

# THE AGGIE EXPRESS

Congratulations to the top 10 students for the class of 2024!



Pictured left to right - front row: Olivia Kunik, Eva Lynch, Avery Wilson (Valedictorian), Adra Scarbrough, Mackenna Sellers and Alida Reihl. Back row: Jack Fussman (Salutatorian), Payton Butkovich, Dylan Elias and Luke Lyon.

**Congratulations to the following students who were recently inducted into the  
GI-Tech Center National Technical Honor Society!**



Front row - Lily Methner, Carlie Ehler, Gracelynn Owens, Olivia Kunik, Ann Gross and Alida Reihl  
Back row - Daniel Perreault, Dominic Merrill, Luke Lyon, Bennett Gilde and Jacob Pasch.



**Beal City Bands**

Congratulations to Director Burns, the MS Band, and the HS Band on an entertaining pre-festival band concert.

## **\*\*\*Staff Members of the Month\*\*\***

The Beal City Board of Education, in appreciation of the hard work that is done by all members of Beal City Public Schools, would like to honor a staff member each month for their service to the students and community of Beal City. This month's honorees are our counseling staff: Staci Vessell, Sara Millerov and Breanna Gillis.



We recently celebrated National Counselor's Week and Beal City Public Schools is fortunate to have three amazing counselors who assist our students daily with counseling needs, academic guidance, and social emotional education. Thank you, Mrs. Vessell, Mrs. Millerov and Ms. Gillis, for all you do for the students and staff at Beal City Public Schools!



Last semester, students in our safety class researched national parks then wrote to the park rangers at those parks. Students learned about how they could apply the information learned through DNR training in safety class to a visit to national park. Today, some received letters and packages in return! Rangers answered questions students had about ORV use, camping, hunting and all things outdoors. Some received maps, stickers and hand written notes.

***Beal City Elementary Students of the Month  
December***



*(L to R): Jaxen Burt, Stevie Roberson, Ezekiel Munro, Rhett Weber, Ryan Bachelder  
Not Pictured: Tyler Helwig*

## Elementary All A's & B's

Balcom, Avery	5	Straus, Alexander	4
Chippewa, Kiley	5	Sturm-Richmond, Gavin	4
Gillespie, Gauge	5	Wood, Gavin	4
Haas, Alexandria	5	Bellinger, Josie	3
Helwig, Tyler	5	Bonstelle, Cooper	3
Malley, Laci	5	Burt, Demi	3
Marshall, Elijah	5	Crowley, Coby	3
Onstott, Joshua	5	Faber, Gavin	3
Pappas, Charles	5	Flores, Zoey	3
Pohl, Tanner	5	Freebury, Layla	3
Pritchard, Piper	5	Gilde, Grant	3
Sandel, Keegan	5	Graham, Caden	3
Schafer, Alexis	5	Hadder, Tucker	3
Sienkiewicz, Levi	5	Helwig, Kairi	3
Simons, Lucas	5	Hill, Kaydance	3
Tyron, Ayden	5	Hull, Ethan	3
Wezensky, Cole	5	Latoski, Layla	3
Wixson, Rayna	5	Learman, Elizabeth	3
Wolff, Abigail	5	Makela, Laci	3
Bonstelle, Weston	4	Makela, Maci	3
Clare, Aubrie	4	Marin Ramirez, Madeline	3
Clare, Emily	4	Merritt, Kayelee	3
Dorsey, Luna	4	Pohl, Dawson	3
Finnerty, Declan	4	Schonbok, Roby	3
Koutz, Madison	4	Shaner, Gunner	3
Prill, Lexie	4	Steffke, Quincy	3
Ryman, Paisley	4	Tembreull, Lucas	3
Schneider, Ava	4	Wheeldon, Axel	3
Smalley, Jaxson	4	Wilson, Wyatt	3
Soeltner, Blaise	4		
Steketee, Alayah	4		



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Honor Roll

4.0 GPA		4.0 GPA Cont.		3.5 to 3.99 GPA Cont.		3.5 to 3.99 GPA Cont.	
Fussman, Jack	12	Schultz, Katelyn	9	Martin, Olivia	11	Galla, Macey	8
Kunik, Olivia	12	Schumacher, Paisley	9	McKenny, Owen	11	Garrett, Morgan	8
Lynch, Eva	12	Thielen, Aubrey	9	Reihl, Ava	11	Gross, Addison	8
Lyon, Luke	12	Tovar, Maribel	9	Salisbury, Lydee	11	Gross, Ryan	8
Rau, Caitlyn	12	Weber, Jacob	9	Smalley, Chase	11	Hoover, Aubrey	8
Scarborough, Adra	12	Wilson, Wyatt	9	Weber, Sophia	11	Johnston, Matthew	8
Sellers, Mackenna	12	Block, Bethany	8	Welsh, Nevaeh	11	Kannawin, Ashlyn	8
Wilson, Avery	12	Bellinger, Cassandra	7	Boge, Nicholas	10	Latham, Jarett	8
Breuer, Gabrielle	11	Block, Brynn	7	Ervin, Nicolas	10	Learman, William	8
Bushong, Ryan	11	Gross, Camren	7	Faber, Madalyn	10	Martin, Collin	8
Finnerty, Neil	11	Sanders, Olivia	7	Fletcher, Kelsey	10	Neal, Aspen	8
Johnston, Macy	11	Sharrar, Mattison	7	Galla, Addison	10	Pastotnik, Ella	8
Ketchen, Hailey	11	Smalley, Brinden	7	Higgins, Wesley	10	Pety, Lauren	8
Leppert, Liliana	11	Thielen, Ashlyn	7	Hubble, Johanna	10	Reihl, Allie	8
Locke, Brianna	11	Frias, Lian	6	Longtin, Lanie	10	Sandel, Paxton	8
Martin, Kyle	11	Graham, Ashlyn	6	Ludwig, Sophie	10	Schafer, Isabelle	8
Schumacher, Jody	11	<b>3.5 to 3.99 GPA</b>		Matheny, Aleah	10	Smith, Shelby	8
Wernette, Joseph	11	Butkovich, Payton	12	Matheny, Alexa	10	Tilman, Connor	8
Zeneberg, Zabrina	11	Calkins, Madison	12	Sisco, Jaylyn	10	Trommater, Sam	8
Brown, Arryana	10	Cotter, Emily	12	Upton, Jacob	10	Weber, Tessa	8
Dodak, Dakota	10	Ehler, Carlie	12	Walcutt, Blake	10	Wezensky, Chloe	8
Faber, Anna	10	Elias, Dylan	12	Bowerman, Ellie	9	Zeien, Owen	8
Fisher, Madason	10	Flachs, Devin	12	Davis, Landon	9	Batenburg, Maddison	7
Gottschalk, Benjamin	10	Fox, William	12	Fancher, Grace	9	Baumann, Jackson	7
Gross, Lauren	10	Garrett, Peyton	12	Fussman, Lola	9	Eldridge, Jaxson	7
Harsh, Aiden	10	Gilde, Bennett	12	Jaessing, Larkin	9	Eldridge, Jaydon	7
Scully, Mya	10	Gross, Ann	12	Kunik, Mallory	9	Faber, Eliza	7
Theisen, Nole	10	Harmon, Chloe	12	Lehnert, Micah	9	Fussman, Ryan	7
Trommater, Molly	10	Harsh, Kiera	12	Locke, Aaron	9	Gatrell, Grady	7
Bellinger, Bradley	9	Latham, Jamisen	12	McClintic, William	9	Goffnett, Tessa	7
Block, Emma	9	Merrill, Dominic	12	Owens, Riley	9	Gruss, Sofie	7
Connors, Gavin	9	Owens, Gracelynn	12	Pennanen, Jasmine	9	Hadder, Landyn	7
Cotter, Rylee	9	Perreault, Daniel	12	Sienkiewicz, Connor	9	Higgins, Reegan	7
Elias, Eric	9	Reihl, Alida	12	Smith, Cuyler	9	Jaessing, Tealyn	7
Fox, Spencer	9	Schafer, Brayden	12	Stack, Madyson	9	Maxon, Emma	7
Gilde, Bryn	9	Smith, Cayden	12	Strong, Eden	9	Reihl, Benjamin	7
Gittus, Dylan	9	Carnes, James	11	Sturm-Richmond, Keirsten	9	Roggenbuck, Daniel	7
Gross, Drew	9	Carr, Haven	11	Ames, Megan	8	Salisbury, Brody	7
Gross, Lily	9	Cotter, Sean	11	Brown, Easton	8	Schultz, Bryce	7
Keehbauch, Taylor	9	Doyle, Addison	11	Butkovich, Braxton	8	Scully, Selena	7
Leppert, Novalee	9	Faber, Jace	11	Calkins, Ryan	8	Shaner, Parker	7
Martin, Sophia	9	Hulliberger, Hailey	11	Carman, Nickolas	8	Weber, Brody	7
McKenny, Macy	9	Lehnert, Caleb	11	Carnes, Grayson	8	Zeien, Alden	7
Sanders, Blake	9	Licari, Lauryn	11	Fussman, Addison	8	Campbell, Elias	6

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### 3.5 to 3.99 GPA Cont.

Clare, Connor	6
De Vos, Aloise	6
Fair, Parker	6
Finnerty, Madalyn	6
Freebury, Levi	6
Gross, Cole	6
Helmer, Paige	6
Hohlbein, Thomas	6
Levesque, Benjamin	6
Martin, Gregory	6
McDonald, Kolton	6
Munro, Elijah	6
Pastotnik, Rylinn	6
Schultz, Avery	6
Tilmann, Cylie	6
Tilmann, Sophia	6
VanBlargan, Jordyn	6
Williams, Lauryn	6

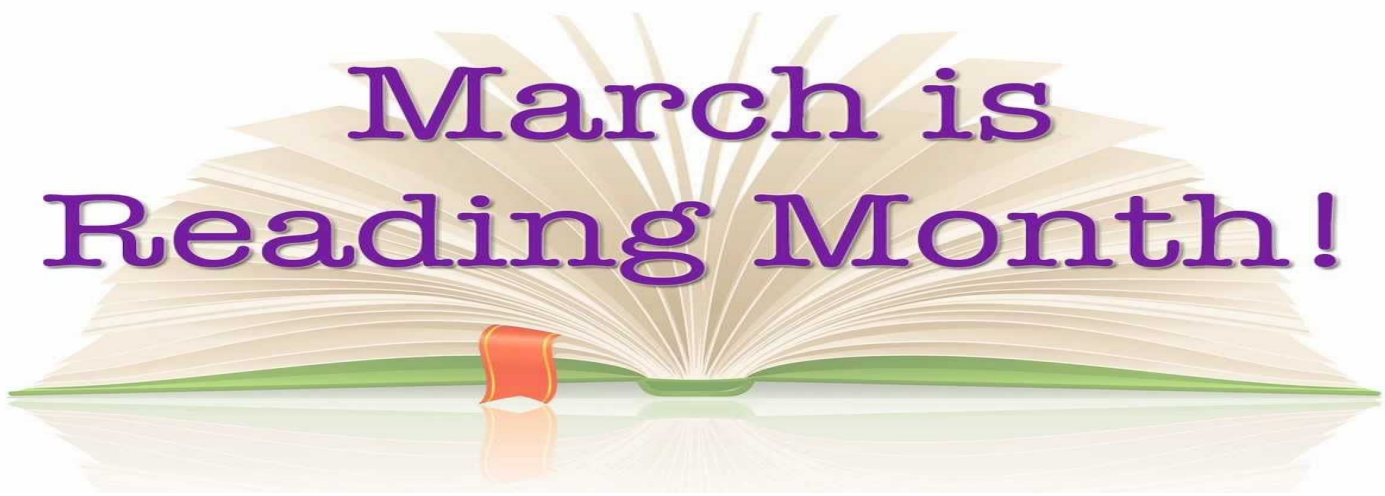
### 3.0 to 3.49 GPA

Elliott, Ava	12
Fernandez, Vincio	12
Fletcher, Kylis	12
Gross, Lane	12
McDonald, Parker	12
Methner, Lily	12
Tovar, RosaMarie	12
Wilson, Joshua	12
Zeien, Oliver	12
Davis, Isabelle	11
Isaac, Kayne	11
Milett, Ava	11
Proton, Victoria	11
Rau, Luke	11
Zeien, Eli	11
Benscoter, Chloe	10
Doyle, Hayden	10
Elliott, Katelyn	10
McLachlan, Hayden	10
Pasch, Allison	10
Rau, Lily	10
Schuberg, Avery	10
Yats, Abigail	10
Baldwin, Harley	9
Carnes, Cadence	9

### 3.0 to 3.49 GPA Cont.

Scarbrough, Cooper	9
Whitt, Amelia	9
Wixson, Carter	9
Bowerman, Kinley	8
Cook, Joslyn	8
Eichorn, Easton	8
Flachs, Jackson	8
Funnell, Logan	8
Garrett, Bryce	8
Gross, Avery	8
Gross, Collin	8
Manley, Morgan	8
Sturm-Richmond, Brooklin	8
Zingery, Weston	8
Burmeister, Spence	7
Gross, Aleigha	7
Helwig, Hayden	7
Latham, Jax	7
Ludwig, Delia	7
Maney, Gunnar	7
McBride, Easton	7
Mertz, Hunter	7
Milett, Carys	7
Reed, Michael	7
Schuberg, Emery	7
Sisco, Gavin	7
Vore, Mackenzie	7
Wilson, Thomas	7
Wixson, Madison	7
Baumann, Eli	6
Bigelow, Reese	6
Bland, Conley	6
Faber, Gabriel	6
Gittus, Cole	6
Knickerbocker, Paris	6
McDonald, Jackson	6
Millerov, Cole	6
Millerov, Liam	6
Montini, Leannia	6
Prout, Samantha	6
Reihl, Aylin	6





We will be kicking off Reading Month on March 1st! Students will be competing against each other by logging minutes towards their goals each week. This year, we will be using a new app called Beanstack to track minutes. There are lots of fun activities planned and it should be another outstanding month for celebrating literacy!

## Wild About Reading! - March 2024

Sun.	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
					1 2  Reading Month Kick Off Assembly 8:15 Reading Challenge Starts!!  Wear Animal Print/Stripes Day *Free bag of popcorn from the PTA	
3	4	5 Reading Buddies	6	7	8 9 Week 1 Reading Challenge Complete  Wear Your Words Day	
10	11 Bring Books for Book Exchange *3 Book Max	12 Teacher Read Aloud @ 1:30  Reading Buddies Bring Books for Book Exchange *3 Book Max	13 Bring Books for Book Exchange *3 Book Max	14 Book Exchange in Title Room	15 16 Dennis Egan Assembly 8:15  Week 2 Reading Challenge Complete  Class Color Day!	
17	18	19 Reading Buddies	20 Author Visit- Dominic Thrasher K-2 9:30  Week 3 Reading Challenge Complete	21 PJ Day!  ½ Day of School  Read-a-thon 2nd - 5th	22	23
24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30

**Class colors:** K - Aggie blue, 1st - red , 2nd - orange, 3rd - yellow, 4th - green, 5th - gray



# Board Briefs

The following was approved at a regular board meeting on February 20, 2024:

- The January 2024 payments of bills as presented: General Fund payments \$662,326.73, Hot Lunch payments \$21,640.40, Student Activity Account payments of \$10,440.26, Athletic Fund payments of \$5,742.02, Arbiter Sports payments of \$5,348.50, Capital Projects 2021 Checking of \$77,000.79, Capital Projects 2023 Checking of \$10,032.08 and MILAF transfers of \$68,114.68.
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the NEOLA PERA Policy as presented.
- The MASB Board of Directors Election vote as presented.

To locate the Beal City Board of Education agenda and minutes from the monthly Board meetings, please see the Beal City website. Click on District Info, Board of Education, then click on the Board of Education on the left hand side to receive a menu. From there click on Meeting.



Phys. Ed. classes recently finished their flag football unit. To complete the unit, students took part in an NFL style combine of skill and fitness tests, just like the aspiring pros. Unlike the NFL prospects, students strength tested with pull ups rather than a 225 lb bench press. Students tested their 40-yard dash time, vertical and broad jump, throwing accuracy, and completed a 3-cone drill to test agility. Mrs. Crowley is impressed with the effort many students put forth in both their throwing and fitness skills.



### **Mr. Leppert's Chemistry Class**

Students in Mr. Leppert's Chemistry class determined the compounds formed from the bonding of cations and anions in ionic reactions lab.



Spencer Fox, Riley Owens, Will McClintic, Aubrey Thielen, Mallory Kunik, Rylee Cotter, Araseli Bravo-Buchholz  
The Freshmen in Spanish 1 have been honing their second language poetry skills recently by creating Haikus! For as difficult as this can be in English, both classes did an amazing job of writing these verses about their favorite pastimes ¡en español!





### **Beal City Students Take Charge with Youth in Government!**

Beal City students are making their voices heard! Both the middle and high school branches of the Youth in Government (YIG) program are actively engaged in learning about democracy, honing their leadership skills, and advocating for change.

The program boasts nearly 35 passionate members who recently participated in their respective conferences in Lansing. The middle schoolers attended a three-day event in November, while the high schoolers embarked on a four-day journey in February.

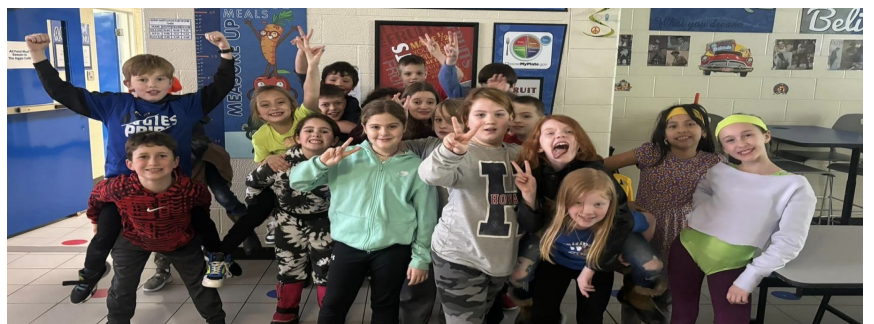
These immersive experiences offered students the chance to debate bills, collaborate with peers across the state, and gain invaluable insights from State Representative Jerry Neyer.

Beyond these shared experiences, both branches achieved impressive individual feats. Eighth grader Chloe Wezensky and seventh-grader Cassandra Bellinger were elected Lt. Governor and Speaker of the House, respectively, by their peers at the middle school conference. The high school also saw several standouts recognized for their leadership and bill writing skills: Dominic Merrill, Katie Schultz, Sophie Ludwig, and Karis Wolff.

These achievements are a testament to the dedication of both students and advisor, Kyle Carter, who extends his gratitude to Beal City Schools and the Beal City community for their unwavering support. The school district's 70-year involvement in the YIG program is a remarkable accomplishment, fostering generations of informed and engaged citizens.

If you're looking for a program that empowers young minds, encourages leadership, and instills a passion for civic engagement, then look no further than Beal City's Youth in Government. We encourage parents and community members to support this incredible initiative and its future leaders!

**The Aggie Cafe Crew and students enjoyed some decade fun for a week in January**





**Give your child a healthy start!**

Mornings can be rushed, but it is important to make time for breakfast.

Children can benefit from the School Breakfast Program! Studies show that school breakfast can improve test scores, make kids more alert in class, and improve classroom behavior. Make sure your kids start the school day with a healthy meal.

**Every morning our breakfast consists of a hot breakfast item and these cold whole grain items: donuts, assorted cereals, (6-12) uncrustable, fruit and milk. Students must choose a fruit and 2oz grain items to receive the free breakfast.**

**Location: Aggie Cafe**

**Breakfast time every day: 7:40-8:05**

**BREAKFAST IS FREE FOR ALL STUDENTS**

**Remember, no breakfast will be served if we have a delay.**



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ANDROID

Download the Nutrislice app to your smartphone to view daily breakfast and lunch options (scan the QR code for your specific device; these are hyperlinked too - if you click on them they will take you to your phone's app store).

Or you can view the full month menu at this website: <https://bealcityschools.nutrislice.com>.