Fruit of the Day	<b>20</b> Hamburger Gravy Mashed Potatoes Whole Grain Bread Green Beans Fruit of the Day	<b>21</b> Quesadilla Broccoli Fruit of the Day
<b>24</b> Pizza Dippers Salad Fruit of the Day	<b>25</b> Mostaccioli Salad Fruit of the Day	<b>26</b> Meatballs Mashed Potatoes Whole Grain Bread <b>Corn</b> Fruit of the Day	<b>27</b> Chicken Alfredo Green Beans Fruit of the Day	<b>28</b> Cheeseburger Hot Dish Peas Fruit of the Day
<b>31</b> Cheese Fries Salad Bar Fruit of the Day				

Fresh fruit may be served as an additional option with breakfast and lunch.

Menu is subject to change.

### Lunch Prices:

Reduced 4K (M-Th): 16 days @ \$0.40= \$6.40

Reduced K-12: 20 days @ \$0.40 = \$8.00

4K (M-Th): 16 days @ \$2.45= \$39.20

K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade: 20 days @ \$2.45 = \$49.00

6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade: 20 days @ \$2.70 = \$54.00

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

## Wisconsin School Board Week set for Oct. 2-8

The Wisconsin Association of School Boards has designated Oct. 2-8 as Wisconsin School Board Week as a time to build awareness and understanding of the vital function an elected board of education plays in our communities. Almond-Bancroft Public Schools is joining all public school districts across the state to celebrate Wisconsin School Board Week to honor local board members for their commitment to Almond-Bancroft and its children.

"It takes strong schools to build a strong community, and these men and women devote countless hours to making sure our schools are helping every child learn at a higher level," District Administrator, Dr. Jodi Becker said. "School board members give the Almond-Bancroft citizens a voice in education decision making. Even though we make a special effort to show our appreciation in October, their contribution is a year-round commitment."



### NOTICE OF ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the Almond-Bancroft School District, consisting of the Village of Almond, Towns of Almond, Belmont, Buena Vista, Lanark, and Pine Grove - all being in Portage County; Towns of Oasis and Rose - both being in Waushara County; State of Wisconsin; that the annual meeting, including the budget hearing (Wisconsin Statutes 66.94(4) and 40.08(1)) of said school district for the adoption of a tax levy and the transaction of all other business, will be held on **Wednesday, October 19, 2022, at 6:30 PM at the Almond-Bancroft School District Auditorium, 1336 Elm Street, Almond, WI 54909.**

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022.  
Debbie Bradley, District Clerk

Almond-Bancroft School  
1336 Elm St  
Almond, WI 54909

### QUILTING TUTORIAL

**Thursday, October 20th at 4:00 pm**

Location:  
Almond Branch Library  
122 Main Street  
Almond, WI 54909  
715-366-2151

Intended for ages 10-100  
Complete a fall-themed program at a personalized level with expert help from the Golden Needle Quilt Guild.

**Registration is requested, as space is limited.**

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