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June/July 2020

Dates To Remember

- 6/17-Board Of Education Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Auditorium
- 7/15-Board Of Education Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Auditorium



Almond-Bancroft School District

Penny Boileau District Administrator

> Jeff Rykal PK-12 Principal

Sandra Ciula PK-12 Dean of Students

Andria Bena Special Ed Director/ Psychologist

School Board President: Keith Dernbach Vice President: John Ruzicka Treasurer: Eugene Fosmire Clerk: Kim Weiss Directors: Debbie Bradley Taylor Dernbach Brad Garner



Notes from the District Administrator

First, let me say I hope you and your family are safe and healthy as you read this newsletter. Thank you so much for your patience and understanding as we adjusted, like you, to all the changes the last few months. I am appreciative of our students, parents, teachers and all of our staff members for staying positive and being flexible through trying times.

Our school building and grounds were closed, but school was open with instruction and learning in full motion at a distance. Through online learning and learning packets, our goal was to provide continuous educational opportunities and practice for students in a manner to minimize stress. While we took responsibility to continue to educate our students, we also wanted to compassionately take into consideration the various difficulties and challenges families and staff members faced through the unexpected pandemic.

We still have uncertainty before us as we are not sure what measures will need to be in place for reopening school in the fall. We are being informed to prepare for differing scenarios including having all students back in the building, having 50% of our student population at a time with alternating schedules, or being back in full learning from a distance mode. It will also be important for everyone to be prepared to move through these scenarios with little notice as the school year progresses. Please continue to check our district website for updated information.

In closing, one of our focus points for our staff members and students during the 2019-20 school year was awareness of having a "growth mindset." A growth mindset unlocks our abilities to learn and grow during challenging times. Little did we know how much this would be tested for all of us! Since we gained knowledge and skills developing a growth mindset, we will all be stronger when we come out on the other side of this pandemic. History is being written and we hold the pen. Together, we will write the best story for our children!

Dear Graduates,

This was supposed to be your year. Your last year in high school to experience victories in sporting events, your last high school prom, competitions in music, time spent with classmates, a May graduation ceremony and everything else a senior year has to offer before you venture into the next chapter in your lives. Instead, you were robbed of these experiences because of a global pandemic and it was not fair.

As we all were thrown into crisis mode working to transfer into a virtual learning environment and new ways of functioning as a school district, we were thinking about you. You were not forgotten and there were many times we engaged in conversations about your unfortunate circumstances. There is nothing I, or anyone, can say or do to make up for what you have lost, but here is some encouragement. In the short time I spent with you as a new administrator in the district, I have grown very fond of all of you and have come to know your class as one filled with individuals who are intelligent, talented and resilient. You have the power to make the most of any situation and accomplish anything you set out to do. There is no pandemic strong enough to silence you or wound your passion. It may not have been what you envisioned, but all in all, it was and will always be your year.

Best wishes for a great future,

Dr. Boileau



Greetings families!

We did it! We made it through the crazy last three months. I'm so proud of our students and their dedication to their studies. I'm proud of the staff and how they were able to adjust their teaching to this highly unusual situation we found ourselves in. I'm most proud of the parent and community support that I've witnessed these past months. It's always

amazing to me how strong and resilient our small communities are when faced with adversity.

It's important for me to recognize how difficult this time period has been for our students. It's strange how often we take things for granted until they are gone. Our students were accustomed to having access to many layers of academic and social emotional support. When COVID-19 hit, the support rug was pulled out from under them. Our administrative team understands this and took this into account when determining how we were going to do the final assessments for our students.

• Middle and High School students will notice on their grade reports that the 4th quarter grades may not be the same as those in the Skyward gradebook. The administrative team decided that students would not earn grades lower than their third quarter grade, but may earn higher if they have put in the time and effort during this closure period.

• Our elementary report cards are more based on standards covered, so parents will notice portions of the report card that do not have any ratings listed. This is due to our inability to make a true assessment of the students skills or, possibly due to time constraints, we were unable to cover that standard/skill. Please note that the staff will work hard next year to do our best to fill any gaps in the students' learning.

Please know the District will continue to communicate with the students, parents, and community as we prepare to enter our new school year in the fall. As plans are made and new information is received, we will continue to update all stakeholders in a timely manner. Please watch our District website for the most recent updates.

Have an amazing, relaxful, and stress-free summer!

Thank you,

Jeff Rykal PreK-12 Principal Almond-Bancroft Schools



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 selfmotivated and responsible students to become well -rounded and successful citizens.

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.

Counseling Program News

Dawn Barber K-12 Counselor

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Class of 2020 Valedictorian

Congratulations to Makayla Perzinski, our class of 2020 Valedictorian! Makayla is a well-rounded student who has been described as dedicated, determined, artistic and kind. In addition to being a three-sport athlete all four years of high school, Makayla has been involved in numerous extracurricular activities, including Math League, Quiz Bowl, Forensics, Show Choir, Spanish Club and A-B school musicals. Makayla has held office in the Almond-Bancroft Chapter of the National Honor Society and Student Council.

Makayla will be continuing her education at the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse where she will be studying Biology on a Pre-Dentistry track. After college, she hopes to pursue a dental degree in Orthodontics. We know that Makayla's hard work and determination will help her reach her goals and she will be fixing people's smiles in the future. Best of luck to you Makayla!

Class of 2020 Salutatorian

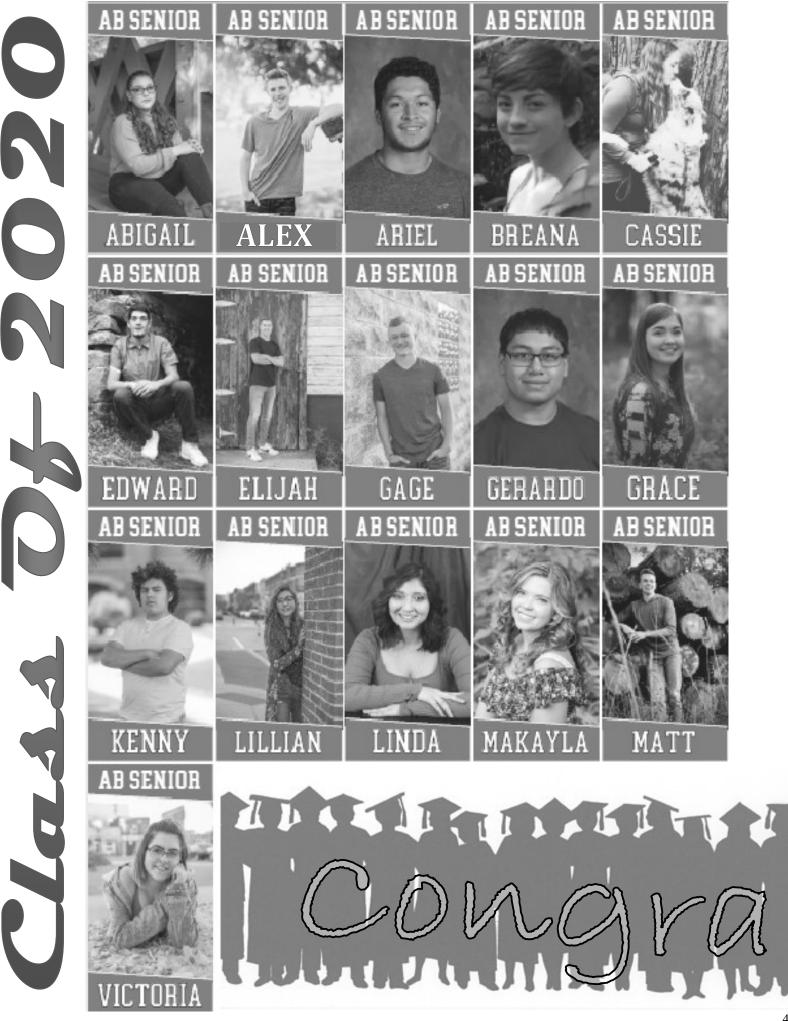
Melissa Perzinski has earned the spot of Salutatorian for the 2020 graduating class! Melissa has excelled in the classroom and credits her success in school to her go-getter personality, organization and work ethic. Outside of the classroom, she has embraced numerous extra-curricular activities. She has shown leadership in Student Council and National Honor Society, holding offices in both. Melissa has enjoyed athletics and participated in volleyball, basketball and softball all throughout high school as well as taking part in Show Choir, Math League and Forensics.

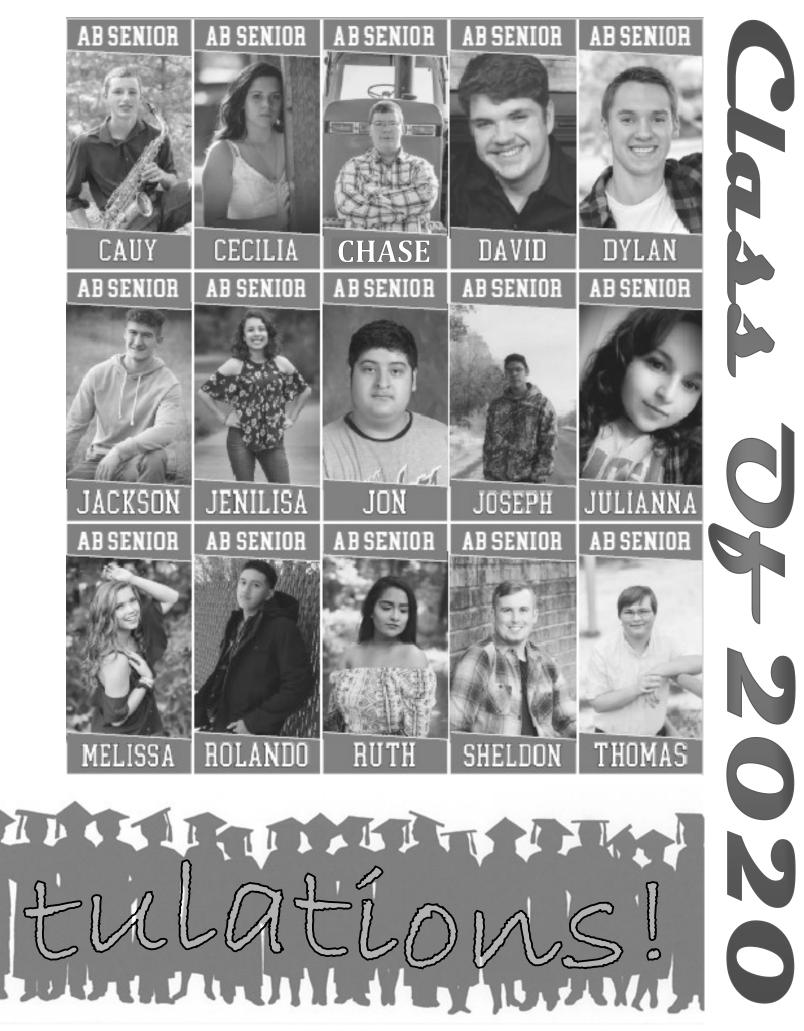
Melissa will be attending UW-LaCrosse in the fall. She will be on a Pre-Occupational therapy track, studying Psychology. Her goal for the future as an occupational therapist, is "to make other peoples' lives easier by helping them do tasks that come naturally to most people." Wishing you all the best in your studies, Melissa!

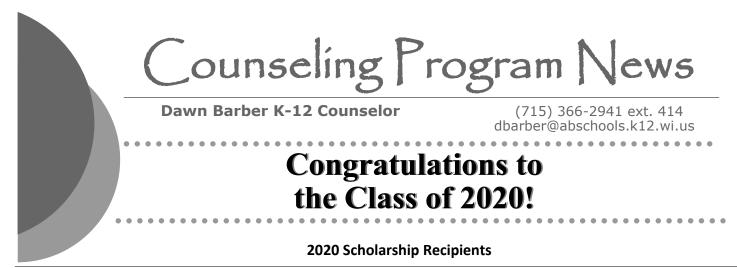




We are proud of all of our A-B graduating seniors!







This year we had eight students receive state and community scholarships worth over \$47,000! Congratulations to these recipients! Each of our seniors spent a lot of time and effort this year on college applications, financial aid, and scholarships. They should be proud of their accomplishments and we can't wait to see what each of them accomplish in the future!

AAEA Almond American Legion Almond Lions

Angie Sheldon Bancroft Lions

Ben & Theresa Turzinski Copernicus Cultural Foundation Eagle Booster Club

Ed "Bud" Berry Memorial Greg Turner Memorial H. James Kollock Joe Connor Memorial John Barden Memorial Michael Holden Memorial National Honor Society Kennv Gaspar-Diaz Dylan Omernick Jackson Beggs Cauy Huntington Melissa Perzinski Cauy Huntington Melissa Perzinski Dylan Omernick Kenny Gaspar-Diaz Jackson Beggs Elijah Kollock Makayla Perzinski Melissa Perzinski Melissa Perzinski Dylan Omernick Makayla Perzinski Cauy Huntington Dylan Omernick Makayla Perzinski Makayla Perzinski Melissa Perzinski Cauy Huntington

Academic Excellence Technical Excellence

NTC Wood Science Stevens Point Rotary Club NTC E.O. and LaVerne Johnson Scholarship Pagelow Family/UWO Sandra McKone Memorial Sentry Insurance/UWO UWSP Music Dept. Low Brass Verlyn Scheider Memorial Makayla Perzinski Sheldon Wade

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Cauy Huntington Elijah Kollock Melissa Perzinski Elijah Kollock

Kenny Gaspar-Diaz Kenny Gaspar-Diaz Jackson Beggs



16 Reasons I Smile Everyday

Andy Burns, Daniel Burns, Ben Colombe, Robbie Frank, Ty Huntington, Arick Iwanski, Orion Kunst, Carlee Lamb, Courtney Lukas, Mason Manske, Mikala Seymour, Claire Turzinski, Paige Turzinski, Miguel Vega, Ella Winn, and Austin Zinda.

I have had the pleasure of being these students math teacher for the last two years. They were attentive, they were studious, they were courteous, and they made me laugh. I will miss them (I miss them already) next year. I wish them well and I know our paths will cross again. The best to all of you as you continue your high school careers.

Mrs. Ciula

High School Awards

Perfect Attendance Awards:

Dalton Omernick-9th Grade Thanatos Levin-9th Grade Maxwell Lorenz-9th Grade Cauy Huntington-12th Grade

Student Council-Mr. Nowinski 2019-20 Officers:

President-Makayla Perzinski Vice President-Monica Herrera Secretary-Melissa Perzinski Treasurer-Kenny Gaspar-Diaz <u>Members:</u>

Elijah Kollock, Ethan Heinz, Devon Miner, Matthew Selenske, Olivia Baumgartner, Paige Turzinski, Riley Stiles, Carlee Lamb, Roxana Castellanos, Emily Wysocki, Xander Miner, and Gracelyn Breitenstein

Quiz Bowl-Mr. Nowinski

A Team:

Elijah Kollock-Team Captain Thomas Firkus, Ethan Heinz, Devon Miner, Kenny Gaspar-Diaz, Cauy Huntington, Matt Selenske, and Sheldon Wade <u>B Team:</u> Tyler Huntington-Co-Captain Ben Colombe-Co-Captain Felicity Budelier, Daniel Burns, Roxana Castellanos, Robert Frank, Candace Lein, and Mason Manske.

Makayla Perzinski-Team Manager

Social Studies-Mr. Nowinski

<u>Projects of the Year:</u> Victoria Jones, Chase Warzynski, David Trevino, Cecilia Helbach, Breana Schafer, Aurelia Vega, Seth Bunders, Raegen Omernik, and Jillian Newby <u>Student of the Year:</u> Matthew Selenske

Alternative Education-Mrs. Huebner

<u>Academic Rock Stars:</u> Alana Chilsen Megan Bentley

LMC-Mr. Collins

Matt and Paul Schleizer Award: Mackenzie Baird and Emily Wysocki

Family & Consumer Science-Mrs. Omernik

Dynamic Duo Award: Dylan Omernick and Matthew Lukas

Science-Mrs. Hell

March Mammal Madness Champion: Gage Meddaugh Runner Up, Austin Zinda <u>Periodic Table Wizard:</u> Kenny Gaspar-Diaz and Devon Miner <u>Most Likely to Bow Up the Science Lab:</u> Matthew Lukas Runner Up, Thanatos Levin <u>Fearless Madagascar Cockroach Handlers:</u> Gracie Rendall, Courtney Lukas, and Evan

Ramczyk

Lab Assistant/ Lettuce Hydroponics Award: Tyler Huntington

Math-Mrs. Ciula

Algebra I Pre-E Learning Award: Xander Miner Post E-Learning Award: Ryan Merlia Geometry Award: Felicity Budelier Algebra II Award: The Entire Class!

Music-Ms. Schmidt

Outstanding Musicianship: Robert Frank and Matthew Selenske National Choral Award: Makayla Perzinski <u>Music Field Award:</u> Jackson Beggs <u>Most Improved:</u> John Luna and Riley Stiles <u>State Solo and Ensemble Qualifiers:</u> Robert Frank, Matthew Selenske, and Makayla Perzinski <u>State Gold 1 Rating:</u> Robert Frank

English-Mrs. Schumacher

English 9 Award: Raegen Omernik Emily Wysocki E-Learning Rock Star: Hannah Baird On Demand Writing Award: Hailey Sawyer Oral Communications Award: Alexander Burns and Aurelia Vega Forensic Award (State Qualifiers): Kenny Gaspar-Diaz, David Trevino, Cristina Larios, and Matthew Selenske Thespian Award: Kenny Gaspar-Diaz, Cauy Huntington, Makayla Perzinski, Melissa Perzinski, Breana Schafer, and Sheldon Wade Why Didn't You Join Sooner Award: Jackson Beggs and Gage Meddaugh

Band-Mrs. Nowinski

Director's Award: Matthew Selenske Jon Philip Sousa Award: Kenny Gaspar-Diaz UWSP Honor Band: Devon Miner Matthew Selenske Kenny Gaspar-Diaz Sheldon Wade Tyler Huntington Thomas Firkus Conference All Star Band: Grace Dachel, Lillian Jones, Kaitlin Hintz, Ethan Heinz, Cauy Huntington, Thomas Firkus, Kenny Gaspar-Diaz, Matthew Selenske, and Sheldon Wade State Qualifying Performances-

Class A Gold *1 rating: Kenny Gaspar-Diaz, Matthew Selenske, Devon Miner, and Ethan Heinz (Low Winds Quartet) Ethan Heinz (Bass Clarinet Solo) Gracelyn Breitenstein (Alto Sax Solo) Cauy Huntington and Devon Miner (Alto Sax Duet) Kenny Gaspar-Diaz (Trombone and Euphonium Solos) Sheldon Wade and Derik Anderson (Marimba Duet) Matthew Selenske (Tuba Solo) Grace Dachel (Flute Solo) Cauy Huntington (Alto Sax Solo) Grace Dachel, Jenilisa Gaspar-Diaz, Mikala Seymour, Kaitlin Hintz, Aurelia Vega, Jasmin Banda, Ethan Heinz, Cauy Huntington, Devon Miner, Alondra Banda-Alvarez, Thomas Firkus, Tyler Huntington, Orion Kunst, Harrison Rykal, Gracelyn Breitenstein, Xander Miner, Kenny Gaspar-Diaz, Matthew Selenske, Sheldon Wade, Derik Anderson, Preston Knutson, and Max Lorenz (Polka Band) State VIRTUAL Medals: Silver- Kenny Gaspar-Diaz (Trombone and

Euphonium Solos) Gold- Matthew Selenske (Tuba Solo) and Cauy Huntington (Alto Sax Solo)

Business Education and Spanish-Mrs. Rykal

Spanish 1 (A's all four quarters): Hannah Baird, Gracelyn Breitenstein, Felicity Budelier, Seth Bunders, Roxana Castellanos, Logan Fuehrer, Cristina Larios, Raegen Omernik, Brianna Rennie, Harrison Rykal, and Emily Wysocki Spanish 2 (A's all four quarters): Orion Kunst, Claire Turzinski, and Paige Turzinski Business Ed (3 dual credits from Mid-State Technical College): Derik Anderson, Alondra Banda-Alvarez, Rolando Banda, Ariel Castillo, Grace Dachel, Abigail Fosmire, Victoria Jones, Elijah Kollock, and Preston Knutson Business Ed (4 dual credits from Mid-State Technical College): Chloee Dernbach, Makayla Perzinski, and Melissa Perzinski Business Ed (6 dual credits from Mid-State Technical College): Jenilisa Gaspar-Diaz Youth Apprenticeship Program One Year: Kenny Gaspar-Diaz Work Options Program One Semester: Julianna Hansen FBLA: Best of luck to both Candace Lein (Agribusiness) and Cassie Lehman (Journalism) as they compete in the Virtual National FBLA Competition in June.

Congratulations 8th Grade Students On Your Promotion to High School!



February-Middle School Students of the Month

Before the school closure we honored the following students.

6th grade student of the month - Emalee Petrick

- Emalee is a very sweet, kind student who always smiles and puts 100% effort in her work. She is willing to challenge herself and isn't afraid to make a mistake.
- Emalee is a joy to have in class! She is respectful and a positive role model for others.

7th grade student of the month - Jennifer Ortiz

• Jennifer is very kind to all her peers and has a positive attitude. She listens well in class and is always willing to give a good effort.

8th grade student of the month - Lydia Lemanski

- Lydia is a hardworking, friendly student who is always willing to help out when asked.
- Lydia is respectful and polite.



Middle School Awards

Student of the Year Messina Meddaugh

<u>Read 180 Student of the Year</u> Lillian Pratt

Most Industrious

Emalee Petrick-6th Grade Madalyn Potts-7th Grade Lillian Pratt-8th Grade

Most Improved

Devin Gumney-6th Grade Dalton Clark-7th Grade David Larios-8th Grade

Perfect Attendance

Keagen Nigh-7th Grade Kerstyn Clark-7th Grade Jesus Perez-Pacheco-8th Grade Tanina Levin-8th Grade

Music Awards

Outstanding Musician Cecelia Rykal-8th Grade Vivian Kramer-7th Grade Chase Barden-6th Grade Most Improved Camryn Wade-6th Grade

Band Awards

Musical Leadership Emalee Petirick Oakley Omernik Aaliyah Newby Alyssa Borski Hayden Rykal Chase Barden **Emmit Stiles** Mckenze Kowalski Kerstyn Clark Cecelia Rykal Jesus Perez-Pacheco Vivian Kramer Kylie Garner Rayna Rossouw **Cohen Preissner Outstanding Middle School Musician** Emalee Petrick-6th Grade Jesus Perez-Pacheco-7th Grade Cecelia Rykal-8th Grade

Congratulations!

EAGLES SPORTLIGHT &

A-B High School Athletic Awards

Top Senior Male Athlete - Jackson Beggs Top Senior Female Athlete - Melissa Perzinski Top Senior Male Scholar Athlete - Elijah Kollock Top Senior Female Scholar Athlete - Makayla Perzinski (Sponsored by Mead-Rath-Gutke Post 339)

Matt Schleizer Award - Kenny Gaspar-Diaz WIAA Scholar Athlete Nominee -Elijah Kollock and Makyala Perzinski

Three Sport Award (participation in three sports for last 2 years) Gage Meddaugh Edward Pena Jackson Beggs Elijah Kollock

Matt Lukas Melissa Perzinski Makayla Perzinski **Middle School Football** season will begin on Monday, August 17th with an important parent meeting at 6 pm. We will meet in the auditorium to discuss philosophies, schedule and special events, team rules and expectations, and the necessary paperwork required for participation. Following the meeting, our first padless practice will be held up on the practice field. Practices, throughout the season, will be held daily from 3:30 to 5:30 on weekday afternoons.

PLEASE make sure that if your student-athlete needs a physical it is completed prior to the first day of practice. Physicals are good for two years. Physical forms can be picked up in the school office. We are looking forward to another terrific season!

Finally, I strongly encourage each team member to actively prepare themselves for the upcoming season. This preparation could include staying active through other sports involvements, summer fitness plans, or routine conditioning.

MS Football Coaching Staff



Senior Yearbook Photo Information for the graduating class of 2021

Your senior year is quickly approaching, and the time has come to think about your senior yearbook photograph. If you haven't already done so, please call and schedule your appointment as soon as possible to ensure availability of summer appointments. Students *are* expected to comply with the school dress code when deciding what outfit to be photographed in for the yearbook. Clothing that is see-through, strapless or spaghetti strapped is not to be worn. Midriffs are to be completely covered. T-shirts with inappropriate logo or wording are not appropriate for this picture. All high-resolution photographs are due to Mrs. Rykal by **Friday, December 4th, 2020**. If you do not want to find your own professional photographer or cannot afford one, please contact Mrs. Rykal and she will arrange for a professional-quality photo to be taken in an indoor or outdoor setting. Any photo not meeting the deadline or all specified requirements will not be accepted. Please be advised that it is still required for all seniors to take a picture at school either on registration day or picture retake day. If no senior photo is submitted, this is the picture that will be used in the yearbook.

Seniors will need to submit a baby photo for the yearbook, so be looking through those old photobooks to find the one that captures you best! Electronic format is best, but hard-copies can be sent in for scanning.

Seniors will need to submit a yearbook quote to be placed alongside the senior and baby photos. Please find something with meaning that truly represents who you are. Off-colored quotes or quotes that are deemed inappropriate by Administration will not be used.

And finally, what better send-off for your student than to put together a personalized ad for them in the Yearbook! Each ad is \$25 and includes space for 2 pictures and a message to your senior. *If you are interested in placing a Senior Ad, please email Mrs. Rykal ASAP to reserve your spot as space in the yearbook is limited.*

Thank you,

Mrs. JB Rykal Eagle Publications Advisor

Elementary Book Trivia Contest

On Friday, March 13th, the Almond-**Bancroft Elementary** hosted their first book trivia contest. One hundred six students participated, with the help of staff members and parent volunteers. It was a busy afternoon of answering questions for the books they read. Great work to all our students.



Summer Reading

Set aside time to read.

Read in fun places.

Sign up for a reading challenge, https:// www.scholastic.com/ site/summer/ home.html

Have tips come straight to your phone, text READING to 81411.

Elementary Book Trivia Contest

Congratulations to the top three teams.



In third place was a tie between the Readers of the Black Lagoon and the Wild Things Are Here.

Readers of the Black Lagoon team members included: Carlon H., Blake W., Jackson B., Madai B., Addisyn P., Nellie G-R., Cole H., Wyatt B., Tallie S., Rihanna B., and Kayden W. The Wild Things Are Here team members included: Hazen B., Kaden M., Auwynn K., Sophia C., Gabriel K., Rosalyn K., Paulina P-P., Jordyn S., Jonathon E., Arianna G-R., and Max L.

In second place the Book Wizards. Team members included: Lexi C., Lizzie W., Aubree W., Michael R., Audrinna S., Levi W., Javier O., Landen C., Carly W., Jaylah G., and Adyah C.



In first place the Bad Kitty Club. Team members included: Tucker S., Dorisel B., Eddie O., Edgar B., John S., Aleiah A., Indigo S., Mar'Quis R-G., Haley P., and Mikey C. We want to send a big thank you to our volunteers for helping out with our first book trivia contest. Esther Whitman, Jeff Troestler, Cynthia Hutkowski, Holly Petrillo, Emily Nigh, Heather Lopez, Amanda Ruzicka, Corrine Pratt, Kami Caldwell, Candance Helms, and Leslie Burns we couldn't run these events without you.

Also a big thank you to all the elementary staff who filled positions to make the contest run smoothly.





Reading Nook –Summer Reading

We have made it through remote learning! Congratulations for continuing important learning during this unprecedented closure for your child(ren). We are very thankful for everyone's hard work and commitment.

Now we move into the summer months. Because of our closure, it is even more important than ever to continue reading throughout these summer months. Here are a few ideas to keep students motivated.

Set aside time. Have a time when everyone reads. This could be together or separately. Let your child see that reading is important. Consistent modeling of reading is a strong indicator of children becoming avid readers.

Change it up and **read in fun places**. Make a reading fort, have a reading picnic, or read while lounging at the beach. Flashlight reading in a backyard tent or on the trampoline is a hit with most kids.

Another way to increase summer reading motivation is to **sign up for a challenge**. Scholastic is providing a free program called **Summer Read-A-Palooza**. View this website to sign up and read more information: <u>https://</u><u>www.scholastic.com/site/summer/home.html</u>

Have tips come straight to your phone. Reading Rockets is offering summer learning tips in English or Spanish. You'll receive messages each week featuring hand -on activities to keep kids reading, creating, exploring - and learning - all summer long. To begin receiving the literacy texts, **text READING to 81411** from your mobile phone. For more information visit: <u>https://www.startwithabook.org/reading-tips</u>-text-messages

Stay Healthy and Happy Reading! Mrs. Negro

2ND GRADE AWARDS FROM MRS. BLANKE

I always hand out classroom awards to my students, but this year it looked a little different. I presented them during a class video chat, but not everyone was able to attend. Students were awarded as follows:

Rihanna Barajas - Fantastic Friend Award for being open and welcoming to other students.

Carson Barden - Most Cheerful Award for always staying on the positive side of things and having a bubbly personality.

Bently Cantu - Future President Award for being driven and determined to achieve his goals.

Landen Carpenter - Math Whiz Award for knowing his math facts really well and being a leader in math class.

Abby Cisewski - Brave and Bold Award for never being afraid to stand out or do what is right (even when it's hard).

Ian Czlapinski - Most Inquisitive Award for always being curious about the things around him, especially animals.

Jon Evertsen - Incredible Story Teller for having an amazing imagination and a knack for telling stories.

Aiyana Feltz-Walker - Most Creative Award for her love of art and all things crafty. **Chloe Fosmire** - Great Listener Award for not only being a great listener in class, but always lending an ear to her friends.

Sara Gaspar-Diaz - Ray of Sunshine Award for being able to brighten any situation with her smile and positive attitude.

Clinton Hutkowski - Class Comedian Award for always being able to make others laugh. **Sinthia Neumann** - Brightest Smile Award for never getting discouraged and offering her beaming smile to everyone.

Jayden Ortiz - Kind Hearted Award for treating others with kindness and respect in all situations.

Andrea Ramirez - Rockin' Reader Award for her love of reading and time spent in the library.

Jordyn Seymour - Helping Hand Award for being willing to help anyone she is able to help.

Lacie Wellens - Future Teacher Award for her love reading to others and being in charge.

What a great class!

Summer School

Since the state department of health (DHS) has the authority to close schools, our school remains closed through at least June 30th. The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction is allowing all school districts to operate summer learning programs with distance learning or learning packets.

Learning packets, available on June 15th, will be provided to all students who completed 4K through 7th grade. They include activities your child may work on over the summer. We highly encourage you to have your child complete at least some of the activities provided since our learning environment was so untraditional the last few months of the school year. It is important your child remain actively engaged in learning to prepare for fall and the next grade level.

You may work at these activities at your own pace. When activities are completed, place them back in the envelopes they came in and return them to school. The activities on the weekly activity sheet are fun, enriching activities students can do throughout the summer. Just circle the activities your child completed and put his/her name on the sheet to be returned to school in the envelope. You may send completed work on the bus any day there is food delivery, or you may drop off completed work in our Main Office lobby at any time between 8:00-3:30, Mondays through Fridays, throughout the summer.

We encourage you to send back any completed activities as they can be counted as instruction toward our distance learning summer school.

Credit recovery classes will also be available online for high school students.

Please direct any questions to: Dr. Penny Boileau pboileau@abschools.k12.wi.us (715) 366-2941 ext. 418

Thank you and enjoy a safe, exciting summer filled with learning!

AWARDS Sponsored by the Portage County Sheriff 's Office Top 5th Grade Cadets Receiving a \$20 Gift Card: Lacie Bradley Emersyn Budelier Lexie Carlton Shawn Carpenter Kaylee Doll Charlie Hutkowski Presley Lopez Kaden Martinez Delaney Omernick Tucker Stiles Callie Warzynski Aubree Wojcik Outstanding Service Cadets

SAFETY CADET

Receiving a \$25 Gift Card: David Castellanos Jared Pena <u>Top Cadet Receiving a New Bike:</u> Charlie Hutkowski

Congratulations Cadets!



THREE NEW SPONSORS FOR THE DISC GOLF COURSE!

In March, April and May, two community groups, a business, and a family decided to become disc golf basket sponsors and purchased four more baskets (also known as holes) for the future 20 hole disc golf course. The Almond Rod and Gun Club, Liberation Farmers, Paradise Trucking, as well as Roger and Sandy Hetzel each gave \$500 or more. This brings the total basket sponsors to 14. The hope of the Almond-Bancroft Disc Golf Club and the FFA is to have the first loop of 10 baskets in the ground by late-June, while the rest of the baskets are placed as restrictions are lifted, the ability to bring in volunteers, and weather allows.



A special thanks goes out to the Almond Rod and Gun Club for the gracious sponsorship (see photo). If you're interested in becoming a member of the club, please contact Dan Folan, Club President, at 715-347-7181. Another big thanks goes out to Liberation Farmers, who held a fundraiser to sponsor a basket at their store/restaurant. You can find more information about Liberation Farmers at <u>www.liberationfarmers.com</u> or by typing them into Facebook. Paradise Trucking, who donated materials and installed the parking lot that provides access to the school forest and the disc golf course. Find them on Facebook for all of your trucking needs. Finally, thank you to Roger and Sandy Hetzel for their kind donation and sponsorship.

Recently, a shipment of disc golf baskets were delivered, and the Burns family was kind enough to lend a forklift to get the job done. Daniel Burns took some time out of his school day to unload all of the baskets (see photo). Thank you Burns family!



A special thank you goes out to Randy Schukar for all of the time and knowledge he continues to share with us to make the School Forest Project happen. From the very beginning, Randy took the time to walk the forest and plan everything out with his crew. With the right amount of help and guidance, anything is possible.



Summer will be here before we know it and there are now only 7 more baskets left to

sponsor. The AB Disc Golf Club and the FFA will begin putting the sponsored baskets into the ground shortly. If YOU would be able to become a sponsor and be part of the list of caring community members who are making this huge project possible, please contact Tom Collins at 715-366-2941 Ext. 412 or via email at tcollins@abschools.k12.wi.us.

Thank you!

THANK YOU POST PROM DONORS!

We would like to say thank you so much to all of our wonderful community who donated to our Post Prom! The junior class and the Post Prom Committee are once again blown away by your generosity and support in providing a safe and fun evening for our students. Although things didn't go as planned this year, we will be putting your funds towards this event as usual when we are able to do so.

Thank you for your continued support,

Post Prom Committee

<u>Silver Level</u> Donations (\$25-\$150)

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2020-2021 ALMOND-BANCROFT PUBLIC SCHOOLS CALENDAR

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January Student Days/Total: 19/95 January Teacher Days/Total: 20/103

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Key:

2020-2021 S	pecial Events	

New Staff Orientation	August 12
Staff In-service - No Students	August 24-28
Staff Day/Registration, Picture Day, & OPEN HOUSE, 4:00-7:30 PM	August 26
First Day for Students	September 1
Labor Day - NO SCHOOL	September 7
NO SCHOOL	October 19
End of Quarter 1	November 3
Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00 - 7:30 PM	November 12 & 17
Thanksgiving Break - No School	November 25-27
Teacher In-service (Half Day) - No Students	Dec. 23
Winter Break - No Students	December 24 - January 3

Regular School Day Hours:							
4K - 5th Grade:	8:10 AM - 3:15 PM						
6th - 12th Grade:	8:00 AM - 3:16 PM						

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End of 1st Semester	January 20
Teacher In-service - No Students	January 25
Teacher In-service - No Students	February 15
Spring Break - NO SCHOOL	March 15-19
End of Quarter 3	April 1
Good Friday - NO SCHOOL	April 2
Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00 - 7:30 PM	April 15 & 20
Last Day for Seniors	May 27
High School Graduation 7:00 PM *Tentative	May 28
Memorial Day - NO SCHOOL	May 31
End of 2nd Semester/Last Day	June 4 • 12:00 Dismissal

Planned Hours of Student Instruction

4 year old Kndg = 450 hours. This exceeds the 0 DPI required hours of instruction by 450 hours
Kndg - 5th Grade = 1,121 hours. This exceeds the 1,050 DPI required hours of instruction by 71 hours
6th - 12th Grade = 1,198 hours. This exceeds the 1,137
DPI required hours of instruction by 61 hours

New Employee In-service
Day
Teacher In-service Day -
No Students
Registration/Picture Day/
Open House 4:00-7:30 PM
Student & Staff
Non-attendance Day
Student Attendance Day
Last Day of Quarter/Semeste
Parent-Teacher Conference
4:00-7:30 PM

Quarter 1 - 44 Student Days
Quarter 2 - 45 Student Days
Semester 1 -89 Student Days
Quarter 3 - 44 Student Days
Quarter 4 - 44 Student Days
Semester 2 - 88 Student Days

Approved: January 15, 2020

4K

1 two-pocket plastic folder (preferably without clips inside) 1 package of SMALL paper plates (cheap kind - not Styrofoam or wax coated)

GIRLS: 1 package of plastic spoons

BOYS: 1 package of plastic forks

1 3-Ring Binder; white; size: ONE INCH 1 regular size backpack (small backpacks do not fit winter clothing)

1 full change of clothes to be kept at school - label all items and place in a gallon size Ziploc bag (label bag as well)

1 small blanket for rest time (storage space is limited)

1 small travel-sized pillow for rest time - this is OPTIONAL (keep in mind, it has to fit in a small cubby with the blanket) \$20 Snack Fee (covers snack for your child all year rather than a

Snack Calendar, can be paid at Open House)

Kindergarten

18 glue sticks (no name)

1 box of #2 pencils (no name)

1 box of 24 crayons (no name)

1 box of 12 colored pencils (no name)

2 or 3 large erasers

- 2 packs of white index cards (Ramczyk)
- 1 boxes of fat washable markers (no name)

1 good pair of children scissors

2 wide-lined spiral notebooks

1 small supply boxes (cigar size)

- 1 backpack (no wheels)
- 2 heavy duty plastic two pocket folders (bottom pockets)

2 boxes tissues

2 boxes of snacks (more at the quarters-Wimme)

1 tub antibacterial wipes or baby wipes

Choose one or more of the following items to send in (unlabeled), plastic bowls, paper plates (large or small), play-

doh, plastic spoons and forks, cotton balls, dry erase EXPO markers

First Grade

Please label the following items:

Backpack or school bag

1 Art box

1 pair of scissors

1 pair of labeled headphones (hoping to be able to pass these on to the next grade)

Please do not label the following items as they will be

shared as community supplies:

#2 pencils (2 boxes) -- No mechanical pencils, please.

Crayons (24 colors)

1 box of basic colored markers

1 box of colored pencils

4 EXPO brand dry-erase markers (black or blue)

6 glue sticks

2 large erasers

Please choose two or more of the following items to send in (unlabeled):

1 box of kleenex, Large paper plates, Play-dough, 1 box of plastic spoons, 1 box of plastic forks, Gallon/Quart size Ziploc bags, 1 bottle of hand sanitizer.

Perzinski's class ONLY

\$20 snack fee (covers snack for the year and can be paid at open house)

2 unlabeled wide ruled notebooks

Second Grade

Scissors Art box Backpack Crayons 4-6 large glue sticks I bottle liquid glue Large eraser Three notebooks (wide lines) Colored pencils

Second Grade (continued)

Two folders

- 2 packs pencils 1" three-ring binder
- 2 boxes Kleenex

Markers (optional)

Please choose one of the following: 1 box gallon/sandwich/snack size

bags, hand sanitizer,

Expo markers, toothpicks, paper plates.

\$20 Snack Fee (covers snack for your child all year rather than a Snack Calendar, can be paid at Open House)

Third Grade

1 box of 24 count crayons

1 box of colored pencils - 12 or 24 count

12 pencils or a mechanical pencil and extra lead (If you decide to buy mechanical pencils, pencils with .9mm lead or larger are

best for this age.)

1 large eraser

1 pair of scissors

- 1 highlighter any color
- 1 pencil case

1 art supply box (cigar box size only - larger won't fit in desks) 4 large glue sticks

4 plain two-pocket folders (without clasps in the middle) - 1 red, 1 yellow, 1 green, and 1 blue *(please do not label the folders)*

2 wide lined spiral notebooks *(please do not label notebooks)*

1 box of 250 count facial tissues

1 school bag or backpack

Fourth Grade

1 book bag or backpack-Please, No Trapper Keepers

3 wide-lined spiral notebooks

- 2 composition notebooks
- 5 pocket folders *Please do not label the notebooks or folders 1 Handheld pencil sharpener with cover

2 pens -2 different colors

- 2 large erasers or pencil top erasers
- 1 highlighter
- 4 dry-erase markers AND a dry-erase eraser
- 1 box washable markers
- 1 pair of scissors
- 3 alue sticks
- 2 Packs of pencils
- 1 ruler, metric and standard
- 1 art box
- 1 Pencil Pouch
- 1 pair of earbuds
- 1-2 boxes tissues
- 1 tub antibacterial wipes
- 1- pack of crayons
- 1- pack of colored pencils
- 1- pack of Multiplication flashcards

Fifth Grade

3 pocket folders

folders

1 highlighter

2 glue sticks

1 art box

1 pair of scissors

2 Packs of pencils

1 pair of ear buds

1-2 boxes tissues

1 book bag or backpack-Please, No Trapper Keepers

1 plastic pocket folders *Please do not label the notebooks or

2 out of the following options: 1 pack of crayons, 1 pack of colored

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2 wide-lined spiral notebooks

1 hand sharpener for pencils

2 large erasers or pencil top erasers

pencils, or 1 box of washable markers

4 dry-erase markers AND a dry-erase eraser

2 composition notebooks

Middle School

6th, 7th, and 8th Grades

Backpack (no wheels) or book bag Pencils and Pens Pencil top erasers Note card box 1 pkg. 3x5 notecards 7 notebooks (1 per class): Green (Science), red (Math), blue (Social Studies), vellow (Lang.), and 3 notebooks in any color 7 pocket folders (1 per class): Green (Science), red (Math), blue (Social Studies), *yellow (Lang.),* and 3 folders in any color Protractor and Compass (6th grade only) Calculator, (<u>Scientific T1-30Xa</u>) (7th & 8th grade only) Loose-leaf paper Highlighters (yellow, green, blue, pink) Colored pencils 2 Expo markers Two large boxes of Kleenex Book or novel for silent reading Physical Education Shorts and T-Shirt Earbuds (for classroom use but will be kept in locker)

Exploratory Business

1 notebook (College ruled) 1 folder

Family and Consumer Science Notebook and folder

<u>MS Art</u> Sketchbook

<u>High School</u>

Spanish I, II, and Advanced Spanish Classes

1 notebook (College ruled) 1 folder (or) 3-ring binder to hold worksheets, notes, and notebook 1 Spanish/English Dictionary

1 package blank notecards

Accounting

Notebook Folder Calculator

Intro to Business (Sem. 2)

Notebook Folder Calculator

Personal Finance

Notebook Folder Calculator

<u>Algebra 1</u> Notebook

Folder Geometry

Notebook Folder Calculator

High School (continued)

Algebra 2/Pre-Calculus/Calculus/TechMath/Prob&Stats

Notebook Folder Scientific calculator

Social Studies

Spiral notebook Folder Textbook cover-optional (paper bag cover acceptable) Earbuds/headphones 1 inch 3-ring binder

All 9-12 Science

1.5" or 2"- 3- ring binder for science only Spiral notebook or loose-leaf paper Colored Pencils
Scientific calculator
100 3x5 notecards (AP Bio)
Composition notebook - graph ruled (AP Bio)

STEM and Chemistry

Scientific calculator All 9-12 Art

Sketchbook

English 9

1 Notebook 200 3x5 note cards Note cardholder Folder specifically for English 4 highlighters (1 of each color pink or red, yellow, green, and blue)

All 10-12 Reading and Language Arts Classes

- 1 Notebook
- 1 Folder

Oral Communications

- 1 Notebook
- 1 Folder
- 1 package 4x6 Notecards

AP English 12

- 1 Notebook
- 1 Folder

Tech Ed

Safety glasses (may be purchased from the school for \$3) Tape measure

Transportation

Safety glasses Feeler gauge Small tool set-helpful but not required Coveralls-recommended

Physical Education

T-shirt & athletic shorts Athletic shoes (non-marking soles) Cold weather clothes (sweatshirt & sweatpants)

<u>Health</u>

Notebook and folder

Family and Consumer Science

Notebook and folder



Exciting Changes for the Almond-Bancroft 4K Program

Children who are 4 years old before September 1st of each school year, are eligible to attend the 4K (sometimes called Pre-Kindergarten or Pre-K)



Program. The 2020-2021 School Year will bring an exciting change to Almond-Bancroft's Program!

Students attending the 4K program will now attend 4 half-days each week, with an available option for the students to remain in the school building for the entire day; thus being at school 4 FULL DAYS each week. The Extended Learning Center (ELC) will be available for 4K students to receive quality care during the regular school days/hours. There is no cost to families who take advantage of this option and the classroom will be right next door to the 4K Classroom. Here are examples of the tentative schedule for students attending the morning or afternoon 4K Programming sessions:

Morning 4K Students

7:45 a.m. - Arrive with all K-12 Students 7:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. 4K Programming 11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. LUNCH 11:45 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. Student in ELC - w/Rest Time 3:15 p.m. - Depart with all K-12 Students

Afternoon 4K Students

7:45 a.m. - Arrive with all K-12 Students 7:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Student in ELC - w/Rest Time 11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. LUNCH 11:45 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. 4K Program 3:15 p.m. - Depart with all K-12 Students

Please note, the ELC is optional. Parents are welcome to arrange for their child to be picked up or dropped off and only attend the 4K Program.

We are so excited to offer this format and it is our vision that having these young children attend each day will provide the consistency needed to prepare them for Kindergarten! Parents who have questions about the program can call or email Kirsten Miller or Dr. Penny Boileau at any time. If you or someone you know has a child who is age-eligible, but is not currently enrolled, contact Sandy Barden in the Main Office for information on how to enroll.

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P.I.E. Dance-A-Thon

Thank you to everyone who supported and contributed to the P.I.E. Dance-A-Thon fundraiser. The fundraiser was very successful and we are still collecting funds that will benefit our students with enriched learning experiences when they return to school.

The event has been postponed, but will happen when school reopens. We will set another date and instead of having a "Spring Fling" we'll have a new, exciting theme for fall.

The donated prizes are safely stored and waiting for winners! We can't wait to put it all together and enjoy an afternoon of fun, food, games and dancing!

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