



Belfast

Central School District

Newsletter

"a school dedicated to excellence"

Spring High School Musical

On March 25-29, students in grades 7-12 are excited to bring to life the fun-loving, High School Musical - Shrek

"Once upon a time, there was a little ogre named Shrek...." And thus begins the tale of an unlikely hero who finds himself on a life-changing journey alongside a wisecracking Donkey and a feisty princess who resists her rescue. Yes, your favorite ogre is back in the hilarious stage spectacle based on the Oscar®-winning, smash hit, DreamWorks animated film. With music by the Tony Award-winning duo Jeanine Tesori (music) and David Lindsay-Abaire (book), this joyful, colorful SHREK leans into the humanity in all of us that celebrates our differences. With over 40 students in grades 7-12 participating in roles on the stage, behind the curtain, and in our pit orchestra, this production is sure to bring fun, joy, and laughter to all!

Admission is free!

**BELFAST HS DRAMA CLUB
PRESENTS**

**FREE
ADMISSION!**

**DONATIONS
APPRECIATED!**

SHREK
The
MUSICAL

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 2025 @12:30
FRIDAY, MARCH 28, 2025 @7PM
SATURDAY, MARCH 29, 2025 @7PM

NYSSMA (New York State School Music Association) News!

BCS Musicians in New York State Music Honors Ensembles - NYSSMA Zone 15 Junior and Senior High Area All State Festivals

We are so proud of our BCS students that participated in the 2024 NYSSMA Zone 15 Junior High and Senior High ensembles! In order to *potentially* get accepted into these groups, students must put months of hard work and practice into learning a solo, scales and sight reading to get scored by an adjudicator at solo festival. Accepted students are chosen from a pool of applicants from 29 school districts, spread across five counties. Once accepted, students spend weeks preparing music during lessons and at home practice culminating in one weekend of rigorous preparation to put on a stellar concert.

Junior High:

Greta Smithers -Mallets
Elsa Brennan- French Horn 1.1
Jackson Barney- Baritone
Saxophone 1.1
Maddie White- Soprano
Ella Austin- Soprano
Bradán Foster- Tenor

Senior High:

Sadie Estabrook -Soprano
Finn Heaney- Tenor
Wybie Morrigan- Tenor
Emalee Carman - Clarinet
Mara Heaney - French Horn

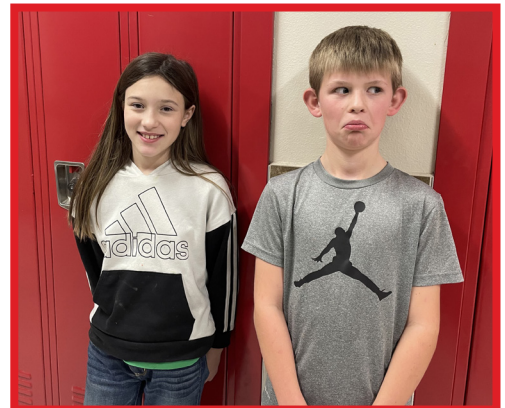
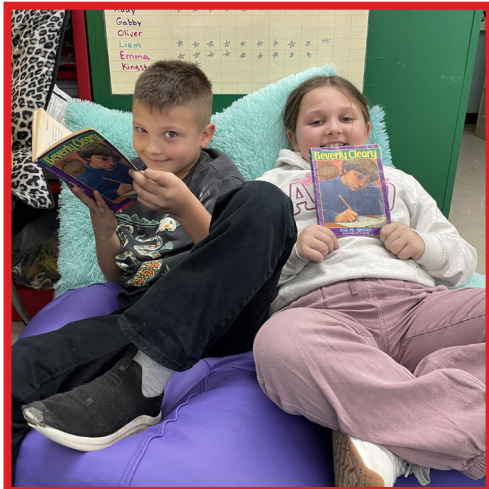
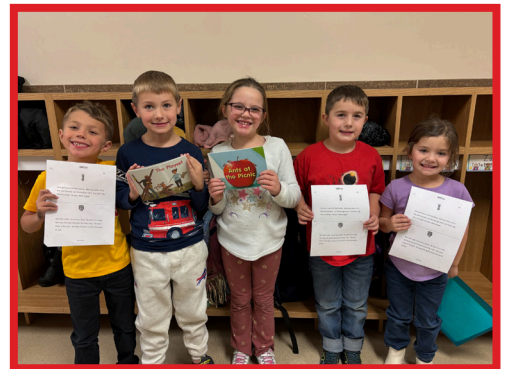


Becoming Great Readers!

How do you become a better reader?
You READ!

These delightful students have read 500 books and counting! They diligently take-home books each night to read with their families, and they return them every day in order to exchange it for a new one.

We are so proud of all of you! Keep up the good work!



Vision Screenings

To be done after winter break

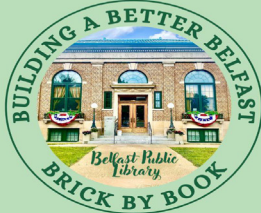
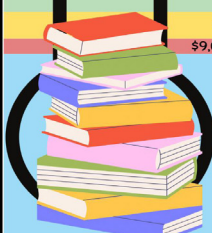


IF YOU HAVE A STUDENT IN: 1ST, 3RD, 5TH, 7TH OR 11TH GRADE WHO HAS NOT HAD A VISION SCREENING WITH THEIR PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER THEY WILL BE SCREENED FOR DISTANCE ACUITY AND NEAR VISION AT SCHOOL.



If your student has been seen at the eye doctor or you do not want their vision screened at school please contact the health office .

HAVE QUESTIONS? Contact the Health Office at 585-365-2053




Total Needed: \$1.3 million

Amount raised (as of Dec, 4, 2024) \$477,790

Anticipate another \$200,000 through Construction Aid

\$18,790 Raised through Fall Matching fundraiser
\$9,000 Summer fundraisers (Raffle item & Boxing for Books event)

\$450,000 raised through State Construction Aid



Go to <https://belfastpubliclibrary.org/building-project/> for more information or to donate.

Awards – Grades 5 & 6

Social Studies: Lana Blocho, Owen Broughton

ELA: Eden Barney, Candice Costa, Brody Edwards, Lawson Fuller, Jareth Osburn, Lydia Preston, Jantzen Stoer-Robinson

Math: Eden Barney, Lana Blocho, Owen Broughton, Lucy Burr-Hadsell, Gabriella Collins, Candice Costa, Brody Edwards, Tegan Enders, Preston Foster, Lawson Fuller, Karlin Harrington, Ayden Hill, Edmund Horne, Austin Humphrey, Malichai Ives, Kaylee Jones, Addison Kelley, Allie Litchner, Bryson Mark, Sophia McNevin, Skyla Merkel, Isaac Miller, Jareth Osburn, Lydia Preston, Jantzen Stoer-Robinson, Gabe West

Science: Eden Barney, Lana Blocho, Owen Broughton, Brody Edwards, Lawson Fuller, Karlin Harrington, Edmund Horne, Austin Humphrey, Malichai Ives, Allie Litchner, Sophia McNevin, Isaac Miller, Jareth Osburn, Lydia Preston, Jantzen Stoer-Robinson

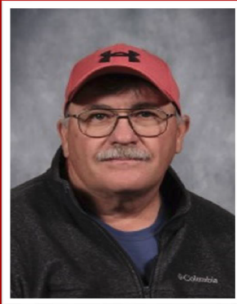


BCS Staff Spotlights!

Andy Mountain

BCS STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Andy is amazing and always willing to help out in a pinch. Over the weekend he agreed to drive the Boys' Varsity Basketball team to Cleveland at the very last moment! Thank you for all that you do. -Wendy Butler



Andy is always willing to help out. He steps in to help with sports runs without any hesitation. He always has a smile on his face and genuinely likes the kids and enjoys his job. It is easy to see why the kids love him! -Mary Paulsen

During Summer Rec, Andy was our bus driver for field trips, and he was great with kids of all ages. They were always so excited to see Mr. Andy behind the wheel! He is a great addition to BCS and we are lucky to have him! -Erin Arnold

Andy, you are an amazing part of our community, and the kids absolutely love you! They get so excited to see you after breaks, and it's clear that you bring joy to their day. I also want to personally thank you for being so considerate and waiting for me on your bus route. It means a lot that I don't have to follow you all the way to school, and I truly appreciate your kindness. Thanks, Andy!! -Jasmine Shephard

Andy is always willing to go the extra mile to make sure our students are getting what they need and feel safe on your bus. Andy is constantly asking how he can help when things are little rough for students.

Thank you, Andy for all you do for our students. -Jim Schneider

Jill Tomlinson

BCS STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Jill is probably the most fun person to be around! She's outgoing, always positive, VERY enthusiastic and interacts so well with all of the students. We all love miss Jill whether it's inside school or outside of school. -Joleen Middaugh



Jill has spent many years making strong relationships with kids, showing her enthusiasm for BCS and our community, and making work and school more fun for everyone! - Mary Guilford

Jill brings so much sunshine to my day when I see her. I miss having her in the classroom with me. She makes all of our days better, and her student relationships are so strong. She can help motivate students in a very special way. -Jessica Grottanelli

Jill's genuineness and transparency make her an exceptional friend and colleague. Her infectious school spirit brings joy to everyone around her, whether she's dancing enthusiastically as a bulldog mascot or leading spirited pep rallies during spirit week. Jill's authentic nature inspires others to be themselves and embrace their passions, making her a cherished presence in our lives. -Jessica Weaver

I've known Jill for a long time, and I was so excited when I learned I would be working with her here at BCS. She is a natural with kids of all ages - from preschool up to high school - and we are lucky enough to have her in our classroom every day. Jill is genuine, kind, driven, and a dependable friend and co-worker. She is one of the hardest working people I know and is always willing to step up and do what needs to be done. Jill is always authentically herself and keeps everyone laughing. She is the heart of BCS, and our school would not be the same without her. Congratulations, Jill! -Erin Arnold

Jill is the heartbeat of our Belfast team, always bringing an infectious energy that lights up the room. She makes an ordinary day fun. She knows exactly how to cheer everyone up and keep the spirits high. Jill is the first person to volunteer to help out. Whether it's morning announcements or offering her beautiful vocals cords for the National Anthem. Her positive attitude and unwavering support make her not just a fantastic coworker, but also a cherished friend. We're incredibly lucky to have her on our team! We all love you Jill! -Krista Harrington

Mary Guilford

BCS STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Mary is always so positive and friendly. She is constantly finding ways to serve the students and our community. - Jessica Romance



Mary is an amazing coworker! She is always willing to help with any project! She is kid-centered in all that she does, making sure kids have input and putting their needs first!!

She even does a great job dealing with "Thursday Carolyn!"

Thank you, Mary, you truly deserve the spotlight! - Carolyn Burr

Mary juggles many different tasks to support our teachers and students and the programs she supports, such as career day and the book fair, are so important to our school. She makes herself available to help with anything and is always very positive! - Patty Preston

Mary welcomed me to the library with open arms! She has been patient with me as I've learned the daily ins and outs of the library world. Mary is always looking for ways to help our students in their daily success. She is a great coworker and friend! I'm happy to be a part of her team! Congratulations Mary! -Danielle Prosser

Mary always goes above and beyond for all of the students here at BCS. She works so hard to organize some amazing opportunities and she never loses her bright smile while she does it! She has been very helpful, whether I am asking for help or asking to borrow some books from the library. I am grateful to work with someone as kind and generous as Mary! Congratulations! -Jordan Sands

Tammy Dahill

BCS STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Tammy is an amazing person!!! She goes above and beyond for her friends, family and her students!!! Congratulations!! GO BILLS!! - Jessica Buchholz



Tammy is amazing to work with! She's always on her toes, thinking and moving to be ready for each need. Thanks Tammy! -Faith Roeske

Tammy is such a kind and fun person in and out of school. She's always smiling and is so great with all of the kids. I absolutely love working with her. Go Bills! -Joleen Middaugh

Tammy is great at what she does. She is always happy to help and loves working with the students. She enjoys watching each student grow and adapts her approach to help them succeed. Tammy is an irreplaceable part of our classroom. -Jasmine Shephard

Tammy is an invaluable asset to our team. Her positive attitude and creativity consistently contribute to our team's success. She truly cares for our kids, and goes above and beyond for them every day. We are truly fortunate to have the opportunity to work with such a talented and dedicated person. - Tony Piwko

High Honor Roll

GRADE 7:

Nicholas D Chamberlain	Evan Moore
Mariah J Dannheim	Brynn L Preston
Matthew Guilford	Shea Preston
Lyndsey A Hill	Tesslynn Weaver
Logan McCarthy	Mackenna Yackerren

GRADE 8:

Jackson Barney
Elsa L Brennan
Greta Smithers

GRADE 9:

Ella J Austin	Sarah C Hazelton
Avery Enders	Raelynn Wilson

Isabelle Guilford

GRADE 10:

Afton Hamer	Carson Treusdell
Mara C Heaney	Emerson L Weaver

Bayleigh Tallman Madison N Yackerren

GRADE 11:

Cylie Burrows	Finn P Heaney
Emalee J Carman	Izabella Lindo
Audrina L Costa	Rachel E Merriam
Logan Estabrook	Wybie Merrill
Donivan Fields	Heather L Padden

William Guilford

GRADE 12:

Ava Aronson	Danika Scott
Catherine A Calanni	Hannah Southwick
Sadie Estabrook	Alexander Stanton
Allyson Hazelton	Ellyonah Wright
Jenna Hill	Sophie Zillgitt

Carissa Mura



Honor Roll

GRADE 5:

Karlin Harrington

GRADE 6:

Eden Barney	Austin S Humphrey
Lana Blocho	Addison Kelley
Owen W Broughton	Alexandria Litchner
Brody Edwards	Sophia-Isabella R McNevin
Lawson Fuller	Isaac Miller
Edmund Horne	Jantzen E Stoer-Robinson

GRADE 7:

Abigail I Cook	Taylor Murns
Cooper Grastorf	Paittain E Norton
Taryn Moore	Jayce Shafer
Catrina Mura	Lillian M Weis

GRADE 8:

Delsin Bisig	Summer Histed
Caylin Burrows	Savannah Miller

Bradán Foster

GRADE 9:

Elizabeth Brundage	Rhaegan Hoover
Colden Caiazza	Khloe Jenkins
Emma Calanni	Alexis C Preston
Violet Edwards	Madeline S White

GRADE 10:

Derek Calanni	Noah Miller
Benjamin Cater	Emma Moultrup
Cheyenne B Cox	Grant R Preston
Lily A Green	Sophia Rehler
Wyatt N Green	Wyatt J Weaver
Erica R Hull	Tye Willard

GRADE 11:

Summer Buchholz	Tate Jenkins
Bryce E Conley	Samayah Lussier
Addisyn B Ely	Abigail Morton
Alexa S Ely	Carly Moultrup
Leon M Histed	Callahan M Tallman
Rhianna Hoover	Cane Treusdell

GRADE 12:

Matthew Barren	Dennis Rehler
Joseph Elliott	Julie A Sortore
Dillion Kelley	Caden V Stork
Natalee P Lindo	Clayton Wright
Alexander McLaughlin	Morgan E Yackerren

Blake Rehler



Christmas Tree Lighting in the Park

Thanks to all who came out to the annual tree lighting Sunday night. A special thank you to all the school students and Mrs. Brennan for singing carols and leading us in the singing of "Silent Night".



Middle School Ice Skating Trip



BCS ATHLETICS

Girls Modified Soccer

The modified girls' soccer team had an action-packed season, where we faced some tough teams and had to learn to work together! Overall, we had a record of 4 wins, 4 losses, and 4 ties! My favorite moment was at our very last game. The girls were so excited and energetic! They were supporting each other, giving hugs, and were just having fun! These girls are full of energy and came to practice each day eager to learn new skills. It was so much fun working with this group of girls and watching them become better individually, and as a team! Go GV/BC!

Coach Jordan Sands



Boys Modified Soccer

The Boys' modified team finished their season with a record of 8-3-1. The team was led by captains Braden Foster, Braedon Callahan, and Everett McNinch. This team was a force to be reckoned with. We had 7 returning players and 9 new players that learned very quickly. Throughout the season we scored 8 goals from Timmy Hunt's corner kicks- some even hooked in without an extra touch. Our midfields were great support to defense and offense. Our strong defense including our sweeper, Owen Armison and goalie, Jackson Barney provided a solid defense that allowed a very little number of goals throughout the season. I look forward to watching them all continue to be great players on Modified or JV next year!

Coach Kate Bailey



BCS ATHLETICS

Girls JV Soccer

The JV girls' soccer team finished the season with a 9-5-2 record, while scoring 31 goals and giving up 18. This year was definitely one of improvement throughout the season. We traveled to Campbell Savonia to play in their tournament. The girls played two great games to win the tournament, making the all-tournament team was Maddy Scott, Savannah Miller, Andra Schultz and Leah Burrows brought home the MVP. The sophomores that will be moving on are



Liv Crossley, Lily Green and Emerson Weaver, best of luck to them on their next

soccer journey. It was a very good year for this group, keep putting in the work and

enjoy the results!

Coach Tracy George

Boys JV Soccer

The JV Boys Soccer team finished the season with an impressive 10-6 record. Some of the season highlights were winning the Campbell-Savona Tournament, earning runner up in the Keshequa tournament, and beating Fillmore on homecoming with 1 minute remaining in the game! This group improved so much from start to finish, came together and played as a team. They battled through injuries and illness and rose to the occasion when called upon. The team was led by captains Ben Cater, Colden Caiazza, Grant



Preston, and Noah Miller. With continued growth and

development, this group continues to have a bright

future ahead of them!

Coach Raegan Ryan

BCS ATHLETICS

Girls Varsity Soccer

This year was one for the books. We ended with a 16-2-1 record, coming in a close second in the Allegany County league, and earned a #3 seed in our new home of the C1 classification. A huge highlight of the season was FINALLY beating Fillmore in the regular season, a task that has been difficult for sure. Ladies were very excited to earn that win on their home turf. We started sectionals by hosting two home games, and defeating B-R in the first round and the surviving a pesky HAC in the second round. Then the soccer gods introduced us to the Byron Bergen Bees--- they were tough from the top to the bottom. The ladies never

quit and competed the full 80 minutes. Congratulations on a fine year. Accolades this year were as follows: Section V POY for AC-Bayleigh Tallman. AC All-Stars-Jenna Hill, Hannah Southwick-Powers, Danika

Scott, and Offensive MVP Bayleigh Tallman. Section V All Tournament team were Hannah and Bayleigh. The Exceptional Seniors this year were Ava Aronson, Danika Scott, Jenna Hill, Morgan

Yackeren, Sophie Zillgitt, and Hannah Southwick-Powers.

Great year women! You have set the bar high.

*Coach Powers and
Coach Scott-Schneider*



Boys Varsity Soccer

This year the boys' varsity teamed ended up with a record of 15 wins, 3 losses and 1 tie. They captured the Allegany County League Title with a 10 -1-1 record in our division. We entered sectional play as the number three seed. We beat HAC 4-0 in the first round. Then we beat Dundee/Bradford in a thrilling 2-1 win in overtime. We reached the finals and fell short to a very good Kendall team.

There were many awards earned by the boys this year. We had four boys make the Allegany County All-Star team. They were Evan Turybury, Salvatore Gambino, Ethan Davenport, and Brayden Cooper-Osterhout. Evan Turybury was also named as the MVP of our county and the Player of the Year for our county. We had three boys selected to the Section All-Tournament Team.

They were Evan Turybury, Salvatore Gambino, and Ethan Davenport.

We will be losing seven Seniors this year: Hunter Newman,

Abdul Mannan, Jordan White-Phipps, Brayden Cooper-Osterhout, Zach Thomas, Evan Turybury and Ryan Snyder. I would like to wish these boys

the best of luck in their future. Thank you guys for all of your hard work and dedication to the soccer program.

Coach Sullivan



BCS ATHLETICS

Girls Modified Volleyball



Girls' Modified Volleyball
Coach Donna Faller

Girls Varsity Volleyball



Girls Varsity Volleyball
Coach Darren Bradt

Modified Cross Country



Modified Cross Country
Coach Brooke Bradt

Varsity Cross Country



Varsity Cross Country
Coach Rollie Duttweiler

We Are Here For You

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School Counselor

MRS. MCGARVEY



School Psychologist

MS. CASSIE



Mental Health Counselor

MS. MARY



Social Worker

MRS. SHELBY



Home-to-School Coordinator

Student Concerns

Scheduling /CTE (BOCES)

Individual Counseling

National Honor Society

College Readiness
ASVAB/Military

State Tests

Second Step

Graduation /Diploma Types

Scholarships

PSAT/SAT/ACT

McKinney-Vento Coordinator

DASA Coordinator

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Open House

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Study Center

WhyTry

Q&A Club

Boys and Girls Circle

Primary Project

Holiday Resources

Big/Little Bulldog



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IMPORTANT BCS TELEPHONE NUMBERS TO REMEMBER

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.....	365-8297
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.

Teaching and Non-Teaching substitutes needed!

Check out the Belfast Central School website
under District Information/Employment. Or
go to: [https://www.applitrack.com/caboces/
onlineapp/](https://www.applitrack.com/caboces/onlineapp/) to complete an application.

Board of Education Meetings

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



District Transportation Procedures

**Please make note of the following regarding student
transportation.**

Students will have one pickup and one drop off
address. These may both be the same or may be two
different addresses. Example: a student may be picked
up at home and dropped off at a childcare provider. Both
addresses must be within the boundaries of the school
district. We will not pick up or bus students to any
other address but the two provided to us. (The district
will not transport students to social functions such as
parties, overnights, or youth group activities.) Should
you wish to make a permanent change in either of the
two addresses, you must request this change in writing
two days before the change is to take effect. There is no
exception to this rule as bus drivers are not authorized to
make changes to the bus schedule without notice from
BCS administration. Phone calls requesting changes
WILL NOT be accepted. Requests for changes must be
made in writing two days in advance.