



SchoolTalk

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North Branch Area Schools

August 2022

Facts Regarding the OPERATING TAX LEVY



✓ For North Branch Area Schools, the State funding per pupil foundation allowance is \$9,150 but the school district only receives \$8,531 per pupil from the state; the difference must be collected locally through the operating tax levy.



✓ The State aid formula for funding public schools assumes that local districts assess an 18 mill operating tax levy to receive the full foundation allowance.



✓ This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of not to exceed 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its full revenue per pupil foundation allowance.

✓ The remaining 1.1522 mills are only available to be levied to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the "Headlee" amendment to the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and will only be levied to the extent necessary to restore that reduction. This is often called "Headlee erosion."

✓ The ballot question asks voters to renew the millage that will expire with the 2022 tax levy for a period of 6 years, 2023 to 2028.

✓ The ballot question asks voters to renew 19.1522 mills. The remaining 1.1522 mills (the excess over 18 mills), will act as a "cushion" against further Headlee erosion. This authorization would safeguard the school district against a decline in millage caused by Headlee erosion in the future and provide the continued 18 mills funding from taxes collected from non-homestead properties. By law, the district cannot levy an operating tax more than 18 mills, even if it is voter approved.

✓ There will be NO INCREASE in property taxes to your primary residence (the main home where you live). The proposed millage is NOT assessed on primary residences or qualified agricultural properties.

✓ The proposed millage is assessed primarily on commercial, industrial, vacation homes, and rental properties.

✓ Only 21% of the property value in the district is subject to this operating millage.

✓ This money is used for district operations and cannot be replaced by other sources.



The school district's operating millage has been regularly approved by North Branch voters since 1994 when Proposal A passed. This is a renewal of the current millage.

PLEASE VOTE NOVEMBER 8, 2022

The OPPORTUNITIES of a LARGE SCHOOL in a SMALL TOWN ENVIRONMENT!

North Branch Area Schools adopted the motto of "ALL IN" to reflect the district's commitment for everyone involved to give 100 percent to make the district better for our students, our families and our community. That commitment includes:

- ★ An extraordinarily dedicated staff that provides excellent learning opportunities for all students
- ★ Kind and caring support staff, including a school nurse
- ★ Safe and modern, air conditioned facilities
- ★ Technology rich classrooms
- ★ F.A.B.S. – a before and after school program
- ★ Preschool for 3 and 4 year olds
- ★ Gifted & Accelerated Program

- ★ Space Camp Program at U.S. Space and Rocket Center, Huntsville, Alabama (5th-8th grade)
- ★ Tutoring opportunities
- ★ North Branch Early College
- ★ AP Classes
- ★ Dual Enrollment
- ★ Online Learning
- ★ STEM Academy
- ★ Award Winning Marching and Symphony Bands

- ★ Thriving Theatre Program
- ★ Business Professionals of America Chapter
- ★ Wide Variety of Extra Curriculum Offerings
- ★ State recognized alternative education program
- ★ Lapeer County Educational and Technology Center programs
- ★ No fee athletics programs
- ★ Successful Athletic teams at local and state level
- ★ More than 60% of NBAS athletes annual received the Scholar Athlete Award

SCHOOL OF CHOICE

School of Choice window for the 2022-2023 school year will be open through August 25, 2022.
Please contact Central Administration Office at 810-688-3570 for more information.



Message from the Superintendent



Dear North Branch School District Families and Community,

The North Branch Board of Education, administrators, teachers, and support staff are ready and excited to welcome our students and families to the start of what will be another great school year. School starts for all students on Monday, August 22nd. By now, you should have received specific information from each building in order for your child to successfully begin the school year. Please check our website at www.nbbrncos.net for the most updated school calendar. It has been a busy summer with construction at the high school and summer learning opportunities for students in the Ruth Fox Middle School and North Branch Elementary. We remain committed to delivering the best educational experience possible for all of our students while prioritizing the safety of our staff and students. Please allow me to share a few updates with you:

SCHOOL SAFETY

North Branch reinstated its safety committee in December 2021 meeting monthly until the end of the school year. The purpose of the committee is to promote a positive culture that is conducive to achieving the academic and social-emotional needs of all students in order to create a safe learning environment. Its objective was to develop a thoughtful and measured approach to school safety based on extensive research in order to recommend long-term solutions to keep our students and staff as safe as possible. The committee researched several safety initiatives that were ultimately approved by the North Branch Board of Education and will be implemented for the 2022-2023 school year. Those safety improvements include the following:

1. Switch from the district's current school safety plan and utilize Alice Training for all school personnel. Our administrators, teachers, and support staff will spend the majority of its professional development day on Tuesday, August 16th undergoing extensive training in Alice (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, and Evacuate). Alice Training is the most-used active shooter and emergency response protocol nationwide. Students will undergo

age-appropriate training once the school year begins in order to be fully prepared in the unlikely event of a school emergency.

2. North Branch Area Schools entered into a contract with the North Branch Village to hire a full-time school resource officer. We are waiting on details from the recently approved school budget to determine what other measures can be taken to provide additional support in the district.
3. The district has purchased night locks for all the classrooms in the district that provides protection in just seconds to securely barricade classroom doors and prevent entry from outside the classroom.
4. North Branch Area Schools is the first school district in Michigan to utilize Crisis Alert which is predominantly used in Florida and Georgia. Every district employee will wear a badge that alerts all personnel in their building if there is an emergency and a need to go into lockdown. Not only will administrators be notified immediately but so will our school resource officer and local police.

HIGH SCHOOL HEATING AND COOLING CONSTRUCTION

As I shared in an earlier School Talk article, the North Branch Board of Education approved using ESSER II, also the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRFSA Funding), and ESSER III, American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA Funding), dollars to update the HVAC system in our almost 30-year-old high school. In April of 2021, the North Branch Board of Education hired a company to review and inspect the high school HVAC system and present a Conceptual Building Analysis to determine immediate upgrades. On July 12, 2021, the board reviewed the mechanical, electrical, and plumbing needs and arranged a meeting of the Board of Education Facility Committee to recommend board action. The average life of most HVAC equipment is 20-25 years and the high school is almost 30 years old. Four high-priority areas were determined to have less than 5% of useful life left. The Board of Education Facility Committee unanimously recommended spending the one-time ESSER funds to upgrade those identified high-priority areas in lieu of spending general funds dollars that are best used to educate our children.

The identified repairs, replacements, and upgrades will not only improve the ventilation and airflow throughout the high school, the savings in operation and maintenance are estimated to be 1.7 million dollars over the next 20 years. The HVAC updates started on Monday, June 13, the first day students were on summer break. While most of the improvements are completed, we have experienced delays in getting equipment. This means some of the final work will be finished this fall. The company completing the project has rented ten 14,000 BTU portable units to condition classrooms in order to ensure our staff and students can focus on learning when conditions in late August and early September can be hot and muggy.

NOVEMBER 8, 2022 OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL

I share three goals with the North Branch Board of Education. Goal #3 states "North Branch Area Schools and the Board of Education will validate the importance of every staff member as critical to the success of the district and will maintain partnerships of integrity and trust within the North Branch Community." We are the district of choice in our area because we live in a community that values and supports educational excellence. We are a very fiscally conservative district that prioritizes dollars going into the classroom so our students are prepared for future opportunities. On the front page of this school talk edition is information about the November 8, 2022, Operating Millage Renewal Proposal on non-homestead properties. **This is not a tax increase, but rather a renewal that will continue to keep North Branch Area Schools strong and vibrant. Please vote on November 8th.**

Our district will continue with its "All In" motto and we are excited to welcome your children back to school on Monday, August 22. Please feel free to contact my office at 810-688-3570 if I can help you in any way during the upcoming school year.

In anticipation of a great school year!

Jim Fish
North Branch Superintendent



NBHS – ALL GRADES

Student Orientation

All 9th-12th grade students are required to come to the NBHS cafeteria during one of the scheduled sessions (below). Students can drop in any time during their scheduled orientation time. Orientations should take no longer than 30-60 minutes, depending on each student's needs.

9th, 10th, 11th & 12th Grades

Monday, August 15th: Either 9:00 am – 11:00 am or 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

New Students & Parents Meeting In HS Auditorium 3:00 pm: The counseling department will be holding a new student and parent meeting at 3:00 pm in the HS auditorium. Although this meeting is optional, it will be very informative, especially for those parents who will have children attending the high school for the first time.

Make-Up Day (9th – 12th): Thursday, August 18th • 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

All orientations will address the following:

- 2022-23 Student Schedules
- School Pictures & Photo IDs (*required of ALL students*)
 - Order Forms from the Photo Factory will be mailed home but will also be available at orientations
- Emergency contact information updates
- Bus #'s with pick-up/drop-off times
- Class Voting
- Classroom numbers and map
- Free and Reduced Lunch Forms

- Locker numbers and combinations
- Student Vehicle Registration (\$5 registration fee required)
- Senior Class Graduation Requirements
- Yearbook sales for 2022-23 (Early Bird Special)
- Senior Class Fees (and past years fines)
- Sports schedules
- Acceptable Use Policy forms (AUP's) for computer usage

Please note: Student schedules will not be mailed. They will be available for pick up during the scheduled orientations. The orientations are designed to minimize time out of classes, reduce expenses, and expedite access to student information. If you have any questions, please contact the main office at (810) 688-3001 beginning on August 8th.

Welcome New Staff Members



Hello Broncos! I am **Bethany Cordle** and thrilled to be North Branch High School's newest Social Studies teacher. I recently received my bachelor's in History from Southern New Hampshire University and currently enrolled in the Accelerated Certificate program at Saginaw Valley State University. This is my first-year teaching and look forward to working with the students, families, teachers, and staff here at North Branch High School. I live in Vassar with my daughter, Brady and our three dogs. In my spare time, you can find me on the golf course or a local car show. I am excited to get to know the North Branch community and for you all to get to know me!



My name is **Melanie Pasek**, and I am so excited to be a North Branch Bronco! I will be working at the high school as a special education teacher and starting my 27th year in education. I graduated from Ferris State University in 1995 and later completed a special education degree at Saginaw Valley State University. I taught various science and health classes for 11 years before turning my attention to working in the field of special education. I thoroughly enjoy teaching, and I am looking forward to an amazing school year.

I enjoy reading, being outdoors, and spending time with my family and friends. I am married and have one daughter, Lauren. I am very excited to get to know the students, parents, and staff members here at North Branch!



Hello! My name is **Mariah Studer**, and I am thrilled to introduce myself as the newest member of the English Language Arts team at North Branch High School. In May of 2020, I graduated as Northern Michigan University's English Student Teacher of the Year for the Winter 2020 semester. I accepted my first teaching position at Oakfield Middle/High School in Oakfield, Wisconsin, where I taught a variety of general and advanced high school English courses before deciding to relocate to my home state of Michigan to be closer to my family. As a graduate of North Branch Area Schools, I am looking forward to bringing my passion for English, learning, and community to the district that first sparked my love of education.

Outside of the classroom, I can often be found hiking, backpacking, and paddle boarding around the Great Lakes with my golden retriever, Charlie, or enjoying time with family.



Hello, my name is **Melanie Card**. I am excited to join the high school staff as a special education teacher. Last year, I spent my first year in North Branch Area Schools at Ruth Fox and was at Swartz Creek Community Schools for the 16 years prior. My husband, Brian, and I have been married for over 22 years and have made North Branch our home since 2004. We have three boys; Ben, Aaron, and Ethan along with our dog Missy. As a family, we keep very busy with school, church, and athletics. But when I get the chance I love to read, hike, and bake.

North Branch Early College

The "North Branch Early College" (NBEC) program, provides students with college courses in general education that can be transferred to any college belonging to the Michigan Transfer Agreement (the vast majority of colleges and universities in the state). The program is partnered with Baker College, Mott Community College, Macomb Community College and Rochester University.

What is an Early College? Early college high schools enable students entering their junior year to simultaneously earn a high school diploma and either an associate's degree, the Michigan Early/Middle College Association (MEMCA) technical certification or up to 60 transferable college credits at the same time, tuition free. The program also provides college readiness skills for students via a required course called "Seminar on Success".

NBEC has two different models in place:

Traditional Model: Students in their junior year would take 6 college courses at the Education and Technology Center in a two hour block. In their senior year, students would take an additional 7 college courses at the Education and Technology Center in a three-hour block. In their 13 year, students would take a minimum of 12 college credits per semester at a Baker College Campus, a Mott Community College Campus or Rochester University Campus.

CTE Blend Model: Students in their junior year would take 1 college course at the Education and Technology Center in a one-hour block after their Ed-Tech program. In their senior year, they would take 3 college courses at the Education and Technology Center in a one-hour block after their Ed-Tech program. In their 13th year, students would take a minimum of 12 college credits per semester at a Baker College Campus or a Mott Community College Campus and receive additional college credit for their CTE successful completion.

The North Branch Early College is a unique and great way for your son or daughter to get a jump start on earning their college credentials, with little to no cost to their family.



Don't Break the Bank paying for College!

Talk with our Counselors about NBHS's Early College Option known as the North Branch Early College.



Welcome to NB School District



Hello North Branch Broncos, I am **Haley Higgins**. I will be a Behavior Interventionist for the Ruth Fox Middle School as well as

the High School. I am a 2014 North Branch graduate and am so thrilled to be able to give back to my community. I am also a University of Michigan – Flint graduate, where I received my Bachelor of Social Work. I am currently working on getting my Master of Social Work from Michigan State University. In my spare time, my boyfriend Alex and I love to break out our kayaks and explore the Great Lakes. We also have a German Shepard, and she keeps us very busy. I am humbled, honored, and excited to begin my career with North Branch Area Schools. I look forward to building relationships with the students, staff, parents, and our community.



I'm **Vickie Clouse**, a clinical social worker with a wide variety of experience including medical social work and mental health therapy

with children, individuals and families. Most recently I worked for the State of Michigan at The Caro Center Psychiatric Hospital. I am highly skilled at crisis intervention and utilize cognitive behavioral therapy and mindfulness. My vast experience will help me relate to our families and be able to help in any circumstance. I am passionate about helping individuals and families understand the challenges they face while coming alongside them to ensure they rise above. I have experience teaching which will help me relate to teachers and understand the classroom needs. My family moved to the district two years ago and have been involved in the school's athletics ranging from youth to high school. I am excited to join the North Branch School District and look forward to working with everyone.

2021-22 Semester II Honor Roll

At the end of each semester, NBHS publishes the honor rolls for Grade 9 – 12. Honor roll students must earn an average minimum grade average of 3.25 or higher for the semester. We would like to recognize the following students for all their hard work during the second semester of the 2021-22 school year. ***Congratulations on making the Honor Roll!*** Students are listed by grade level:

SENIORS Class of 2022

Luke M. Schuitman
Darren D. McLeod
Allyson P. Gipson
Daniel E. Hadden
David J. Hadden
Holly N. Laur
Aydan W. McIntyre
Elise R. Volz
Caiden D. June
Isabella R. Kaake
Abigail M. Orlando
Makayla R. Pasternak
Gabriel M. Baksa
Grant A. Clemens
Arianna G. Allmon
Maise G. Cummings
Maelin Y. Gleeson
Abigail C. Knappen
Kiara N. Putnam
Jasmine J. Girlish
Grace E. Russell
Emma E. Hofert
Haileigh G. Bissett
Madison V. Green
Kally J. Hartzman
Anastazia J. Hovind
Emily Morsch
Alexis J. Abbey
Emma M. Senko
Molly A. DeMeyers
Ean J. Taylor
Giovanni M. Altomare
Claudia Lopez Andujar
Tyler J. Spencer
Karla M. Steinbach
Kirk M. Worrell Jr.
Paige M. Walker
Ethan J. Kielczewski
Krista M. Arman
Melanie G. Bigger
Natalie G. Catlin
Paul Eilers
Xavier M. Chaves
Chloe M. Goss
Dillon R. Schulz
Cora A. Ceriotti
Madalyn F. Caudill
Grace A. Robbins
Gabriel O. Hutchins
Brian B. Boots Jr.
Macie E. Bugg
Daniel L. Flansburg Jr.
Grace E. Lupo
Mason H. Miller
Madison J. Reffey
Tucker D. Hebbard
Raymond J. Strzynski
Zoe A. Thomson
Samuel E. Budreau
Megan A. Foster
Jacob McEwan
Hailey R. Myers

Tosha N. Simpson
Alyssa M. Bussure
Gracie L. Hyde
Dylan M. Bennett
Nathan D. Coy
Abygail M. Gorman
Kyle G. Schoch
Karter M. Shingledecker
Peyton A. Shepherd
Savannah J. Dodds
Isabella A. Nelson
Ava M. Banyas
Alaina B. Walters
Erica M. Stevenson
Sania Khan
Audrey S. Weingartz
Neveah R. Gardner
Mallory E. Mellish
Alexandria M. Simpson
Mikayla E. Turner
Avery M. Flowers
Giovanna M. Fusero
Hunter E. Nichols
Talia C. Wheeler
Owen B. Phillips
Reilly E. Wright

JUNIORS Class of 2023

Ethan S. Davis
Emma R. Ide
Courtney A. Ludescher
Maverick A. Ludwig
Rylee M. McIntyre
Payton E. Yens
Claire C. Caldwell
Lydia J. Hunt
Lauren B. Skovran
Landen R. Swoish
Jayceleen C. Thrasher
Heidi A. Henry
Natasha L. Bickel
Rachel L. Brinker
Merisa Cehajic
Paige N. Hurd
Lauren A. Martus
Gabrielle L. Redmond
Mallory K. Stout
Adryana B. Law
Mattison M. Smith
Leah M. Blackmer
Bailey N. Gormley
Lillian R. Patten
Bella C. Peterson
Brant A. Primeau
Karlie L. Schlaud
Kyah R. Taylor
William T. Damaska
Cody M. Hancock
Brooke A. Webste
Zondra E. DeJesus
Calli L. Lange
Ethan R. Mercer
Andrew J. Muntz

Kolton L. Vroegindewey
Caden J. Fullerton
Brianna R. Harmon
Lavender E. Holzinger
James M. McNees
Elizabeth M. Myers
April L. Ray
Adriana K. Richards
Elizabeth A. Strothers
Jaxson C. Walker
Graci M. Miles
Thomas S. Gravely
Joshua L. June
Jasmine A. Mauk
Noah T. McDonald
Lilly V. Muxlow
Nadia R. Clark
Allen T. Cobb
Nathan T. Dahn
Anna K. Ginzell
Sawyer B. Hyma
Michael J. Kemble
Ethan J. Wentz
Leim L. Brandl
Jacob J. Bruman
Ian C. Greib
Olivia G. Gjomory
Faith A. Hale
Brooke A. Kuczewski
Eli D. Liebler
Dylan M. Schmidt
Chloey M. Fishell
Lea M. DuBay
Sophia S. Hazelwood
Gage D. Witherow
Aiden Z. Swoish
Bohen C. Smith
Montanna R. Engelhardt
Olivia M. Forfar
Jason W. Heckman
Faith T. Moore
Kamdyn E. Mousseau
Alexis M. Racine
Lelia A. Yaklin
Mikaela L. Larry
Nathaniel C. Willis
Olivia K. Kaake
Gabriel M. Goines
Trey T. Hebbard
Mason G. Knight
Griffin T. Mabery
Hunter J. Nichols
Brandi M. VanBrandt
Ryan P. Henne
Nora Henne
Bailey R. Farmer
Jack Kowalik
Mason K. Haken
Grayson J. Gjomory
Jaryn R. Howland
Jenna R. McConnell
Trinity L. Primeau

SOPHOMORES

Class of 2024

Brendan W. Barkowska
Miaya S. Cypher
Skylar A. Dodds
Abigail E. Forster
Regan G. Healy
Avrie K. Hoell
Rhianna L. Johnson
Chelsey M. Jones
Dakota R. Kardell
Emerson P. Klutts
Faith M. Koos
Joshua J. McEwan
Amber S. Parvin
Matthew J. Schmitt
Jersey M. Seelye
Jackson W. Shamel
Te'aira G. Spitzer
Ethan R. Steakley
Kylie E. Whitsett
Ethan R. Dinanath
Alexander D. Simpson
Marley M. Anderson
Alexandria J. Boots
Alana R. Deshetsy
Hailey B. Green
Kylie R. Hollenbeck
Alexandrea M. Majeski
Logan A. Pung
Allison G. Weathers
Catherine C. Welch
Klaire J. Worrell
Jackson D. Baksa
Wyatt P. Bruff
Bela A. Cline
Samantha R. Dufort
Brookelynn F. Franklin
Sarah N. Munro
Isabella K. Schank
Caiden K. Sherrieb
Breanna L. Dodds
Adrienne M. Greschaw
Brady D. Mitchell
Laurn N. Raymond
Julia R. Donaldson
Paul M. Feola
Alexis M. Juarez
Lilian M. Osborne
Randilee A. Stewart
Hannah V. Carmack
Abigail A. Crampton
Caleigh L. Goss
Tanner R. Smith
Isabel C. Swoish
Alyssa H. Vowell
Vincent L. Branch
Landen R. Lee-Culhane
Whisper C. Shipp
Bryce M. Walker
Adrianna G. Kaake
Maci E. Kaake
Allie M. McMillan
Amber M. Howell
Gabrielle D. Polly

Gracie N. Rodriguez
Libby L. Butterfield
Sarah J. Davis
Jada Robidou
Franklin P. Caudill
Jordan J. McKnight
Grace E. Clemens
Tristan J. Gonda
Wyley C. Hansen
Ian M. Leach
Riley J. Luea
Hunter W. Waite
Tori R. Davidson
Kevin L. McDonald
Zackary D. Moss
Cole L. Kardell
Martin M. Mersino
Keagan M. Schierlinger
Courtney M. Wilkie
Ava G. Mitchell
Maya A. Baca
Jalena J. Barajas
Brent D. Castle
Ava E. Degler Taliaferro
Mathew A. Duty
Leyton R. Hutchins
Amanda J. Parvin
Isabella B. Blais

FRESHMEN Class of 2025

Samantha A. Wagner
Alayna M. Schmidt
Autumn R. Spitler
Evan M. Cook
Ashlynn L. Pasternak
Josie N. Smith
Allyson K. Adams
Rheagan M. Bower
Nicholas W. Caldwell
Hallelujah Czelada
Hosanna Czelada
Sophie M. DeSelm
Lucas A. Dorion
Ava M. Ide
Lauren O. Leach
Haven I. Link
Tracy M. Ludescher
Tucker J. Myers
Wyatt R. Opperman
Skylar N. Spehek
Emily A. Brinker
Mason L. Howe
Shawn A. Kidwell
Wyatt A. Muxlow
Emily M. Russell
Xander P. Waller
Joella M. Caringi
Kate L. Damaska
Kirra K. Noell
Ella N. Swoish
William L. LaBlanc III
Audrie A. Ouellette
Gavin J. Thompson

Rowan E. Conley
Emma M. Nichols
Jessica D. Peters
Anthony C. Adamic
Bryce J. Barkowska
Bree-Anna L. Hanson
Isabel O. Hood
Taylor E. Knox
Brock J. Lopucki
Tessa R. Meier
Braydon J. Robinson
Dylan J. Schaaf
Lillian M. Mosher
Meredith I. Schulz
Aubrey M. Steward
Aiden W. Thrasher
Addyson J. Woodworth
Drake D. Dornier
Trentin R. Gregory
Justyn R. Howland
Carter J. Kerr
Matthew L. Miller
Raquel E. Moody
Brennan K. Stockwell
Robert C. Turner
Owen C. Yens
Myla M. Hochstein
Kendall M. Sherman
Kaelynn R. DeBono
Gavin L. Solon
Madison C. Jagoda
Meris Cehajic
Faith E. Kaltz
Carmyn B. Shoults
Taia A. Willis
Katelyn N. Yaklin
Brandon W. Duncan
Cassie M. Heckman
Allen J. Lester
Mylee R. Proctor
William C. Racine
Johnathon R. Robinson
Callum G. Wilson
Blake C. Mize
Bryce F. Reamer
Jaiden M. Gardner
Natalyn A. McMillan
Alan L. Gruenewald
Ephraim J. Rachow
Heidi A. Piorunek
Alexis L. Burhans
Michael A. Jones III
Ava A. Schultz
Thomas A. Shultz III
Logan J. Sylvia
Greysen L. Gjomory
Aiden R. Lawson
Emma M. McMeans
Lily A. Ramseyer
Riley M. Younge



Let's See How Far We've Come



2021 Quest graduate **Jonah Chandler** stopped by to say hello! Jonah recently graduated from MIAT College of Technology in Canton, Michigan with a 3.56 GPA. He is now Certified as a Wind Power Technician!



Congratulations to 2021 Quest graduate **Preston Montney** on his recent decision to enlist in the US Army! Preston will be doing his basic training in Missouri. He will then be stationed in Oahu, training as a Combat Engineer.
Thank you for serving!



Quest Disc Golf Course Features Several Exciting Changes

The Quest Disc Golf Course added an alternative 2nd tee that creates a tunnel shot. Adding distance to the course, Quest also added an alternative tee placement for hole for hole 17! These alternative placements offer all players variation to keep the course new and exciting. The first tee is located at the northwest corner of the Ruth Fox front parking lot.

As always, the Quest Disc Golf Course is free for all to play!

Congratulations Class of 2022!

Highlighted by Quest's largest class since 2016, and student guest speakers, Quest once again put on a graduation to remember! Along with diplomas, several scholarships were awarded. Charlene Schumacher, Colin Ronne, Zander Smith, and Aspen Lee all spoke of their "Quest" for their diplomas. Each with a unique path, a message of hope and preparedness, and inspirational words for future Quest graduates.



Aspen Lee



Teacher David Scalf, Hannah Hunt, Colin Ronne, Kaylyn Jamroz, and Charlene Schumacher



Mark Hiltunen

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Quest High School!

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To enroll at Quest, contact Program Coordinator Corey Rosser by email at **crosser@nbbrncos.net** or by phone at **810-688-7581**.



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2021-22 Ruth Fox MS Principal's Award

The Ruth Fox Principal's Award is a yearly award given to one 8th grade student, and is selected on the basis of high level of academic achievement, attendance, work ethic, compassion, citizenship, and leadership. The 2021-2022 Ruth Fox Principal's Award recipient is **Addyson Martus**.

Addyson is a quiet leader that brightens everyone's day with her heartfelt smile. She works hard in the classroom taking great pride in her work, and is involved outside the classroom in student council and various sports. **Congratulation Addyson!**



Addyson Martus Principal's Award recipient, and Dane Terauds RFMS Principal

ADVANCED COURSE OPTIONS

- COMPASS Gifted and Accelerated Classes
- Pre-Algebra
- Algebra
- Spanish
- Advanced English

AMERICA & ME ESSAY CONTEST Local Students Named Essay Contest Winners

Four students from Ruth Fox Middle School have been named local winners in the 53rd annual America & Me Essay Contest, sponsored by Farm Bureau Insurance.

The award winners pictured are: **Sara Allen (4th), Josie Greschaw (2nd), and Joe Pittenger (3rd).** Josie is holding the certificate awarded to **Katie Gill**, our 1st place winner who was unable to attend the ceremony. All four received award certificates and a monetary prize at an informal in-school celebration. As the first place winner, Katie's name has been engraved and added to a plaque, with the names of many previous winners, which is on permanent display at the school. Her essay now advances to the state level competition from which the top ten essays in Michigan will be selected.



Katie Gill



Sara Allen, Josie Greschaw, Joe Pittenger

Several thousand 8th graders from nearly 200 Michigan schools participated in the 2021-2022 contest, each writing a tribute to his/her Personal Michigan Hero. Katie honored her niece, Josephina, with a heartfelt essay, and should be very proud to advance to the state competition. **Best of luck Katie!**

Ruth Fox Student Plays at Carnegie

RFMS student, **John Ehardt**, performed in Carnegie Hall in New York City as a member of the Middle School Honors Performance Series this past June 18. He was chosen through audition and application by the Honors Selection Board. The students who were chosen rehearsed together about sixteen hours over the course of two-and-a-half days and played literature well beyond their years. They performed beautifully!

In addition to performing in Carnegie Hall (John's favorite part of the New York experience), he and many of the other students who were selected to perform in the honors band, choir, or orchestra, enjoyed the Broadway Show, The Lion King, and a tour of Radio City Music Hall! John also had free time to sightsee and shop with his parents and brother. This was a once-in-a-lifetime experience, but John is already practicing to audition again, this time for the High School Honors Band in upcoming years.



Pictured on left: John Ehardt (Back), with mother Jane Ehardt (Right), father Jeff Ehardt (Left), and brother James (front) at Carnegie Hall.



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Ruth Fox Middle School Welcomes *New & Returning Faces*



Montana Reynolds is a recent graduate of Eastern Michigan University and is a North Branch alumni. When she decided to pursue a career in Education, it was obvious to her that she wanted to return to her hometown, to contribute to the community and specifically the school

district that had done so much for her as a student. Mrs. Reynolds is joining the middle school as a 6th grade teacher after her experiences as a substitute and student teacher this past year. Not only did she decide to teach in North Branch, but has begun building a life here with her husband, 2 dogs and 2 goats. She looks forward to contributing her career in education to the betterment and success of North Branch Schools, and to becoming an asset to the community.

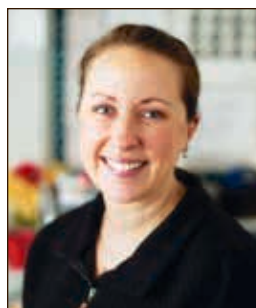


Ruth Fox would like to welcome two familiar faces back to the Ruth Fox teaching staff this upcoming year.

Mrs. Lyndsay Young is coming back to Ruth Fox after teaching the past few years on the Elementary looping teams. Mrs. Young will be one of the 8th grade ELA teachers. Also, after being the Assistant Principal of Ruth Fox, **Mr. Barkowska** will be staying in the building as the Ruth Fox physical education teacher.



Both Mrs. Young and Mr. Barkowska are very excited for their new roles!



NBAS welcomes **Mrs. Jennifer Lowe** to the Administrative team as the new Assistant Principal at Ruth Fox Middle school. Mrs. Lowe is originally from Grand Blanc, MI and graduated from MSU with a Bachelor's in Criminal Justice and U of M with a Master's in Elementary

Education. She moved to Charleston, SC in 2009 for her first teaching position, teaching 7th grade Math. She continued teaching Middle School Math in Charleston for the last 13 years and during that time received her degree in Elementary Administration from The Citadel.

Mrs. Lowe is moving back to MI with her husband Scotty, two kids Brody (6) and Addison (5), and their puppy Charlie. She enjoys being on the lake during the summers as well as reading and cooking. Mrs. Lowe is excited for her new role and is looking forward to getting to know all of the students and the community!



Mrs. Layne Brown is thrilled to be teaching at Ruth Fox Middle School starting this fall, as a STEM teacher. Since graduation from North Branch in 2000, she received a bachelor's degree in Biology and Chemistry Education from Hope College. For ten years, she

has worked with students as a naturalist at nature centers like Seven Ponds Nature Center. More recently, she has enjoyed getting to know students and families at Ruth Fox Middle School as a part-time secretary. Over the past year, she has had the opportunity to complete an additional student teaching opportunity through an accelerated teaching program at Schoolcraft College. "Words cannot express how excited I am to join the Ruth Fox teaching team!" says Brown. In her spare time, she can be found camping, hiking, gardening, or baking with her husband and six year old son.



RFMS SPACE CAMP 2022

Crew 18 is preparing for their trip to the U.S. Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama. At the end of July students left the state for this once in a lifetime Space Camp experience.

After fundraising at this year's annual Old Fashioned Family Christmas, enough money was raised to send 6 students to camp. The scholarship includes Space Camp tuition and all travel expenses. Students were selected through an application and interview process conducted by the Ruth Fox Space Camp Committee.

Crew 18 is Carter Covert, Hudson Budreau, Collin Fitzpatrick, Annabelle Garcia, Klint Worrell, and Sara Allen.

For 6 days students conducted missions, experienced simulations and worked as teams to complete space related challenges. Members from this years crew and past crews kicked off their adventure at the North Branch Parade.



RFMS School Hours

7:15am - 2:20pm

Bell schedule will be based on grade level



**RFMS
OPEN
HOUSE**

5th - 8th Graders
Wednesday, August 17th
5:00 - 6:30 pm



NB Elementary *Important Dates*

AUGUST 10

Class Lists available in Skyward

AUGUST 17

Open House / Meet the Teacher Night
4:30 - 6:00 pm

AUGUST 22

First Day for Students

NO SCHOOL

August 26 • September 2 & 5

NB Elementary **RECYCLES!**

Mrs. Opperman will be starting a recycling program during North Branch Elementary's enrichment cycle. Kindergarten through 4th grade students will be learning about different ways to Rethink, Reuse, Reduce & Recycle.

Mrs. Opperman's goal is to help students be more mindful of what we use each day at school and what are some other uses for things we typically throw away. During enrichment students will be gathering and sorting recycling from all grade levels at NBE and determining what can be recycled at North Lapeer Recycling/ Deerfield Disposal. Students will be collecting paper, newspaper, magazines, water bottles, aluminum cans, plastic bags, and #1 and #2 plastics from their classrooms.

At the end of their enrichment, students will be recycling scrap paper to make their own paper as well as create found art sculptures with materials that cannot be recycled.

**Rethink
Reuse
Reduce
Recycle**



NORTH BRANCH
ELEMENTARY

NB Elementary Welcomes *New Teachers!*

Hello! My name is
Mrs. Mossner!

I am extremely excited to be teaching 4th Grade at North Branch Elementary this year! I earned my bachelor's degree at Saginaw Valley State University. I grew up in North Branch and am glad to be back in my hometown teaching!

I spend most of my time with my husband, Andrew, and our 2 daughters, Cora and Ava. We love being outside playing in the yard, going to tractor shows in the summer, and gardening.

A few of my favorite things:

- ♥ Going for walks or runs
- ♥ Listening to music
- ♥ Relaxing with my family



Meet The Teacher
Madelyn Kidder

Hello! My name is Ms. Kidder! I will be joining the Bronco Team this fall as a First Grade Teacher! I am so excited to meet all my students and join the community!

A little about me, I earned my bachelor's degree this past spring from Anderson University. I am from Eaton Rapids, MI, and love spending time at the beach!



MEET THE TEACHER
Miss Ellsworth

2ND GRADE

ABOUT ME

I grew up in MI but after graduating with my Bachelor's Degree from Central Michigan University, I could not find a teaching job so I moved to VA. Being away from my family was very hard so I finally decided to make the move back to MI. While in VA, I received my Master's Degree from George Mason University. I am eager to start a new school year as a North Branch Bronco!



MISS ELLSWORTH

FUN FACTS

- I was Ms. Michigan 2021
- I own a women's clothing business
- I love to travel

A FEW OF MY FAVORITE THINGS

- Starbucks! Although I don't like coffee.
- The color pink
- Summer (I HATE Winter and the cold)

Meet the Teacher:
Miss Knox




About Me

Hello, Bronco family! I am so excited to join such an amazing community. I grew up in Dryden, Michigan, and recently graduated from Saginaw Valley State University with a dual bachelor's degree in both early childhood education and elementary education. While attending college, I was a site supervisor for the before and after school care program in Midland for four years. I am thrilled to start the school year in first grade as a North Branch Bronco!

My Favorite Things

Drink: Biggby Coffee
Food: Mexican
Color: Blue
Store: Target and Amazon
Hobbies: Playing softball, basketball, and spending time with family and friends



News from the Food Service Department

North Branch Area School's Food Service Department welcomes your family back for the 2022-2023 school year! We would also like to welcome those new families to our school district. We look forward to serving you and your family this coming year. We will do our best to continue delivering healthy, quality meals and services while still maintaining compliance in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs. We need your household to **fill out and sign the Free and Reduced-Price Meal Application!** This information is critical in determining the amount of money that our school receives from a variety of State and Federal supplemental programs like Title I A, At-risk (31a), Title II A, E-Rate, etc. Applications **MUST BE FILLED OUT AND SUBMITTED WITHIN THE FIRST 30 DAYS OF THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR.** Please complete **ONLY ONE APPLICATION PER HOUSEHOLD** and return it as soon as possible.

Qualifying for Free & Reduced-Price Meals

Your child(ren) may qualify for Free or Reduced-Price meals if your income falls within the limits on this chart.

FEDERAL INCOME ELIGIBILITY CHART
for School Year 2022-2023

Household Size	Annually	Monthly	Weekly
1	25,142	2,096	484
2	33,874	2,823	652
3	42,606	3,551	820
4	51,338	4,279	988
5	60,070	5,006	1,156
6	68,802	5,734	1,324
7	77,534	6,462	1,492
8	86,266	7,189	1,659
Each add'l person:	8,732	728	168

Those families qualifying at the end of last school year will continue to receive free or reduced prices for the first 30 days of the 2022-2023 school year. If the school doesn't receive a new application, the food service account will be adjusted to full price pay. A new application may be submitted at any time if there are any household changes.

Special Meals and/or Accommodations

If a doctor has determined that your child has a special food sensitivity/allergy, that would prevent the child from eating the regular school meal, the school will make ANY SUBSTITUTION PRESCRIBED BY A LICENSED PHYSICIAN. The physician's statement, including prescribed diet and/or substitution, MUST be submitted to the Food Service Department before any special diet can be given to your child. The Michigan Department of Education's Request for Special Dietary Needs Accommodations Form is available through the Food Service Department and also available online at www.nbbrncos.net, located under the Food Service Documents tab, and needs to be filled out by a licensed physician. This provision is State mandated.

Food Service Standards

North Branch Area Schools participates under the USDA National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs and has a fiscal responsibility to stay in compliance and meet financial accountability; parents/guardians are responsible for meals purchased by their student(s) from the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs.

Students are expected to have funds available on their food service account for purchases. Our system is a pre-paid debit system, therefore when a student makes a purchase, the amount is automatically deducted from the student's food service account. Therefore, it is very important that you check your student's food service account weekly to make sure they have funds available each day. The preferred method of payment is to pay online through SchoolPay. Payments may also be sent in with your student (cash/check) or be mailed to North Branch Area Schools, Attn: Food Service, PO Box 3620, North Branch, MI 48461.

NBAS Food Service Policy

North Branch Area Schools Food Service Policy is available by request or online at www.nbbrncos.net under Departments and Food Service Documents. Key Points are as follows:

- Ala Carte items are CASH ONLY or students MUST have funds on their food service account. Charges are never allowed for Ala Carte items. If a student has a negative balance, Ala Carte purchases will not take place.
- A full lunch consists of 3 of 5 items offered, though 5 items may be taken. *Main Entrée, Fruit, Vegetable, Bread and Milk*
- Purchasing milk alone is \$0.75 regardless of lunch account type.
- Adults and Staff are encouraged to have funds on their food service accounts, or pay at the point of service. NO CHARGING IS ALLOWED.
- Adjustments will only be made by the Food Service Department.

2022-2023 Meal Prices

Breakfast:	K-8	9-12
• Paid	\$1.75	\$1.95
• Reduced	\$0.30	\$0.30
• Free	\$0.00	\$0.00
• Adult	\$2.95	\$2.95

Lunch:	K-8	9-12
• Paid	\$2.95	\$3.25
• Reduced	\$0.40	\$0.40
• Free	\$0.00	\$0.00
• Adult	\$5.15	\$5.15

This school year, NBAS Food Service Department will be communicating to families via email as much as possible. This includes application status and negative balance notifications. Please make sure your Skyward Family Access Accounts have the most current email address on file. Contact your building office secretaries for help with changes.

Thank you for your participation in the Breakfast and Lunch Program at North Branch Area Schools! Please contact North Branch Area School's Food Service Department at (810) 688-2226 to speak with Supervisor Kierstyn Cooper about any questions or concerns. You may also visit our website under "departments" on the District Homepage for more information.

North Branch Area Schools

Food Service Policy

North Branch Area Schools participates under the USDA National School Lunch and Breakfast Program, and has a fiscal responsibility to stay in compliance and meet financial accountability. Parents/guardians are responsible for meals purchased by their student(s) from the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Program, as well as ala carte items (extra items). Students are expected to have funds available on their food service account for the purchase of these items. The district uses a prepaid debit system; therefore, when a student purchases a meal or ala carte item, the amount is automatically deducted from the student's food service account. The preferred method of payment is to pay online through the district's website www.nbbrncos.net by going to the Parent and Student Tab, then logging into Family and Student Access. Payments may be sent with your student (cash/check) or mailed to **North Branch Area Schools, ATTN: Food Service, PO Box 3620, North Branch, MI 48461.**

Families are encouraged to prepay for meals, as it will help to ensure children have consistent access to healthy, reimbursable meals without accruing unpaid meal charges.

The Household Application for Free and Reduced-Price Meals is available in every school office and may be sent home at any time requested. Please call Food Service at **(810) 688-2226**. The application packet is also available on our district website www.nbbrncos.net under the Food Service, Food Service documents tab. Free and Reduced-Price Meal Applications **MUST** be filled out and submitted within the first 30 days of the school year. Those families qualifying at the end of the previous school year will continue to receive free or reduced breakfast and lunch for the first 30 days of the new school year. If the school does not receive a new application for the new school year, the family's food service account will be adjusted to a full regular pay lunch and breakfast. A new application may be filled out at ANY TIME during the year if there are household changes. Please be advised the Eligibility Chart for the current school year is available at the Michigan Department of Education website and it is located on the Household Application for Free and Reduced-Price School Meals.

Policy Regarding Food Service Accounts

- ▶ Ala carte items are CASH ONLY or students **MUST** have funds on their food service account. Charges are never allowed for ala carte items. If a student has a negative balance, ala carte purchases will not be allowed.
- ▶ Purchasing milk alone is \$0.75 cents regardless of lunch account type.
- ▶ Adults and staff are encouraged to have funds on their food service Accounts or pay at point of service. No charging is allowed.
- ▶ A full (reimbursable) lunch consists of 3 of the 5 components offered, though 5 items may be taken (main entrée, fruit, vegetable, grain and milk).

- ▶ Adjustments will only be made by the Food Service Department.

If a parent or guardian wishes their child to only receive their breakfast and/or lunch, they may contact the Food Service Department and controls may be placed on the account to block or limit ala carte purchases. Family and Student Access is a helpful tool to track your student's purchases, balances and payments and can be found under the Parent and Student tab.

Students will **ALWAYS** be served a meal, no matter the eligibility or balance of the food service account.

For ACTIVE students in the Skyward system: A weekly negative balance email will be sent to those parents/students that have an email address on file in Skyward. If the food service account goes to a -\$10.00, weekly written notice will be sent home via student folders at the Elementary level and by mail in the Middle School and High School levels. If the food service account is not reconciled, or payment arrangements have not been made, a phone call to the number on file in Skyward will be made by the Food Service Department.

For INACTIVE students in the Skyward system: North Branch Area Schools will follow our Bad Debt Policy for collecting of negative balance funds.

North Branch Area Schools prohibits public identification and all forms of lunch shaming with the specifics outlined below:

- ▶ Prohibits the requiring of students who cannot pay for a school meal or who owe a negative balance to wear a wrist band or hand stamp
- ▶ Prohibits the requiring of students to dispose of a meal after it has been served because the student is unable to pay for the meal or has a negative balance
- ▶ Prohibits the requiring of students who cannot pay for a school meal or who owe a negative balance to perform chores or other work to pay for school meals
- ▶ Prohibits the direct communication with a student about a negative balance unless your district has unsuccessfully attempted to contact the student's parent or legal guardian first through telephone, mail and electronic mail
- ▶ Prohibits discussing a negative balance with a student in the presence of other students

Special Dietary Needs

If a doctor has determined that your child has a special food sensitivity/allergy that would prevent the child from eating the regular school meal, the school will make **ANY SUBSTITUTIONS PRESCRIBED BY A LICENSED PHYSICIAN**. The physician's statement, including prescribed diet and/or substitution, **MUST** be submitted to the food service department before any special diet can be given to your child. The Michigan Department of Education's Request

for Special Food Service Policy Dietary Needs Accommodations Form is available through the food service department and also available online at www.nbbrncos.net, located under the Food Service Documents tab, and needs to be filled out by a licensed physician. This provision is State mandated. The North Branch Area School's Food Service Department will work with the parent(s) and school staff to create a plan to manage a student's special dietary needs.

Continuing through the 2022/2023 school year, our North Branch Elementary School Building is **PEANUT/TREE NUT RESTRICTIVE**.

School Meals follow the USDA guidelines:

- Meat/Meat Alternate
- Grain
- Vegetable
- Fruit
- Milk

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2. fax: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
3. email: program.intake@usda.gov

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Congratulations

5 Individuals/Teams Elected to North Branch Community Hall of Fame Induction Class of 2022!

★ **Al Piwinski** ★ **Dan Rowell** ★ **Rick VanHaaften**
★ **Brian Wilson** ★ **2008 Volleyball Team** ★

*These teams & individuals will be celebrated at the Induction Ceremony
coinciding with our NBAS Homecoming.*

Friday, September 30, 2022

1:30 pm – Homecoming Parade

6:30 pm – Introductions prior to the 7:00 pm Game

Saturday, October 1, 2022 ★ Induction Ceremony, NBHS Cafeteria

10:30 am – Doors Open

11:00 am – Brunch Served (RSVP by Wednesday, September 21, 2022)

\$10 adults • \$5 (5-12 yrs old) • 4 & under are free

12:00 pm – Ceremony Begins

BWAC 1ST TEAM

Boys Track & Field: Grant Clemens, Quentin Conogan, Ethan Dinanath, David Hadden, Ryan Henne, Keegan Herron, Gabe Hutchins, Damion Milbocker

Girls Track & Field: Natasha Bickel, Alyssa Bussure, Grace Clemens, Nevaeh Gardner, Jasmine Mauk, Lilly Muxlow, Jessica Peters, Ella Swoish

Golf: Will Damaska

Soccer: Allyson Gipson, Rachel Youngert

Baseball: Brant Primeau, Ray Strzynski, Aiden Swoish

Softball: Natasha Bickel, Alana Deshetsky, Jasmine Mauk

MITCA TEAM STATE TRACK MEET QUALIFIER

Girls Track & Field Team

MHSAA Division 2 Track & Field State Qualifiers:

Natasha Bickel, Haileigh Bissett, Alyssa Bussure, Grace Clemens, Grant Clemens, Gabe Hutchins, Jasmine Mauk, Lily Muxlow

ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT

Baseball: Caiden June, Landen Swoish

MHSAA DIVISION 2 ALL-DISTRICT

Baseball: Brant Primeau, Keagan Schierlinger, Raymond Strzynski, Aiden Swoish, Landen Swoish

Softball: Natasha Bickel, Alana Deshetsky, Jasmine Mauk, Cate Welch

MHSAA DIVISION 2 ALL-STATE

Softball: Jasmine Mauk

INDIVIDUAL ACADEMIC ALL-STATE

Softball: Macie Bugg, Madalyn Caudill, Jasmine Girlish, Makayla Pasternak

TEAM ACADEMIC ALL-STATE

Varsity Softball



College signing: Maddie Caudill, softball, with Mott Community College

119 of our 156 Spring Athletes, 76%, were recognized as NBHS Scholar-Athletes, maintaining a GPA of 3.2 or higher.

**High School Fall Sports Meet the Teams Night held August 13th at 6pm at Krepps Field.
Team meetings, team introductions, games, music, and fun!**

VARSITY FOOTBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
August 18	Frankenmuth (<i>Scrimmage</i>)	Away	7:00pm
August 25	Thurston	Away	7:00pm
September 1	Imlay City	Away	7:00pm
September 9	Yale	Home	7:00pm
September 16	Almont	Away	7:00m
September 23	Algonac	Home	7:00pm
September 30	Richmond	Home	7:00pm
October 7	Armada	Away	7:00pm
October 14	Cros-Lex	Home	7:00pm
October 21	Three Rivers	@Okemos	7:00pm
October 28	Pre-District 4-Xx	TBA	TBA

JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL

(6:00pm games follow 4:30 MS games)

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
August 18	Frankenmuth (<i>Scrimmage</i>)	Away	4:00pm
August 25	Thurston	Away	4:00pm
August 31	Imlay City	Home	6:00pm
September 8	Yale	Away	6:00pm
September 15	Almont	Home	6:00pm
September 22	Algonac	Away	6:00pm
September 29	Richmond	Away	6:00pm
October 6	Armada	Home	6:00pm
October 13	Cros-Lex	Away	6:00pm
October 21	Three Rivers	@Okemos	4:00pm

MIDDLE SCHOOL FOOTBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
September 8	Yale	Away	4:30pm
September 15	Almont	Home	4:30pm
September 22	Algonac	Away	4:30pm
September 29	Richmond	Away	4:30pm
October 6	Armada	Away	4:30pm
October 13	Cros-Lex	Away	4:30pm
October 20	Imlay City	Home	4:30pm

VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
August 13	Lake Orion (<i>Scrimmage</i>)	Away	9:00am
August 16	Marian (<i>Scrimmage</i>)	Away	5:00pm
August 18	NBHS (<i>Scrimmage</i>)	Home	5:00pm
August 20	Grand Haven	Away	TBA
August 26	Richmond	Away	TBA
August 27	Mercy Power Series	Away	TBA
August 30	Imlay City	Away	6:30pm
September 8	Armada	Home	6:30pm
September 10	Birch Run	Away	TBA
September 13	Almont	Away	6:30pm
September 17	Mercy Power Series	Away	TBA
September 20	Yale	Home	6:30pm
September 24	Ann Arbor Skyline	Away	TBA
September 27	Algonac	Away	6:30pm
October 4	Richmond	Home	6:30pm
October 8	Mercy Power Series	Away	TBAT
October 11	Cros-Lex	Away	6:30pm
October 15	Beast Of East	Away	TBA
October 18	Almont	Home	6:30pm
October 22	BWAC League Matches	TBA	TBA

October 29	Mt. Morris	Away	TBA
October 31	District 2-60 @Almont	Away	TBA
November 2	District 2-60 @Almont	Away	TBA
November 3	District 2-60 @Almont	Away	TBA

JUNIOR VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
August 18	NBMS (<i>Scrimmage</i>)	Home	5:00pm
August 20	Mt. Morris	Away	8:30am
August 26	Algonac	Away	TBA
August 27	Open Date #1	Away	TBA
August 30	Imlay City	Away	5:00pm
September 8	Armada	Home	5:00pm
September 10	Open Date #2	Away	TBA
September 13	Almont	Away	5:00pm
September 17	Mt. Morris	Away	8:30am
September 20	Yale	Home	5:00pm
September 24	Birch Run	Away	TBA
September 27	Algonac	Away	5:00pm
October 4	Richmond	Home	5:00pm
October 8	Open Date #3	Away	TBA
October 11	Cros-Lex	Away	5:00pm
October 13	Mt. Morris	Away	5:00pm
October 15	Mt. Morris	Away	8:30am
October 18	Almont	Home	5:00pm
October 20	Mt. Morris	Away	5:00pm
October 22	BWAC League Matches	TBA	TBA

VARSITY BOYS SOCCER

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
August 17	Clio	Away	6:00pm
August 19	Unionville Sebewaing	Away	5:30pm
August 22	Armada	Home	4:30pm
August 24	Almont	Away	4:30pm
August 29	Durand	Away	7:00pm
August 31	Richmond	Away	4:30pm
September 7	Yale	Away	4:30pm
September 8	Carman-Ainsworth	Away	4:30pm
September 12	Imlay City	Home	4:30pm
September 14	Cros-Lex	Away	4:30pm
September 15	Ortonville-Brandon	Home	4:30pm
September 19	Armada	Away	4:30pm
September 21	Almont	Home	4:30pm
September 28	Richmond	Home	4:30pm
October 3	Yale	Home	4:30pm
October 5	Imlay City	Away	4:30pm
October 6	Lakeville	Away	4:30pm
October 10	Cros-Lex	Home	4:30pm
October 12	Districts 2-28 @TBA	Away	TBA
October 22	Districts 2-28 @TBA	Away	TBA

MIDDLE SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
September 14	Armada	Home	4:30pm
September 19	Algonac	Away	4:30pm
September 21	Richmond	Away	4:30pm
September 26	Yale	Home	4:30pm
September 28	Almont	Away	4:30pm
October 3	Imlay City	Away	4:30pm
October 5	Cros-Lex	Home	4:30pm
October 10	Yale	Away	4:30pm

October 12	Almont	Home	4:30pm
October 17	Imlay City	Home	4:30pm
October 19	Cros-Lex	Away	4:30pm
October 20	Richmond	Home	4:30pm

CROSS COUNTRY

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
August 25	Birch Run Early Invite	Away	4:30pm
September 2	Svsu Races	Away	TBA
September 6	Wildcat Relays	Away	4:00pm
September 10	Hatchet Invite	Away	9:45am
September 13	Imlay City	Away	4:30pm
September 17	Holly Races	Away	1:00pm
September 20	County Press Invite	Home	4:15pm
September 23	Mid-Season Spectacular	Away	9:00am
September 27	Cros-Lex	Away	4:30pm
October 1	Wagener Park Invite	Away	9:30am
October 4	Birch Run Fall Invite	Away	5:00pm
October 12	Ubly Invite	Away	4:30pm
October 15	Dave Patterson Invite	Away	10:00am
October 18	Algonac	Away	4:30pm
October 22	Thumb Area Championship	Away	10:40am
October 29	Regionals 2-15 @Cros-Lex	Away	4:00pm
November 5	Finals	Away	1:30pm

MIDDLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
September 10	Hatchet Invite	Away	9:00am
September 13	Imlay City	Away	5:15pm
September 20	County Press Invite	Home	5:00pm
September 23	Mid-Season Spectacular	Away	TBA
September 27	Cros-Lex	Away	5:15pm
October 1	Wagener Park Invite	Away	8:30am
October 12	Ubly Invite	Away	4:30pm
October 18	Algonac	Home	5:15pm
October 22	Thumb Area Championship	Away	12:30pm

WINTER SPORTS: Practice/Tryouts begin

October 24	Girls Basketball	Middle School
October 24	Wrestling	Middle School
November 14	Girls Basketball	High School
November 7	Competitive Cheer	High School
November 21	Boys Basketball	High School
November 14	Wrestling	High School
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December (TBA)	Competitive Cheer	Middle School
December (TBA)	Boys Basketball	Middle School

TICKET PRICING**BWAC:**

HS & Varsity \$5; Only JV \$4; Only MS \$3; MS/JV Combo \$4

NBHS Home Passes:

All-Sports:	Family \$135; Individual \$75
Football:	Family \$80; Individual \$30
Volleyball:	Family \$40; Individual \$20
Soccer:	\$20
Basketball:	Family \$80; Individual \$50
Wrestling:	Family \$20; Individual \$7

