



Together, we transform lives  
through academics, athletics and the arts



2021-22  
**Spartan**  
PROFILE



**Boardman**  
Local School District



# Superintendent's Message



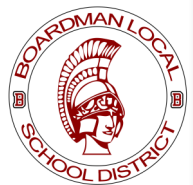
*As we begin the 2022-23 school year, the Boardman School District's tradition of excellence remains front and center. Our students and staff will start the year with nearly a million dollar investment in new curriculum. Federal ESSER dollars and state grants have also aided our ability to make major building and safety improvements to ensure the health and well being of our students and staff.*

*Now entering my 21<sup>st</sup> year serving the Boardman Schools and my 7<sup>th</sup> year as superintendent, the last year may be the best example yet of community partnerships and expanded learning opportunities in the Boardman Schools. As you will see in the pages of this report, our students had many unique hands-on experiences inside and outside of the classroom, new opportunities for career development, and additional arts and athletic adventures. We are so very grateful for community sponsors and partners who often make these "extras" possible.*

*Over the summer, our staff has been busy improving building safety, including newly installed classroom door barricade devices, upgraded and additional camera systems, and LED lighting to illuminate our school grounds, parking lots, and stadium area. Our staff has installed more than 500 classroom phones with direct lines for better communication between teachers and parents, but also to serve as direct safety lines in case of emergency.*

*From therapy dogs and therapy bunny "Finn", to various mentorship programs like WEB at BCIS, Link Crew at BHS, and Big Spartan/Little Spartan— mental health and support is key in our schools. Boardman's partnership with Alta Behavioral Services gives our staff and families access to professional counselors and support, and fortifies our staff to meet student needs.*

*We are emerging from several years of pandemic challenges, and I believe we are stronger than ever before. Let us continue to follow our mission: Together, We Transform Lives Through Academics, Athletics and the Arts!*



*Go Spartans!*

*Superintendent Timothy L. Saxton*



Front Row: Treasurer A.J. Ginnetti, Board President John Landers, Superintendent Tim Saxton

Back: John Fryda, Vickie Davis, Jeff Barone, Frank Zetts

The Boardman Board of Education meets on the 4th Monday of the month at 6:30 PM at Boardman High School. Holidays may affect that schedule so please refer to the list of dates on the School Board page of the district website.

The public is always invited and welcome to attend. You may also tune into the BSTN YouTube channel for highlights in the "School Board Report" or "Superintendent's Corner"





# Community Partnerships

Boardman Schools are blessed with supportive community partners! Boardman Township welcomes students for tours to show how government works. Firefighters and police officers regularly visit our schools with the smokehouse, firetrucks and cruisers to teach safety lessons for school and at home.



This year was a first-ever collaboration with the ABC Water District as it develops the Forest Lawn Stormwater Park to be built on the site of the former Market Street School. Our Glenwood enriched science students are monitoring the project, gathering data from surveys, and doing water quality testing. They presented their capstone projects to professionals at the Ohio Stormwater Conference in Sandusky in May. #Learning



These generous groups provide:

- Scholarships for graduating seniors
- Coats or shoes for students in need
- Bike Safety Campaign with 2 new bikes for the winners!
- Help to organize school food pantries and donations when needed
- Essay/Oratory Contests to spur good citizenship



**Boardman Kiwanis 70th Annual Easter Egg Hunt**

A tradition our Kindergarten students enjoy every year.

Success by Six prepares our kindergarten students to start school strong!



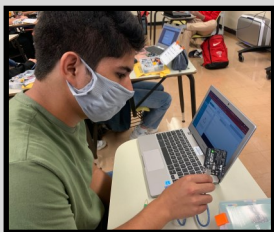




# Boardman High School

## ACADEMICS

- New partnership with YSU: the afterschool ADMETE Program introduced BHS students to micro engineering and the science/math behind the lucrative micro chip industry



- This was the first year for the skilled trades pre- apprentice program. Woods students receive training and union reps visited classes to answer questions and provide salary and job information



- Therapy dog visits, Lunch & Learns, and Yes Fest focus on student well being, careers, and mental health



## ATHLETICS

### 12 Varsity Sports out of 20 won AAC Championship Titles:

- ◆ Boys/Girls Golf
- Boys/Girls Tennis
- Boys Basketball
- Boys/Girls Swimming
- Boys/Girls Bowling
- Girls Track
- Girls Cross Country
- Boys Baseball

Lady Spartan Strength was a new summer program for BHS female athletes: 120 participated in the 10-week strength training and conditioning program

8 AAC Players of the Year:  
 Cole Congson/ Soccer  
 Trey DePietro/ Basketball  
 Madison Murphy/ Golf & Swim  
 Ryan Sam/ Golf  
 Caleb Satterfield/ Swimming  
 Alayna Turillo/ Bowling  
 Ava Valko/ Tennis



## ARTS

- ◆ BHS Fine Arts saw 10 Gold and Silver Key Scholastic Art Winners, and Anna Zheng's sculpture earned a spot in the prestigious Governor's Show
- ◆ BHS Jazz ensembles jammed with 2-time Grammy winner Eric Marienthal and then performed together at Jazz Fest
- ◆ A BHS First: Rock Orchestra Project Mayhem had a sold out indoor—as well as a second outdoor Stadium performance
- ◆ BSTN Video Production students produced, directed, and livestreamed concerts and sporting events including Friday Night Football
- ◆ Guys & Dolls and Cinderella delighted audiences as BHS performed two musicals
- ◆ The new BPAC student crew organized and arranged all stage performances and lighting in the Performing Arts Center





# **Class of 2022**

**346 Graduates**

**\$3.7 Million in Scholarships**

**26 “First In Class”**

**307 AP Tests Taken**

**84 Honors Diplomas**

**45 President’s Awards of Educational Excellence**



The simple and sweet class motto of 2022—“Go Spartans”—is near and dear to my heart. This senior class has weathered a high school experience like no other as the majority of their time at BHS was navigating the changing demands of a pandemic.

The Class of 2022 is celebrated for their enduring leadership, hard work, and school spirit! Many painted for Habitat, made cards for senior citizens or collected and distributed food for United Way. Others won awards for art and music, and performed at local nursing homes and hospitals. Still others broke school athletic records, gave it their all on the field, on the mat or on the court—or simply cheered for those who did.

This class saw opportunities to help, to excel, to succeed. To my “1st” graduating class as BHS principal, may I say Well Done! And... “Go Spartans!”

**-Principal Mark Zura**



# Glenwood Junior High



7th grade field trip to Mill Creek Park involved a 3 mile hike around Lake Cohasset, looking at macroinvertebrates, testing water quality and learning about alligator snapping turtles and red-eared sliders.

2021-22 was full of opportunities at Glenwood Jr. High: from Project Stream science expeditions, to trips to YSU and the Butler Art Institute, our 7th and 8th graders were exposed to so much hand-on learning.

More than \$23,000 in grant money paid for 3D printers, rain garden plants, outdoor classrooms, ELA and literature supplies and our amazing Veterans Day Assembly.

2022-23 will enhance a major renovation to the courtyard garden thanks to a national \$15,000 grant awarded over the summer. I am so grateful for our entire staff as they continue to motivate, encourage and support our students.

*Principal Bart Smith*



These students performed in District 5 Middle School Honors Band at Stambaugh Auditorium in November. Cierra Smith earned 1st chair flute.



Glenwood students belted out more than 20 hit Queen songs in "We Will Rock You". This Broadway adaptation allowed our Spartans to shine on stage.



Congratulations to these students for their sustained hard work and dedication in the classroom.

They received the 4.0 Scholastic Award for maintaining straight A's for their entire middle school career from 5th-8th grade.



# Center Intermediate



When you visit Center Intermediate School, you leave with a handmade thank you note written by students and staff. Each one is unique.

This new BCIS tradition represents our evolving school culture!

Our school's participation in the Core Essentials program promotes positivity. This program prides itself on the BIG 3:

**Treat others right. Make smart decisions. Maximize your potential.**



## 2021-22 Building Improvements:

- ◆ Upgraded broadcast studio
- ◆ Renovated orchestra room
- ◆ Improved cafeteria experience
- ◆ Converted fountains to bottle refillers

We look forward to the 2022-23 school year, with an infusion of new textbooks and software for our students. Over the summer we installed twelve new 3D printers and opened a second technology lab on the third floor. As your principal, I intend to continue my daily google classroom messages to students and sketching sessions on Fridays. I'm so excited to see what our amazing staff and students accomplish, together!

*Principal Michael Masucci*

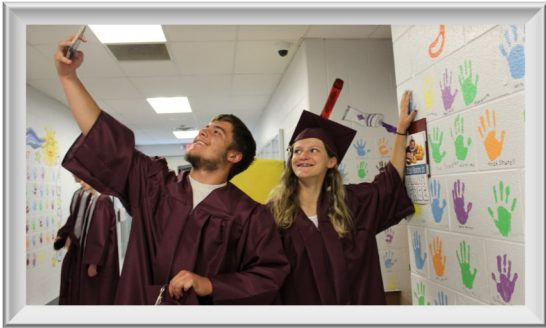




# Robinwood Lane Elementary

Everyone “pulls together” at Robinwood Lane Elementary!

Whether it's tug of war at the 3rd grade picnic, or raising nearly \$5,000 for the American Heart Association's Jump Rope for Heart-our students, families, and staff always work together.



Traditions like our “Mitten Tree” and our “Hall of Handprints” from classes gone by remind Robinwood students that they are always loved and supported.

We look forward to the 2022-23 school year where all the district's elementary students will receive brand new ELA textbooks called ‘Wonders.’ This curriculum is designed to foster a love of reading in all children and to encourage them to be critical thinkers and life long learners.

- *Principal Billie Jo Johnson* -



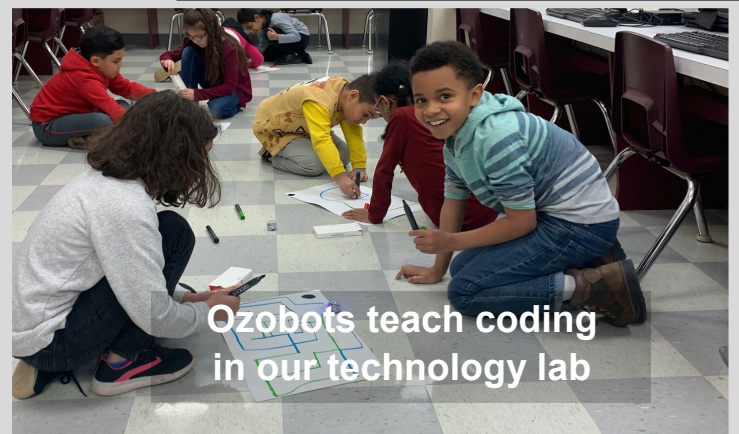
3rd grade picnic



**Green Team Fun:** These monthly events celebrate good behavior! Who doesn't love frozen turkey bowling, cookie decorating or 'pumpkin bash' balance tests?



Biography Bottles combine history, research, writing, and art



Ozobots teach coding in our technology lab





**Principal Zoccali and staff  
lean into learning**

# Stadium Drive Elementary



Stadium Drive Elementary is proud to be a National Blue Ribbon award winning school! Our teachers and staff are passionate and their energy fuels the learning that happens here daily! We are grateful for incredible family support and we strive to meet our students' individual needs every day.

*Principal Michael Zoccali*

- Inclusion week—Celebrated all of our differences! (Concluded with an all school assembly)
- Full-time guidance counselor helped support social/emotional learning with monthly lessons
- PTA and librarian, Mrs. Murphy, organized a Used Book Sale and Ice Cream Social to raise over \$1,000 for a Spartan family whose son is battling cancer.
- Stadium staff works with community businesses and local leaders to provide holiday meals and resources for our families throughout the school year.
- Successful donation drive stocked the building's food pantry which supports Stadium Drive families
- Right to Read Week and creative book fairs like "Aloha to Books" engage our readers from the start



**classroom social/emotional lessons**



**Celebrating in "multiple" ways**



**Veterans Clap Out**



**Field Day**



**Patriot Day Ceremony**



**Big Spartan—Little Spartan**



# WEST BOULEVARD ELEMENTARY

Now in my 18th year as principal at West, I could not be more proud of my award-winning students and staff!

New in the 2021-22 school year:

- ♦ Therapy bunny 'Finn' visited classrooms with full-time counselor, Mrs. Scrocco
- ♦ Veterans Day drive-thru celebration
- ♦ Christmas Carols in the Parking Lot

Ahead in the 2022-23 school year:

- ♦ New ELA 'Wonders' textbooks grades K-3
- ♦ Comfort Corners in every classroom for students mental health and well being

-Principal Al Cervello



Pancakes with the Principal is a monthly celebration at West. Students are always proud to be recognized for kindness and good behavior- (they love the whipped cream, too).



Science Fair



Safety Smokehouse



Science Lessons at BGJHS



West is among 1% of schools in the nation recognized not once, **but twice**, as a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence.

(That's only 1,000 out of 131,000 schools across the U.S.)



Big Spartan/Little Spartan connects our BHS juniors and seniors with our elementary students once a month. They paint and play games. They listen and serve as role models. It's all about support and encouragement!



# WHERE WOULD SPARTANS BE WITHOUT ...

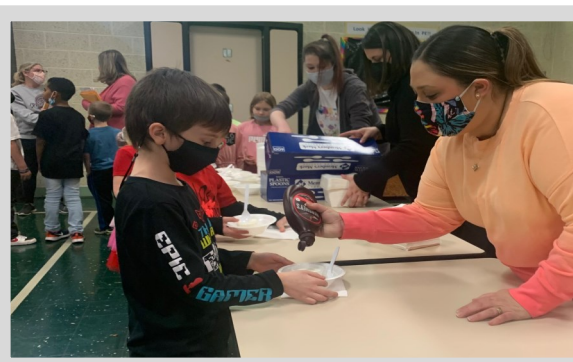


**Despite Covid and its restrictions, our building PTA groups focused on providing as many activities to our students as possible.**

**The 2021-22 school year brought us skate parties, outdoor movies, Santa shops and book fairs. We had reptile reviews and entertainers who spread love and anti-bully messages about inclusion and respect for self and for others.**

**PTA supplied Kona ice, bounce houses, photo booths, new picnic tables, end-of-year bashes, ice cream socials and beach day pops.**

**These were moments of fun and pure joy—where Spartan bonds begin. Love for learning and each other starts here!**







# SPARTANS ON THE MOVE . . .

National Art Honor Society members at BHS spent the day sketching at the **Carnegie Museum of Art in Pittsburgh**

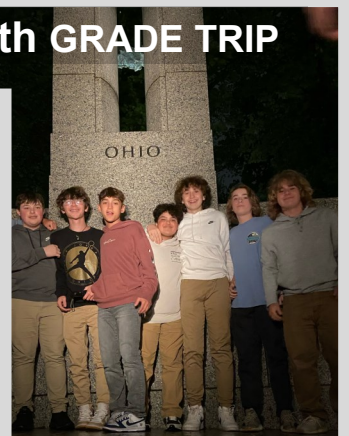
Field trips were back in 2021-22, and our Spartans were *everywhere!*

Career and educational experiences included trips to YSU, The Butler Institute of Art, and the Canfield Fairgrounds for the Skilled Trades Expo. The BHS chorus attended the Kennedy Center and workshops in D.C., while the traditional 8th grade trip included the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and all the monuments.

Our Spartan musicians visited Disney or Elvis's birthplace, while BHS History of Rock classes explored the Rock Hall of Fame in Cleveland.



## 8th GRADE TRIP



## COSTA RICA

## BHS CHORUS

## WASHINGTON, D.C.



# WELCOME TO *Graceland*

## TICKETING

## MARCHING BAND





# Food Services

**Good News, Spartans!** Despite supply chain issues and recent inflation, the Boardman Food Services Department will keep student meals at pre-pandemic prices for the 2022-23 school year.

Breakfast (K-12) \$1.50   Lunch (K-8) \$2.75   Lunch (9-12) \$3.25.



**Chicken Parm & Strawberry Shortcake**

The USDA's 'Free Meals for All Students' federal program has ended. Now parents must complete a federal Free/Reduced Meal Application (one per family) filed immediately online or downloaded from the district website and returned to our Food Service Department.

"We ask parents and students to be flexible this year, as supply chain problems may force occasional menu substitutions. Our goal, as always, is to provide tasty and nutritious meals with love from our staff!"

*Natalie Winkle, Food Service Director*



**Boardman's Before & After School Program** is offered at all three elementary schools and Boardman Center Intermediate.

- Student drop-off as early as 6:30 AM
- Pick-up as late as 6 PM.
- Check the Boardman School Website for costs/details

## Homework

## Playground

## Crafts

## Games

- Visits from Boardman Park, OH Wow Science Center, The Green Team, and Mill Creek Park.
- Flexible with parents' schedule as long as the student is registered for the program

# Transportation



Nick Deniakis  
Supervisor

**WELCOME: New Transportation Supervisor Nick Deniakis** — A BHS Class of 2001 graduate, Nick has more than a decade of mechanic, shop foreman and supervisory experience to lead his staff of 60+ drivers, mechanics, and support staff. He looks forward to serving our Boardman families.

**SAFETY FIRST:** *"My number one priority will always be the safety of students and staff. Training is year-round for drivers, and we visit every school for bus evacuation drills, and to teach bus rules and safety to our young Spartans."* - Nick Deniakis-



**HERE COMES THE BUS:** Parents are encouraged to get the free Here Comes the Bus APP to view the real-time location of your child's bus. A push notification alerts you when the bus is just minutes away. No more long waits at the bus stop!

GPS hard drives were updated over the summer on every bus—so 'Here Comes the Bus' should be ready to go in September.





# Student Services

Boardman Local Schools Department of Student Services is proud of the strong bond our staff members have with each of the nearly 700 students we serve.

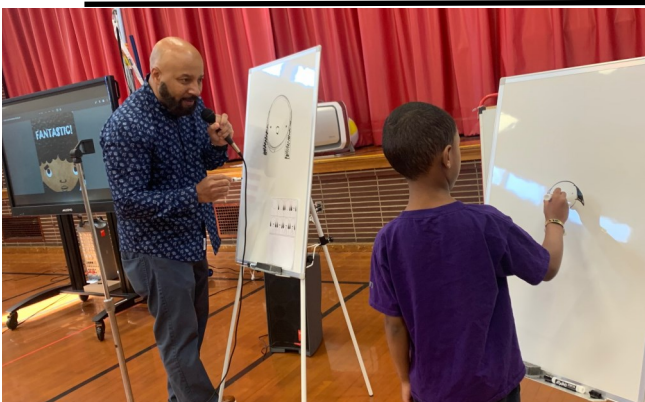
Teresa Kunder had tears of joy as she watched graduating senior Mason Martin at the Spartan Stroll in May. She was his aide since first grade, and now she celebrates the graduate who will pursue a computer science career.



Boardman is dedicated to reading instruction with every building having access to a certified Wilson or Orton-Gillingham instructor. The district is also working with Boardman teachers to be trainers in these highly successful phonics programs. With recent legislation demanding more screening and intervention for Dyslexia, Boardman Schools is ahead of the curve.

Boardman Schools foster great partnerships to provide the best services to our students in audiology, behavior therapy, PT, OT, and preschool services. Our students and families benefit from professional support from area Ohio Educational Service Centers, Aris Therapy, and Community Behavior Consulting.

# Department of Instruction



**RIGHT TO READ WEEK** is a celebration in Boardman! Youngstown author/illustrator Steve Brown has published 19 multi-cultural children's books. His school visits captivated our students as he drew and shared his "Dynamo Flapdoodle" tales.

How do you develop a character? Where do your ideas come from? How do you draw them? These were interactive assemblies for all K-3 students who were also very happy to go home with one of his books.



## MAJOR INVESTMENT IN TECHNOLOGY/CURRICULUM

Federal ESSER dollars helped the District achieve 1:1 technology in the 2021-22 school year. In Boardman all students K-12 have access to their own school device. Now ESSER dollars will buy more than \$800,000 worth of new textbooks, workbooks, and learning materials that have online components for the coming school year in the following:

**ELA (K-10<sup>th</sup>) Science (4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>) Math (7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) Health (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) AP Govt. (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) Italian (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)**

## SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL LEARNING



Teachers will be trained in trauma-informed care to help students and their families cope with sudden loss, sickness, or major family emergencies. Boardman's longstanding partnership with Alta grows stronger each year. There is a professional Alta counselor in every building to assist our counselors and provide support for struggling families.



# Financial Accountability



Boardman welcomed new treasurer, A.J. Ginnetti, in May of 2022. He has more than a decade of school finance experience in surrounding districts and a strong reputation for attention to detail.

*"My focus is enabling our students to thrive while keeping a watchful eye on our fiscal responsibilities to the community of Boardman."* A.J. Ginnetti

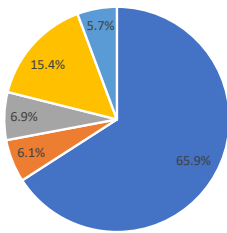


In the 2021-22 school year, Federal ESSER funds enabled the District to buy air purifiers for every classroom, convert all buildings' fountains to water bottle refilling stations, and add teachers and support staff to focus on gap closing and emotional and mental wellness.

In the 2022-23 school year, these federal dollars will help the district upgrade building safety/security (see below) and add nearly a million dollars in new ELA, Math, Science, AP History, and Foreign Language curriculum.

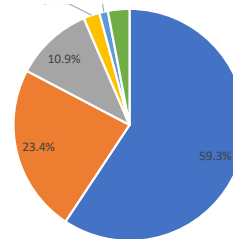


**Revenues: \$ 48,809,009**



General Fund FY 2022

**Expenses: \$ 43,431,547**



General Fund FY 2022

**Wages : 59.3%**

**Benefits: 23.4%**

**Services: 10.9%**





**Materials: 2.3%**


**Capital: 1.2%**

**Other: 3%**

## Building & Safety Improvements

ESSER Funded and School Safety Grant projects:

- Air Conditioning** for three elementary schools, (tentative completion Spring, 2023) \$998,623
- Door Barricade Devices** installed on every classroom door in the district \$23,000 
- Cameras** upgraded/60 additional cameras district wide: \$47,800 
- Phone System** upgrades with phones in every classroom: \$91,707 
- New Exterior Doors** BHS \$185,200
- LED Exterior Lighting** for buildings and parking areas including Spartan Stadium \$229,306 

 ( denotes projects completed this summer)



Teacher Grant Winners



The Boardman Schools Fund for Educational Excellence awarded nine teacher grants in the 2021-22 school year worth a total of nearly \$14,000. A dozen Boardman teachers (K-12) were awarded for their creative project ideas that included 3D printers, solar power stations, an Orion Starblast Intelliscope with camera, digital microscopes, TV studio equipment, and supplies for classroom peace corners.



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## RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER

### A Few Words From Recent Spartan Graduates . . .



**Miles Spearman**  
**BHS Class of 2019**

*"Being a part of the BHS band programs made me realize I wanted a career where I could be surrounded by creative people on a daily basis —The sports organizations at Boardman also taught me how important it is to have an accountability partner to push you out of your comfort zone..."*

*Miles is studying Marketing, Music and Media Production at the University of Cincinnati*

Miles Spearman was featured on Amazon Prime's Series 'The CollegeTour' in February of 2022, and has had 7 internships while at UC including NBC Universal, HBO Max, Warner Media, and the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra.



**Erin Higgins**  
**BHS Class of 2018**

*"I was a proud member of the BHS Marching Band— I took pride in the uniform and the discipline it took to be excellent. I feel the same way about my police uniform—proud as I aspire excellence and dedicate myself to helping the community where I grew up."*

*"Erin has a criminal justice degree from Kent State University and graduated from YSU's Police Academy in May, 2022."*

Erin Higgins is Boardman Township's newest police officer, sworn in on July 11. She requested BHS School Resource Officer Paul Poulos to present her badge in the official pinning ceremony, calling him a 'great mentor' in her career choice.