

WILDCAT FALL NEWSLETTER

FALL 2019

October Events

- 1 - B Football at BSMS - 4:30
XC at Amend Park - 11:00
- 3 - "A" Football at BSMS - 4:30
"A" Softball at BSMS - 4:30
- 4 - "A" Softball at Laurel - 4:30
6-Week Grade Period Ends
- 7 - "A" Football Championship at
Daylis Stadium - 6:00 PM
Girls' Basketball Starts
- 8 - Wrestling Starts @ BSMS
- 10 - Students dismiss at 12:00
- P/T Conferences - 12:30 to 6:30 PM
- 11 - Students dismiss at 12:00
- 17 - 18 - No School - MEA Days
- 24 - 6/7 Wrestling at RSMS - 4:30
8th Wrestling at BSMS - 4:30
- 25 - 8th Girls' BB at BSMS - 4:30
- 29 - 8th Girls' BB at RSMS - 4:30
8th Grade Orchestra Concert
at West High - 7:00 PM
- 30 - LifeTouch Picture Retakes
- 31 - 8th Girls' BB at WJMS - 4:30
6/7/8 Wrestling at BSMS - 4:30

*If you have any Blue Coupon Books at your house, please return them to the school ASAP! We have to pay for each book that is not returned to the company!



Ben Steele Art Tribute Wall

In July of 2019, over 40 pieces of artwork, from different artists around the state were hung on our Tribute Wall or put on display in the library. This project started in the spring of 2018, when we decided to contact current artists who are former students of Ben Steele. Upon contacting them, we asked if they would be willing to donate a piece of artwork and include a short biography and write up explaining how they were inspired by Mr. Steele during their journey to become an artist. The response was overwhelming, and we are proud to display the artwork of so many talented and varied artists. Soon we will have a QR code that can be scanned enabling the viewer to see each piece of artwork electronically, and read the accompanying biography and inspirational statement from each artist. Our hope is that the project will continue to grow, adding more artists add to the mix, as they become aware of this unique opportunity. Ben's legacy continues to grow stronger each year, and we are excited about what is yet to come. Stop by to see the Tribute Wall any time!

November Events

- 1 - Fall Dance @ BSMS - 3:15 to 4:45 PM
- 4 - BSMS Orchestra Concert - 7:00 PM
- 5 - 8th Girls' Basketball @ CRMS - 4:30 PM
- 7 - 8th Girls' Basketball @ BSMS - 4:30 PM
- 6th/7th Wrestling @ LCMS - 4:30 PM
- 8th Wrestling @ MCMS - 4:30 PM
- 11 - 8th Girls' Basketball @ BSMS - 4:30 PM
- 12 - 8 Girls' Basketball @ MCMS - 4:30 PM
- Band Concert @ BSMS - 7:00 PM
- 14 - 8th Girls' Basketball @ BSMS - 4:30 PM
- 6/7/8 Wrestling Duals @ MCMS - 4:30 PM
- 15 - Veteran's Day Assembly - 8:30 AM
- 18 - 8th Girls' Basketball @ BSMS - 4:30 PM
- 12-Week Grading Period Ends
- 19 - 6th/7th Wrestling @ CRMS - 4:30 PM
- 8th Wrestling @ WJMS - 4:30 PM
- 20 - 8th Girls' BB Tournament Begins - TBA
- 21 - Round #2 8th Girls' BB Tourney - TBA
- 6th/7th Wrestling Prelims - TBA
- 22 - 8th Wrestling Prelims - TBA
- 25 - 8th Girls' BB Semis @ TBA - 4:30 PM
- 6th/7th Wrestling Finals @ TBA - 4:30 PM
- 26 - 8th Girls' BB Championship @ TBA
- 8th Wrestling Finals @ TBA - 4:30 PM
- 27 - 29 - No School - Thanksgiving Break

December Events

- 2 - Boys' Basketball Starts @ BSMS
- 10 - BSMS Choir Concert - 7:00 PM
- 14 - BSMS Orchestra at Barnes and Noble
- 20 - Holiday Concert - For Students - 9:00

No School - Winter Break
 December 21st - January 1st
 School Resumes on January 2nd

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Activities at Ben Steele

At Ben Steele Middle School, we are very proud of all of our extra-curricular activities, both in and out of the classroom. As you will see from our calendar of events this fall and winter, our athletes have a lot going on. Equally important to us is the involvement of our student body. If students are not competing in a sporting event, we encourage them to attend our home games and cheer for our athletes. Parents are always welcome to help us cheer, too! As the year progresses, we will be making sure to spread the word about other activities that will be happening in and around the school. We will have a number of clubs that will be up and running by the end of October and we encourage students to participate. Some of those include; Student Council, Cribbage Club, Chess Club, Art Club, Magic the Gathering Club, Speech and Debate Club (usually in the spring), Guitar Club, etc. The Math Counts Program will be starting up very soon, and will meet before or after school this year. Students in grades 6-8 are invited and encouraged to participate!

2019 Parent/Teacher Conferences

On Thursday and Friday, October 10th and 11th, our students will be dismissing from school at 12:00 PM. Students will not be eating lunch here those days, but sack lunches will be provided, if pre-ordered. On Thursday afternoon/evening, starting at 12:30, teachers will be holding Parent/Teacher conferences in their classrooms, on a first come, first served basis. These conferences are designed to be short conversations, as there are no appointments necessary. If you wish to schedule a more in-depth meeting with your child's teacher, please contact the school and we will set one up. Students need not attend these conferences, but are welcome to join you. See you Thursday!

Veteran's Day/Ben Steele Birthday

For the last 2 years, and now into our 3rd, Ben Steele Middle School will host an assembly honoring all US Veterans, and their families, as well as Mr. Steele's birthday. This year, we will hold our assembly on Friday morning, November 15th at 8:30 AM. We encourage all students to invite parents, grandparents and other family members who served in our nation's armed forces, to attend the ceremony that morning. This event has quickly become one of our favorite events of the year, and everyone is welcome to attend. We will have visitors and veterans from the American Legion, as well as special guest speakers who will participate in the event. Please mark your calendar for Friday, November 15th, from 8:30 to 9:30 AM in the Ben Steele gymnasium!