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Valedictorian

Aidan Heaney

Congratulations to Belfast Central School Valedictorian, Aidan Heaney! Aidan is the daughter of Aran and Teresa Heaney. She is graduating with a cumulative GPA of 97.7! Aidan is a member of the National Honor Society where she has served as Secretary. Aidan has been active in both vocal and instrumental music throughout her time at BCS. She has been involved in all county, Area All State and Conference All State ensembles! She has been a member of Masterminds and Scholastic Challenge for the past several years and is this year’s leader in the league for Masterminds! Aidan is a member of St. Patrick’s Roman Catholic church where she has served on the altar and been a part of the music ministry. Aidan’s biggest love is theatre. She has held leading and supporting roles in every BCS theatrical and musical performance since middle school and has also performed in numerous community theatres including The Olean Theatre Workshop, Olean Community Theatre, The Valley Theatre and the Town Theatre of Short Tract. Aidan was selected to attend the New York State Summer School of the Arts Theatre Program during the summer of 2019 and was invited to attend an advanced virtual program for the summer of 2020 and 2021. Next year, Aidan plans to attend SUNY Fredonia where she will pursue a BFA in Acting!

Congratulations Aidan!



Salutatorian

Emma Sullivan

BCS is proud to congratulate Salutatorian Emma Sullivan! Emma is the daughter of Mark and Amy Sullivan and will graduate with a cumulative GPA of 96.4! Emma has been actively involved in Soccer, Basketball and Softball throughout high school. Emma has been a member of the National Honor Society serving as President and a member of the Student Council serving as Treasurer. She has been her Class President for all 4 years. Emma has been an active member of the BCS music department in both band and choir and has participated in all county, Area All State, Conference All State and All Eastern Choirs! Emma has had leading and supporting roles in every musical and theatrical production since middle school. Emma is a member of St. Patrick’s Roman Catholic Church where she has been an altar server and part of the music ministry. Emma has been a student in the highly selective New Visions Health Program at the CTE Center this year. Emma has volunteered her time for the Belfast Children’s Christmas Fund and at the Snack Shack for home sporting events. Emma is currently employed at Cuba Memorial Hospital as a COVID Checker. Next year, Emma plans to attend Nazareth College majoring in Occupational Therapy with a minor in Music!

Congratulations Emma!

From the Desk of Mrs. Hess, PreK - 4 Principal

Happy Spring!

It's so nice that the weather is turning in our favor. We are finally able to get outdoors more to learn and play! I know it can be hard to maintain a regular schedule when it stays daylight longer and kids just want to be outside. Tee Ball, Baseball, and Softball practices and games might go late and take up a lot of your family's time in the evenings. Please remember that our children can learn best when they've gotten a full night's sleep and are well rested.

We are also beginning to plan our traditional end of year activities. I know these events, especially Preschool and Kindergarten graduation, are important annual events that many look forward to. We are working diligently to make sure we can plan these annual events while following the latest Department of Health Covid guidelines. Please look for updated information from your child's teacher, on Seesaw, and the District's Facebook page and website.

We are currently accepting registration forms for incoming preschoolers and kindergartners who are not currently enrolled in our preschool program. We are also excited to share that for the 2021-2022 school year our preschool program will operate on a full day schedule! This will allow Mrs. Ross to have more time with her students daily, provide them with more opportunities to experience special classes like art and music, and attend school functions like assemblies and special events. We are all very excited about this change!



A Message from Mr. Bull

Isn't it hard to believe we are already in May and we are into the 4th and final quarter of the year!! We are very excited to have every student back full time, 5 days a week! However, this does not mean that we can begin to relax on the COVID guidelines. Please help us to stay open by reminding your student to continue wearing mask/face coverings (over both the nose and mouth) when we cannot be 6 feet apart. Continue to be washing their hands and sanitizing. But the biggest help is, if they are sick please keep them home. We will continue to send students and staff home if they show COVID symptoms.



As you know, the students in grade 3 – 8 have already taken the ELA assessment. The Math Assessment will be in May. Students in high school will be taking the following regents exams:

- English – June 17
- Living Environment – June 22
- Algebra 1 – June 23
- Earth Science – June 24

Please get a good night's rest before the assessments!!

I hope you are able to get out and enjoy the weather as spring is breaking and summer is coming. Let's finish this year strong. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 585-365-2646 or email at rbull@belfastcsd.org.

Elementary Art

Students in Elementary Art created nature paintings inspired by artist Georgia O'Keeffe. Pictured from Mrs. Borden's 3rd grade class are:



Mackenna Yackerer, Kal Johnson, Matthew Guilford, Alley Tompkins, Tesslynn Weaver, and Lyndsey Hill



Caleb Stork, Cooper Grastorf, Evan Trowbridge, Shea Preston, Taylor Murns, and Taryn Moore.

Senior Showcase - "Real Friends"

Six Belfast Seniors performed in a senior showcase Zoom Play called "Real Friends" on Sunday, April 19. The play, written by Madison Sedlor, is a modern adaptation of the 80s classic The Breakfast Club. "Real Friends," as well as 3 other one act Zoom Plays featuring BCS students, can be viewed on the school YouTube page. Congratulations on an excellent performance!



Love in Action

Student council representatives helped load Mr. Doell's truck with all the food that was donated during Love in Action week at Belfast Central School. ***This was the most food ever collected!! We also collected \$246.50.***



Miss Austin's Class Learning About Fractions



Belfast Central School 2020-21 Calendar

MAY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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JUNE

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

- GRADUATION
- HOLIDAYS - OFFICES CLOSED
- MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE
- 3-8 GRADE MATH TESTING DATE
- 4 & 8 GRADE SCIENCE TESTING DATE
- BREAKS (NO STUDENTS OR FACULTY)
- REGENTS EXAM DATES
 - English – June 17
 - Living Environment – June 22
 - Algebra 1 – June 23
 - Earth Science – June 24

**Summer Soccer
coming in June!
Watch for Sign-ups during
the month of May!**

Online Learning

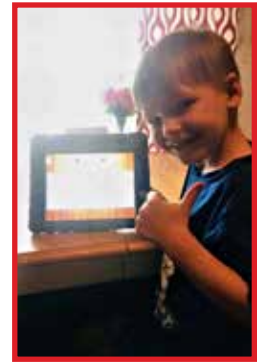
Some BCS students are learning completely online this year. The lessons are delivered mostly through reading and videos along with daily quizzes. They need a lot of discipline and focus to practice and master the material. Learning online from home is not easy, but these students are persevering and making the best of a challenging situation!



Adam Oskar smiles during Science.



Allison Yeaples takes a break from technology to enjoy nature.



Owen Jablonski loves to learn



Carley Manning is excited to learn.



Connor and Erica Hull are learning in the kitchen.



Evan Moore completing a writing assignment.



Carson Treusdell is hard at work.



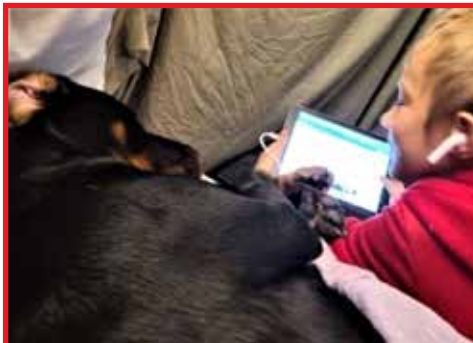
Grayson Moore enjoying his ELA.



Kaylena Bisig learning via video.



Dawson Piela prepares a healthy breakfast before working.



Liam Sortore has a furry friend for company while he works.



William Manning is comfortable while studying.

BCS Easter Celebration



Science Symposium

Ms. Szejbka and Ms. Grottanelli want to extend a huge thank you to everyone who helped with the 7th Grade Science Symposium this year.

They invite you to view the presentation on the BCS YouTube Channel (link on the BCS Website). The Science Symposium can be viewed in its entirety, or find a student at the time interval noted to the right.



Bio Lab



Canaan Sullivan and Jacob Lindo.

Mole Contest Winner



Alicia Borden is winner of the Junior Chemistry Class Mole Contest. Congratulations, Alicia!

- Kaytie Cole 00:10:** Which Water Bottle Keeps the Water the Coldest?
Emalee Carman 3:31: Do Plants Grow Better With Different Liquids?
Cylie Burrows 7:06: What Type of Bedding Keeps My Guinea Pig's Cage from Smelling?
Monica Harriger 10:47: Coca Cola and Mentos Experiment.
Leon Histed 13:43: Levels Of Bacteria in Different Water
Izabella Lindo 17:15: Can Coffee Affect the Way an Egg Looks
Rachel Merriam 20:37: Have You Ever Heard That Soda Could Help Keep A Cut Flower Alive? The Only Question Is How Much Soda?
Bryce Conley 24:38: The Effects Of Growth On Plants With Different PH
Tate Jenkins 27:08: Which Dog Food Soaked Up the Most Water?
Zakk West 30:32: How Fast Chargers Can Charge an iPad?
Heather Padden 33:00: Does Air Pressure Change How Far A Soccer Ball Goes?
Summer Buchholz 38:05: What Detergent Will Get A Spaghetti Sauce Stain Out Of A Plain, White T-shirt Best?
Audrina Costa 41:30: Does the Material Plants Are Planted In Really Matter?
Carly Moultrup 44:55: The Effects Of Stretching For Flexibility And Distance Reached
Addisyn Ely 48:28: What Color Food Do My Chickens Like The Best
Logan Estabrook 53:45: How Weight Affects Paper Airplanes
Finn Heaney 57:00: The Basis of What Type of Brownie People Prefer
Rhianna Hoover 59:50: Does The Type Of Surface Affect How High A Ball Bounces?
Chloe Chamberlain 1:02:34: Negative and Positive Plants
Alexa Ely 1:06:39: Growing Bacteria
Cory Cobb 1:11:46: The Effect Of Food Coloring On Plants
Lucy Simzer 1:15:12: Shaking a Soda Bottle
Donivan Fields 1:18:15: Gummy Bears in Coke and Gatorade
Samayah Lussier 1:20:24: Does Music Really Affect Plant Growth?
Mariah Patton 1:23:57: What You See Isn't Always What You Get
Abby Morton 1:28:12: Which Brand Of Baby Diapers Absorb the Most Liquid?
Callahan Tallman 1:30:58: Measuring Bacteria Levels within a Water Bottle over a Period of Time
William Guilford 1:34:40: The Effect Of Fertilizer On Plants

Creative Science



Matt Weaver, Jaiden Enders, Alicia Borden.

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Some things didn't change...



Just a reminder to parents that children still should be getting yearly physicals from their Pediatrician. Requirements for next year have not been updated yet, but I am sure it will go back to normal. Please call your doctor's office to make sure your child is up to date on his or her yearly physical. If your child wants to play sports over the summer and/or next school year, this will be important especially if requirements change over the summer. If your child will want to acquire working papers, a physical will be required. Please have your doctor's office fax the forms to school.

COVID Symptoms

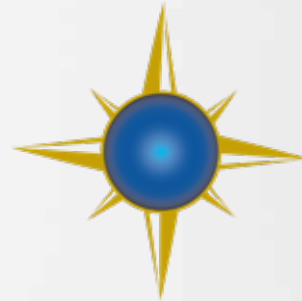
Please be vigilant to your child's symptoms. If your child has any one of these symptoms shown in the graphic to the right.

Please do not send them to school, as we will need to send them home. Any time that your child has any one of these symptoms, the county and state requires a doctor's note prior to their return to school. BCS does not require your child to have a COVID test, however, if your doctor recommends/requires it, then a copy of the results will be needed prior to the students return to school. We sincerely appreciate you help in continuing to keep our school safe and open.

Stay Healthy!

BOCES Students

Students who come to school in the morning, but do not plan to attend BOCES in the afternoon, need to be signed out by Belfast School so that accurate information is given to the BOCES center.



DON'T FEEL WELL? STAY HOME WHEN YOU ARE SICK

Tell your mom, dad, or caregiver before you come to school. Tell your teacher or an adult if you become sick at school



cough



Shortness of breath
or problem breathing



chills



sore throat



loss of taste
or smell



muscle pain

OTHER SYMPTOMS INCLUDE:

fever, runny nose, diarrhea, feeling nauseous
or vomiting, feeling tired, headache,
and poor appetite

BCS 2nd Quarter Honor Roll

HONOR ROLL
The following students earned
an 85-92% average:

GRADE 5: Colden Caiazza, Colt Cobb, Violet Edwards, Avery Enders, Isabelle Guilford, Sarah Hazelton, Khloe Jenkins, Kristopher McLaughlin, Madeline White, Raelynn Wilson

GRADE 6: Landen Blocho, Grant Preston, Bayleigh Tallman, Emerson Weaver, Tye Willard

GRADE 7: Cylie Burrows, Kaytie Cole, Audrina Costa, Addisyn Ely, Alexa Ely, Logan Estabrook, Finn Heaney, Leon Histed, Rhianna Hoover, Tate Jenkins, Rachel Merriam, Abigail Morton, Lucy Simzer

GRADE 8: Ava Aronson, Braeden Geyer, Natalee Lindo, Carissa Mura, Hannah Southwick, Clayton Wright, Ellyonah Wright

GRADE 9: Jacob Borden, Carley Burrows, Matthew Cater, Nevaeh Elliott, Cassondra Guilford, Mary Hamer, Micaylah Mages, Sean Mahon, Damien Rinker, Jackson Stout, Christopher Weaver

GRADE 10: Trevor Clark, Daemon Cobb, Gabrielle Costa, Chelsea Goldsmith, Brianna Morton, Harley Proctor, Carter Stout, Garrett Taylor

GRADE 11: Jacob Buchholz, Brianna Fields, Kendra Giboo, Brooke Middaugh, Max Miller, Cayla Mura

GRADE 12: Taela Bisig, Steven Buchholz, Jason Drozdowski, Colton Gaddy, Devin Harriger, Christian Lopez, Lillian Mahon, Stephen Struckmann

HIGH HONOR ROLL
The following students attained
an average of 93% or above:

GRADE 5: None

GRADE 6: Madison Yackeren

GRADE 7: Emalee Carman, William Guilford

GRADE 8: Catherine Calanni, Sadie Estabrook, Allyson Hazelton, Jenna Hill, Dillion Kelley, Jaizelyn Marcello, Danika Scott, Kayliegh Wojcik, Morgan Yackeren, Sophie Zillgitt

GRADE 9: Owen Heaney, Abigail Sullivan

GRADE 10: Anna Drozdowski, Justin Hill, Stiven Lopez, Isabelle Male, Canaan Sullivan

GRADE 11: Alicia Borden, Jaiden Enders, Colton Morgan, Matthew Weaver

GRADE 12: Nicholas Ellison, Kylie Francis, Christopher Fuller, Tia Hale, Samantha Havens, Aidan Heaney, Isaac Hull, Christian Lingenfelter, Kelsi Morton, Camden Smith, Emma Sullivan, Cierra Wallace

To the Class of 2021

Dear Seniors,

If the past year has taught you anything, it is that you can handle whatever life throws your way! You have been asked to change a lot of things this year. How you learn, how you play, how you perform, and maybe how you think and view the world. Difficult as this has been, I do not choose to focus on all you have missed out on, but rather on what you have gained. And I hope, with time, you might be able to see it that way too! You have learned to be more flexible, more resilient, more self-motivated, and more patient. These skills and abilities will be so important for you in life! These are the skills that will hold you up during hard times that will

allow you to overcome obstacles, to problem solve, to be creative, to think outside the box. These are the skills that will help you to succeed in whatever you do! So while I am a little sad for you, that things weren't the way you dreamed they would be this year, I am also proud of how you have handled whatever has come your way and I know you will go out into this unpredictable world a bit more prepared because of this year! I am glad you will be coming back together to finish your Senior year and to celebrate these final weeks at BCS together!! Go out and shine your light bright!

You've got this!
Teresa Heaney, Guidance Counselor



Scholarships

Scholarship	Amount	App?	Date
Amanda Curcio Memorial	\$500	No	June
PTA	\$500	Yes	March - June
Lions Club	Varies based on number	No	June
Amy Shafer Gerrish	\$500	No	June
Belfast Historical Society	\$200	No	June
Belfast Teachers' Association	2 at \$250	No	June
Belfast Betterment Scholarships	5 at \$300	Yes	March - June
Paul Vienna and Alternate	1 at \$2,500; 1 at \$1,500	No	May
Hasper and Dye	\$500	No	May - June
Clare Emery Jr. Scholarship	2 at \$500	Yes	April - May
National Honor Society	Various Amounts	No	May
Allegany County Counselors	Various Amounts	Yes	March - April
Monica Arnold Scholarship	\$500	No	June
American Legion Scholarships	\$200	No	June
School Related Personnel	\$200	Yes	May
Pomona Grange Awards	2 at \$50	No	May
Theatre Arts Awards	Various Amounts	No	June
Belfast Alumni Association	\$300	No	June
Allegany County Area Foundation	Varies	Yes	December - February
John Hasper Memorial Scholarship	\$500	Yes	April - May

Thanks to the generous sponsorship of the Belfast community, BCS students have the opportunity to earn many local scholarships! Many of these are selected by committee or have applications that will be available in the spring via Senior mailboxes and on our website when available.

Many students also secure scholarship through outside sources such as organizations their parents belong to or places of employment.

The largest source of scholarship money tends to be through the college where the student will be attending. Contact the college financial aid office for more information.

Nationally based scholarships or search engines such as FastWeb can be useful, but often students get the best outcomes by focusing their time on local scholarships.

Please contact Mrs. Heaney in the Guidance Office with questions. 585-365-8297.

MasterMinds Finishes Up It's Regular Season

MasterMinds has finished up it's regular season and the bulldogs placed very well in their league. The Varsity team remained undefeated winning all 12 of their events. They will now go into the playoffs on Thursday, April 29th. If you happen to see any of the following students, please congratulate them on their awesome season: Aidan Heaney, Christian Lingenfelter, Christian Lopez and Stephen Struckmann. A special shoutout to Aidan Heaney as she was the number one scorer in our league with 590 points. Second place was only at 415 points so she had a very commanding lead.



The JV team had a 9-3 season tying for first place in wins with Lima Christian. The highest JV scorer in our league was also a Belfast student. Good job Owen Heaney for taking highest scorer in the JV league. If you see the following students, congratulate them on their great job in MasterMinds: Carley Burrows, Owen Heaney, Sean Mahon and Kyle McCumiskey.



BCS 2nd Quarter Awards Assembly

Most Improved

5th Grade - Rhaegan Hoover
6th Grade - Josilyn Kirch
7th Grade - Summer Buchholz
8th Grade - Harley Wardhaugh

Outstanding Effort

5th Grade - Emma Calanni
6th Grade - Emma Moultrup
7th Grade - Abigail Morton
8th Grade - Jenna Hill

Citizenship

5th Grade - Violet Edwards
6th Grade - Johnathan Male
7th Grade - Mariah Patton
8th Grade - Morgan Yackerren

Principal's Award

5th Grade - Khloe Jenkins
6th Grade - Madison Yackerren
7th Grade - Emalee Carman
8th Grade - Allyson Hazelton

SuperStar Awards (Math):

5th Grade - Raelynn Wilson
6th Grade - Grant Preston
7th Grade - William Guilford,
Emalee Carman, Cylie Burrows
8th Grade - Sophie Zillgitt,
Braedyn Geyer

Super Star Awards (Reading/ELA)

5th Grade - Sarah Hazelton
6th Grade - Wyatt Weaver
7th Grade - Chloe Chamberlain,
Leon Histed, Bryce Conley
8th Grade - Kayliegh Wojcik,
Ellyonah Wright, Dillion Kelley,
Shelby Burnell

Super Star Awards (Science)

5th Grade - Carson Foster,
Sarah Hazelton
6th Grade - Emerson Weaver,

Bayleigh Tallman
7th Grade - Kaytie Cole
8th Grade - Jenna Hill

Super Star Awards (Social Studies)

5th Grade - Emma Calanni,
Isabelle Guilford
6th Grade - Grant Preston,
Madison Yackerren
7th Grade - William Guilford
8th Grade - Sophie Zillgitt

Positive Sportsmanship - GYM

6th Grade - Grant Preston
7th Grade - Lucy Simzer
8th Grade - Jaizelyn Marcello

Super Star Awards (Art)

5th Grade - Kyleigh Francis
8th Grade - Jaizelyn Marcello

5th Grade Band - Violet Edwards
6th Grade Band - Noah Miller
7th Grade Music - Finn Heaney

5th Grade Music - Raelynn Wilson
5-6th Grade Choir - Colt Cobb
7-8th Grade Choir - Carissa Mura

Super Star Awards (Spanish)

8th Grade - Catherine Calanni

Super Star Awards (Home & Careers)

7th Grade - Bryce Conley
8th Grade - Alex Stanton

Super Star Awards (Health)

Emalee Carman

Super Star Awards (Technology)

7th Grade
William Guilford - Windmill
Competition
Samayah Lussier - Windmill
Competition

8th Grade
Catherine Calanni - Windmill
Competition
Sadie Estabrook -
Windmill Competition

Belfast Public Library

We will still have a patron limit due to lack of space needed for proper social distancing, but we have made accommodations downstairs in the main library for patrons who would like to bring their own devices and use our Wi-Fi.

We would like to thank the community for their patience and patronage during this time. You can still take advantage of contactless pick up by calling 585-365-2072 to arrange your pick up time.

Follow and like us on *Facebook* and *Instagram* to see what upcoming crafts and programs we have coming!

We will be open again for regular hours starting April 19th!!

Monday 10-1; Tuesday 3-7;
Wednesday 10-1 & 3-7;
Thursday 3-7; Saturday 10-1



Kinship Program Offered

Catholic Charities received a grant with NYS Office of Children and Family Services to provide the Kinship Caregiver Program to 30 children and 25 families in Allegany County. It is a partnership with Catholic Charities, YMCA of the Twin Tiers, and The Center for Elder Law and Justice in Buffalo. It is a program for grandparents, relatives, and non-relatives raising children other than their own. The families only need to have Article 6 (permanent custody), joint custody with primary placement; or informal custody to participate in the program.

The program has five components:

1. Case management and referral services: home visits, linkages with community agencies, finding out the needs of the families and how to help them; 1-4 times per month
2. Support groups-separate for adults and children (held virtually and/or in person):
 - a. for adults-the curriculum PASTA (Parenting a Second Time Around) once a month
 - b. with children-once a month focusing on stress management, listening skills, self-esteem building, bullying prevention
3. Education sessions: ElderLaw lawyer will be presenting on legal issues; 3 times per quarter
4. Family engagement activities: family swim nights, movie night, craft night, etc. once a month
5. Maintenance and family preservation services: respite for the children once a month

Some upcoming events for families include: Mother's Day virtual baking night 5:30 pm May 5th where we will be delivering ingredients to participants and making muffins and cookies for our grandmas, aunts, for Mother's Day; Kinship meeting at the Wellsville YMCA 5/19 at 5:30 pm where we will be learning about karate; June 16th 5:30 pm meeting at Wellsville YMCA; and June 19th "End of the School Year Bash" at Island Park in Wellsville 11-2 pm-hot dogs, hamburgers, lawn games and lots of fun!

If interested, kinship families are able to receive YMCA memberships free for participating in our program. For more information about this program, call Danielle Kielar, Kinship Caregiver Social Worker at (716) 372-0101 x 211.



High School Musician, Emma Sullivan

Emma Sullivan has been selected as one of 719 of the finest high school musicians from Connecticut, Delaware, Massachusetts, Maryland, Maine, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont for her acceptance into the NAFME 2021 All-Eastern Honor Treble Chorus. These musicians were selected from 1150 All-State applicants and ranked

by their state presidents to fill five ensembles. The Orchestra (165), Symphonic Band (146), Mixed Chorus (270), Treble Chorus (120) and Jazz Ensemble (18), will be participating in a "Virtual Weekend" experience March 4-6, 2021.

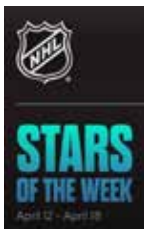


This year, students will individually record their performance from home led by a virtual performance of their conductor. The recordings will be edited together to produce a virtual ensemble for the concert performance. The concert will be premiered on April 23rd at 8:30pm during the designated concert hour at the 57th NAFME Eastern Division Virtual In-Service Conference.



Spotlight - 2017 Belfast Graduate, Michaela Pastorius

2017 Belfast graduate Michaela Pastorius and frontline worker alongside Buffalo Sabres goalie Dustin Tokarski were recently recognized as the first star picks for the NHL. Michaela is a Registered Nurse at Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Institute. On Tuesday April 20, 2021 Michaela appeared on a live segment for the Sabres pre-game show. You can find the live video feed on twitter or NHL.com. Michaela is very passionate about nursing at Roswell and is an extremely huge Sabres fan. Many of you already know that Michaela was a patient at Roswell overcoming her own battle with cancer. She finished her college and was offered a position at the very place that saved her life. Michaela is hoping to have more exciting opportunities with the Buffalo Sabres.



Girls Varsity Basketball



I would like to congratulate Emma Sullivan and Cierra Wallace on their high school basketball career here at BCS also wish them the very best in the next stage of life.

Our girls' varsity basketball season was out-standing to be part of, we end the season 7-4, we beat Scio twice, Friendship twice, GV twice and BR in a true come from behind win in overtime. These eight girls work hard every day they had a basketball in their hands, I'm proud to be coaching these ladies watching them improve day to day, week to week.

We entered sectionals as the 5 seed going up against Northstar Christian the 4 seed in Rochester, after 32 minutes of basketball our season was over, I'm still not sure the best team won that game none the less we played hard and moved one step closer to our goal and look forward to the girls that are moving up for mod next year to go along with Kate Sadler, Alicia Borden, Anna Drozdowski, Harley Proctor, Mary Hamer and Abby Sullivan.

We had two Allegany county All-stars this year Anna Drozdowski and Mary Hamer both of these ladies had incredible season for us, we are looking forward to what next year brings from these two players.

Super season Ladies!

Spring Sports

Belfast Central School Varsity Baseball and Varsity Softball games begin May 3.

BCS Modified Baseball and Modified Softball games begin May 5.

GV/Belfast Varsity Track meets begin May 6.

BCS Modified Track meets begin May 3.

Watch the BCS Website for schedule updates and game locations.

Go Bulldogs!

BCS Basketball players named to the Allegany County D2 All-Star Teams



Anna Drozdowski



Mary Hamer



Jason Drozdowski



Devin Harriger



Stephen Struckmann (MVP)

Boys Modified Basketball



Coach Jason Robichaud

7th and 8th grade boys had a challenging season in 2021. A late start and very few practices before the first game made this season something to remember. The team had many close games, but ended with a 1-7 record. They worked hard in and out of practice, and pulled off an exciting victory against Friendship where they came back, down by 12 points in the 4th quarter and ended up winning by one point with only seconds remaining.

Boys JV Basketball



Coach Joe McCumiskey

The Belfast Central School boys' Junior Varsity Basketball team had a good season. We had 11 boys on the team, and every one of them was a pleasure to coach. They all improved as basketball players and as a team; they really did! I was very proud of their progress. The team finished with a record of three wins and four losses. I wish we could have had a full season! Good work boys!

Boys Varsity Basketball



Coach Joe Henessey

The Boys' Varsity Basketball team went undefeated and won yet another county championship. We try to carry on that winning tradition. We lost our first game and then went on to win 12 in a row finishing the season at 12-2. We had both Allegany County MVP's, and All-star team, they are the only Allegany County basketball team to have 3 players named to the All-star team. We graduate a lot of talent at the end of the school year, but look forward to having the younger guys step up and play Belfast basketball on and off the court next year. "Gotta Wanna"

Girls Modified Basketball



Coach Sandy Miller

This year's season was short and sweet but we were able to pack in a lot in and have a lot of fun while we were at it. The five week season consisted of six games and we ended the season with four tough wins and two well-fought losses. The girls really worked well together and they made a lot of progress. They displayed excellent sportsmanship toward their teammates, competitors, refs, and coaches.

Future Basketball Stars at BCS



Winter Fun Days in Belfast



Food Giveaway

Easter Break had a different look at BCS this year. Although many of our students and faculty were able to leave town and bask in the sun, several more were enjoying the gorgeous weather in Western New York right here in the Sherman Street parking lot.

Cuba Cultural Center provided the bounty of food through FOODLINK and the generous Belfast Community responded with a plethora of volunteers. Over 160 families in Allegany County received food boxes on April 7.

Belfast Lions Club, Belfast Central School, Belfast Free Methodist Church, Allegany Council on Alcohol and Substance Abuse, Northern KonXions United Methodist Church Belfast Campus, Andover Central School, Genesee-Valley Central School, Literacy West NY, Inc./CORE the learning center and Cuba Cultural Center were represented in the massive effort to ameliorate food insecurity in our area.

The primary difference in this food giveaway and all of the others held throughout the county in the past year, was the talent displayed by J.D. Stuckmann and his colleagues and students. Adults and students playing instruments showcased the vocals of students Aidan Heaney, Stephen Stuckmann and Sean Mahon. The adults supporting this rare opportunity for our students to perform outside during COVID restrictions were J.D. Stuckmann, Alva Robbins, Alex Scott and Lynn Kunz-White.

The twenty plus volunteers directing traffic, loading boxes, monitoring registration, and coordinating deliveries were entertained during their labor. The folks picking up food were uplifted as the mood seemed to suggest that better days with sunshine and music in the air are finally here.



Allegany County 2020-21 Winter Scholar Athlete!



Nick Ellison

Track Schedules

GV/Belfast Varsity Track Schedule		
5/6	5 p.m.	at Genesee Valley/Belfast (Fillmore-Scio)
5/11	5 p.m.	at Bolivar-Richburg (Genesee Valley/Belfast-Houghton)
5/20	5 p.m.	at Genesee Valley/Belfast (Houghton-Scio)
5/25	5 p.m.	at Cuba-Rushford (Genesee Valley/Belfast-Scio)
6/1	5 p.m.	at Fillmore (Houghton/Genesee Valley/Belfast)
Belfast Modified Track Schedule		
5/3	5 p.m.	at Cuba-Rushford
5/10	5 p.m.	at Bolivar-Richburg
5/17	5 p.m.	at Genesee Valley
5/24	5 p.m.	at Fillmore (Houghton)
6/2	5 p.m.	at Wellsville
6/5	10 a.m.	Allegany County Championships

***Belfast Central School District
2021-22 Belfast UPK Registration***

Children in the Belfast School District who turn four (4) on or before December 1, 2021, are eligible to enter the Pre-school class in September 2021. Please return the following information to the Superintendent's Office before *May 12, 2021*. Thank you for your cooperation!

Child's Name _____

Date of Birth: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone Number _____

E-mail Address _____

Please return to: ***Dr. Wendy Butler, Superintendent
1 King St.
Belfast, NY 14711***

Email to: **glarrabee@belfastcsd.org**

Belfast Central School District 2021-22 Kindergarten Registration

Children in the Belfast School District who reach the age of five(5) on or before December 1, 2021, are eligible to enter the kindergarten class in September 2021. If your child is not enrolled in the Belfast Preschool and will turn five on or before December 1, 2021, please return the following information to the Superintendent's Office before *May 12, 2021!*

Thank you for your cooperation.

Child's Name _____

Date of Birth: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone Number _____

E-mail Address _____

Please return to: *Dr. Wendy Butler, Superintendent
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Social Media Red Flags Parents Should Know About

It can be hard to keep up with the latest apps that kids are using. Just when you've figured out how to talk to your kids about Instagram, they're begging to download Snapchat and TikTok. But here's the deal: Even when new apps come along, adding new features such as the ability to disappear or track your location, they're often not that different from other apps. And if you know what to look for, you can help your kid avoid some common social media pitfalls such as drama, cyberbullying, and oversharing.

Does a red flag mean your kid shouldn't use a particular app? Not at all. Most kids use social media apps safely -- and kids don't always use every feature of every app. Also, you can often disable certain features so they're no longer a problem. Finally, talking about using social media safely, responsibly, and respectfully is the best way to help your kid identify and avoid red flags. Here are the most common social media red flags, the apps they're found in, and tips for dealing with them.

Ads and in-app purchases. Some examples: Instagram, Snapchat, TikTok

Free apps have to make money somehow, so app developers offer marketers lots of opportunities to reach kids on their platforms, including product testimonials, embedded ad links, sponsored content, and chances to buy things.

What to do: Social media advertising can be deceptive because it's designed to look like the app's regular content. And although incremental in-app purchases for things like exclusive photo filters are inexpensive, they can really add up. To understand how apps make money, you have to spend some time on each one. Familiarize yourself with the types of ads coming at your kids, teach them to recognize different types of digital marketing, and talk about what to do if they're approached online by someone trying to sell something. As for in-app purchases, you can set spending limits or turn off the ability to make in-app purchases on your kid's phone.

Age-inappropriate content

Some examples: Instagram, Hive Social, Snapchat, TikTok, Tumblr

Friends can share explicit stuff via messaging (for example, sexting), but the bigger concern is whether an app features a lot of user-generated content that isn't appropriate to your kid's age. Your teen may

not even need to follow users who are posting explicit stuff to come across it.

What to do: Ask your kid whom she follows and ask to see what's being posted. Use the app yourself and get a sense of what comes up in an average feed (or features like Snapchat Discover). Then try searching for content you're concerned about and see how easy it is to find. Check the terms of use to see what the app allows and whether users can flag violators. If your kid uses TikTok, you can enable content restrictions that limit mature videos, but most social media platforms don't offer that feature.

Anonymity. Some examples: Lipsi, LMK: Anonymous Polls, Tellonym, Yolo

Anonymity doesn't always breed cruelty, but it often does. On anonymous sites, people feel that their comments are consequence-free -- and end up hurting others. Also, though kids may feel safe enough to share sensitive or painful things they might not otherwise, they often don't get the necessary support or help -- and may get attacked.

What to do: Make sure your teen understands the risks involved and that they know how to block and report other users if necessary. Also, if they need connection but it's hard to talk about a problem (especially with you), give them opportunities to share with other safe, trusted people.

Cyberbullying. Some examples: Instagram, Snapchat, Roblox, Twitter

Though many apps have improved their monitoring and reporting features, cyberbullying is still a reality. It can happen on any social media app, but some have a notorious mean streak. If an app allows anonymous posting and is used in schools, chances are some teens will abuse it.

What to do: Ask around and pay attention to what parents, teachers, and other kids say about it to get a sense if it's stirring up trouble. Make sure your teen understands how to report and block other users, and check the school's policy about cyberbullying.

Location tracking and sharing. Some examples: Find My Friends, Instagram, Snapchat, Twenty (formerly Mappen), Twitter

Wherever you go, there you are -- and your social media apps know it. Though you may only indicate a city or neighborhood in a profile, allowing location identification

often means that you're tracked within a city block, your posts can include your location, and anyone -- including strangers -- can see exactly where you are.

What to do: This is a tricky one because many parents like to keep track of their kids using an app like Life360. But you can keep location services on only for the app you use to find out your kid's whereabouts. Otherwise, turn off location settings in your kid's social media, then check to see whether previous posts include location information and delete it. If your kid uses Snapchat, they can go into "Ghost Mode," so people can't see their location.

Public default settings. Some examples: Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter

Many apps allow a user to have a public or private profile, only shared with friends; however, some apps are public by default, which means that a kid's name, picture, and posts are available to everyone.

What to do: As soon as you download the app, go into the settings to check the defaults. If a kid is using the same program on a browser, check there, too.

Random video chat. Some examples: HOLA, Monkey, Wink

Any app that's inviting kids to "meet new friends" is facilitating chats with strangers in some way. In most cases this type of app likely has a lot of sexual content and adults trying to hook up.

What to do: Random chatting apps are unsafe. If your teen is truly trying to meet new friends, it might be best to start on an app that's interest-based with text-based group forums so they can find their people.

Real-time video streaming. Some examples: YouNow, Instagram, Twitch

Live streaming is just that -- live -- so it's very easy to share something you didn't mean to. Kids may use these apps in private (such as in their bedrooms) and inadvertently share personal information without knowing exactly who is watching. Though they may seem temporary, embarrassing, or mean moments are easily captured and shared later.

What to do: Talk to your kids about why they want to share video of themselves and what they should and shouldn't share. Talk about positive, constructive uses of video sharing, such as creating shorts using editing programs or creating an interest-based channel to funnel your teen's creativity.

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A Message Regarding the 2021-22 District Budget

The Belfast Central Board of Education and District Administration have worked diligently to prepare a budget for the 2021-22 school year, which supports student programming and is fiscally responsible to the taxpayers in the District. The proposed budget has a 0% increase in the school district tax levy, and will be presented at a budget hearing scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on May 11, 2021.

The proposed budget will bring about changes in student programs, fiscal management, and facilities. The planned 21-22 budget maintains all student programs and adds a business teacher, full-time social worker, occupational therapist, and part-time speech therapist. The spending plan utilizes state aid and federal stimulus funds to address student learning loss and social emotional needs created through the COVID pandemic closure.

The proposed 2021-22 budget includes a subsequent year capital outlay project that allows the District to do up \$100,000 of work to address building needs for \$5,000 in the budget because of the building aid generated from the 2020-21 capital outlay project. BCS will receive 95% building aid on the project the next year (22-23), which will provide for continuous facility maintenance rather than waiting for a major project. Subsequent capital outlay projects will be funded with the NYS building aid to provide for continuous building maintenance.

The 2021-22 capital outlay project will continue to focus on completing items from the 2018 capital improvement project. The 21-22 capital outlay project will include new gym wall mats, renovations to the former home and careers room, asbestos work in the cafeteria, and ceiling tile replacement in the corridors. The identified project components could not be completed during the original project (and subsequent capital outlay project) because of increased bids submitted by contractors.

If you have any questions about the proposed budget, please do not hesitate to contact Wendy Butler Ed.D. (365-9940) or Bob Lingenfelter (365-8289).

Sincerely,

Josie Preston, Board President

Wendy Butler Ed.D., Superintendent

Robert Lingenfelter, Business Official

Budget Hearing

May 11 at 5:30 p.m.

via Zoom

Budget Vote and Board Election

May 18th

from Noon to 8:00 p.m.

Voter Qualifications

1. Citizen of the United States
2. Eighteen years of age.
3. Resident of the district for a period of thirty (30) days or more prior to May 18, 2021.

General Support

Present Year
2020-21

Next Year
2021-22

Board of Education		
Expenditures incurred by the Board of Education, necessary expenses for legal advertising, materials and supplies for the district clerk and district meeting.		
Board of Education Contractual	\$12,400	\$12,400
Board of Education Materials & Supplies	200	200
District Clerk Salary	2,794	2,719
District Clerk Contractual	0	0
District Meeting Mailing	8,000	10,000
Total Board of Educ.	\$23,394	\$25,319
Central Administration		
This area covers the expenses of the superintendent, secretary and central office operation.		
CSA Salary	\$133,002	\$137,207
Non-Instructional Salary	33,553	34,224
CSA Contractual	3,875	3,875
CSA Materials & Supplies	500	1,400
Total Central Admin.	\$170,930	\$176,706
Business Administration		
This category includes expenses of the Business Office, auditor, BOCES services and tax collector.		
BOCES (Co-Op Purchasing, Aid, Planning)	\$15,460	\$8,270
Auditing	15,300	13,700
Business Office Salaries	134,935	142,431
Business Office Contractual	3,375	3,375
Business Office Materials & Supplies	200	200
Tax Collector Materials & Supplies	3,300	3,300
Total Business Admin.	\$172,570	\$171,276
This section covers our legal expenses and some BOCES services covering insurance and legal services. It also has the cost of providing the newsletter.		
Legal		
Legal Expenses	\$5,000	\$5,000
BOCES (Legal, Insurance)	174,049	168,719
BOCES (Newsletter)	27,255	30,620
Total Legal	\$206,304	\$204,339
Oper. & Maintenance		
The costs involved in upkeep and operation of the buildings and grounds of all the district property is included in this section of the budget. Salaries for custodians, groundskeeper, and part-time help are included, as well as building utilities, repairs, supplies, and service contracts.		
Maintenance Salaries	\$218,206	\$233,991
Maintenance Equipment	16,000	17,609
Maintenance Contractual	126,965	139,815
Electric	86,799	78,000
Gas	30,000	30,000
Phone	1,200	1,200
Water	22,000	19,200
Materials & Supplies	51,180	75,000
BOCES (Safety Programs)	24,828	25,652
Total O & M	\$577,178	\$620,467
Special Items		
Property and Liability Insurance and BOCES Data Processing and Administrative Costs (overhead and BOCES building payments) are found in this area.		
BOCES - Data Processing	\$199,564	\$214,828
Unallocated Insurance	29,000	29,000
Refund Real Property	1,000	1,000
BOCES (Admin. Charges)	106,923	104,762
Total Special Items	\$336,487	\$349,590
Total Gen. Support	\$1,486,863	\$1,547,697

Instruction

Present Year
2020-21

Next Year
2021-22

Teaching/Supervision

This section covers the regular education students from kindergarten through twelfth grade.

BOCES (Curriculum)	\$2,690	\$2,690
Principal Salary	83,939	86,641
Non-Instructional Salary	42,560	43,702
Contractual	775	775
Principal Office Materials & Supplies	1,500	2,000
BOCES - Inservice Training	110,887	111,617
K-6 Teacher Salaries	880,714	883,839
7-12 Teacher Salaries	891,561	854,789
Substitute Salaries	65,000	65,000
Non-Instructional Salaries	100,106	99,998
Equipment	3,000	5,000
Contractual	22,500	24,500
Materials & Supplies	42,897	47,500
Tuition	5,000	5,000
Textbooks	30,000	30,000
BOCES (Educational Programs)	206,811	220,028
Total Teaching/Supervision	\$2,489,940	\$2,483,079

Special Programs

Included here are the costs of our resource room and other expenses associated with our students with disabilities.

Instructional Salaries	\$445,251	\$487,467
Non-Instructional Salaries	150,637	131,675
Contractual	43,448	111,693
Materials & Supplies	5,000	5,207
Textbooks	10,000	0
Tuition	1,500	1,500
BOCES (Special Education)	472,962	210,733
Total Special Programs	\$1,128,798	\$948,275

Occupational Ed.

Expenses for materials and supplies associated with our technologies program. The BOCES services in this section are based on the number of students who attend the Belmont BOCES based on a three year average.

Materials & Supplies	\$1,400	\$1,400
BOCES - (Occupational Education)	236,600	261,688
Total Occupational Ed.	\$238,000	\$263,088

Summer School

These are the expenses for our Driver Education Program and Academic Summer School.

BOCES (Special Schools)	10,230	12,030
Total Summer School	\$10,230	\$12,030

Library & Computer Instruction

Includes funds for the purchase of books, AV equipment and computer hardware/software.

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Instruction (cont'd)

	Present Year 2020-21	Next Year 2021-22
Library Books	\$2,000	\$2,000
School Library & AV	4,000	4,000
BOCES (Library & AV)	66,701	70,826
Computer Hardware	12,000	12,000
Computer Software	6,000	6,000
BOCES (Computer Assisted Instruction)	88,903	138,244
Total Library & Computer Instruction	\$179,604	\$233,070
Pupil Services		
This area of the budget covers all areas of district transportation - regular a.m. and p.m. routes, field trips, athletic teams, special education routes, and BOCES trips. Also included are drivers' salaries, fleet insurance, bus parts, fuel for buses, and expenses associated with the garage building. There is a vehicle being added back into this proposed budget.		
Guidance Salaries	\$78,314	\$81,893
Non-Instructional Salaries	17,399	18,043
Contractual (Guidance)	17,150	17,150
Materials & Supplies	1,000	1,000
Nurses Salary	30,592	31,450
Equipment (Health Services)	1,500	3,300
Contractual (Health Services)	575	575
Materials & Supplies (Health Services)	2,575	5,000
BOCES Health Services	11,163	13,655
Psychological - Materials & Supplies	4,000	4,000
BOCES - Psychological	68,496	69,456
BOCES Social Work Services	52,212	0
Extracurricular Salaries	59,685	62,370
Extracurricular Contractual	5,000	5,000
Extracurricular Materials & Supplies	5,000	5,000
Coaching Salaries.	60,000	53,645
Athletic Equipment	5,000	5,000
Athletic Contractual	12,000	24,500
Athletic Materials & Supplies	17,000	16,000
BOCES - Athletic	4,921	4,785
Total Pupil Services	\$453,582	\$421,822
Total Instruction	\$4,500,154	\$4,361,364

Transportation

	Present Year 2020-21	Next Year 2021-22
Pupil Transportation		
This area of the budget covers all areas of district transportation - regular a.m. and p.m. routes, field trips, athletic teams, special education routes, and BOCES trips. Also included are drivers' salaries, fleet insurance, bus parts, fuel for buses, and expenses associated with the garage building. There are no vehicles in this proposed budget.		
Transportation Salary	\$270,690	\$288,274
Equipment	5,000	5,000
Buses	0	131,016
Contractual	37,643	38,143
Materials & Supplies	87,750	81,250
BOCES - Transportation	3,570	3,628
Equipment	2,500	2,500
Contractual	46,294	45,458
Total Pupil Transportation	\$453,447	\$595,269

Undistributed

	Present Year 2020-21	Next Year 2021-22
Debt service and employee benefits make up the largest part of this section of the budget. It also includes a transfer to Capital Funds to continue capital outlay projects to help avoid going to the public for larger capital projects.		
State Retirement	\$132,440	\$158,843
Teachers' Retirement	276,718	281,026
Social Security	284,592	280,519
Workman's Comp.	34,650	32,427
Unemployment Insurance	9,000	9,000
Hospital Insurance	981,988	942,612
Serial Bonds Principal	840,100	875,000
Serial Bonds Interest	285,024	241,319
BAN Principal	149,035	341,000
BAN Interest	204,470	187,550
EPC Lease Principal	30,000	30,107
Bus Lease Principal	18,248	30,000
EPC Lease Interest	12,755	11,855
Bus Lease Interest	1,394	894
Transfer to School Lunch	125,000	75,000
Transfer to Capital Funds	100,000	100,000
Total Undistributed	\$3,485,414	\$3,597,152
TOTALS	\$9,925,878	\$10,101,482

General Fund Estimated Revenues

	Present Year 2020-21	Next Year 2021-22
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	\$6,000	\$6,000
Summer School Revenue	1,000	1,000
Admissions	0	0
Interest Earnings	1,000	500
Rental of Equipment	3,500	3,500
Sale of Instructional Supplies	100	100
Other Unclassifieds	10,000	10,000
Basic State Aid	5,395,783	5,529,342
BOCES Aid	1,042,550	950,868
Textbook Aid	34,807	34,927
Community Schools Aid	100,000	100,000
Pandemic Adjustment	-192,057	0
Federal Cares Restoration	192,057	0
Use of Retirement Reserve	0	0
Medicaid Reimbursement	30,000	30,000
Repair Reserve	25,000	25,000
Transfer from Debt Service	0	22,500
State Building Aid	1,274,178	1,567,790
TOTAL - REVENUES	\$7,923,918	\$8,281,527

Summary of General Fund Appropriations 2021-2022

General Support	\$1,547,697
Instruction	4,361,364
Pupil Transportation	595,269
Undistributed	3,597,152
Total	\$10,101,482

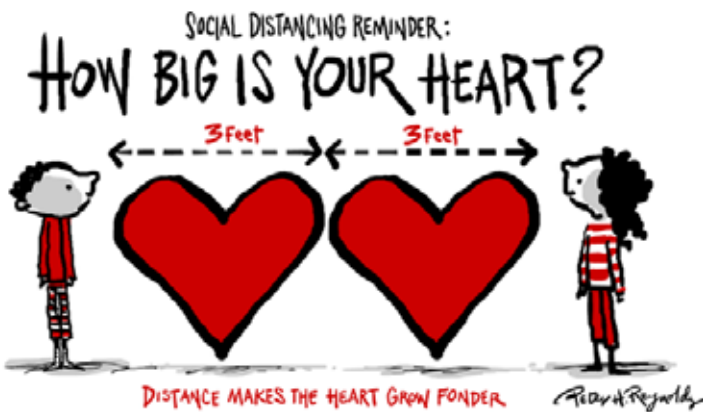
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Determination of Estimated Tax Levy

	Present Year 2020-21	Next Year 2021-22
Total Amount Authorized	\$9,925,878	\$10,101,482
Total Revenues Other Than Taxes	7,923,918	8,281,527
Appropriated Fund Balance	182,005	0
Total Real Property Tax to be Raised for School Purposes	1,819,955	1,819,955
Totals	\$9,925,878	\$10,101,482
Amount of Fund Balance Retained as of 7/1/2020		\$416,953
*Amount of Fund Balance Retained as of 7/1/2021		\$416,953
*Estimated		
2020-2021 Budget		\$9,925,878
2021-2022 Proposed Budget		\$10,101,482

2021-22 Property Tax Report Card

020801 - Belfast CSD		Budgeted 2020-21 (A)	Proposed Budget 2021-22 (B)
Contact Person:	Robert Lingenfelter		
Telephone Number:	585-365-8289		
Total Budgeted Amount, not Including Separate Propositions	\$9,925,878	\$10,101,482	
A. Proposed Tax Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount ¹	1,819,955	1,819,955	
B. Tax Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	50,888	76,332	
C. Tax Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable ²	0	0	
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy, if Applicable	0	0	
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	1,870,843	1,896,287	
F. Permissible Exclusions to the School Tax Levy Limit	0	21,805	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions ³	1,819,955	1,798,150	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, Excluding Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D)	1,819,955	1,798,150	
I. Difference: (G - H); (negative value requires 60.0% voter approval) ²	0	0	
Public School Enrollment	350	335	
Consumer Price Index		1.23%	
¹ Include any prior year reserve for excess tax levy, including interest.			
² Tax levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion under the School Tax Levy Limit and may affect voter approval requirements.			
³ For 2020-21, includes any carryover from 2019-20 and excludes any tax levy for library debt or prior year reserve for excess tax levy, including interest.			
	Actual: 2020-21 (D)	Estimated: 2021-22 (E)	
Adjusted Restricted Fund Balance	571,563	567,116	
Assigned Appropriated Fund Balance	189,406	25,000	
Adjusted Unrestricted Fund Balance	416,953	416,953	
Adjusted Unrestricted Fund Balance as a Percent of the Total Budget	4.20%	4.13%	



Schedule of Reserve Funds

Reserve Type	Reserve Name	Reserve Description *	3/31/21 Actual Balance	6/30/21 Estimated Ending Balance	Intended Use of the Reserve in the 2021-2022 School Year
Capital	Capital Improvements Reserve Fund	To pay the cost of any object or purpose for which bonds may be issued.	\$325,000	\$0	No planned use in 2021-22.
Repair	Reserve for Repairs	To pay the cost of repairs to capital improvements or equipment.	60,013	60,013	To use \$25,000 towards upcoming repairs.
Workers' Compensation	Workers' Compensation Reserve	To pay for Workers Compensation and benefits.	37,914	37,915	No planned use in 2021-22.
Unemployment Insurance	Unemployment Reserve	To pay the cost of reimbursement to the State Unemployment Insurance Fund.	47,506	47,507	No planned use in 2021-22.
Reserve for Tax Reduction		For the gradual use of the proceeds of the sale of school district real property.			
Mandatory Reserve for Debt Service		To cover debt service payments on outstanding obligations (bonds, BANS) after the sale of district capital assets or improvements.			
Insurance		To pay liability, casualty, and other types of uninsured losses.			
Property Loss		To establish and maintain a program of reserves to cover property loss.			
Liability		To establish and maintain a program of reserves to cover liability claims incurred.			
Tax Certiorari		To establish a reserve fund for tax certiorari settlements			
Reserve for Insurance Recoveries		To account for unexpended proceeds of insurance recoveries at the fiscal year end.			
EBALR - Employee Benefit Accrued Liability	Employee Benefits Accrued Liability Res.	For the payment of accrued 'employee benefits' due to employees upon termination of service.	\$162,543	\$162,546	To use EBALR for any upcoming retirements.
Retirement Contribution	Retirement Contribution Reserve	To fund employer retirement contributions to the State and Local Employees' Retirement System	134,132	134,135	No planned use in 2021-22.
Other Reserve	Teachers' Retirement Reserve	To fund employer retirement contributions to the Teachers' Retirement System	73,479	125,000	No planned use in 2021-22.

BELFAST PUBLIC LIBRARY

Current library revenues are \$18k short of expenditures.



From 2013 to 2021, NYS raised minimum wage by \$4.50 per hour. Library expenses have increased only because of minimum wage increases and COVID-related precautions.

With the current tax rate of .42, the library only has enough funds to cover one more year of operation.



Expenditures are \$18,000 above revenue for the 2021-22 budget. The library has been using savings to cover the increase. There has not been a significant tax increase in at least twenty years.

A tax increase is proposed.



This increase would balance the budget to cover employment costs without cutting crucial funds from other areas!

The proposed increase raises taxes as follows:



- \$30,000* = \$6.32 increase per year
 - \$50,000 = \$10.53 increase per year
 - \$75,000 = \$15.80 increase per year
 - \$100,000 = \$21.07 increase per year
- *Property value

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

Attend an informational ZOOM meeting on Wednesday, May 12 @7pm via Zoom. Meeting ID: 691 289 5216

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING YOUR LIBRARY!

Sample Ballot - Vote & Election May 18, 2021

PROPOSITION NO. 1 – 2021-2022 SCHOOL BUDGET-RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School District be authorized to expend the sums as set forth in the District's proposed budget for the 2021-22 school year, in the total amount of TEN MILLION, ONE HUNDRED ONE THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$10,101,482) and to levy the necessary taxes therefor.

(CHECK ONE) YES _____ NO _____

PROPOSITION NO. 2 – Belfast Public Library - RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Belfast Central School is hereby

BELFAST PUBLIC LIBRARY

Below is the proposed budget for the Belfast Public Library prepared and approved at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Library Trustees on February 9, 2021. The following trustees were present: Dave Stevick, Katie Szwejbka, Patty Preston, and Beth Hazelton.

Patricia Preston's term expires in 2021. Patty Preston was nominated at the annual budget hearing to serve for the next five-year term.

The amount of taxes to be voted on is \$76,332. This represents a 50.00% increase in property taxes and a 8.77% increase in the budget (all due to minimum wage and COVID supplies increases).

Proposed Budget 2021-2022

EXPENDITURES

Salaries (Director & 4 Clerks)	\$47,565.00
Custodial Salary	\$4,732.00
Equipment	\$600.00
Contractual	\$500.00
Insurance	\$800.00
Telecommunications	\$6,400.00
Software	\$200.00
Programs	\$1,100.00
Books	\$4,600.00
Magazines	\$150.00
Multimedia	\$1,200.00
Supplies - Library	\$800.00
Supplies - Custodial	\$1,000.00
Utilities.....	\$4,500.00
Travel	\$250.00
Employee Benefits	\$3,995.00
Total	\$78,392.00

REVENUES

Real Property Taxes	\$76,332.00
Library Charges.....	\$50.00
Interests and Earnings	\$10.00
Sale of Scrap & Excess Materials.....	\$100.00
Sales of Instructional Supplies.....	\$0.00
Gifts and Donations	\$500.00
Library System Grants	\$1,400.00
Total Revenues	\$78,392.00

Fund Balance used	\$0.00
Total Revenues plus Fund Bal.....	\$78,392.00

authorized to expend the sum of SEVENTY-SIX THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO Dollars (\$76,332) as established by the Board of Trustees of the Belfast Public Library, toward the support of the Belfast Public Library during the 2021-22 School Fiscal Year.

(CHECK ONE) YES _____ NO _____

BCS BOARD OF EDUCATION – ELECTION ONE (1) MEMBER:
Expired term of Randa Harrington, for five years. Term to expire JUNE 30, 2026.

Randa Harrington Write-in _____

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Expired term of Patricia Preston, for five years. Term to expire JUNE 30, 2026.

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Superintendent's Office.....	365-9940
Principal's Office	365-8285
Business Office	365-8289
Guidance Office	365-8297
Bus Garage.....	365-2609
Nurse's Office	365-2053
Special Education Office.....	365-8847
Preschool.....	365-8088
Automated Attendant	365-2646
Fax.....	365-2648
Website.....	www.Belfastcsd.org

Please remember our school safety tip line. This line remains at **365-2053** and may be used for anonymous calls for reporting student safety concerns.

Board of Education Meetings
Belfast Central School Board of Education Meetings
2nd Tuesday of each month at 5:30 PM

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May 17, 2021
BCS Auditorium

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June 2-4 (Grade 6)
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