



ALMOND-BANCROFT SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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October/November 2026

Dates To Remember

10/8-School Picture Retake Day
10/12-No School
10/21-Budget Hearing/Annual Meeting, 6:30 pm, Auditorium -Board of Education Meeting, following Annual Meeting, Boardroom
10/30-Early Release, Noon
11/10 & 12-Parent Teacher Conferences, 4:00-7:30 pm
11/13-No School
11/18-Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 pm, Boardroom
11/25-27-No School, Thanksgiving Break



Almond-Bancroft School District

Jodi Becker
District Administrator

Lyndsey Larkin
4K-5 Principal /
Special Education
Director

James Highfield
6-12 Principal

School Board

President:
Keith Dernbach
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John Ruzicka
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Notes from the District Administrator

Ahhhhh Faalllllll! How I love fall! I love when the weather starts changing and it's cool, but not too cool and the sun is shining, but it's not too hot. I love when I can get out long sleeves and sweatshirts but not a coat. I love when I can wear jeans but also sandals. I love fall sports - football - being outside, hearing the crowds scream and the pads and helmets smack against each other; volleyball - with the spikes that smash down and the girls that throw their bodies after a ball and the amazing saves that give the Eagles the point!

I know I get excited at the games, but I also love how our community comes out to support our athletes and coaches. It's amazing if you look around the stands there are so many people who don't have kids or grandkids or relatives playing, but they still come out to watch because they were once an Eagle....and once an Eagle, always an Eagle! I have been in education for over 30 years and I have never seen a community support a school district like this one does. It warms my heart every time I see it.

Recently, I was witness to this amazing community support again. At the September 11th football game against Port Edwards, there was a lot going on. It was our annual Black Out Cancer Football Game, the Booster Club was recognizing our Almond-Bancroft Staff for Staff Appreciation Night and we were honoring our first responders and military in remembrance of the 25th anniversary of the tragedy of 9/11. ...And the community showed up! So many people and businesses donated baskets for the raffle to raise money for Dale McLarnan and his family for Black Out Cancer. A ton of people bought tickets for the 50/50 raffle and the winner donated everything back! Many staff members were recognized at half time and the A-B Eagle even came out to play! And, of course, the Eagles ended up winning!

Definitely the best part of the night was when Dale McLarnan, named honorary team captain, went out on the field with Tucker Stiles and Kaden Martinez for the coin flip. It was something that I have never seen at any other football game. That's what Almond-Bancroft is! It's a special place, a special community, a special district. We support our own and we are here for each other. Thank you for being that type of community! I couldn't be more proud to be your District Administrator.

Jodi Becker



Almond-Bancroft School District Vision Statement

We are a collaborative community focused on continued growth in opportunities, choices, and expectations for all students. We prepare self-motivated and responsible students to become well-rounded and successful citizens.

Almond-Bancroft School District Mission Statement

The Almond-Bancroft School District, with support of families and community members, will provide a safe and supportive learning environment, which challenges and prepares each student for success today and tomorrow.



Welcome New Staff



Hello! My name is Kayla Erdmann. After being a stay at home mom for 7 years, I'm excited to have the opportunity to join the Almond-Bancroft Kitchen Staff. My son is in 2nd grade, and my daughter is in Kindergarten, so it's nice to be able to see them at school! I look forward to getting to know the staff and students!

Hi! My name is Isabelle Behnke and I am so excited to start my journey as a Special Ed Paraprofessional here at Almond-Bancroft. I have lived in Almond, WI my whole life and actually graduated from Almond-Bancroft High School in 2025. In my free time I love hanging out with my family, friends, and dog Judge. I also love watching sports whether they are a professional team or just my siblings' sports games. I am looking forward to what this year has in store. Go Eagles!



COMING SOON

CLUE

HIGH SCHOOL EDITION

IT'S A DARK AND STORMY NIGHT...

BASED ON THE SCREENPLAY BY JONATHAN LYNN
WRITTEN BY SANDY RUSTIN
DIRECTED BY AMY BEHNKE

**The Almond-Bancroft Theater
Department presents
Clue (High School Edition)
as our fall show.**

Join us on
Friday, November 13th at 7:00 PM
and
Saturday, November 14th
at 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM.

Tickets on sale at the door.
\$10 for adults and \$5 for students.

Contact with questions,
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District awarded Early Learning Literacy Coach Grant

As I think most of you know, I love small, rural school districts. I would much rather work in a small school than a large school or urban school. However, being a small, rural school does have its disadvantages. One of those disadvantages is a lack of resources, many times in supportive staffing roles. A larger district will have a larger staff that will include positions like a Director of Instruction, Transition Coordinator, Literacy Coach, Social Worker, RTI Specialist, etc. Some of these positions provide teacher support and others offer student support.

In our district, we do not have any of these separate positions. Our administrators, teachers, counselors and staff take on some of these duties or our district contracts with other agencies for services or we go without these services. So, when we hear about funding or grants that are available to help us fill one of these positions, we try and get it.

That's exactly what happened last year. As part of the ACT 20 Early Literacy legislation, the Department of Public Instruction was tasked with providing literacy coaches to districts across Wisconsin to support K-3 teachers. Literacy coaches work with teachers to support them in planning, data analysis and instruction. Literacy coaches also provide professional development to teachers.

We have amazing teachers at Almond-Bancroft! They are student-centered, creative, dedicated and work very hard to meet the needs of all of our learners. They have deserved to have a literacy coach to support them for a long time. It's just like a talented sports team needs a coach to keep them improving; teachers need the same thing.

I wrote the grant and was thrilled to be notified that we were awarded a part-time literacy coach for 2026-2028. Through this grant we are able to hire a coach and have the funds needed to build a coaching program. Late this summer we hired Shannon TerMaat, an experienced reading specialist and literacy coach from the area, to work with our teachers. And we have hit the ground running. She has already been in classrooms, collaborated with teachers and will be providing professional development to our teachers in October.

Our district, administrators, our teachers and our staff are dedicated to continuous improvement, because we know that's the only way that our students will learn and grow. If you have any questions about this program or this grant, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Dr. Jodi Becker
District Administrator

Look what we've been doing!

At the end of the first week of school, the middle school had a 'Know Your Teachers' Scavenger Hunt. Congratulations to the winning team! Kayden Warzynski, Nolan Johnson, Kendall Mykisen and Camila Perez-Aguirre.



Second grade and kindergarten book buddies met for the first time! We were all excited to meet our new reading partners!



Good things are happening in the secondary art room...

Sophia Chapa and Tia



Dornbach have been teaching 7th grade students how to throw on the potter's wheel.

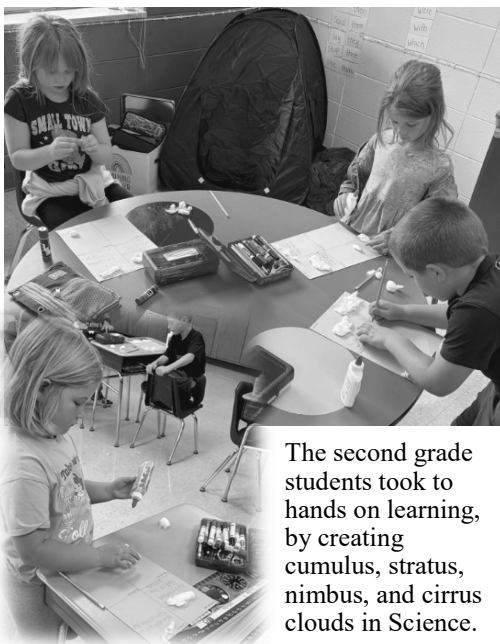


Almond-Bancroft students put flags out in front of the school in memory of the anniversary of 9/11. We will never forget!



Some AB high school students had the opportunity to attend the Fine Arts Weekend at the American Players Theatre in Spring Green, WI. They saw Two "Gentleman" of Verona and As You Like It written by William Shakespeare. They

also had the chance to participate in an acting workshop led by an APT actor. Knowledge was gained and memories were made!

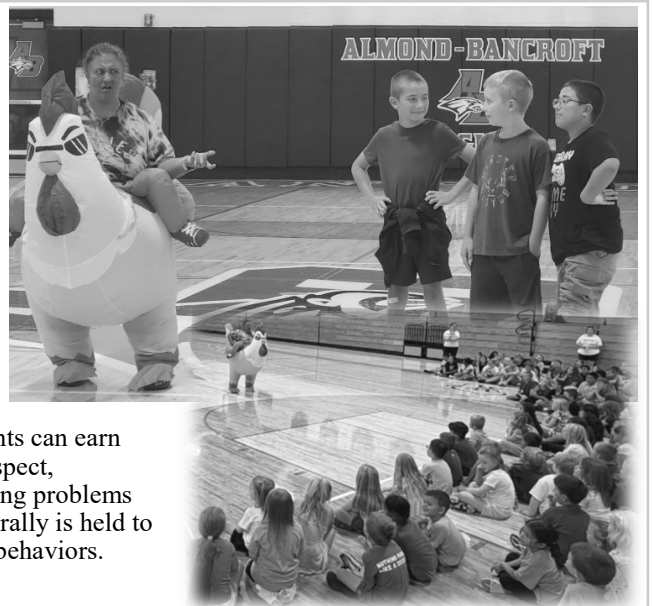


The second grade students took to hands on learning, by creating cumulus, stratus, nimbus, and cirrus clouds in Science.

Our A-B Elementary School's first PBIS Pep Rally was a hit!

Our elementary principal, Mrs. Larkin, brought out her 'pet chicken'! She also had three students who helped her share the message that fair doesn't always look the same.

Again this year, students can earn tickets for showing respect, responsibility, or solving problems and each month a pep rally is held to celebrate the positive behaviors.





October/November Athletic Events

- 10/1-MS volleyball home vs. Pacelli, 4:30 pm
-HS volleyball at Port Edwards, JV 5:30 pm and varsity 6:45 pm
- 10/2-Varsity football at Menominee Nation, 4:00 pm
- 10/3-HS volleyball home vs. Goodman, White Lake, Crandon, 10:00 AM
- 10/6-MS football at Tigerton/Marion, 4:30 pm
-HS volleyball home vs. Pacelli, JV 5:30 pm and varsity 6:45 pm
- 10/8-MS volleyball at Tri-County, 5:00 pm
-HS volleyball at Manawa, JV 5:30 pm and varsity 6:45 pm
- 10/9-Varsity football at Bowler, 7:00 pm
- 10/12-MS volleyball home vs. Wild Rose, 5:00 pm
- 10/13-HS volleyball at Rosholt, JV 5:30 pm and varsity 7:00 pm
- 10/15-MS volleyball at Rosholt, 4:30 pm
-HS volleyball home vs. Tigerton, JV 5:30 pm and varsity 6:45 pm
- 11/2-MS boys basketball home vs. Tri-County, 5:00 pm
- 11/5-MS basketball at Port Edwards, 5:00 pm
- 11/9-MS boys basketball home vs. Rosholt, 5:00 pm
- 11/12-MS boys basketball at Pittsville, 4:30 pm
- 11/16-MS boys basketball home vs. Wild Rose 5:00 pm
- 11/17-HS girls basketball at New Lisbon, JV 5:45 pm and varsity 7:00 pm
- 11/19-MS boys basketball at Pacelli, 5:00 pm
-HS girls basketball at Northland Lutheran JV 5:45 pm and varsity 7:00 pm
- 11/23-HS girls basketball home vs. Montello, JV 5:45 pm and varsity 7:00 pm
-HS boys basketball at Nekoosa, 5:30 pm
- 11/30-MS boys basketball at Tri-County, 4:30 pm

**Schedule is subject to change.*



Kaden Martinez broke his own school record, running for 423 yards behind great blocking from his teammates during the September 11 home football game.

Congratulations Kaden!



Back (L to R): Coach Newby Duchow, Kayden Warzynski, Emma Pratt, Shelby Wheelock, Coach Behnke
Middle: Lexanni Painter, Imogene Behnke, Kendall Mykisen, Arabella Chapa, Adyah Cisewski, Sophia Maganas, Kylie Bradley
Front: Zoey Barden, Samantha Maganas, Camila Perez-Aguirre, Aubriella Sikorski, Codi Warzynski, Casey Clark, Geneva Behnke, Arianna Helbach
Not Pictured: Brynnlee Mata, Manger Elleanore Pratt



Back (L to R): Finnley Phillips, Waylon Hintz, Eric Troestler, Brody Warzynski, Coach Ruzicka
Front: Kaydain Weber-Wilmont, Sheon Koby M Revilla, Kaden Stroik, Clayton Ruzicka, Ty Jacowski, Kace Clark, Nolan Johnson, Michael Ceballos

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ALMOND-BANCROFT VOLLEYBALL

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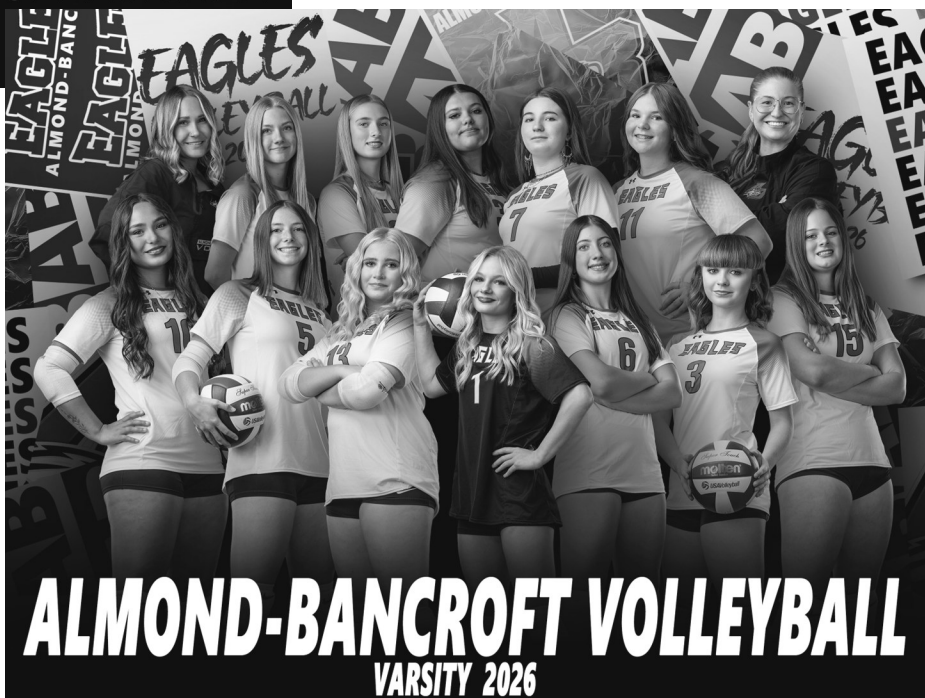


Back (L to R): Coach Chapa, Abigail Cisewski, Aiyana Feltz-Walker, Hailie Pavelski, Tallie Stiles, Loretta Behnke, Coach Grote
 Front: Delaney Baum, Andrea Ramirez, Clair Powers, Alexa Sanchez, Indigo Sheffy, Halayna Garlow, Mazie Bradley



Back (L to R): Coach Chapa, Kassidy Warzynski, Mazie Bradley, Delaney Omernick, Kaylee Doll, Tia Dernbach, Coach Grote

Front: Sophia Chapa, Lexi Carlton, Makayla Peskie, Audrinna Sikorski, Indigo Sheffy, Aubree Wojcik, Lacie Bradley

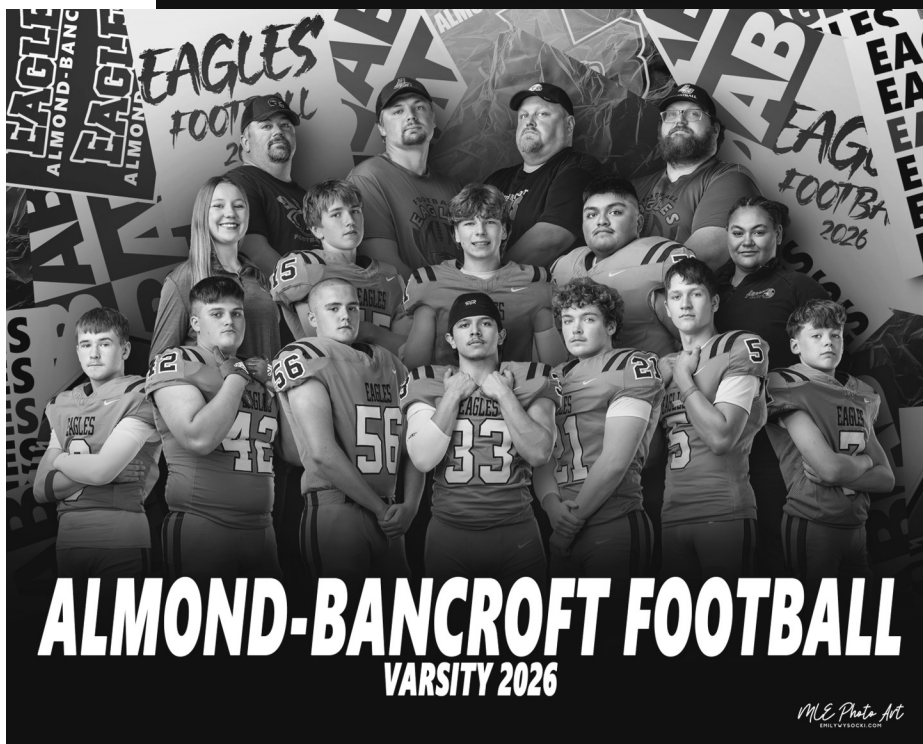


ALMOND-BANCROFT VOLLEYBALL

VARSITY 2026



Back (L to R): Coach Stiles, Coach Martin, Coach Louis, Coach Bates
 Middle: Manager Lucille Behnke, Darron Potts, Hazen Gralow, Milton Perez-Pacheco, Manager Macy McCracken
 Front: Easton Falk, Tucker Stiles, Spencer Kramer, Kaden Martinez, Jackson Barden, Karson Garner, Carson Barden



ALMOND-BANCROFT FOOTBALL

VARSITY 2026

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING & ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the Almond-Bancroft School District that the Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting will be held in the Almond-Bancroft Auditorium on Wednesday October 21, 2026. Budget Hearing begins at 6:30 P.M. and the Annual Meeting begins immediately after. The summary of the preliminary budget is printed below.

Detailed copies of the budget are available for review in the district office at 1336 Elm Street, Almond, WI.

Debbie Bradley, Clerk.

ALMOND-BANCROFT SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET ADOPTION 2026-27			
GENERAL FUND (FUND 10)	Audited 2024-25	Unaudited 2025-26	Budget 2026-27
Beginning Fund Balance (Account 930 000)	1,815,917.32	1,820,207.12	1,372,643.90
Ending Fund Balance, Nonspendable (Acct. 935 000)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ending Fund Balance, Restricted (Acct. 936 000)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ending Fund Balance, Committed (Acct. 937 000)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ending Fund Balance, Assigned (Acct. 938 000)	1,820,207.12	1,372,643.90	734,320.39
Ending Fund Balance, Unassigned (Acct. 939 000)	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL ENDING FUND BALANCE (ACCT. 930 000)	1,820,207.12	1,372,643.90	734,320.39
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
100 Transfers-in	0.00	0.00	0.00
Local Sources			
210 Taxes	1,571,749.14	1,782,964.93	1,465,436.00
240 Payments for Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
260 Non-Capital Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00
270 School Activity Income	14,359.08	15,848.03	15,000.00
280 Interest on Investments	78,597.97	46,712.59	45,200.00
290 Other Revenue, Local Sources	13,228.81	14,512.90	10,000.00
Subtotal Local Sources	1,677,935.00	1,860,038.45	1,535,636.00
Other School Districts Within Wisconsin			
310 Transit of Aids	0.00	0.00	0.00
340 Payments for Services	390,731.00	322,258.00	418,112.59
380 Medical Service Reimbursements	0.00	0.00	0.00
390 Other Inter-district, Within Wisconsin	0.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal Other School Districts within Wisconsin	390,731.00	322,258.00	418,112.59
Other School Districts Outside Wisconsin			
440 Payments for Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
490 Other Inter-district, Outside Wisconsin	0.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal Other School Districts Outside Wisconsin	0.00	0.00	0.00
Intermediate Sources			
510 Transit of Aids	9,516.03	4,912.25	4,900.00
530 Payments for Services from CCDEB	0.00	0.00	0.00
540 Payments for Services from CESA	0.00	0.00	0.00
580 Medical Services Reimbursement	0.00	0.00	0.00
590 Other Intermediate Sources	11,654.50	4,680.55	0.00
Subtotal Intermediate Sources	21,170.53	9,592.80	4,900.00
State Sources			
610 State Aid -- Categorical	56,876.00	57,879.00	56,000.00
620 State Aid -- General	3,659,195.00	3,462,084.00	3,735,748.00
630 DPI Special Project Grants	20,474.24	42,723.20	23,874.00
640 Payments for Services	0.00	0.00	1.00
650 Student Achievement Guarantee in Education (SAGE Grant)	141,273.89	117,575.72	120,000.00
660 Other State Revenue Through Local Units	26,445.28	29,227.84	29,000.00
690 Other Revenue	536,696.02	517,047.98	508,514.52
Subtotal State Sources	4,440,960.43	4,226,537.74	4,473,137.52
Federal Sources			
710 Federal Aid - Categorical	0.00	0.00	0.00
720 Impact Aid	0.00	0.00	0.00
730 DPI Special Project Grants	37,705.82	20,928.00	18,620.00
750 IASA Grants	66,129.00	66,488.00	65,098.00
760 JTPA	0.00	0.00	0.00
770 Other Federal Revenue Through Local Units	0.00	0.00	0.00
780 Other Federal Revenue Through State	0.00	0.00	0.00
790 Other Federal Revenue - Direct	75,140.00	51,519.00	66,921.28
Subtotal Federal Sources	178,974.82	138,935.00	150,639.28

ALMOND-BANCROFT SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET ADOPTION 2026-27

Other Financing Sources			
850 Reorganization Settlement	0.00	0.00	0.00
860 Compensation, Fixed Assets	100.00	0.00	0.00
870 Long-Term Obligations	0.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal Other Financing Sources	100.00	0.00	0.00
Other Revenues			
960 Adjustments	0.00	0.00	0.00
970 Refund of Disbursement	0.00	11,462.69	6,500.00
980 Medical Service Reimbursement	0.00	0.00	0.00
990 Miscellaneous	6,878.28	4,233.62	4,000.00
Subtotal Other Revenues	6,878.28	15,696.31	10,500.00
TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	6,716,750.06	6,573,058.30	6,592,925.39
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES			
Instruction			
110 000 Undifferentiated Curriculum	1,046,184.63	1,095,136.67	1,037,487.44
120 000 Regular Curriculum	1,238,568.43	1,312,961.54	1,401,520.93
130 000 Vocational Curriculum	207,546.16	205,711.53	220,394.24
140 000 Physical Curriculum	124,598.16	130,137.98	139,284.49
160 000 Co-Curricular Activities	183,190.95	202,862.37	177,645.52
170 000 Other Special Needs	854.46	747.45	747.45
Subtotal Instruction	2,800,942.79	2,947,557.54	2,977,080.07
Support Sources			
210 000 Pupil Services	83,740.66	89,309.23	91,182.60
220 000 Instructional Staff Services	209,621.16	171,949.11	154,058.96
230 000 General Administration	281,412.21	283,028.41	276,290.83
240 000 School Building Administration	222,762.95	297,397.33	313,341.82
250 000 Business Administration	1,036,961.94	929,080.28	961,884.33
260 000 Central Services	18,148.79	23,044.58	19,712.94
270 000 Insurance & Judgments	72,974.78	73,489.90	73,327.00
280 000 Debt Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
290 000 Other Support Services	269,613.36	200,000.58	244,542.95
Subtotal Support Sources	2,195,235.85	2,067,299.42	2,134,341.42
Non-Program Transactions			
410 000 Inter-fund Transfers	596,173.77	737,455.26	744,935.91
430 000 Instructional Service Payments	1,120,107.85	1,268,309.30	1,374,891.50
450 000 Post-Secondary Scholarship Expenditures	0.00	0.00	0.00
490 000 Other Non-Program Transactions	0.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal Non-Program Transactions	1,716,281.62	2,005,764.56	2,119,827.41
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	6,712,460.26	7,020,621.52	7,231,248.90

SPECIAL PROJECT FUNDS (FUNDS 21, 23, 27, 29)	Audited 2024-25	Unaudited 2025-26	Budget 2026-27
900 000 Beginning Fund Balance	600,350.81	667,916.25	710,943.33
900 000 Ending Fund Balance	667,916.25	710,943.33	776,943.33
TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	1,132,478.96	1,333,025.20	1,378,804.82
100 000 Instruction	578,697.99	1,025,595.43	1,064,644.57
200 000 Support Services	272,665.53	252,402.69	236,160.25
400 000 Non-Program Transactions	213,550.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	1,064,913.52	1,289,998.12	1,312,804.82

DEBT SERVICE FUND (FUNDS 38, 39)	Audited 2024-25	Unaudited 2025-26	Budget 2026-27
900 000 Beginning Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	0.00
900 000 ENDING FUND BALANCES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	0.00	0.00	0.00
281 000 Long-Term Capital Debt	0.00	0.00	0.00
282 000 Refinancing	0.00	0.00	0.00
283 000 Operational Debt	0.00	0.00	0.00
285 000 Post Employment Benefit Debt	0.00	0.00	0.00
289 000 Other Long-Term General Obligation Debt	0.00	0.00	0.00
400 000 Non-Program Transactions	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	0.00	0.00	0.00

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842 000 INDEBTEDNESS, END OF YEAR	0.00	0.00	0.00

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND (FUNDS 41, 46, 48, 49)	Audited 2024-25	Unaudited 2025-26	Budget 2026-27
900 000 Beginning Fund Balance	674,991.59	688,466.44	608,539.37
900 000 Ending Fund Balance	688,466.44	608,539.37	558,539.37
TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	130,494.85	23,451.68	25,000.00
100 000 Instructional Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
200 000 Support Services	117,020.00	103,378.75	75,000.00
300 000 Community Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
400 000 Non-Program Transactions	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	117,020.00	103,378.75	75,000.00

FOOD SERVICE FUND (FUND 50)	Audited 2024-25	Unaudited 2025-26	Budget 2026-27
900 000 Beginning Fund Balance	68,572.26	15,896.47	0.00
900 000 ENDING FUND BALANCE	15,896.47	0.00	(0.00)
TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	216,417.34	226,246.79	225,149.09
200 000 Support Services	269,093.13	242,143.26	225,149.09
400 000 Non-Program Transactions	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	269,093.13	242,143.26	225,149.09

COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND (FUND 80)	Audited 2024-25	Unaudited 2025-26	Budget 2026-27
900 000 Beginning Fund Balance	14,124.04	12,758.74	22,274.31
900 000 ENDING FUND BALANCE	12,758.74	22,274.31	24,292.88
TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	48,000.00	40,000.00	48,500.00
200 000 Support Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
300 000 Community Services	49,365.30	30,484.43	46,481.43
400 000 Non-Program Transactions	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	49,365.30	30,484.43	46,481.43

Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses

ALL FUNDS	Audited 2024-25	Unaudited 2025-26	Budget 2026-27
GROSS TOTAL EXPENDITURES -- ALL FUNDS	8,212,852.21	8,686,626.08	8,890,684.24
Interfund Transfers (Source 100) - ALL FUNDS	596,173.77	737,455.26	744,935.91
Refinancing Expenditures (FUND 30)	0.00	0.00	0.00
NET TOTAL EXPENDITURES -- ALL FUNDS	7,616,678.44	7,949,170.82	8,145,748.33
PERCENTAGE INCREASE -- NET TOTAL FUND EXPENDITURES FROM PRIOR YEAR		4.37%	2.47%

PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY

FUND	Audited 2024-25	Unaudited 2025-26	Budget 2026-27
General Fund	1,570,389.00	1,781,766.00	1,464,236.00
Referendum Debt Service Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-Referendum Debt Service Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Capital Expansion Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Community Service Fund	48,000.00	40,000.00	48,500.00
TOTAL SCHOOL LEVY	1,618,389.00	1,821,766.00	1,512,736.00
PERCENTAGE INCREASE/DECREASE -- TOTAL LEVY FROM PRIOR YEAR		12.57%	-16.96%

Mil Rate	5.31	5.76	4.78
PERCENTAGE INCREASE/DECREASE -- MIL RATE FROM PRIOR YEAR		8.33%	-16.96%



Attention Almond Village Residents! Need help Raking?

Our NHS students will be raking on Friday, October 16, and are looking for several yards within walking distance of the school.

If you are interested, please contact Amy Behnke.
 abehnke@abschools.k12.wi.us 715-366-2941 ext. 124

Trick-or-Treat Dates & Times

Village of Almond

Friday, October 30

5:00-7:00 P.M.

Turn on your outside lights if you want trick-or-treaters to visit.

Make sure to visit the Almond-Bancroft School (District Office Doors) and the Almond Fire Department too.

Town of Pine Grove-Bancroft

Saturday, October 31

4:00 to 7:00 P.M.

If you want children to stop at your home for treats, please leave your light on.

The Fire Department and EMS will also have treats, stop in and visit them!



Almond Lions Club

Annual Halloween Party

Costume Contest, Games & prizes!

Where: Almond-Bancroft East Gym

When: Friday, October 30, 2026

Time: 6:30-7:30 pm

Ages: Infant to 5th grade



Wisconsin School Board Week

The Almond-Bancroft School District will join school districts throughout the state in saluting their local education leaders during Wisconsin School Board Week, which runs from Oct. 4-10.

The commemorative week is designed to recognize the contributions made by Wisconsin's school board members, including those on the Almond-Bancroft School Board. Charged with governing public education, board members develop and articulate a clear vision for their school district. Ultimately, this vision steers every decision while ensuring that student achievement remains at the forefront.

Wisconsin school board members are chosen by their communities to manage local schools. They oversee multi-million-dollar budgets that fund education programs for about 800,000 students in 421 public school districts. Their personnel decisions affect thousands of teachers, administrators and support workers.

These volunteer leaders are responsible for formulating school district policy, approving curricula, maintaining school facilities, and adhering to state and federal education law. Legal concerns and the complexities of school finance, including budgeting and taxation, require them to spend many hours in board training programs and personal study to enhance their understanding of these issues.

Our deepest appreciation is extended to the dedicated men and women who make it possible for our community's citizens to participate in education. We salute the public servants of the Almond-Bancroft School Board, whose commitment and civic responsibility make local control of public schools in our community possible. **We extend our gratitude to Keith Dernbach, John Ruzicka, Debbie Bradley, Taylor Dernbach, Nicole Huntington, Eugene Fosmire, and Brad Garner, during Wisconsin School Board Week—and all year long—for their dedication and service.**



Thank you, Knights of Columbus Plainfield Council #12793!



The Knights of Columbus Plainfield Council #12793 donated \$400 to the Almond-Bancroft School District from their Tootsie Roll Distribution. Mike Salomone, a member of the Knights of Columbus, stopped by the district to present the check to Dr. Becker.

Thank you so much for your generosity!

Almond-Bancroft Scholastic Book Fair November 6-12, 2026

Parents and Scholastic Book Fair Shoppers can set up an eWallet and manage funds for purchases from 10/15/26 to 11/13/26. Using the Book Fair eWallet is the easy way for students to pay for books they can't wait to take home and read!



Scan the QR Code or use the link below.

<https://account.scholastic.com/my-scholastic/profile/ewallet.html?fairID=6255726&sUCN=600106225>

Don't forget to share with your family and friends. They can add to your child's e-wallet, too!

Almond-Bancroft Menus: October 2026

Breakfast Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast Prices: Reduced: No Charge 4K (M-Th): 16 days at \$1.95=\$31.20 K-12 th Grade: 21 days at \$1.95 = \$40.95			1 Breakfast Sandwich Fruit or Juice Milk	2 Bagel, Cream Cheese Yogurt Fruit or Juice Milk
5 Frudel Yogurt Fruit or Juice Milk	6 Breakfast Pizza Fruit or Juice Milk	7 Waffles Fruit or Juice Milk	8 Cereal Breakfast Kit Juice Milk	9 Donut Yogurt Fruit or Juice Milk
12 No School	13 Oatmeal Whole Grain Toast Fruit or Juice Milk	14 Cereal Breakfast Kit Juice Milk	15 Breakfast Sandwich Fruit or Juice Milk	16 Cinnamon Roll Yogurt Fruit of the Day Milk
19 Pancake Wrapped Sausage Fruit or Juice Milk	20 Scrambled Eggs Toast Fruit or Juice Milk	21 Frudel Yogurt Fruit or Juice Milk	22 Cereal Breakfast Kit Juice Milk	23 Bagel, Cream Cheese Yogurt Fruit or Juice Milk
26 Cereal and Muffin Juice Milk	27 French Toast Sticks Fruit or Juice Milk	28 Cereal Breakfast Kit Juice Milk	29 Breakfast Sandwich Fruit or Juice Milk	30 Donut, Yogurt Fruit or Juice Milk

4K-5th Grade Classroom Milk Break:
\$0.55 a day or no charge with an approved free/reduced application

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Menu is subject to change.			1 Chicken Alfredo Vegetable Fruit Milk	2 Pizza Dippers Salad Bar Fruit Milk
5 Chicken Nuggets French Fries Fruit Milk	6 Taco Hard or Soft Shell Vegetable Fruit Milk	7 Chicken Bacon Ranch on Bun Chips Vegetable Fruit Milk	8 Salisbury Steak Noodles Vegetable Fruit Milk	9 Pizza Salad Bar Fruit Milk
12 No School	13 Hamburger on Bun Tater Tots Fruit Milk	14 Chicken Quesadilla Vegetable Fruit Milk	15 Popcorn Chicken French Fries Vegetable Fruit Milk	16 Corn Dog Mac & Cheese Vegetable Fruit Milk
19 Beefy Nachos Vegetable Fruit Milk	20 Hamburger Gravy Whole Grain Bread Mashed Potatoes Vegetable Fruit Milk	21 Orange Chicken Lo Mein Vegetable Fruit Milk	22 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Veggies & Dip Fruit Milk	23 Chicken Fajita Vegetable Fruit Milk
26 Pizza Dippers Salad Bar Fruit Milk	27 Chicken Patty on Bun Vegetable Fruit Milk	28 Cheese Ravioli Salad Fruit Milk	29 Chicken Alfredo Vegetable Fruit Milk	30 Cheeseburger Hot Dish Vegetable Fruit Milk

Lunch Prices:

Reduced 4K (M-Th)- 16 days at \$0.40= \$6.40
 Reduced K-12- 21 days at \$0.40 = \$8.40
 4K (M-Th)- 16 days at \$2.70= \$43.20
 K-5th Grade- 21 days at \$2.70 = \$56.70,
 6th - 8th Grade- 21 days at \$2.85 = \$59.85
 9th - 12th Grade- 21 days at \$2.95 = \$61.95

Alternate Lunch Meal Options

Elementary: Ham and Cheese Sandwich or Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich
Middle School and High School: Chef Salad, Ham and Cheese Sandwich, or Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich
 Alternate meals include the daily vegetable, fruit, and milk.

Almond-Bancroft Menus: November 2026

Breakfast Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Frudel Yogurt Fruit or Juice Milk	3 Waffles Fruit or Juice Milk	4 Cereal Breakfast Kit Juice Milk	5 Breakfast Pizza Fruit or Juice Milk	6 Cinnamon Roll Yogurt Fruit or Juice Milk
9 Pancake Wrapped Sausage Fruit or Juice Milk	10 Oatmeal Whole Grain Toast Fruit or Juice Milk	11 Cereal Breakfast Kit Juice Milk	12 Breakfast Sandwich Fruit or Juice Milk	13 No School
16 Frudel Yogurt Fruit or Juice Milk	17 Cereal and Muffin Fruit or Juice Milk	18 Breakfast Pizza Fruit or Juice Milk	19 Pancake Wrapped Sausage Fruit or Juice Milk	20 Bagel, Cream Cheese Yogurt Fruit or Juice Milk
23 French Toast Sticks Fruit or Juice Milk	24 Cereal Breakfast Kit Juice Milk	25 No School	26 No School	27 No School
30 Cereal Breakfast Kit Juice Milk				

Breakfast Prices:

Reduced: No Charge

4K (M-Th): 15 days at \$1.95=\$29.25

K-12th Grade: 17 days at \$1.95 = \$33.15

4K-5th Grade Classroom Milk Break:

\$0.55 a day or no charge with an approved free/reduced application

Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Taco Hard or Soft Shell Vegetable Fruit Milk	3 Chicken Gravy Whole Grain Bread Mashed Potatoes Vegetable Fruit Milk	4 Enchilada Spanish Rice Beans Fruit Milk	5 Hot Dog on Bun Potato Wedges Fruit Milk	6 Pizza Salad Bar Fruit Milk
9 BBQ Pork on Bun Chips Baked Beans Fruit Milk	10 Meatballs Noodles Vegetable Fruit Milk	11 Popcorn Chicken French Fries Fruit Milk	12 Corn Dog Ravioli Vegetable Fruit Milk	13 No School
16 Beefy Nachos Vegetable Fruit Milk	17 Baked Potato Bar Ham or Chicken Vegetable Fruit Milk	18 Egg Roll Fried Rice Vegetable Fruit Milk	19 Frito Chili Veggies & Dip Fruit Milk	20 Garlic Cheese Bread Salad Bar Fruit Milk
23 Pizza Salad Bar Fruit Milk	24 BBQ on Bun French Fries Fruit Milk	25 No School	26 No School	27 No School
30 Chicken Fajita Vegetable Fruit Milk	31	Alternate Lunch Meal Options Elementary: Ham and Cheese Sandwich or Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich Middle School and High School: Chef Salad, Ham and Cheese Sandwich, or Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich Alternate meal includes the daily vegetable, fruit, and milk.		

Lunch Prices:

Reduced 4K (M-Th)- 15 days at \$0.40= \$6.00

Reduced K-12- 17 days at \$0.40 = \$6.80

4K (M-Th)- 15 days at \$2.70= \$40.50

K-5th Grade- 17 days at \$2.70 = \$45.90,

6th - 8th Grade- 17 days at \$2.85 = \$48.45

9th - 12th Grade- 17 days at \$2.95 = \$50.15

Menu is subject to change.

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ALMOND-BANCROFT PUBLIC SCHOOLS NOTICE OF ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING

Notice of Budget Hearing (Section 65.90(4))

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the Almond-Bancroft School District that the budget hearing will be held at the Almond-Bancroft School Auditorium, on the 21st day of October 2026, at 6:30 PM. Detailed copies of the budget are available for inspection in the District office at 1336 Elm Street, Almond, WI

Notice of Annual District Meeting (Section 120.08(1))

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the Almond-Bancroft School District that the annual meeting of said district for the transaction of business, will be held at the Almond-Bancroft School Auditorium, on the 21st day of October 2026, immediately following the Budget Hearing.

Dated this 19th day of September 2026.

Debbie Bradley
District Clerk



**The Class of 2027
Graduation date has been
rescheduled to
Friday, May 21, 2027.**

Due to a conflict with the WIAA spring schedule, the Almond-Bancroft school board has changed the date of the Class of 2027 graduation to Friday, May 21 at 7:00 p.m. Please make a note of this on your calendars.



ALMOND-BANCROFT VETERANS DAY PROGRAM

The National Honor Society will be hosting a celebration in honor of our military Veterans past and present.

**The program will be held on November 11, 2026,
at 9:00 AM in the West Gym at the Almond-
Bancroft High School.**

The American Legion will be present to honor our servicemen and women, the Quilts of Valor will be presented by the Golden Needle Quilting Club, and there will be special performances by the ABHS band and choir. There will also be a small reception with refreshments following the program in the West Gym Lobby.

We invite all community members, but especially the Veterans of our community, to attend our program so we may show our appreciation.



**Join us, in the A-B School Auditorium,
for our MS/HS Concerts!**

**Choir: Nov. 19th at 6:30 p m
Band: Nov. 20th at 6:30 p m**



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