

THE AGGIE EXPRESS

CONGRATULATIONS, AGGIES!



STATEWIDE SAT RESULTS

In a recent report of state SAT results for the 2022/23 school year, Beal City Schools ranked as follows:

Out of 1,071 public high schools in Michigan, Beal City High School Juniors (current Seniors) ranked 12th! Our students averaged a score of 1,062.2 while the state average was 959.9. Well done, Aggies!

Congratulations to the students, staff and Beal City community. Our success would not be possible without the dedication and hard work of all of you!

Beal City Public Schools: A Commitment to Safe and Secure Learning

In an ever-evolving world, ensuring the safety and security of students and staff in educational institutions is of paramount importance. Beal City Public Schools, located in Beal City, Michigan, has made it a top priority to create a safe and secure school environment through a comprehensive range of measures and strategies. These measures are carefully designed to provide peace of mind for students, parents, and the entire school community.

- * **School Resource Officer (SRO):** Beal City Public Schools has a dedicated School Resource Officer. This officer is not only tasked with maintaining security but also with building positive relationship with students. This fosters a sense of trust and safety within the school community.
- * **ALICE Training:** ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate) training is an integral part of the district's emergency preparedness plan. Staff and students are educated on how to respond to various emergency situations, including active threats, to maximize their safety.
- * **Security Entries with Door Buzzers at the Three Offices:** Controlled access points, such as the entry buzzers at the three main offices, are in place to regulate access to the school buildings, ensuring that only authorized individuals are allowed entry.
- * **Door Numbering System Inside and Outside:** A clear door numbering system both inside and outside the buildings enhances the effectiveness of emergency response teams and makes navigation easier during critical situations.
- * **Building and Campus Cameras:** Beal City Public Schools has invested in an extensive surveillance system with cameras strategically placed throughout the buildings and on the school grounds. This allows for real-time monitoring and enhances security.
- * **Bus Cameras Inside and Outside of the Busses:** The safety of students is extended to their commutes, with cameras installed inside and outside school buses. This provides an extra layer of security during transportation.
- * **Electronic Door Lock System:** An electronic door lock system helps in promptly securing school buildings during emergencies, preventing unauthorized access and maintaining the safety of those inside.
- * **Window Security Film:** Window security film is installed to reinforce the glass on windows, making it more difficult for unauthorized entry and enhancing the overall safety of the school buildings.
- * **Emergency Classroom Door Locks:** Each classroom is equipped with emergency door locks, allowing teachers to secure their classrooms swiftly during lockdown situations.

- * **Emergency Classroom Door Barricades:** In addition to locks, door barricades provide an additional layer of security for classrooms, ensuring that students and staff are shielded from potential threats.
- * **Emergency Classroom Security Curtains:** Security curtains are installed in classrooms to further obscure the view from outside during lockdown situations, adding an extra layer of protection.
- * **Emergency Classroom Buckets of Supplies:** Every classroom is equipped with emergency buckets filled with essential supplies, ensuring that students and teachers have access to necessary resources during extended lockdowns.
- * **Stop the Bleed Kits, CPR Masks, and AEDs:** Beal City Public Schools are well-prepared to handle medical emergencies with Stop the Bleed kits, CPR masks, and automated external defibrillators (AEDs) available on-site.

In addition to these physical security measures, Beal City Public Schools has a comprehensive emergency plan in place. This plan outlines the policies and procedures to be followed during various emergency scenarios, ensuring that everyone in the school community is aware of what to do in times of crisis.

In conclusion, Beal City Public Schools' commitment to creating a safe and secure learning environment is evident through its extensive and multifaceted approach to school safety. By implementing a range of security measures and maintaining a well-defined emergency plan, the district ensures that students and staff can focus on learning in an environment where their safety and security are paramount. Beal City Public Schools remains vigilant and dedicated to maintaining the highest standards of safety and preparedness for all.

MEET OUR STAFF



Beal City Schools would like to welcome Levi Davis as our School Resource Officer. Levi has an undergraduate degree in Sociology and a masters degree in Information Systems.

Levi's wife is Megan Davis. They have two children: Evelyn and Lillian. Megan is in the National Guard and works for Dow.

Levi enjoys reading, playing video games, martial arts and spending time with family. His travel highlights include Japan, which he loved and will be going back, Thailand, and New Zealand (set of the hobbit). He spent seven years in the marines and then transferred to the National Guard.

We are very excited to have Levi here at Beal City Public Schools. Welcome, Levi!

VETERANS DAY



Veterans Day Assembly

Beal City Public Schools will be hosting a Veterans Day Assembly to honor veterans and present members from each branch of the U.S. Military. If you are a veteran or a current member of the U.S. Military, please plan to attend the Veterans Day Ceremony that will be held in the Beal City Public Schools gymnasium starting at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, November 10, 2023. The entire community is invited and if you know of someone who is a veteran or a member of the U. S. Military, please invite them to attend.

If you are a veteran or a member of the U.S. Military and would like to be included in our power point presentation, please drop off a military picture with your years of service, information on where you were stationed, your rank, and the duties you performed.

After the ceremony, we will have refreshments for all the veterans and their guests. We look forward to a great turnout to honor our veterans and current service men and women.

Beal City Elementary Students of the Month September



(L to R) Charlotte Woodbury, Addelyn O'neil, Elizabeth Woodbury, Alexis Schafer, Mason Maxon, Caden Graham



The annual Mayes Elementary Holiday Sing will take place on Tuesday, December 19th, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. This will take place in the elementary gym. Come out for an afternoon of fun and entertainment!



Congratulations to Payton Butkovich, the Beal City High School Rotary Student of the Month. Pictured with parents, Aarron and Jen Butkovich.

Historical Records Needed

Mr. Leppert is compiling historical records for the mens and womens basketball programs at Beal City, but could use some help! The goal is to have all the historical information gathered to contribute to a database for basketball in the state of Michigan. Information has been gathered via past yearbooks, but some years did not record that information. The following years are for the *GRADUATING* year of the team, to eliminate any confusion due to fall/winter seasons.

Opponents with scores, Playoff Information and Coach for the following graduation years: **Mens:** 2002, 2000, 1999, 1984, 1976, 1968 and prior

Womens: 2009, 2008, 2002, 1999, 1997, 1984, 1978, 1977, 1976, 1973, 1968 and prior

Mens and Womens:

Playoff Information: District, Regional, Quarterfinals, Semifinals and Finals scores and opponents for the years 2010 and prior (primarily for verification purposes) but any information specifically for the following years would fill in major gaps:

Mens: 2010 - 2012, 2004, 1998-1992, 1987-1981, 1979-1969

Womens: 2010 -2012, 1998 and prior

If you have **complete** information for any of the above, please email sleppert@bealcityschools.net

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 staff members each month for their service to the students and community of Beal City. This month's honorees are our kitchen staff: Back row: Candy Chamberlain, Melinda Burton, Maggie Hrymecki. Front row: Jodi Atkinson and Jamie Small.

The ladies in the Aggie Cafe focus on making sure all students have a great experience while enjoying their breakfast and lunch. We began the year with the free meals program and it brought some challenges when numbers doubled from last school year! Their teamwork, determination and love for the students has made the changes that were needed to be made happen quickly so they could continue to keep up with demand. Thank you ladies for all for your dedication to Beal City Schools and our Aggies!



Aggies Can Do It All!

One of the best things about small schools is that students are often called upon to fill more than one role. This year, one of the Drum Majors for the Marching Aggies is also a member of the football team. During a recent game Brayden Schafer was called upon to direct the Band at halftime, then he set down his baton and instrument and rejoined the football team, where he went on to score a touchdown to support our Aggies on the field. Great work, Brayden!

Elementary Student Council Homecoming-Share Day

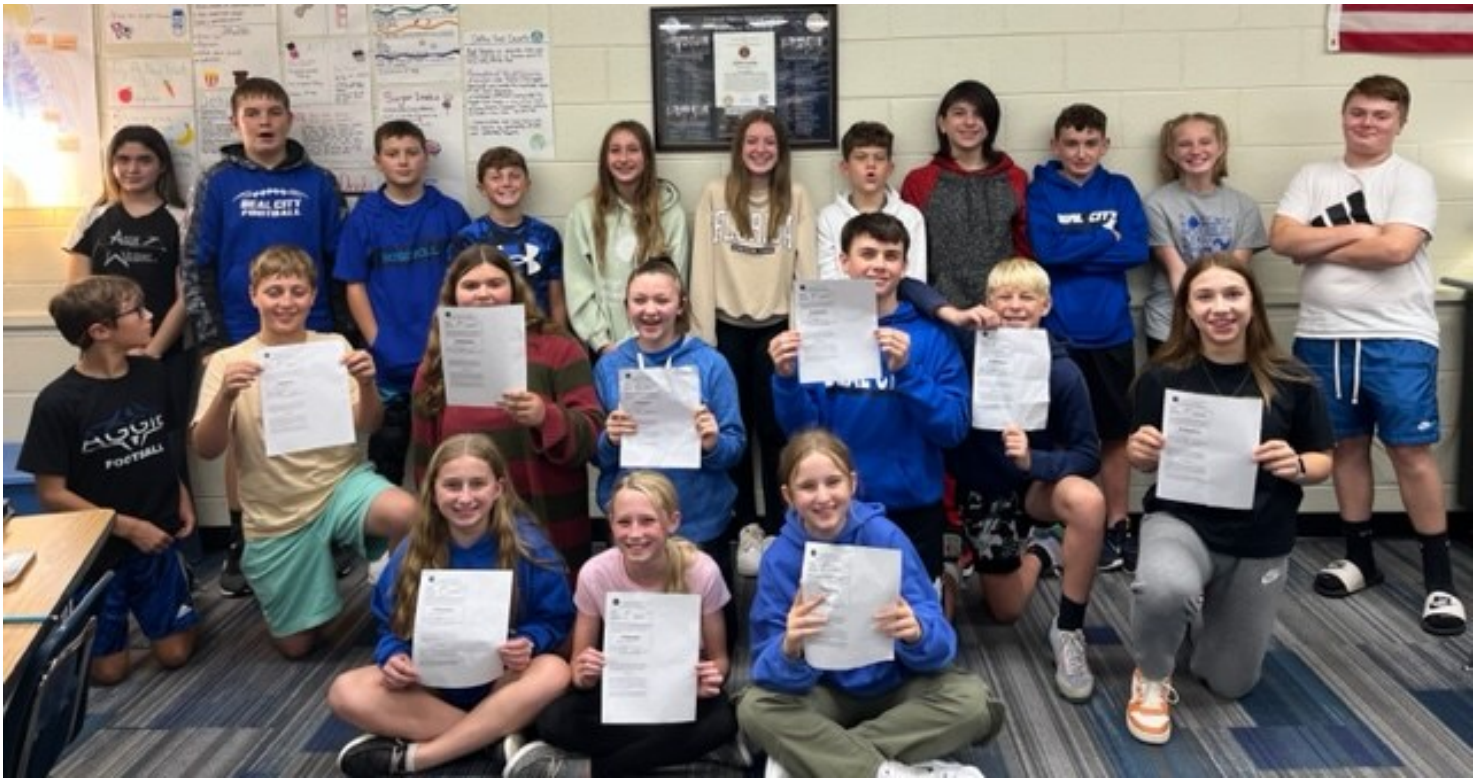
This year the Elementary Student Council implemented a Share Day as part of our Homecoming Spirit Days. The individual classrooms competed in bringing in non perishable food items to be donated to the Community Compassion Network-Food Pantry in Mt. Pleasant. The classes donated over 1200 food items to the local pantry. Mrs. Zileski's class won the competition with 132 food items donated. Congratulations!



2023-2024 Elementary Student Council



Back Row L-R Caylee Chippewa, Avery Balcom, Abby Wolff, Piper Protchard, Bentley Flaughner, Rayna Wixson. Front Row L-R Addelyn O'Neil, Ruth Bellinger, Alex Straus, Leo Fernandez



Students in Mrs. Crowley's Safety class earned their certification in boaters safety through the Michigan DNR. All students pictured passed their certification and the entire cost was covered with grant funds made possible by the Saginaw-Chippewa Indian Tribe.



Students in Freshman Health reviewed nutrition information they have learned by creating educational drawings with chalk outside for visitors to see. Each student had a different topic from the nutrition unit ranging from diabetes awareness to health snacks.





Apple Crunch 2023

Local apples were provided to all students and staff on Thursday, October 12th for Apple Crunch Day 2023. The apples were harvested at Anderson & Girls Orchards in Stanton, Michigan and purchased through Hearty Harvest in Remus, Michigan. This is our 9th year celebrating wellness and supporting local farmers.



Board Briefs

The following was approved at a regular board meeting on October 16, 2023

- The September 2023 payments of bills as presented: General Fund payments of \$682,032.90, Hot Lunch payments of \$21,003.40, Student Activity Account payments of \$14,670.01, Athletic Fund payments of \$4,113.01, Arbiter Sports payments of \$2,912.50 and Capital Projects 2021 Checking of \$11,493.10
- Reject the bid received for the sale of the land.
- The Juuls/Altria settlement resolution as presented.
- The bond sale bid ratification resolution as presented.
- The bank account signature resolution as presented.
- The authorization of credit card accounts as presented.
- The 1st reading of the Fall 2023 NEOLA policy updates as presented.
- The Fall 2023 tribal grants as presented.
- The 8th grade east coast field trip request as presented.
- The new 6th grade social studies textbook request as presented.
- The hiring of Cam Gatrell as the Winter 2023 Varsity Boy Basketball Coach.

The following coaches have been hired through PCMI: Easton Yuncker – Varsity Girls Basketball, Noel Schafer – Competitive Cheer, Jamie Farrell – JV Boys Basketball, Kourtney Crawford – JV Girls Basketball, William Chilman V – 7th Grade Boys Basketball, Corey Schafer – 7th Grade Girls Basketball.

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BEAL CITY SCHOOLS

Financial Aid Night!

For college-bound
seniors and their
parents/guardians.

**Media
Center
6:00 p.m.**



**6th
Dec.**

Receive
important FAFSA
and scholarship
information!



Beal City Drama Club Presents:



The Great North Pole Bake-off

Thursday, December 14, 2023



6:30 – 7:30pm

Beal City Small Gym & Auditorium

Ticket cost will be \$5 for adults; all
children are free!

There will be music, singing, cookies,
and a short play!





School Breakfast - Good for Kids and Good for Parents!

For parents with busy schedules, it can be hard to make sure that kids are eating a healthy breakfast before they go to school in the morning.

Sometimes children aren't hungry right after waking up, and it's hard to find food they like to eat that is also healthy. Also, some kids refuse breakfast at home but are hungry when they arrive at school. At school, we have a great breakfast program for all students.

If morning meals are difficult for your family, let the School Breakfast Program help you out!

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.



IPHONE



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>.