



BENSON HIGH SCHOOL

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The Benson Public School District is committed to innovative learning opportunities to reach the potential of every student through exceptional academics, activities, and staff.

NEWSLETTER

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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the second issue of our monthly newsletter! We're excited to continue sharing the great things happening at Benson High School and keeping you connected with the work our students and staff are doing each month. There's always more happening than we can fit on a couple pages, but we're glad to highlight some of this month's standout moments.



Veterans Day

Benson High School proudly hosted its annual Veterans Day Program on November 11th, honoring the service and sacrifice of local veterans and their families. Students, staff, and community members gathered in the Performing Arts Center for a meaningful ceremony featuring student speakers, musical performances, and a heartfelt tribute to all who have served. The event continues to be a cherished tradition at BHS, reflecting our community's deep gratitude for its veterans.



Upcoming Dates to Remember

12/1 - School Board
Work Session
@ 6:00pm
Truth in Taxation Hearing

12/8 - School Board Meeting
@ 5:30pm (Northside)

12/12 - Early Out

12/24 - 1/2
Holiday Break

NHS INDUCTION

We celebrated the academic excellence and commitment to service of our students at the annual National Honor Society (NHS) Induction Ceremony. A new class of outstanding students was formally inducted, recognizing their achievements in Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Character. Congratulations to the 2025 Inductees: Helstrom Sanchez, Jaden Rudnick, Scarlett Tolifson, Mariah Goossen, Kaida Helgenset, Alice Kaiser, Bree Ollendick, and Jada O'Leary. These students join current members: Dallas Carey, Keala Carroll, Julia Claussen, Annabelle DeToy, Harold Habben, Taylor Helmberger, Sophia Krusemark, Grace Nagler, Madison Osterbauer, and Ava Williams.



COLLEGE APPLICATION SEASON

Our college application season is in full swing! This month, we successfully processed and sent over 50 transcripts to colleges and universities across the country for our ambitious BHS students. We are excited to support our seniors as they take this next big step toward their future.



Benson FFA Members Attend National FFA Convention

Four Benson FFA members recently traveled to Indianapolis, Indiana, with FFA Advisor Emma Aschman to take part in the National FFA Convention & Expo—an opportunity that blended leadership, learning, and unforgettable experiences. Throughout the week, students attended workshops focused on personal growth, agricultural innovation, and leadership development while connecting with FFA members from across the country. At the Expo Center, they explored colleges, agricultural organizations, and career pathways, gathering valuable insight for their futures. The trip also included memorable experiences such as touring the INDY 500 Speedway, visiting Scare Park, attending an Ella Langley concert, and enjoying a rodeo. It was a meaningful and exciting trip for all involved.



BPA Leadership Conference

On November 2nd and 3rd, BPA Advisor Kendra Razink brought nine Benson BPA members to Fargo for the Region 7 Fall Leadership Conference. Students took part in a variety of meaningful and engaging experiences, including a service project where they helped make blankets, as well as tours of NDSU and Microsoft. Several students also participated in regional officer campaigns. Congratulations to Keala Carroll, who was elected Region 7 President, and Alice Kaiser, who was elected Region 7 Executive Vice President. A special shoutout goes to Denai McFadden and Paige Moe for their work as campaign managers. It was an inspiring and successful conference for our BPA students!



Honor Roll Increase



We are thrilled to announce a significant academic achievement! The number of students earning a spot on the Honor Roll this year increased by an outstanding 30% compared to last spring. This remarkable growth is a testament to the dedication and hard work of our students and the support they receive at home. Congratulations to all our high-achieving Braves!



Fun Addition to Library

Our library has a wonderful new addition designed to promote a love for reading! We've officially opened a cozy new Reading Nook, providing a comfortable and inviting space for students to relax, explore new books, and deepen their commitment to literacy. Thank you, Aryn Lindahl, for all your work on this!



Brave the Hunger Winners!

The Brave the Hunger Food Drive was a tremendous success, thanks to the leadership of Mallory Felt and Jean Hanson and the generosity of our students. Benson High School collected 435 pounds of food and \$298, contributing to a districtwide total of 1,724.5 pounds donated to the Swift County Food Shelf. Congratulations to Mr. Grussing's advisory, which brought in the most donations at the high school and earned a well-deserved pizza party, generously provided by Glacial Plains C-Store in Benson.