



WEST BRANCH MIDDLE SCHOOL

News

Happy New Year Edition - January 6, 2025

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year and welcome back! I hope that everyone in the WBMS family has had a joyful and restful break. Now it is time to return to school and continue to prepare our young Warriors for their futures.

Let's have a great Warrior 2025 as we strive to become the best version of ourselves!

Principal Schlueter

Penny War

The Penny War was a success again. \$2,400 in gift cards were distributed to families in need from the West Branch School community. Money was collected from the Middle School, the ELC and the Preschool. Thank you to everyone who contributed and to the PAC for coordinating this event and for counting and rolling coins.

Unfortunately, Mr. Manley lost in the middle school, but he was a good sport and dressed up as the largest elf ever!



Mark Your Calendars!

1/8 - Spelling Bee

1/16 - Activity Pictures

1/20 No School - MLK Day

1/23 End of 2nd Quarter

1/24 No School - Teacher In-service

2/3 Report Cards Released

2/7 Motivational Assembly

2/13 Valentines Parties (Grades 3-5)

Testing Dates

The following State Testing Dates are planned for West Branch Middle School:

- April 15-16: Ohio State Test in English/Language Arts
- April 23-24 Ohio State Test in 5th Grade Science
- April 30 - May 1 Ohio State Test in Math

Please do not plan vacations during these dates so that students can take the state tests.

Christmas Programs

We held several musical programs during the month of December in anticipation of the holidays. Many thanks to Mrs. Brand, Mr. Stehura, and Mrs. Clay for preparing their students to perform. Also thanks to our students for performing so well. I was very proud of all of you!



Here are our 3rd and 4th graders singing during their Christmas program.

Staff vs. Students Volleyball Game

The 6th-7th grade staff challenged the 7th grade volleyball team to a match to close-out 2024. The match ended in a tie with each side winning one set each. Also, there were no major injuries (although a few sore muscles!)



Young and Alive

Many thanks to the students of Young and Alive. Although, we could not go to the high school auditorium to watch their performance due to the 2-hour delay, they came to us and performed during lunches and in the hallways.



DECEMBER WARRIOR PRIDE STUDENTS OF THE WEEK!



Jayden Duchon, Ashtyn Berger, Addy McCord, Callie White, Elliott Barrett, Dylan Ridgway



James Laughery, Victoria Jones, Maci Blaine, Kennedy Fritz



Caleb Gibson, Dakota Blaine, Aubri Miller, Jaxson Cronin, Alex Martig, Brantley Byers



Mallory Miller, Cameron Phillips, Lillian Hahlen, Cheyenne Coxwell



Bella Courtney, Alma Woolf, Makenzie Braden, Juliana Leon Gonzalez, Case Cushman, Natalee Sego, Peyton Agnew



Hannah Mayeux, Belle Jerles, Madden Muhleman, Garrett Turman

Did you know....

Students can eat a complete healthy breakfast every morning in the cafeteria!!



Each breakfast includes:

 **Whole Grains**

 **Fruit**

 **Juice**

 **Milk**



Joining us for breakfast helps boost...



**Brain
Power for
Learning**



**Nutrition
for
Growth**



**Energy for Sports
and Physical
Education**

Reminders:



1. Call off procedures:
 - a. When your child must be absent from school, a written note must be provided.
 - b. Also, please call the attendance line at (330) 938-4300, ext. 2 and leave a message.
2. Requests to dine with your child during school lunch
 - a. Please contact the school office ahead of time if you would like to dine with your child
 - b. We welcome parents and grandparents to the school, but we want to know who is coming in ahead of time.
3. Proper attire for recess (Grades 3-5)
 - a. Make sure that your child has proper attire to remain outside for a 15/20-minute recess period. We will go outside for recess so long as the wind chill factor is not below 20 degrees F and it is not raining.

Specials Rotation

January 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 No School	2 No School	3 No School
6 No School Inclement Weather	7 y	8 z	9 x	10 y
13 z	14 x	15 y	16 z	17 x
20 No School	21 y	22 z	23 x	24 No School
27 y	28 z	29 x	30 y	31 z