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2023-24 Annual Report &

BCS SCHOOL CALENDAR 2024-25

A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT ...

Dear Students and Families,

Welcome back to school! I hope this finds you rested and excited to begin on another school year. Over the summer, while you were enjoying your well-deserved break, a lot of work was completed to prepare for your return. Your classrooms and buildings are ready due to the tireless work of the custodial, maintenance, secretarial and transportation staff.

Whether you are returning students or joining our school community for the first time, we are committed to supporting you every step of the way. I encourage you to stay current on FinalForms and visit our new website (www.bcs-k12.org) on a regular basis for announcements, district efforts, news, and upcoming events. Also, please follow us on Facebook. Search for Bellefontaine City Schools @bcschiefs for the official page.

On behalf of those who serve on our Board of Education and the dedicated staff who serve the students and community on a daily basis, it is my privilege to welcome you back!

I look forward to seeing all of you in the hallways and classrooms.



Bellefontaine City Schools

TITLE IX V SECTION 504 COORDINATOR/ SEXUAL HARASSMENT GRIEVANCE OFFICER

The Bellefontaine City School District is dedicated to providing Equal opportunities and equal employment without regard to sex race color national origin age or disability. For more information contact Brad Hall Superintendent 937-593-9706.

IDEA-B FLOW-THRU PUBLIC NOTICE

The Bellefontaine City School District is allocated IDEA-B federal Monies to provide programs and services for children with a disability. For more information contact the Superintendents office at 937-593-9060

ADVISORY TO PARENTS OF PESTICIDE APPLICATION

As parents/guardians you have the right to be informed prior to any application of a pesticide made to As partnrsignaturals you have in light to be informed prior of any application of a pesticular made to school property during the school year. In certain emergencies pesticides may be applied without prior notice to prevent injury to students and staff but you will be notified following any such application. If you would like to be notified please contact Brad Hall Superintendent at 593-9060.

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

The Bellefontaine City School District provides equal opportunities for employment retention and advancement of all people regardless of race color creed natural origin political affiliation age sex handicapping condition or military status. (BOE MTG Policy 7001)

EQUAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

The Bellefontaine Board of Education will provide each eligible school-age child in the Bellefontaine City School District the opportunity to obtain a quality education. This opportunity will be provided without regard to the childis ethnic or racial background religious beliefs sex or economic social or

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Labor Day NO SCHOOL
- 3 Teacher Work Day ES Open House, 4:30-6 p.m. IS Open House, 5:30-7 p.m. 1-on-1 PreK Parent Meetings. 4-7:30 p.m.
- 4 1st Day for Students Grades 1-9. PreK & K A-K last name only
- 5 All Students Grades 1-12, PreK & K L-Z last name only
- 6 All Students Grades K-12
- 9 All Students Grades PreK-12: B.O.E Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 19 Academic Boosters Meeting, HS Library, 7 p.m.

OCTOBER

- 14 B.O.E Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 17 MS/HS P/T Conferences. 4-7:30 p.m.: Academic Boosters Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 18 COEA/NEA Day No School for Students
- 22 ES P/T Conferences. 4-7:30 p.m.
- 23 ES P/T Conferences. 4-7:30 p.m.
- 24 IS P/T Conferences, 4-7:30 p.m.
- 29 IS P/T Conferences. 4-7:30 p.m.
- 31 End of 1st Grading Period

NOVEMBER

- 5 Waiver Day No School for Students
- 11 B.O.E Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 21 Academic Boosters Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 27-29 Thanksgiving Break -NO SCHOOL

DECEMBER

- 2 Waiver Day No School for Students
- 9 B.O.E Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 23-31 Winter Break -NO SCHOOL

JANUARY

- 1-3 Winter Break NO SCHOOL
- 16 MS P/T Conferences, 4-7:30 p.m.

Academic Boosters Meeting. 7 p.m.

End of 2nd Grading Period

- 17 Teacher Work Day -No School for Students End of 1st Semester
- 20 Martin Luther King Day -NO SCHOOL

FEBRUARY

- 14 Academic Boosters Sweet Rewards, 8 a.m.
- 17 President's Day NO **SCHOOL**
- 20 Academic Boosters Meeting, HS Library, 7 p.m.

MARCH

BCS 2024-25 Calendar "Snapshot"

- 10 Waiver Day No School for Students
- 13 Academic Boosters Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 20 ES/MS/HS P/T Conferences. 4-7:30 p.m.
- 27 IS P/T Conferences. 4-7:30 p.m.
- 28 End of 3rd Grading Period
- 31 Spring Break NO SCHOOL

APRIL

- 1-4 Spring Break NO SCHOOL
- 17 Academic Boosters Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 18 Good Friday NO SCHOOL
- 21 Waiver Day No School for Students

MAY

- 2 ABC Spring Academic Awards Ceremony, 9:00 a.m.
- 5-9 Advanced Placement Testing
- 12 Waiver Day No School for Students
- 12-16 Advanced Placement **Testina**
- 26 Memorial Day NO SCHOOL
- 29 Last Day for Students End of 4th Grading Period
- Teacher Work Day HS Commencement, 7 p.m.

JUNE

9-13 Summer Enrichment Acad.

screening services;

MEETING INDIVIDUAL AND SPECIAL NEEDS

I. DIRECTORY INFORMATION

Directory information concerning a student may be disclosed by the school unless the parent or student eighteen (18) years of age or older has requested in writing that all or part of this information is not to be released. Such requests shall be submitted within two (2) weeks of initial enrollment into the Bellefontaine City School District during the two (2) weeks prior to the first day of school of each school year or within two (2) weeks of a student becoming eighteen (18) years of age. In emergency situations requests to prohibit the release of directory information will be honored as soon as it is reasonably convenien to do so.

Parents and students will be informed

annually of the school district's definition of directory information. Procedures for disclosure and for requesting nondisclosure will be included along with all other rights. Directory information records may include the following information:

- a. Name b. Address
- c. Telephone Number
- d. Date and Place of Birth
- e. Participation in Officially Recognized
- Activities and Sports
 f. Weight and Height of Members of Athletic
- g. Dates of Attendance . Awards Received
- i. Date of Graduation

- II. THE STUDENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT
- The Student Services Department provides services for students from birth to age twenty-one (21) who have special needs. These services include:
- Special Education programs and related services for disabled preschoolers and school age children;
- English As A Second Language (ESL) tutoring for students who speak minimal English;
- Chemical abuse prevention and referral programs;
 • District-wide crisis intervention
- K-12 school psychological and guidance counseling services;
- STATE-MANDATED VISION AND HEARING SCREENINGS FOR

· Gifted-Talented Enrichment programming

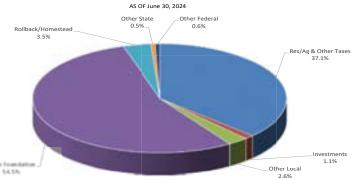
- STUDENTS IN GRADES K 1 3 5 7 AND 9 AND PART-TIME NURSE HEALTH TECHNICIANS IN EACH BUILDING:
- Student enrollment-attendance services;
- Developmental screening for preschoolers enrolling in kindergarten;
- ADMINISTRATION OF STATE-MANDATED TESTING IN GRADES 3 TO 8 AND 10 AND DIAGNOSTIC TESTING IN GRADES K TO 2.

2023-24 FISCAL YEAR REVENUE

July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

INCOME:

Res/Ag & Other Taxes	\$10,318,603
Investments	310,871
Other Local	720,020
State Foundation	15,175,698
Rollback/Homestead	983,893
Other State	150,120
Other Federal	165,689
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$27,824,894



YEAR TO DATE REVENUES



2023-2024 BCS STAFF

Administrators	. 20
(includes 2 psychologists and 1 Special Education Director)	
Teachers	172
Guidance	7
Nurses	4
(includes 3 LPN's and 1 RN)	
Secretaries	. 16
Aides	. 39
(includes 1 Attendance Officer)	
Bus Drivers	. 15
(includes 1 Transportation Supervisor and 1 Bus Mechanic)	
Cooks	. 31
(includes 1 Food Services Supervisor)	
Custodians/Maintenance(includes 1 Maintenance Supervisor)	17

TOTAL EMPLOYEES 321

IDENTIFICATION OF GIFTED STUDENTS COMPLIANCE NOTIFICATION

This notification is in compliance with the State Department of Educations expectations for gifted education. The Bellefontaine City School District assures equal access to screening and further assessmen for all district students including culturally and linguistically diverse children children from low socioeconomic backgrounds children with disabilities and children for whom English is a second language.

"Gifted" refers to students who perform or show potential for performing at remarkably high levels of accomplishment when compared to others in their age experience or environment. These students are identified in one or more of the four areas specified in Ohio Administrative Code 3301-51-15 A through C superior cognitive ability; specific academic ability; creative thinking ability; visual or performing arts ability.

THE BELLEFONTAINE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUALLY SCREENS AND ASSESSES STUDENTS IN KINDERCARTEN THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE TO IDENTIFY THOSE STUDENTS WHO FALL WITHIN THE GIFTED RANGE. WHOLE-GRADE STANDARDIZED TESTING IS GIVEN IN GRADES TWO AND FIVE. THIS TESTING SERVES AS A SCREENING AND/OR IDENTIFICATION INSTRUMENT AND ASSISTS IN THE IDENTIFICATION PROCESS. A REPORT IS SENT TO ALL PARENTS OF STUDENTS INVOIVED IN THE ASSESSMENT PHASE OF SCREENING. THE REPORT PROVIDES NOTIFICATION ONCE IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURES ARE COMPLETED. GUIDELINES FOR SCREENING AND IDENTIFICATION CRITERIA ARE CONTAINED IN THE DISTRICT POLICY AND PLAN BROCHURE ENTITLED IDENTIFICATION OF CHILDREN WHO ARE GIFTED. COPIES OF THIS BROCHURE AND ALLABLE IN THE OFFICE OF EACH SCHOOL AND THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICE.

SEARCH FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES UNDERWAY

Bellefontaine City School District Logan County Ohio

The Bellefontaine City School District is participating in an effort to identify locate and evaluate all children from birth through twenty-one (21) years of age who may have disabilities. Disability in this instance means such conditions as hearing impairments visual impairments specific learning disabilities behavioral disabilities developmental disabilities speech and language disabilities orthopedic and other health disabilities caused by such conditions as epilepsy or cardiac illness and other severe or multiple disabilities. Although many school-aged disabled children are identified and currently being served by the Bellefontaine City School district preschool children ages three to five with disabilities may be unidentified because parents may not be aware that programs and services are now available through the public schools. Community members can help us with this important effort. If you know of a child in our district with a disability that is not presently attending school or receiving services from another agency please contact Brad Hall Superintendent 937-593-9060.

Access To School Records - The Ohio Privacy Act

The Ohio Revised Code 149.43 provides that any record kept by any public office including a school district is a public record which must be open to the public at all reasonable times for inspection. Excepted from this requirement are medical records security records infrastructure records records pertaining to adoption probation parole proceedings attempts by unmarried minors to seek court permission for abortion trial preparation records confidential law enforcement investigatory records confidential investigatory records of the Ohio Civil Rights Commission peace officer residential and financial information records pertaining to the recreational activities of a minor and records the release of which is prohibited by state or federal law including "trade secrets." The law requires further that any person having custody of public records must upon request make available copies of such records at cost and within a reasonable period of time.

As a general rule the right of access to public records is subject only to the limitation that the proposed inspection does not endanger the safety of the record or unreasonably interfere with the operation of the office having custody of the record. A person cannot be required to establish a proper purpose or any purpose for a public records request. Access to public records must be allowed even if they have been put on microfilm computer disks or videotape.

Special rules apply in the case of student records. Although teachers principals and superintendents are required by law to maintain certain records regarding pupils in their care a separate statute prohibits the release of personally identifiable student information except in certain specified circumstances. The parent or guardian of a pupil or if the pupil is over eighteen the pupil himself may authorize the release of any information in student personnel records by giving his or her written consent.

pupil or it the pupil is over eighteen the pupil himself may authorize the release of any information in student personnel records by giving his or her written consent. Without such consent a school may release only "directory information" with regard to a particular pupil. "Directory Information" includes a pupil's name address telephone number date of birth place of birth major field of study dates of attendance date of graduation sports and activities participated in and in the case of atthletic team members the height and weight of the pupil. The administrative use of student records is not restricted. On the other hand no personally identifiable information whatever may be released where a commercial use is intended. Finally except for directory information any student information released may be released only on the condition that no third party is to receive such information without first obtaining the written consent of the parent or the student if he is over eighteen.

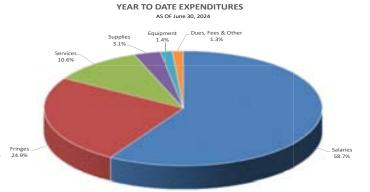
Student records are also subject to the provisions of federal law and regulations of the Department of Education. The federal statute governing student records is much more extensive than the Ohio law and applies to any educational agency receiving federal funds. Taken from "Anderson's Ohio School Law Guide 2003-04 Vol. 1"

2023-24 FISCAL YEAR EXPENDITURES

July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

EXPENDITURES:

TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$27,636,328
Dues, Fees & Other	350,451
Equipment	392,807
Supplies	853,416
Services	2,919,932
Fringes	6,890,688
Salaries	\$16,229,034



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BELLEFONTAINE CITY SCHOOLS

BUS POLICIES FOR STUDENTS



SAFETY AT ALL TIMES IS THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR TO BE CONSIDERED IN SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION.

The bus driver needs full attention to the handling of his/her bus on the highway and through busy traffic. Good order is thus essential. THE DRIVER IS IN CHARGE TO MAINTAIN PROPER CONDUCT.

All students in our school system who ride a bus to and/or from school are subject to regulations until they get off at their school or the bus stop near their home. These regulations have been developed to insure that all children may be delivered to school and returned home in a safe manner. It is incumbent upon parents as well as upon students and bus drivers to cooperate to the fullest in the administration of these regulations. Students riding the school bus for athletic purposes field trips or other extracurricular activities are also expected to follow these regulations.

PUPILS ARE TO DILIGENTLY OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS

Pupil management policy includes all student conduct codes of regulations (Section 5500 of the Board of Education Policy) in addition to the following bus regulations:

- 1. Pupils shall arrive at the bus stop before the bus is scheduled to arrive.
- 2. Pupils must wait at the designated place of safety until the bus driver signals for students to board the bus.
- 3. After getting off the bus students are required to go to their designated place of safety until the bus leaves the bus stop.
- 4. Behavior at the school bus stop must not threaten life limb or property of any individual.
- 5. Pupils must go directly to an available or assigned seat when boarding so the bus may safely resume motion.
- 6. Pupils must remain seated keeping aisles and exits clear.
- 7. Pupils must observe classroom conduct and obey the driver promptly and respectfully.
- 8. Pupils must refrain from eating drinking chewing gum or having other objects in their mouths while riding on the bus except as required for medical reasons. This state law is mandated to help prevent choking while on the bus.
- 9. Pupils must not throw or pass objects on from or into the bus.
- 10. Pupils may carry on the bus only objects that can be held in their laps (see paragraph (1) of rule 3301-83-20 of the Administrative Code). The carrying of glass containers balloons animals or pets and flammable or explosive materials onto the bus is prohibited.
- 11. Pupils must leave or board the bus at the locations to which they have been assigned unless they have parental and administrative authorization to do otherwise.
- 12. Pupils must not put their head or arms out of the bus windows.
- 13. Guidelines will be formulated for the use and storage of equipment and other means of assistance required by pupils with handicapping conditions.
- 14. Proper steps will be taken to collect store and use medical information related to pupils known to have medical problems which may require driver attention.









Elementary: 8:45-3:45 • Intermediate: 8:30-3:30 Middle: 7:15-2:45 • High: 7:20-2:50





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13	14 BOE MTG – 6:30 (BHS - DLC)	15 "Rock and Read" BMS Band – 7:00 (BMS Gym)	16 → Marching Band @ Circcleville Parade	MS/HS P/T CONFERENCES, 4-7:30 BMS Choir Concert − 6:30 (BMS Gym) → ACADEMIC BOOSTERS − 7:00 (BMS Library)	COEA/NEA DAY - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS FOOTBALL B V JONATHAN ALDER - SR. NIGHT	19	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
		ES P/T CONFERENCES, 4—7:30 PM	ES P/T CONFERENCES, 4—7:30 PM	Mark Wood Concert – 7:00 (BHS Gym) IS P/T CONFERENCES, 4—7:30 PM	FOOTBALL B V @ KENTON RIDGE IS P/T CONFERENCES, 4—7:30 PM		
27	28	29	30	END OF FIRST GRADING PERIOD – K–12 • Fall Choir Festival — 7:00 (BHS Gym)			
OCTOBER 2024							



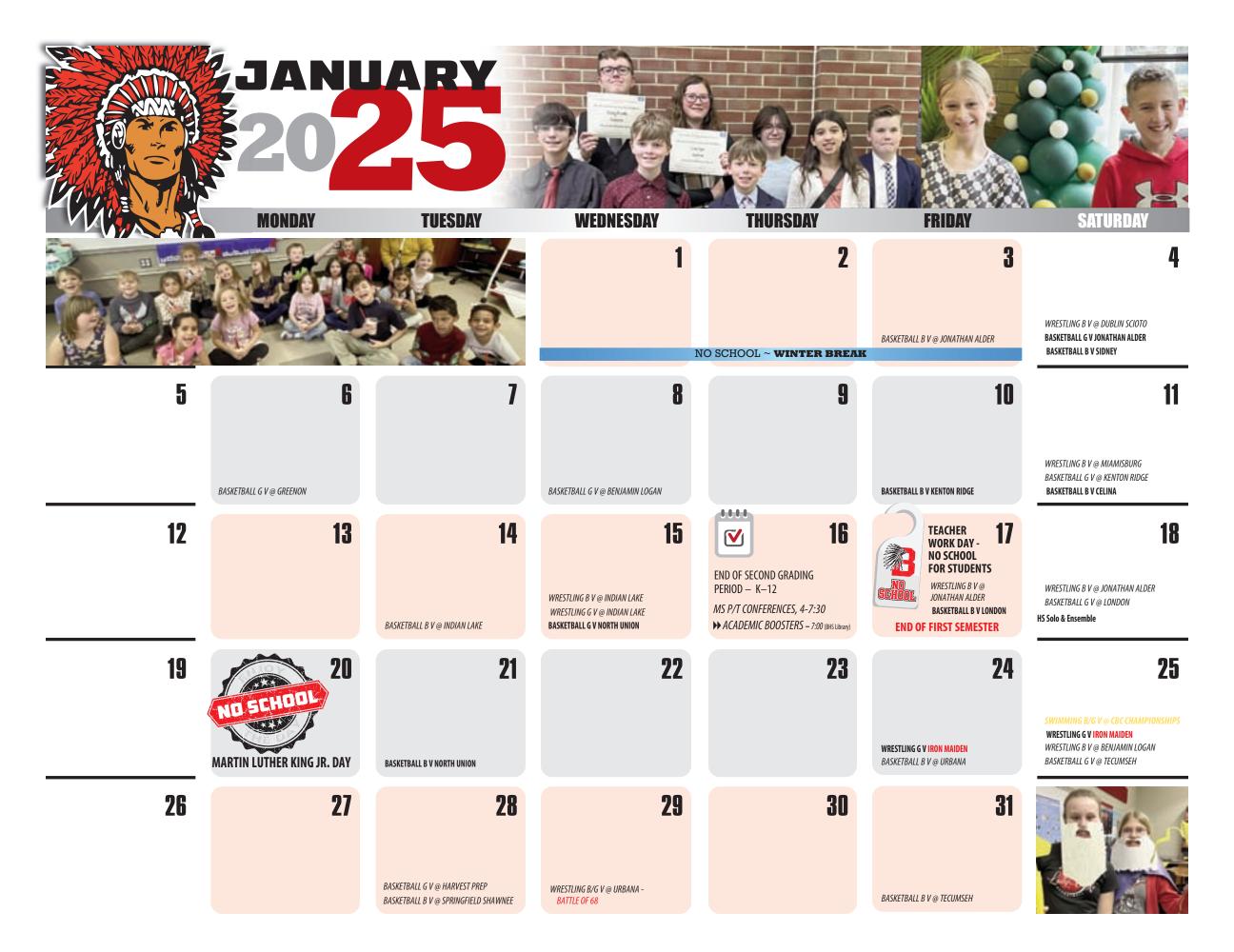




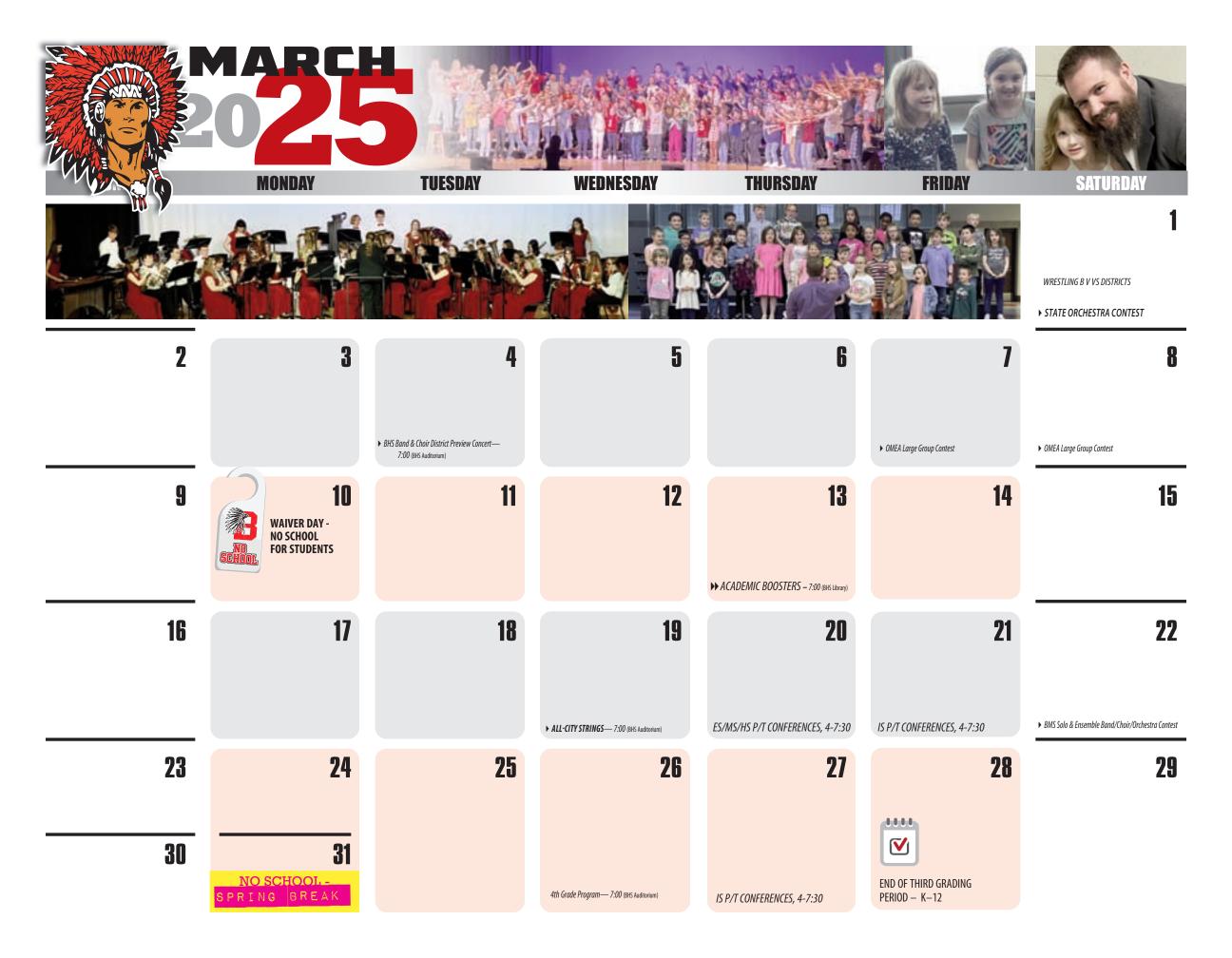
MALE: 1,109(50.9%)

FEMALE: 1,070(49.1%)

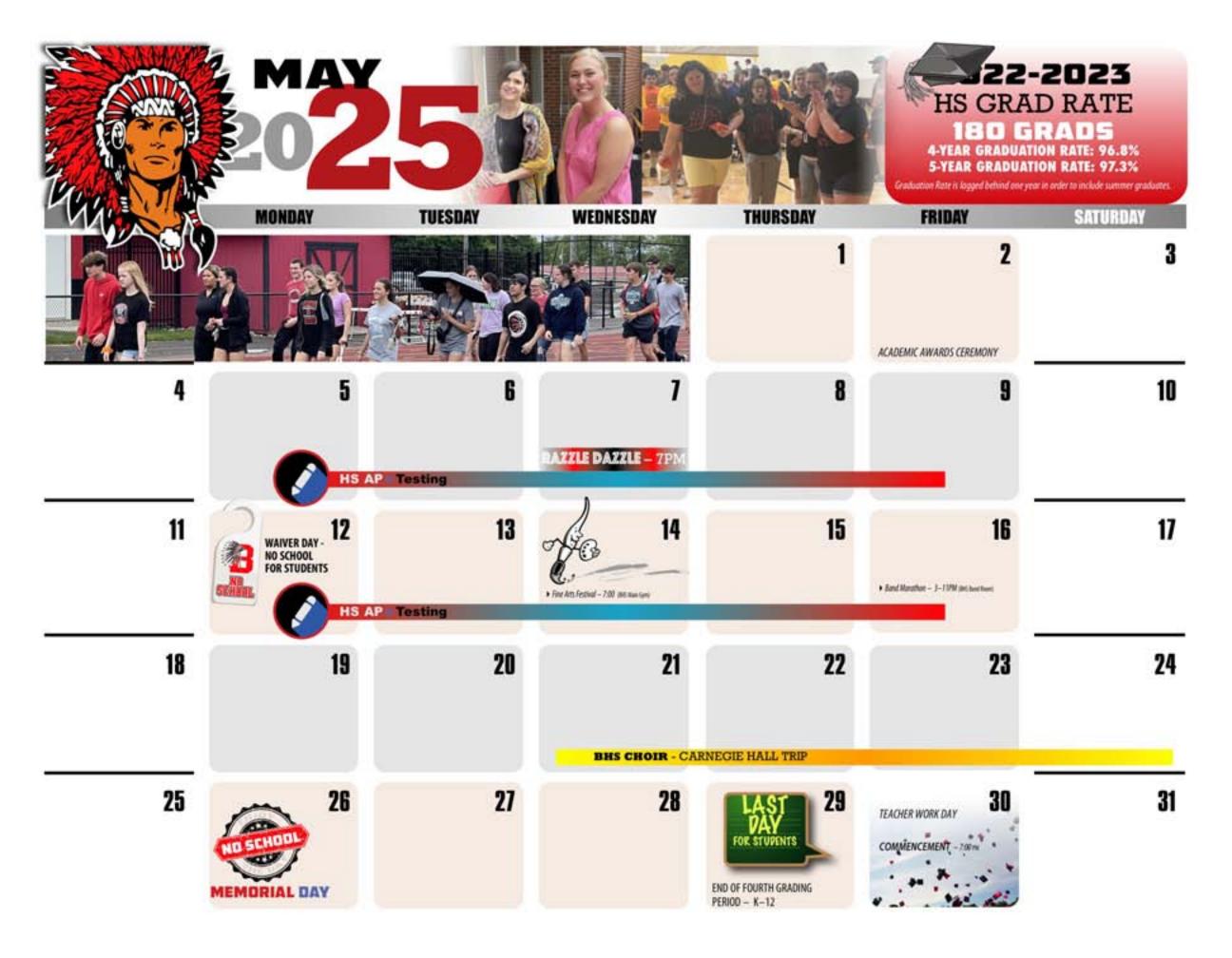












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Special Education Director - Christy Garver Speech and Hearing Pathologist - Amanda Heck

Speech and Language Pathologist - Kacie Ross Supervisor of Food Services - Winifred R. Jacks Supervisor of Grounds/

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