# ALMOND-BANCROFT SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER <br> 1336 Elm St <br> ALMOND, WI 54909 WWW.ABSCHOOLS.K12.WI.US 

## ALMOND-BANCROFT 2012 VALEDICTORIN AND ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

## May Dates To Remember



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.


Jeanette Colombe has earned the position of salutatorian for the 2012 graduating class. Jeanette has always been an outstanding student who puts forth her best effort in everything she does. She has been involved in many clubs throughout high school, including National Honor Society, Spanish Club, Quiz Bowl, ACES, Mock Trial, Solo/Ensemble, and Band. She was also selected to participate in Teen Leadership Portage County her sophomore year, a county-wide program that develops leadership skills and civic responsibility. Throughout high school, Jeanette has volunteered her time at the Portage County Humane Society, as a junior camp counselor at Central Wisconsin Environmental Station, and helping build a handicapped -accessible trail at the Ice Age Trail around Bohn Lake. Jeanette will continue her education by attending UW-Stevens Point this fall and double majoring in Music and Communications. With these degrees, she hopes to become a music therapist because it combines her passion for music with helping people.

High School Student Of The Week
March 12 - March 15


I nominate Ramiro Luna for Student of the Week. Ramiro overcomes all obstacles with dedication and enthusiasm for whatever challenge he faces and works hard consistently to learn key elements of the Spanish language. He remains determined to succeed even when the complexity of the language becomes increasingly more difficult. I know Ramiro's dedication in class will help him achieve greater accomplishments in life. I'm proud of you Ramiro! Keep up the great work!
~Lisa Vann

## High School Student Of The Week

March 19 - March 23


I nominate Russell Carey for student-of-theweek. Russell is currently taking an independent class. He is a hard worker and is helpful with the middle school class. He will always lend a hand when asked.
$\sim$ Mr. Bennett/Mr. Wagner


We, the Class of 2012, would like to thank our parents, class advisors, senior trip chaperones, and the community for your generous support. We thank you for your time, energy, and support of our fundraising efforts. If it wasn't for you we would not have been able to take part in an amazing and educational trip. We were able to experience The Wizard of OZ at Toby's Dinner Theatre, viewing of the White House, Iwo Jima Memorial, Washington Monument, and the National Mall, and touring Mount Vernon, the Smithsonian, US Capitol Building, and the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. We made wonderful memories with our classmates that will last a lifetime! We would also like to invite you to celebrate with us the end of our high school careers and the beginning of our future on May 27th at 2 pm in the west gym.


Nicholas Figueroa is a hard working individual. He is not afraid to ask questions in class and is always willing to help a classmate out when they are struggling. I enjoy having Nic in my class.
~Miss Liebert/Mr. Bradley

students Amber Hintz, Sierra Stucker and Marissa Warzynski participated in the state FBLA conference held in LaCrosse, Wisconsin. The students listened to speakers, attended workshops and met students from FBLA chapters across the state. Amber Hintz participated in the Healthcare Administration competitive event and placed fourth in the state of Wisconsin in the Healthcare Administration event.

## Congratulations Amber and Almond-Bancroft FBLA!

## Middle School Students Of The Month



One student is honored from each grade within the Middle School for their overall excellence as a student. These students are selected based on their overall academic achievements and proper behavior in the classroom. Achieving excellent performance for the month of March are: Alissa Williams, Emma Wallace, and Alyson Plaski.

From the sixth grade the winner is Aly Plaski. Aly is a bright and enthusiastic learner that excels in her academic work. She has a positive attitude and enjoys learning. Aly is kind to others around her. She is a respectful and responsible student that is always willing to help others. Her fun and bubbly personality makes her a pleasure to have in any classroom. From the seventh grade the winner is Emma Wallace. Emma works hard to assure that she does her best in school. She has a positive attitude toward school and is a positive role-model for her peers. Emma is both respectful and responsible. She always has an encouraging word for those that need it. Her fun-loving personality makes her a joy to have in class. From the eighth grade the winner is Alissa Williams. Alissa is a good student who consistently has her work done on time. She gives every assignment her best effort in order to succeed in her academics. Alissa has shown maturation and good judgment this school year; consistently working up to her abilities. Alissa's friendly personality makes her a positive influence in any classroom.

Thank you for your hard work,
Congratulations!


# Almond-Bancroft Middle \& High School 3rd Quarter Honor Roll Students 

"A" Honor Roll
Graduation Year: 2012
BRADY MCINTEE
ANTHONY J. ELLIE
JON R. PAGEL
TANNER J. OLSON
JEANETTE R. COLOMBE
ALISON C. KIM
DANIELLE DAHMS
RYAN SANDERS
MASON SIGOURNEY
RUSSELL M. CAREY
AMBER HINTZ
MORGAN BAAR
DREW W. PAINTER
SORCIA K. ROCK
Graduation Year: 2013
JOHN C. WAGGONER
MARISSA M. WARZYNSKI
KIARA I. TURZINSKI
HAYLEY R. RISKE
DESTINY DYKES
Graduation Year: 2014
ANGELA IWANSKI
HANNAH M. LANSING
ANNA E. PERRIN
ALEXIS A. SEITZ
CALEB A. OLSON
CARISSA PERZINSKI
AIDEN V. ROCK
MEGHAN R. VARGA
RAMIRO LUNA
ALEXANDER L. CRULL
CODY MEDDAUGH
Graduation Year: 2015
RAMSEY AVERY
HAILEY M. WIERZBA
REBECCA KALLIO
MCKENZIE M. MINER
JACE J. STUEBS
TEAGAN C. HECK
MEGAN R. BURNS
HATTIE B. BERRY
DEVON ANDERSON
natalie romo
ASHLEY T. TAKACS

Graduation Year: 2016
MACY M. BAIRD
EMILY E. DEMCHIK
KAITLYNN LEHMAN
JOHL TURZINSKI
DYLAN J. HECK
ARIEL PLASKI
JOSEPH J. CRAHAN
KYLE WARZYNSKI
NATHANIEL DISHER
GARETT YONKE
ALISSA WILLIAMS
JORDAN KEALIHER
DEANA M. CLARK
KYLE A. MERILA
Graduation Year: 2017
ELIJAH M. KALLIO
CATHERINE M. SCHMIDT
DYLAN BUNDERS
COLTON STANISLAWSKI
JOSEPH DORGAN JR.
JACOB W. WIERZBA
EMMA WALLACE
MATTHEW E. HELMRICK
MICHAELA WALLACE
WYATT RICHTMYRE
CARTER H. NEWBY
GAVIN M. HEINZ
Graduation Year: 2018
PAIGE M. HINTZ
FOREST LASKA
ALYSON PLASKI
ABIGAIL VASQUEZ
CHLOE LEHMAN
LAUREN DYKES
CAMI RAE NEWBY
AURORA G. LARSEN

## "B" Honor Roll

Graduation Year: 2012
DEZIREE J. WARZYNSKI
JEREK J. DAKE
SIERRA M. STUCKER
SAMANTHA R. MOCADLO
ROBERT SCOTT JR.
TAYLOR MARTINES
DOMINIQUE MINER
GARRET A. WARZYNSKI
NICHOLAS J. BURNS IV
JEFFREY KOLLOCK
BRANDON LEHMAN
Graduation Year: 2013
AVERY J. FAEHLING
BAYLEE L. VOSS-
PLUTSCHACK
ASHLEY M. LUCHT
BRETT BEIGEL
COLTER STUTESMAN
SAMUEL BORCHARDT
Graduation Year: 2014
KAYLA SMITH
JACOB W. VALLERY
EVAN M. PAGEL
SHELBY J. SWAN ABBIGAIL N. KARPEN DEREK KEENLANCE
TISAN A. BAIRD
LACEY M. WARZYNSKI
Graduation Year: 2015
NICHOLAS P. FIGUEROA
MARGARET M. SCOTT
JESSE HUNKINS
LESLY GUERRA-REYNA MEGAN WICZEK
JENNIFER C. CASTILLO
BRANDON CZLAPINSKI
MARIA H. VANN

Graduation Year: 2016
AUSTIN BUNDERS
BLAKE P. VOSS-
PLUTSCHACK
COLE T. WARZYNSKI
JANESSA E. CISEWSKI
CHRISTIAN A. NOTH
VICENTE VASQUEZ
HUNTER LASKA
MARIA JOSE BELTRAN SANCHEZ
ALLAN ZINDA
CLAYTON C. SWAN
SHAYLA M. NEWBY
TAYLOR N. KIM
SAMANTHA BOWDEN
Graduation Year: 2017
ALEXUS WILLIAMS
BENJAMIN H. LANSING
VELVET V. ELLIS
JAIME BANDA
MEGAN N. GREEN
JOSHAWA CIESLEWICZ
GABRIEL A. BANDA
EDUARDO BANDA
Graduation Year: 2018
MAIZIE L. BERRY
ABIGAIL R. CISEWSKI
KARA F. CISEWSKI
BRYN TURZINSKI
DEREK J. BAUMGARTNER
ALEC WICZEK
EMMETT STANISLAWSKI
BRANDON L. HARTMAN GARRETT STANISLAWSKI JADON SOLIS
ASHLEY L. ARMSTRONG
MEGAN MANSKE
CHRISTOPHER THOMAS ISAIAH D. SPOHN

## SINGING BIRTHDAY GRAMS

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

Option 1: (\$5.00) Happy Birthday balloon on party stick decorated with ribbon, birthday hat, card, and a chocolate rose or round lollipop
Option 2: $(\$ 10.00)$ Same as \#1, but with addition of stuffed A-B Eagle.
Option 3: (\$15.00) Decorated balloons, hat, card, rose or lollipop, beads and A-B stocking hat.
Bonus Extra \$1.00-we will include 3 strands of Mardi Gras beads in school colors.
Student Name: $\qquad$ Birthday: $\qquad$ Grade/Teacher: $\qquad$
Special Message:

BADGER GIRLS STATE NEWS

Junior Mary Zak has been selected to attend the Badger Girls State program at the University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh in June this summer. Thanks to the Almond American Legion Auxiliary Unit \#339, Mary is able to attend this event free of charge! Approximately 725 young women from every part of Wisconsin come to Badger Girls State each year. The program is designed to teach young women about America's government and to remind them of the importance of the Constitution, which safeguards the principles of American heritage - justice, freedom, and democracy. To accomplish this, the girls will be grouped into cities and counties forming a " $51^{\text {st }}$ State." For six days, the citizens of the "new state" will carry out all the main functions of city, county, and state government using basic laws and fundamental procedures of the State of Wisconsin as their guide. This 2012 year will mark the $69^{\text {th }}$ session of Badger Girls State, and we are happy to have Mary representing the Almond-Bancroft School District!


## WISCONSIN LEADERSHIP SEMINAR SOPHOMORE SELECTED

2012 marks the $35^{\text {th }}$ straight year that the Wisconsin Leadership Seminar (WILS) will be offering it's free 3-day seminar to outstanding sophomores across Wisconsin. This high-energy weekend event consists of team-building activities, motivational speakers, community service, a talent show, small group discussions, and more. Leadership development is encouraged through emphasis on personal responsibility, volunteerism, increased social awareness, and open-minded analysis of all sides of an issue when making a decision. WILS was created to provide recognition and growth opportunities to students who act positively and to acknowledge their contributions made now and in the future.
Hannah Lansing was selected this year to attend this event, which will be held in June at Carroll College in Waukesha. Hannah is a responsible, kind, and studious student, and we are happy to have her represent Almond-Bancroft High School!

## Family And Consumer Education News



Child Development Class Visits 4K
Students from Mr. Knepfel's Child Development class recently spent a sunny afternoon outside with Mrs. Klinger's students in Bancroft. "This was a great learning opportunity for both groups," said Mr. Knepfel, and "everyone had a lot of fun." High school students helped the children with their footprint butterflies (and they also did one of their own). A relaxing snack break followed the hard working activity. To end the visit, the young children shared some of their favorite songs with the class. Super job everyone!!!


## Welcome Student Teacher!



Hello, my name is Tom Burkhalter and I am the student teacher this semester for Mr. Knepfel. I'm here to tell you a little bit about myself. First of all, I grew up in Elroy, WI and graduated from Royall High School in 2007. While attending Royall I was a two-sport athlete in football and basketball. Royall is also where I met my wife, Kim. She is awesome and I hope that you will all get to meet her someday. From Royall, I went to play football at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. While football didn't quite work out, I met a great group of people freshman year and ended up becoming a Community Advisor for my sophomore and junior years. A "CA", as they're called, is in charge of a floor in a residence hall or dorm. Last year I also got the opportunity to become High School Supervisor of the Tri-County Learning Center. So now I'm here, student teaching and on my way to becoming a teacher. Next step, job-search. Wish me luck!

## Third Grade News

 Students from Mrs. Doede's and Mrs. Wimme's classes sit atop "The Heavyweight" hippo in the sculpture garden at Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum in Wausau. Each year the 3rd graders go on a field trip to the art museum and look up close at original work by internationally known artists. Visiting the museum is free and it's a great place for kids and their families to explore and learn about art. For more information about the museum you may contact Mrs. Ritter or go to
 www.lywam.org.

## Minher Almond-Bancroft Family Night

On Thursday, March $29^{\text {th }}$ over 100 students and parents participated in Family Night at the Almond School. The evening started with a family dinner. Thanks to Connie Kaehn for making a delicious meal for us that included spaghetti, garlic bread, salad and fresh fruit. After dinner there were a variety of activities to choose from. There were also some prizes given away! Joni Hahn, a storyteller from Merrill, WI entertained us with her singing and wonderful stories. Thank you to all of the families that were able to attend. This year Mrs. Grezenski and Mrs. Kehring combined Title 1 and Fit Kids resources to make this event possible. It was great to see so many families enjoying the evening!

## Middle School News Prairie Chicken Festival Poster Contest!



Participation awards go to Alondra Guerrera; Michaela Wallace, Chloe Lehman and Josh Ciesliewicz for their prairie chicken posters! Congratulations!

Our finalists were Jaime Banda, Alexus Williams and Isaiah Spohn! Congratulations to these individuals! They and their families received VIP passes to the Prairie Chicken Festival on Saturday, April 14th! Their posters will be on display at the Buena Vista Wildlife Area Festival Grounds at 4011 130th Street S., Wisconsin Rapids where they will be viewed by bird lovers and festival visitors from around the world. Awards were made to this year's finalists after the judging in the early afternoon and Alexus Williams, a 7th grader at Almond-Bancroft took 1st place in the Prairie Chicken Festival Poster Contest on April 14! Congratulations to Alexus!


## An Educational Trip to Poland!



Because the Almond-Bancroft Elementary School earned the Wisconsin Promise Award for five consecutive years, our elementary teachers were eligible to apply for the Fund for Teachers Grant. Despite writing a proposal last year and getting turned down, Amanda Negro and Brenda Ramczyk tried again this year and were rewarded for their efforts by receiving the funding needed for their proposed grant!

Since the Polish heritage is the second most prominent ancestry in the Almond-Bancroft community, we were inspired to discover more of this culture. In July we will be visiting the cities of Warsaw and Poznan, and the rural community of Gulcz; all in the central part of Poland. Our focus is to immerse ourselves into the culture, and bring back experiences and authentic materials to enhance our elementary curriculum.

Please contact either of us, bramczyk@abschools.k12.wi.us, anegro@abschools.k12.wi.us, or through the school's web page abschools.k12.wi.us, if you have any ideas, special requests, or would like to view our grant. Look for more detailed information in the June newsletter.
"Fund for Teachers enriches the personal and professional growth of teachers by recognizing and supporting them as they identify and pursue opportunities around the globe that will have the greatest impact on their practice, the academic lives of their students and on their school communities." www.fundforteachers.org


## Dodgeball 2012

The Almond Area Education Association would like to thank all of the players and fans from this year's dodgeball tournament. We raised \$1166 including a generous donation from Scott and Diane Kollock. Again, thank you! The money will be used for the A.A.E.A Scholarship fund. Good times were had by all!


## May Eagles Athletic Events

5/3-Track @ Marion 3:45 pm
-Baseball \& Softball Home vs. Menominee Indian 4:30 pm
5/4-Baseball \& Softball @ Wild Rose 4:30 pm
5/7-Track @ Tri-County 3:45 pm -Baseball \& Softball Home vs. Tri-County 4:00 pm
5/8-Track @ Wittenberg-Birnamwood 5/11-Baseball \& Softball DH Home vs. Bowler 3:30 pm
5/12-Track @ Tri-County 9:00 am
5/14-Track @ Marion 3:45 pm -Baseball \& Softball @ Rosholt 4:30 pm
5/15-Track @ Shiocton 4:00 pm -JV Baseball \& Softball Home vs. Tri-County 4:30 pm
5/17-Baseball \& Softball Home vs. Port Edwards 4:30 pm
5/21-Track @ Tri-County TBD -Baseball \& Softball @ Marion 4:30 pm
5/24-Track @ Rosholt TBD -Softball Regional TBD
5/25-Baseball Regional TBD
5/29-Baseball \& Softball Regionals TBD
5/30-Baseball Regional TBD
5/31-Softball Regional TBD
*Schedule is subject to change.


## Head HS Volleyball Coach Opening



The Almond-Bancroft School District is seeking a Head HS Volleyball Coach for the upcoming 2012 season. We are seeking candidates as soon as possible. The position will be open until filled. Please contact our athletic director Ms. Jodi Meyer at 715-366-2941, ext. 313, or the principal Mr. Jeff Rykal at ext. 416. Please send application materials (resume, cover letter, etc.) to 1336 Elm St., Almond, WI, 54909.

Almond-Bancroft High School Athletic Banquet<br>Sponsored by Mead-Rath-Gutke Post 339<br>Friday, June 1, 2012 6:00 pm<br>Almond American Legion Hall Guest Speaker:

Cost of meal is $\mathbf{\$ 1 2 . 0 0}$ per person, Junior and Senior athletes are free.
*All attendees must sign up and pay in the Secondary Office.
Please make checks payable to Mead-Rath-Gutke Post 339.

## ATTENTION OPEN WRESTLING AVAILABLE

Mr. Wagner will be opening the West gym for any student wanting to use the wrestling mats every Tuesday from 5:30-7:30 pm through the months of April and May. Students do not need to be part of the wrestling team to participate and is voluntary to current wrestling team members. If your son or daughter would like to experience what wrestling is all about, this would be a great opportunity to try it in a relaxed non-practice type atmosphere. You may enter through the South/East corner gym doors.

Also, I'm looking for adults that would be interested in volunteering as youth wrestling coaches for next year or with the middle/high school team in general. Details of a youth wrestling program are still be finalized but looking to run a youth program from late Jan. 2013 through mid-March 2-3 times a week. If you think you might be interested or could help out in any way please contact,

William Wagner at wwagner@abschools.k12.wi.us or 715-366-2941 ext. 333.


## Sports Physicals 2012 <br> Ministry Medical Group Sports/Camp Physicals

July 10th, 11th, 16th, 26st, 30th, 31st
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm
August 1st, 2nd, 6th
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm
For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call Ministry Medical Group at 715-342-7655. family. My parents, family members, and friends have made my athletic career memorable. I have learned that through strong commitment and team effort, great things can be accomplished. I would like to invite you and your family to join my family for the game. I will have tickets available for anyone who would like to attend.
As a part of being selected to the All-Star Team, one of my goals is to offer the financial support of my family and friends in the fight against cancer. l've been asked to encourage all of you to contribute to the MACC (Midwest Athletes Against Childhood Cancer) Fund. The MACC Fund is a non-profit organization whose mission is to fund research to find a cure for childhood cancers. In order to raise money, I'm asking you for your tax deductible donation in any amount you can by May $4^{\text {th }}$, 2012. Every little bit helps! I am also still selling the paper basketballs to the elementary and middle school students for the classroom competition. The winner will receive an ice cream party with the Boys Basketball Team. Please support my efforts to raise money for the MACC Fund by sending a contribution for this great cause.
It is truly an honor to be chosen as one of Wisconsin's best senior basketball players and represent my community, family, and friends in the final high school basketball game of my career. For me and my family, it is a dream come true opportunity!

Tyler Bunders

## Check it out! Get Your Full School Activities Calendar, Sports Schedules, and Updates!

A new website/calendar of school events is now available.
Log onto: www.centralwisconsinconference.org
Click on Almond-Bancroft
View the available schedules online/print the schedules
To receive changes of games, cancellations, rescheduling updates on your email or texts to your phone:

> Hit the button: Notify me!

This is a great way to stay up-to-date with all the weather related changes.

If you have any questions please contact Ms. Meyer, jmeyer@abschools.k12.wi.us, 715.366.2941 x 313.

You will no longer find full season schedules posted in the individual sport tabs on the school web-site.

## Last Month To Order ~ Don't Miss Your Last Chance For A-B Spirit Wear!

## NEW! AB Spring Spirit Wear!

## eagles

Image embroidered on blanket, shorts or hat Image screen printed on can cooler and shoes


Fleece Blanket - 12900 Black, Irish Green, Grey; \$20.00


Athletic Slides - SS200
Green or Black \$24.00
Mens' XS (4/5) S (6/7) M (8/9) L (10/11) XL (12/13)

Ladies Sizes:
XS (4/5) S (6/7) M (8/9) L (10/11) XL (12/13)


Can Cooler -
FT001
Black, \$5.00


Drawstring Bag 82566 Black, Kelly or White $\$ 12.00$

Tie-Dyed T-Shirt; Kelly Short Sleeve - 00814; \$15.00 Youth Short - 30814: \$15.00 Long Sleeve - 06114; \$20.00


Image above printed on back of chair

Bring your own chair to be printed for $\$ 12.00$ !

Order chair with design FT002; Black, \$35.00


FlexFit Cap - 6595


Sweatpants - 22752
Black, Charcoal, Grey

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\text { S-2XL; } \$ 25.00
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Black or White S/M or L/XL \$20.00
lack or White
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Select Design A or Design B for the following items; placed on left crest; identify choice on
order form


Mesh Shorts - White, Black, Kelly, Silver
11" - 81685; S-5XL; \$20.00
9"- 09785; S-5XL; \$18.00
7" - 09685; S-5XL; \$16.00
Youth 6" - 39685; S-L: \$14.00


Women's Sport Polo 83134 Black S- 2XL; \$30.00

## Last Month To Order - Don't Miss Yourr Last Chance For A-B Spirit Wear!



Wicking Knit T-Shirt 82534
Black, Kelly, White, Grey S-3XL; \$15.00

To order your AB apparel, please complete the form below by identifying the apparel code, color, design option and size; please use one line per item. If you would like the apparel item personalized, please clearly write the name or number in the space provided. Order forms received by the $15^{\text {th }}$ of the month will be available for pick up by the first of the following month. Order forms are also available on school webpage.

Name:
Phone:

| Apparel Code | Color | Size | Design Option | Personalized (\$3.00/ name or number) | \$ Amount |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 81076 <br> Example | Black | L | B | Jackson | 30.00 |
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Total Amount Due to AB Schools: \$ $\qquad$

Please return completed order forms to:
AB Schools, Attn: Jen Grezenski
1336 Elm Street
Almond WI 54909

## Please add to all items:

$\$ 2.00$ for 2XL $\$ 3.00$ for 3 XL
$\$ 4.00$ for $4 X L \$ 5.00$ for $5 X L$

## COMMUNITY NEWS!

## More information can be found on the $A B$ website - Family Resources

## Fabric Donations Needed

The summer school program will like to host a quilting class for elementary and middle school students. To help save cost for the students, we would like to collect donated scrap fabric for quilting. If you have any available scrap fabric you would like to donate, please drop off your donations in the main office during school hours.

Thanks for your help and support.

## Last Month to Order Your Brick!

Bricks are only on sale until the end of May!
For the month of May only, receive $10 \%$ off the brick price only! (Does not include a symbol or replica brick) Help the community improve and update the school's playground while benefiting from a \$5-25 savings in the month of May. The bricks will be permanently placed in front of school throughout the summer. The funds collected will help improve the school playground. Check out the school's webpage for more information and order forms for the brick campaign. http://www.abschools.k12.wi.us/

BECOME A PART OF HISTORY LEAVE YOUR IMPRESSION

## Fit Kids End of the Year Celebration!

The tentative date of the End of the Year Celebration is Friday, May 25th at the Almond School. Elementary Fun Day will join forces with Fit Kids to celebrate everyone's hard work in being physically active this spring. On Friday, May 25th in the afternoon all elementary students will participate in fun activities. More information will be sent home with the students.

Keep logging your activity hours online or in your log. Don't forget to turn in your log to get an entry for the end of year prizes.

## Community Closet

## May 22

The community closet will be open to the public every 4th Tuesday of the month from $6 \mathbf{p m}$ to 8 $\mathbf{p m}$. The community closet currently has clothing options for toddlers through adult and for all seasons! Anyone in the Almond-Bancroft community is welcome to come shop for free clothing. The Community Closet is located in the Dean of Students Office. If you have any questions contact Jen Grezenski at jgrezenski@abschools.k12.wi.us / 715-366-2941 ext. 325.




## WELCOME TOALMOND-BANCROFT <br> SUMMER SCHOOL 2012


Dear Families,
We are pleased to be offering our 2012 summer school program. Please take a moment to review the program guide to assist you and your children in determining what classes are appropriate and interesting.
There is a nice selection of classes that cover reading, writing and math, fitness activities, outdoor activities, games, art activities, science activities, and several cooking classes. We will be offering swimming lessons again this year at the YMCA in Port Edwards, there will be no charge to participate. We ask that you only sign up for one session of swim lessons to allow all students an opportunity to take part in this very popular and beneficial course.
Each student enrolled will receive a free summer school t-shirt! Students need to be enrolled in one or more classes and return the attached registration with their size indicated on the registration to receive the $t$-shirt.
We will be offering a breakfast and lunch program for all students in the Almond-Bancroft School District. All students are welcome to eat regardless of whether or not you take part in the summer school program.
Breakfast will be served Monday-Thursday 8:00-8:30 and lunch will be served 11:30-12:30. This program is free to any student in our district.
We will be offering transportation from Bancroft to Almond. The students will be picked up Monday-Thursday at 7:45 AM at the Bancroft Fire Department and will return at approximately 4:00 PM.
How to register for classes;

1) Fill out the registration form on the following page 2) Be sure to complete all medical and emergency information
2) Return the completed registration form to school on or before Friday, May 18, 2012. We ask that when you register your children, please indicate first, second, third choices, etc.
Remember, you are not required to take part in all six weeks; you child may attend all or just portions of the sessions. The exception to this is if your child will be participating in swim lessons. Due to the fact that there is limited slots for the swim program, your son/daughter may be dropped from the program if they miss more than 2 lessons.
Boys \& Girls Club of Portage County
If you have any questions, please feel free to call Jeff Rykal at 715.366.2941 ext. 416. Thank you! The Boys \& Girls Club of Portage County Almond School in the Boys \& Girls Club room


| Reading Counts! | Mrs. Erickson | $\begin{gathered} \text { Both Sessions } \\ \text { 8:30-11:30 AM } \end{gathered}$ | Students entering grades K-2 | In this class, students will learn various reading and math skills by immersing themselves in adventurous stories and tales. |
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| Math and Reading Enrichment | Mr. Baumgartner | Session 1 only 8:30-10:00 AM | Students entering grades 3-5 | This course will concentrate on individual instruction of math and reading. Instruction will be individualized based on the level of each student enrolled in the course. |
| Basketball Skills 101 | Mr. Baumgartner and Mr. VanderLaan | Session 1 only 10:00-11:30 AM | Students entering grades 4-9 | Students will learn the fundamentals of basketball including dribbling, passing, shooting, cutting, and screening. Students will also be able to participate in 1-on -1 up to 5-on-5 play. |
|  | Mrs. Ritter | $\begin{gathered} \text { Session } 2 \text { only } \\ \text { 8:30-11:30 AM } \end{gathered}$ | Students entering grades 5-7 | There is so much we can do with clay, and it's so much fun. During this class we'll have more time to explore clay techniques than during the regular school year. We'll make things like containers, mosaics, wind chimes, and more. You'll also help in the courtyard gardens where the class will meet most days. Bring your ideas! |
| Almond-Bancroft CSI | Mrs. Mechenich | $\begin{gathered} \text { Session } 2 \text { only } \\ \text { 8:30-11:30 AM } \end{gathered}$ | Students entering grades 6-8 | Do you love to solve mysteries? Would you like to learn how crimes are solved? Come join the fun as we do our own version of CSI in Almond! Our daily hands-on activities will include doing fingerprinting, figuring out which tools make which marks, learning about blood types and blood spatters, finding out how insects can be used to solve crimes, running test in our CSI laboratory, and much more. You'll sharpen your powers of observation and learn to be a good scientist as well as practice your reading, writing, and math skills along the way. |
| The Great Outdoors | Mrs. Erickson | Both Sessions 12:30-3:45 PM | Students entering grades K-2 | Learn more about the great outdoors! This class will focus on learning more about wildlife, plants, and classic outdoor activities such as hiking and fishing. Come join us as we explore the environment around us. |
| Take a Math Safari This Summer | Mrs. Rushman | Both Sessions 8:30-11:30 AM | Students entering grades K-2 | Students will have a wild adventure learning new math facts and practicing the ones they already know. Lessons will focus on addition, subtraction, measurement, telling time, and graphing. Activities will include a trip to the classroom jungle to learn about measurement and graphing, students will also go on an outdoor adventure to strengthen their addition and subtraction facts. |
| Let's Do Science! | Mr. Johnson | Both Sessions 8:30-11:30 AM | Students entering grades 3-5 | In this class we will be doing science! This means that the students will be designing, building, and showing off various projects. Students will gain exposure to inquiry-based science. Students will also learn about the scientific method. Some projects include making slime, designing rollercoasters, mining in chocolate chip cookies and more. |


| Sew What! | Mrs. Grezenski | Session 1 8:30-10:00 AM Session 2 2:00-3:45 PM | Students entering grades 5-8 | Sew What! will focus on learning parts of the sewing machine, threading the machine, and how to safely use the machine. We will also learn how to press and safe use of cutting tools. <br> In the three week class we will be making a small quilting project, if time permits, student may make an additional project. A limited amount of fabric and tools will be supplied for students, however, if specifics are desired additional fabric may need to be purchased by the student. |
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| Junior Librarian | Mr. Collins | Session 1 only 8:30-10:00 AM | Students entering grades 3-5 | The library is changing and it needs your help. Would you like to be a library helper? We will go on Destiny Quests, shuffle books on the shelves and know how to take care of them, come up with ideas to make the library better, and play a ton of games. You will also get a chance to write your very own nonfiction book! |
| Library Fun | Mr. Collins | Session 1 only 10:00-11:30 AM | Students entering grades 6-9 | The library is constantly changing and you get to have a say in what happens. Become a summer librarian and come up with ideas to make the library a cool place to hang out and enjoy, learn library skills, create lists of books you would like to read when school starts, and make cool videos to promote the library and put on the website. |
| Kidz Kitchen | Mrs. Grezenski | Session 1 10:00-11:30 AM Session 2 8:30-10:00 AM | Students entering grades 3-5 | Kids Kitchen is an educational program that teaches children the principals of healthy and nutritious food by getting them involved! Children will learn basic cooking skills along with kitchen safety and cooking with nutritious foods. Some topics include measuring techniques, reading a recipes, using kitchen tools, and fun in the kitchen! |
| Down on the Farm | Mrs. Hintz | Both Sessions 12:30-3:45 PM | Students entering grades K-2 | This class is packed with many farm themed activities where students will develop math, science and reading skills as they learn about farming and agriculture. Some of the activities include graphing, growing plants, cooking projects, computer activities, creating some cute farm crafts and much, much more! |
| Learn to Read with Dr. Suess | Mrs. Rushman | Both Sessions 12:30-3:45 PM | Students entering grades K-2 | Students will enhance their reading skills with Dr. Seuss. Students will be reading a collection of Dr. Seuss books and then they will be put into groups according to reading ability. Students will practice and perform a reader's theater script from one of the books. Reading will be accompanied with fun activities and a movie on the last day of class. |
| Awesome Authors | Mr. Johnson | Both Sessions 12:30-3:45 PM | Students entering grades 3-5 | This class will be devoted to learning about the writing process. Students will be writing everything from poems to stories and whatever else they want. We'll learn about brainstorming and how to get ideas for stories. We'll look at what other authors do in order to make our pieces even better. We'll do drafting, revising, editing, publishing, and sharing! |


| Junior Chef | Mrs. Grezenski | $\begin{gathered} \text { Session } 2 \text { only } \\ \text { 10:00-11:30 AM } \end{gathered}$ | Students entering grades 4-5 | The Jr. Chef class is designed for students' grades $4-5$ and will offer a wellrounded approach to teaching children the skills necessary to develop their love of cooking. Not only will we be cooking, we will be plunging into knowledge from the basic cooking skills. In truth, any recipe prepared at Junior Chef is a chance to explore many topics of study in a fun and interactive setting. Junior Chef class is designed to allow creativity to mesh with culinary techniques for exciting results! |
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| International Cooking | Mrs. Grezenski | Session 2 only 12:30-2:00 PM | Students entering grades 6-8 | The International Cooking class applies basic cooking skills to create and taste dishes from around the world. Teaching children how to make ethnic dishes not only establishes basic cooking techniques, but also introduces children to other cultures through activities, projects, and tasty ingredients. While eating the finished dish at the end of this class, music, and games will be played from the country of origin to complete the cultural experience. |
| Plants, Animals, and YOU! | Ms. Meyer | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Session } 2 \text { only } \\ & \text { 12:30-3:45 PM } \end{aligned}$ | Students entering grades 3-5 | The course will include topics of Wisconsin Agriculture. Where do all the things in the stores come from? With hands-on activities and instruction, students will see and learn about the many different parts to Wisconsin Agriculture. Some of the topics include: Apples, Beef, Christmas Trees, Corn, Potatoes, Dogs, Cats, Dairy, Honey Bees, and much more! Check out what Wisconsin Agriculture has to offer! |
| Gaming Club | Mr. Collins | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Session } 1 \text { only } \\ & 12: 30-3: 45 \end{aligned}$ | Students entering grades 7-12 | Do you enjoy playing board games, video games, as well as outdoor activities? This is your opportunity to have fun and compete against your friends in the game of RISK, Settlers of Catan, Catch Phrase, capture the flag, kickball, Wii Sports and more. This is your chance to make new friends and have a good time this summer. |




| July 9, 2012 - July 26, 2012 (Monday-Thursday) |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 8:00-8:30 | 8:30-10:00 | 10:00-11:30 | 11:30-12:30 | 12:30-2:00 | 2:00-3:45 |
| Bancroft Bus Arrives in Almond at 8:00 AM Breakfast is free for all Almond-Bancroft | Fitness and Weights Grades 6-12 Mr. VanderLaan |  | Lunch <br> FREE <br> for all <br> Almond- <br> Bancroft <br> Students <br> even those <br> not <br> enrolled <br> in <br> summer <br> school | Swim Program Grades K-6 <br> Students may only be signed up for one session. |  |
|  | Almond-Bancroft: CSI Grades 6-8 Mrs. Mechenich |  |  | Down on the Farm Grades K-2 Mrs. Hintz |  |
| students, even those not enrolled in summer school. | Fitness Activities and Games Grades 3-5 Mr. Young | Fitness Activities and Games Grades 3-5 Mr. Young |  | The Great Outdoors Grades K-2 Mrs. Erickson |  |
|  | Credit Recovery Grades 6-12 | Credit Recovery Grades 6-12 |  | International Cooking Grades 6-8 <br> Mrs. Grezenski | Sew What! Grades 5-8 Mrs. Grezenski |
|  | Kidz Kitchen Grades 3-5 <br> Mrs. Grezenski | Junior Chef Grades 4-5 <br> Mrs. Grezenski |  | Credit Recovery $(6-12)$ | Credit Recovery $(6-12)$ |
| The District will provide | Reading Counts! Grades K-2 <br> Mrs. Erickson |  |  | Learn to Read with Dr. Suess Grades K-2 <br> Mrs. Rushman |  |
| one bus route from the Bancroft | Oh What Buggy Fun! Grades K-2 Mrs. Hintz |  |  | Awesome Authors Grades 3-5 Mr. Johnson |  |
| Fire Station. <br> * Morning Pick-up | Take a Math Safari This Summer! <br> Grades K-2 <br> Mrs. Rushman |  |  | Plants, Animals, and YOU! Grades 3-5 Ms. Meyer |  |
| 7:45 AM <br> *Afternoon Drop-off | Let's do Science Grades 3-5 Mr. Johnson |  |  | The Boys and Girls Club will be open at the Almond School from 12:30-5:30 PM <br> Monday - Thursday <br> June 11 - August 16 <br> (Closed during the week of July 4th) |  |
| *Afternoon Drop-off4:00 PM | Let's Play with Clay! Grades 5-7 Mrs. Ritter |  |  |  |  |
|  | Please note that BREAKFAST and LUNCH are free for all students in the district thanks to grant funding through the state. Students not enrolled in summer school are also welcome to take part in and enjoy this opportunity. |  |  |  |  |

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ALMOND-BANCROFT SUMMER SCHOOL REGISTRATION FORM Return to Almond-Bancroft District Office on or before May 18, 2012

In case of an emergency situation, and we cannot reach you at the above contact numbers, please list alternate contracts and numbers below:
Indicate below the course(s) you would like to enroll your child in. Remember, students may only sign up for one session of swimming and must be enrolled in 1 or more additional course(s). Courses are on a first come first serve bases and are subject to change. Once registration is completed, we will be sending out a schedule for summer school. If you have any questions, please call Jeff Rykal 715-366-2941 ext. 416 or Trina Warzynski 715-366-2941 ext. 422.
Session 2 (July 9th-26th, Monday-Thursday)
List course title and time slot desired, in order of preference.
Selection \# 1
Selection \# 2
Selection \# 3
Selection \# 4
Selection \# 5
Selection \#6
Check here if your child will be transported from the Bancroft Fire Station to the Almond School and back. Pick up time is 7:45 am and drop off time is approximately 4:00 pm.
Alternate Emergency Contact:
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Course Registration
Session 1 (June 11th-28th, Monday-Thursday)
List course title and time slot desired, in order of preference.
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In order for your child to receive the FREE Summer School T-shirt please circle one size: Youth Small, Youth Medium, Youth Large


## From the desk of Pat Leary

Dear Parent (s),
It is that time of year again. The school year is rapidly coming to a close, those lunch bills and morning milk bills need to be paid up for student clearance. You have done a great job keeping bills paid up! You will receive a credit in the fall for the remaining amount you may have left.
Remember, we will be having summer school starting June 11th. Every student in our District up to age 18 is entitled to a FREE breakfast and lunch, whether you attend summer school or not. Adults can also receive a meal, $\$ 2.80$ for a lunch and $\$ 1.75$ for a breakfast. Free breakfast (8:00-8:30 am) and lunch (11:30-12:30 pm) will be served June 11th -28 th and July 9th-26th.

Sincerely Yours,
Pat Leary, Food Service Director
Connie Kaehn, Head Cook
Teresa Gutke, Assistant Cook
"This institution is an equal opportunity provider"


## Caps for a Cure

The last day of each week, until the end of the school year, your student will
 have an opportunity to participate in Caps for a Cure. Donates $\$ 1.00$ to allow your student to wear a hat throughout the school day; all proceeds collected will go to Wisconsin Children's Hospital. Student Council will be selling the $\$ 1.00$ stickers to wear on your hat outside of the cafeteria Friday mornings before school. A student must have the sticker to wear a hat in school.

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