

# Brecksville-Broadview Heights City Schools Community Newsletter



## Strengthening the Connection Between Our Schools and Community

# Superintendent's Update

Dear Brecksville-Broadview Heights City Schools Community,

On behalf of everyone in our school district, my hope is that the summertime finds you well, safe, having fun and enjoying the warm weather with family and friends. This mid-summer report is intended to share a recap of the final few weeks of last school year and communicate our successes as a school district.



Superintendent Jeffrey D. Harrison

From commencement exercises on Saturday, May 25th to the final day of school on Tuesday, June 4th, my first school year in the Brecksville-Broadview Heights City Schools was a memorable one, filled with excitement, accomplishment, and a great deal of warm welcome from our entire school family.

#### Congratulations BBHHS Class of 2024!

Please join the district in congratulating the approximately 360 members of the Brecksville-Broadview Heights High School graduating Class of 2024, who formally received their respective diplomas on May 25th, 2024, from the State Theater, during the 141st annual commencement ceremony. The Class of 2024 amassed an impressive approximately \$2.5 million in scholarships for those who will be attending colleges and universities next fall. In addition, the BBHHS Class of 2024 also earned more than \$114,000 in local scholarships from approximately 100 very generous and involved local organizations and patrons of our school district, who regularly provide opportunities for our graduates to apply for, and win, extra dollars toward their future endeavors. Congratulations all and thank you to everyone who makes our annual yearend events so special and meaningful. On Pages 2 and 3, the community will read the names of some of the Class of '24's highest achievers.

Strategic Planning Effort to Prompt State of the Schools in October
A State of the Schools presentation will be hosted in October 2024 at a date
to be determined as a way to showcase the finished product of the combined
strategic planning process that has unfolded over the last six months and



Congratulations Class of 2024! Information from Commencement inside!

the feedback shared through several important information-gathering efforts. One early intention of mine upon becoming superintendent a year ago was to take measure of the student body, staff, and community perception of the school district as a method to advance and grow. These efforts intensified during the spring of 2024, as the BBHCSD hosted staff engagement sessions, a community engagement session, conducted a scientific survey, and an online google survey as ways to obtain that information. Your input has shaped the future direction of the Brecksville-Broadview Heights City Schools, and we look forward to sharing in the fall.

The first day of school for the 2024-2025 school year is **Wednesday, August 21st!** Until then, enjoy the rest of your summer break!

GO BEES!

Sincerely,

Jeffrey D. Harrison Superintendent of School

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## ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE BBHHS CLASS OF 2024!



#### ACADEMIC HIGHLIGHTS

#### **BY THE NUMBERS**

Graduating with honors diploma: 133

3.5 GPA or higher: 168 4.0 GPA or higher: 98 Seniors in NHS:111 CVCC students: 55

Colleges and Universities attending: 51

Different states: 16

Local Scholarships Awarded: \$114,825

#### **AP SCHOLARS**

**AP Scholar** is granted to students who receive an average score of at least 3 on all AP Exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on three or more of these exams.

Eli Beach Katherine FitzSimmons Eric Bowler Paul Fleszar **Quinn Brown** Lily German Kaylana Carlton Luke Kraguljac Christian Debs Lily Laszlo Ella DeTrav Wayne Louis Daniel Dralle Noah Madsen Owen Emch Maya Meilander Iulia Eterovich Iulia Moroz

Olivia Naffah Gabrielle Svoboda **Jack Nauer** Hamsika Totapally Anna Painter Chase Tsilimos Carlo Pamias Madalyn Waring Jasmijn Plusnin Vivian Waring **Julian Yetsky** Laya Raghav Christopher Reusser William Zonfa Colette Sarli-Freeman Mallory Zukauckas

**AP Scholar with Honors** is granted to students who receive an average score of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams.

Genevieve Dachtler Madeline Hamilton Brady McCreery Elise Miller Nikolina Racic Evan Tsilimos Charlotte Zurowski



**AP Scholar with Distinction** is granted to students who receive an average score of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams.

Uladzislau Akulich Payton Hodges Ava Belleville Labiba Ibnath Maria Boulas Rebecca Jenkins Woojin Jeon Isabella Brashear Aashvi Kenia Benjamin Brobst **Bridget Butler** Iohn Lui Kate Butler Owen Lumpkin Nathan Cain **James Marsh** Jackson Hensley

Claire Martens
Hana Mazak
William Minatel
Julio Molina Morales
Walker Nall
Adam Segal
Arjun Sheth
Juliana Sobecks

Dean Stumpfl
Evan Sugano
John Tsilimos
Ivana Veljkovic
Anthony Viitantonio
Jaquelyn Waring
Alexander Yeh

Aleksander Zawadzki



## CONTINUED HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE BBHHS CLASS OF 2024...

AP Capstone Diploma™ is granted to students who earn scores of 3 or higher in AP Seminar and AP Research and on four additional AP Exams of their choosing.

Bridget Butler Kate Butler Julio Molina Morales Nikolina Racic Jul<mark>iana Sobecks</mark> Gabrielle Svobada Jaquelyn Waring Mallory Zukauckas

Nathan Cain Katherine FitzSimmons Payton Hodges Rebecca Jenkins

#### **NATIONAL MERIT**

#### NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS COMMENDED SCHOLARS - Top 3% of Test Takers

Isabella Brashear, Rebecca Jenkins, Christopher Reusser, Juliana Sobecks, Dean Stumpfl, Evan Tsilimos, Anthony Vitantonio, Alexander Yeh, Aleksander Zawadzki

#### NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP FINALISTS

Benjamin Brobst, Bridget Butler, Kate Butler, Hana Mazak, William Minatel, Arjun Sheth, Evan Sugano

#### **PERFECT SAT SCORE**

William Minatel

#### PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLAR

William Minatel - Recognized Kate Butler - Semifinalist



#### **OUTSTANDING SENIORS**

Each year, members of the senior class are nominated by faculty and selected by the scholarship/awards committee for exhibiting the following positive qualities: scholarship, leadership, service, attitude, personality, wholesomeness, and helpfulness. These students are viewed as all-around outstanding individuals. The Outstanding Senior Boy is **William Minatel** and Senior Girl(s) for the class of 2024 are **Kate and Bridget Butler**.

#### SEAL OF BILITERACY

The State of Ohio has initiated a way to recognize top world language students. These are students who show high proficiency in all language skills in English AND another world language. It is the world language version of the honors diploma, and requires passage of a rigorous exam. This year's deserving recipients are:

Maria Boulas (German)
Izzy Brashear (German)
Ben Brobst (German)
Abby Henning (Spanish)
Lily Laszlo (German)

Hanbee Lee (Korean)
Will Minatel (Spanish)
Jasmijn Plusnin (Spanish)
Nikolina Racic (Spanish)
Mafdy Sous (Arabic)

Anja Vojnovic (Serbian) Jaquelyn Waring (German) Kristina Yakushchenko (Russian) Alek Zawadzki (Spanish)



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## Fiscal Year 2024 Year-End Summary: Craig G. Yaniglos, Treasurer/CFO of the BBHCSD

As we wrap up the fiscal year 2024, we are pleased to report on the financial health, significant achievements, and prudent financial management, ensuring that we continue to provide a high-quality education to our students. Some highlights include: #1- A Balanced Budget: Our fiscal year ended with a balanced budget, reflecting our commitment to responsible financial planning. #2- Capital Improvements through Permanent Improvement funds: Significant investments were made in upgrading our school facilities, including the completion of upgrades to the auditorium, new technology in BBHMS, new roofing at BBHHS, new paving in key areas of our campus, new buses and upgrades to our curriculum throughout the district. #3-Academic Excellence: Continued focus on academic programs and extracurricular activities has resulted once again in outstanding student performance.

|      |  | JULY       | AUG        | SEPT       | ост        | NOV        | DEC        | JAN        | FEB        | MAR        | APR        | MAY        | JUN        | PROJECTED<br>TOTAL | FORECAST<br>MAY 2024 |
|------|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------------|----------------------|
|      |  |            |            |            |            |            | ACTUAL     |            |            |            |            |            |            |                    |                      |
|      | BEGINNING CASH BALANCE                 | 24,742,819 | 24,459,831 | 37,884,913 | 33,658,609 | 32,474,481 | 28,580,546 | 24,972,707 | 23,250,117 | 30,828,851 | 36,003,690 | 32,633,635 | 30,971,857 |                    |                      |
|      | RECEIPTS                               |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                    |                      |
| 2.08 | TOTAL REVENUE AND OTHER FINANCING      | 3,547,909  | 17,795,743 | 874,262    | 2,975,908  | 579,777    | 551,490    | 2,529,123  | 12,008,523 | 11,254,036 | 944,443    | 2,752,752  | 920,273    | 56,734,240         | 56,134,187           |
|      |  |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                    |                      |
|      | TOTAL RECEIPTS PLUS CASH BALANCE       | 28,290,728 | 42,255,574 | 38,759,175 | 36,634,517 | 33,054,257 | 29,132,036 | 27,501,830 | 35,258,640 | 42,082,888 | 36,948,134 | 35,386,387 | 31,892,131 | 56,734,240         | 56,134,187           |
|      | EXPENDITURES                           |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                    |                      |
| 5.02 | TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING | 3,830,897  | 4,370,661  | 5,100,565  | 4,160,036  | 4,473,712  | 4,159,329  | 4,251,713  | 4,429,789  | 6,079,197  | 4,314,499  | 4,414,530  | 5,115,383  | 54,700,310         | 54,936,142           |
|      | MONTHLY POS/NEG                        | -282,988   | 13,425,082 | -4,226,303 | -1,184,129 | -3,893,935 | -3,607,839 | -1,722,590 | 7,578,734  | 5,174,839  | -3,370,056 | -1,661,777 | -4,195,110 | 2,033,930          | 1,198,045            |
|      | ENDING CASH BALANCE (MONTHLY)          | 24,459,831 | 37,884,913 | 33,658,609 | 32,474,481 | 28,580,546 | 24,972,707 | 23,250,117 | 30,828,851 | 36,003,690 | 32,633,635 | 30,971,857 | 26,776,749 | 26,776,749         | 25,940,864           |
|      |  |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            | OVER/UN    | DER FORECAST       | 835,885              |

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR DISTRICT OFFICE AT 440-740-4000 OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.BBHCSD.ORG.

#### Understanding the 2024 Cuyahoga County Sexennial Reappraisal on Tax Bills

Every six years, Cuyahoga County conducts a comprehensive reappraisal of all properties to determine their market value. The 2024 Sexennial Reappraisal is almost completed, and it will have a notable impact on property tax bills throughout the county, including those within our school district. This has significant meaning for you. Here's how: First, Property Value Adjustments: Many property owners will see changes in their property valuations, which will directly influence their tax bills. Secondly, Tax Bill Changes: Depending on the results of the reappraisal, some residents may see an increase in their property taxes, while others may see a decrease or no change at all.

#### Allocation of Funds to Brecksville-Broadview Heights City School District

All our voted millage consists of continuing levies, which only collect the amount approved by voters at the time of passage. As property values increase, millage rates are adjusted down (due to House Bill 920), so we only collect the approved amount. However, a portion of our millage (4.69 mills) is subject to inflationary increases, meaning as values increase, revenue will increase, and so will tax bills. These mills are referred to as "inside millage." Preliminary calculations show that BBHCSD will receive a little over a 2% increase in revenue. As a district, we remain committed to transparency and fiscal responsibility, ensuring that every dollar received is used effectively to benefit our students and community. This adjustment happens every three years during the triennial update and the sexennial reappraisal.

As we move into the new fiscal year, we thank you for your support and engagement, and look forward to building on our successes, continuing to provide an exceptional education for all students, and shaping a bright future for our entire community.



