

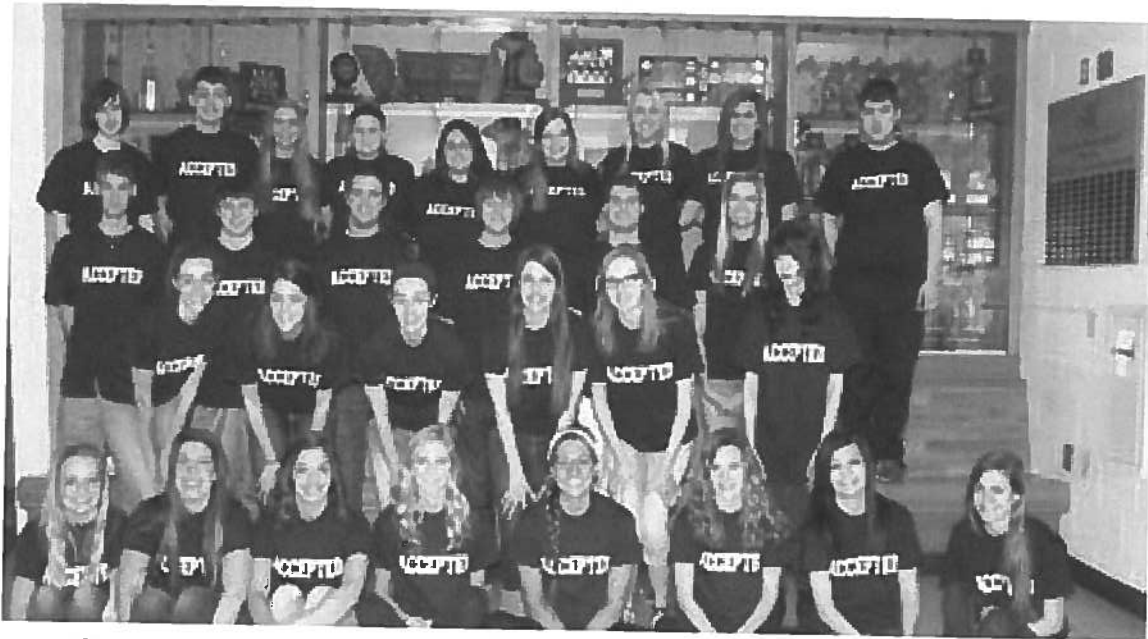


# The Aggie Express

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Here are just a few of our seniors proudly sporting their "Accepted" T-shirts. Any senior who brings in an accepted letter to any college or trade school gets a free shirt! This is all thanks to a grant funded by the Mt Pleasant Area Community Foundation to help Beal City Schools promote a college positive atmosphere, through 'Project Accepted'. Congrats seniors!



## **\*\*Staff Member of the Month\*\***

The Beal City Board of Education, in appreciation of the hard work that is done by all staff 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 honoree is Brandi Snyder.

We are extremely thankful for her hard work and all of her extra efforts that she puts in day after day. The love and extra help that she puts in to each student helps them to be prepared in every aspect in being successful in school. Mrs. Snyder goes the extra mile with all of her students. Her extra efforts do not go unnoticed. Thank you Mrs. Snyder for ALL your hard work.

## Beal City FFA and Project PALS 2014-2015: Tons of Tabs

This year's FFA service project was a huge success with the help from our 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Project PALS from Mrs. Smith's and Ms. Deter's classes. Our goal was to collect as many tabs as possible before March 11<sup>th</sup>. Beal City FFA along with many other FFA's from around the state brought their tabs to the State FFA Convention, held March 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> 2015. All the proceeds benefit the Ronald McDonald House.

Way to go FFA and Project PALS!!



## Beal City Baseball & Softball Programs Thank the Community for Their Support

The Beal City Baseball/Softball teams would like to thank everyone who came out to the bowling tournament on Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. We also want to send out a HUGE THANK YOU to everyone that made a donation for the raffle and everyone who helped to make this possible.

The Beal City Baseball program would also like to thank everyone who supported them at the spaghetti dinner on March 19<sup>th</sup>. We would especially like to thank the parents for all their donations.

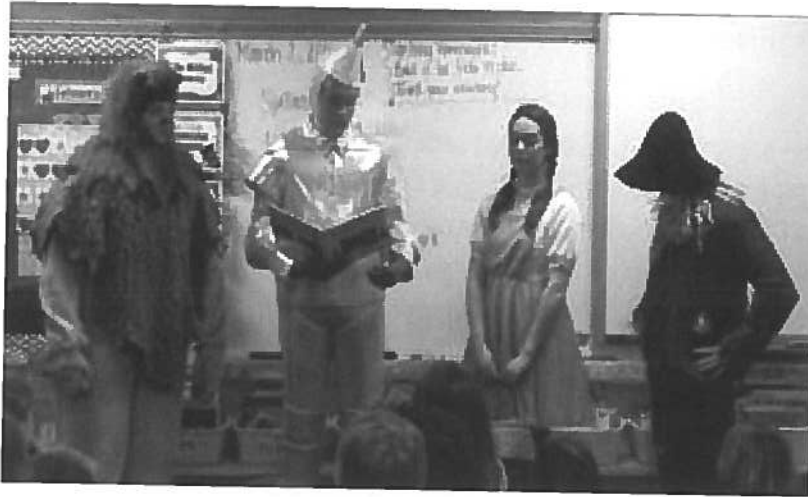
Without the continued support from our community, athletics would not be possible and our programs would not have the strength that they are known for. Feel free to come out this Spring and catch us in action as we continue to strive for program excellence. Thank you again for your support, it is greatly appreciated!!!

## WE NEED YOUR HELP

Beal City Public Schools needs your help in providing safe, quality programming for all of our students. Often times we have the need for substitute custodians, bus drivers, paraprofessionals, secretaries and teachers. Unfortunately we have been struggling to fill these substitute positions. You may not realize that you are qualified to substitute teach. A teaching degree is not required to substitute. The Michigan Department of Education requires 90 semester credit hours toward an undergraduate degree from an accredited 4 year college or university with a minimum GPA of 2.0. . If you, or someone in your family or circle of friends would be interested in helping us fill any of our substitute positions please contact our central office at 989 644-3901.

## Wizard of Oz Characters Read to Students

Throughout the month of March, Mayes Elementary was transformed into the Land of Oz. The theme for Reading Month was The Wizard of Oz, with bulletin boards and classrooms decorated in the Oz theme. Dorothy, the Tin Man, the Scarecrow, and the Cowardly Lion from Oz visited the classrooms and read to the students.



## Come on Down to the St. Joe Game Show!

Everyone is invited to the 16<sup>th</sup> annual St. Joseph the Worker school auction. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, April 17, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Beal City. There is a silent and verbal auction. The verbal auction begins at 8:15 p.m. Admission is \$15 per person, and includes food and refreshments. The auction is the school's primary fundraiser, and a fun night out! The game show themed event encourages you to "phone a friend" and "come on down"—"survey says" 100% of people are invited! Like "St Joseph School Auction" on Facebook for sneak peeks and updates. The students of St. Joseph thank the Beal City community for their continued support!

## SPRING SING

The annual Mayes Elementary Spring Sing/Senior Citizen Reception will take place on Thursday, May 14, 2015. The Senior Citizen Reception will begin at 12:30 p.m. with the Spring Sing immediately following at 1:00 p.m. Both will take place in the elementary gym. Come out for an afternoon of fun and entertainment!

## BOARD BRIEFS

The following was approved at a regular board meeting on March 23, 2015:

- General Fund payments of \$289,555.77, Hot Lunch payments of \$11,549.66, Athletic Fund payments of \$7,935.04.
- The Budget Amendments as presented.
- The Tribal Grant Applications as presented.
- Rachel Leff-Ewing's teacher resignation as presented.
- The following coaches are being recommended through PCMI: Tim Taylor – JH Girls Track, and Brad Gross – Varsity Football.

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.

The Beal City Education Foundation started an initiative earlier this year in conjunction with the Beal City Education Association and the Beal City Board of Education to provide test prep software called Methods Test Prep, to give students the opportunity to prepare for the ACT. In this partnership the cost of the software was split between the BCEF and the BOE. The BCEA provided support for the software by allowing students time in and out of class and on the weekends to use the software. During January and February, on Saturday mornings and Sunday nights, for two hours members of the BCEF, the BCEA and the BOE opened the computer lab to give students an opportunity to study and to provide guidance to students on the ACT test.

The students studied for over a hundred hours and answered over 8,000 sample test questions during these study sessions. Each student was awarded one ticket with their name on it for each hour they spent at the Saturday and Sunday test prep sessions. Then after the ACT test on March 4<sup>th</sup> the tickets went into a hat and one ticket was drawn for a prize of an iPad mini. The winner this year was Junior Kendall Flaughter. Kendall studied more hours during the study session than any of his classmates! Kendall told Mrs. Millerov that his goal was to raise his projected score by a couple of points. Good Luck Kendall on this goal your efforts were commendable and will pay off.

Congratulations to all of the students that participated and took advantage of the study sessions. The BCEF, BCEA and the BOE all thank you for your effort and look forward to hearing how the test prep software helped you all become winners by raising your ACT scores.

Pictured below are Cay Marchiando - BCEF member, Sara Millerov Guidance Counselor - BCEA member, Junior Kendall Flaughter – winner of the iPad mini, and Jeff Jackson, High School Principal.





### **Beal City Schools Give Thanks for Donations**

Beal City Schools would like to thank TNF Transport LLC and The Mt. Pleasant Community Church for their recent donation of school supplies and teacher supplies. TNF Transport donated enough supplies and had them in individual bags so that our elementary students will each get one as a back to school gift next Fall. They also included supplies for teacher's classrooms.

Mt. Pleasant Community Church donated bags for each elementary teacher filled with supplies and donated boxes of facial tissue for each classroom. Pictured are Wayne and Alex Frazier with their donations and members from Mt. Pleasant Community Church with their donations. Your support is greatly appreciated.

## **Mayes Elementary March Students' of the Month**



Back Row Left to Right, Rylee Sisco (4<sup>th</sup> grade) daughter of Blake and Roni Sisco, Kinleigh Keller (6<sup>th</sup> grade) daughter of Eric and Karen Keller, Donovan Zuker (5<sup>th</sup> grade) son of Kevin and Angela Zuker  
Front Row Left to Right, Lily Gross (Kdg.) daughter of Matt and Darbi Gross, Kaitlyn Cotter (1<sup>st</sup> grade) daughter of Chad and Amber Cotter, Cole Tilmann (2<sup>nd</sup> grade) son of Anthony and Suzanne Tilmann, Gracelynn Owens (3<sup>rd</sup> grade) daughter of Kent and Jenna Owens.



## **What's Cooking?**

There's always a meal ready to be served!

Some mornings, it's tough to find the time to make sure your kids are eating a nutritious breakfast. On those days, why not send them to the School Breakfast Program? Each meal meets government nutritional guidelines and standards. Schools are required to provide a breakfast meal that supplies at least ¼ of the Recommended Dietary Allowance for protein, calcium, iron, Vitamin A, Vitamin C, and calories. Check your child's menu to see the variety of nutritious choices available at School Breakfast, or stop by to sample the food yourself!

Every morning our breakfast consists of: assorted pop tarts, muffins, uncrustables, cereal, yogurt, juice, cheese stick and milk. Students must choose a fruit and 2 other items.

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

Full pay price: \$1.30

Reduced: \$.30

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

## **BEAL CITY ROCKET FOOTBALL & CHEER 2015 SIGN-UP**

**WHEN: Monday May 18, 2015, Tuesday May 19, 2015**

**TIME: 6:00-7:30 P.M.**

**PLACE: Beal City High School Lobby**

**COST: \$105.00 per Football Player**

**\$45.00 per Cheerleader**

**ALL ATHLETES SIGNING UP WILL BE REQUIRED TO BRING A COPY OF THEIR BIRTH CERTIFICATE (NO EXCEPTIONS)**

**All players must be 8 years old by September 1, 2015**

**All players 12 years old on September 1, 2015 must sign up for Jr high football**

**Questions please contact**

**Dan Martin: (989) 600-8238**

**Kory Mindel: (989) 330-2398**

## **ELEMENTARY EVENTS CALENDAR**

April 6	PTA Meeting-ALL parents invited, 6:30 p.m.
April 8	LifeTouch Spring Picture Day
April 10	Report Cards sent home in students' planners
April 14	Camp Hayo-Went-Ha Parent Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
April 13-17	PTA sponsored Book Fair
April 13-17	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade M-STEP State Testing
Apr. 27-May 1	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade M-STEP State Testing
May 4-8	Camp Hayo-Went-Ha for 4th-6th graders
May 4-8	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade M-STEP State Testing
May 14	Spring Sing/Senior Citizen Reception 12:30 /1:00p.m.
May 18-22	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade M-STEP State Testing
May 29	Field Day, 11:45am-2:30pm

# APRIL 2015

## Beal City Schools Lunch Menu

MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
6	wg popcorn chicken w/wg dinner roll, green beans, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Monday option: wg corn dog nuggets	7	wg maple flavored waffle, hash brown, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Tuesday option: wg breakfast pizza	8	Chicken Patty w/wg bun, sweet potato fries, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Wednesday option: hamburger/wg bun	9	hot turkey sandwich (wg bread) with mashed potatoes and gravy, broccoli, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Thursday option: wg chicken nuggets/wg bread	10	nachos chips/cheese/meat, refried beans, garden bar, fruit, and milk Friday option: wg cheese pizza
13	meatball sub w/wg hoagie bun, celery, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Monday option: wg corn dog nuggets	14	<b>NEW ITEM</b> chicken mashed potato bowl, w/wg dinner roll, corn, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Monday option: wg corn dog nuggets	15	scalloped potatoes/ham, wg dinner roll, cooked carrots, cookie, broccoli, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Wednesday option: hamburger/wg bun	16	twisty chicken Alfredo, broccoli, wg garlic breadstick, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Thursday option: wg chicken nuggets/wg breadstick	17	taco w/ wg tortilla shell, refried beans, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Friday option: wg pepperoni pizza
20	tangerine chicken w/wg rice, stir fry vegetables, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Monday option: wg corn dog nuggets	21	macaroni and cheese, broccoli, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Tuesday option: wg breakfast pizza	22	hog dog w/wg bun, sweet potato fries, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Wednesday option: hamburger/wg bun	23	salsbury steak mashed potatoes and gravy, peas, wg vanilla graham crackers, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Thursday option: wg chicken nuggets, wg vanilla graham crackers/ (hs wg bread with both options)	24	wg chicken quesadilla, refried beans, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Friday option: wg Calzone w/pepperoni
27	wg popcorn chicken w/wg dinner roll, green beans, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Monday option: wg corn dog nuggets	28	wg maple flavored waffle, hash brown, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Tuesday option: wg breakfast pizza	29	Chicken Patty w/wg bun, sweet potato fries, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Wednesday option: hamburger/wg bun	30	hot turkey sandwich (wg bread) with mashed potatoes and gravy, broccoli, garden bar, fruit, juice and milk Thursday option: wg chicken nuggets/wg breadstick		

### News

#### **NEW ITEM!!**

April 14<sup>th</sup> we are trying a new lunch option: **Chicken mashed potato bowl!!**

The bowl will be layered with: **Popcorn chicken, Mashed potatoes with gravy, corn and cheese!**

**Come and give it a try! Plus, we would love some feedback to see if you want it added to the menu!**



**BEAL CITY**

**JR HIGH**

**SIGN UP**

**IN THE LOBBY**

**IN FRONT OF BIG GYM**

**MONDAY MAY 18TH**

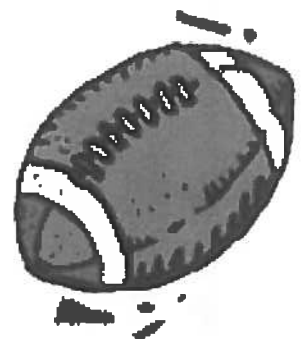
**TUESDAY MAY 19TH**

**6:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

**7TH & 8TH**

**GRADES**

**FALL 2015**



FOR INFORMATION  
MICK STRAUS 644-5224  
MSTRAUS63@GMAIL.COM



**JV Baseball**

Tues. Apr. 7	4:00 p.m.	@Sanford Meridian
Fri. Apr. 10	4:00 p.m.	Mt. Pleasant
Thurs. Apr. 16	4:00 p.m.	@Clare
Fri. Apr. 17	4:00 p.m.	Shepherd
Tues. Apr. 21	4:30 p.m.	@Manton
Mon. Apr. 27	4:30 p.m.	Ewart
Thurs. Apr. 30	4:00 p.m.	SHA
Sat. May 2	10:00 a.m.	@Clare Invite
Tues. May 5	4:30 p.m.	Pine River
Thurs. May 7	4:00 p.m.	@Montabella
Sat. May 9	10:00 a.m.	@Shepherd
Tues. May 12	4:30 p.m.	@Marion
Wed. May 13	4:00 p.m.	Big Rapids
Fri. May 15	4:30 p.m.	@Lake City
Tues. May 19	4:30 p.m.	McBain
Wed. May 20	4:00 p.m.	@Big Rapids

**JV Softball**

Tues. Apr. 7	4:00 p.m.	@Sanford Meridian
Fri. Apr. 10	4:00 p.m.	Mt. Pleasant
Sat. Apr. 11	10:00 a.m.	@Fulton Invite
Thurs. Apr. 16	4:00 p.m.	@Clare
Fri. Apr. 17	4:00 p.m.	Shepherd
Tues. Apr. 21	4:30 p.m.	@Manton
Mon. Apr. 27	4:30 p.m.	Ewart
Thurs. Apr. 30	4:00 p.m.	SHA
Tues. May 5	4:30 p.m.	Pine River
Thurs. May 7	4:00 p.m.	@Montabella
Sat. May 9	10:00 a.m.	@Shepherd Invite
Wed. May 13	4:00 p.m.	Big Rapids
Fri. May 15	4:30 p.m.	@Lake City
Tues. May 19	4:30 p.m.	McBain
Wed. May 20	4:00 p.m.	@Big Rapids

**Junior High Track**

Wed. Apr. 15	4:30 p.m.	Pine River
Mon. Apr. 20	4:30 p.m.	@Lake City
Thurs. Apr. 23	4:00 p.m.	@Montabella Invite
Mon. Apr. 27	4:30 p.m.	@Marion
Thurs. Apr. 30	4:00 p.m.	@Coleman
Mon. May 4	4:30 p.m.	Ewart/Manton
Wed. May 6	4:30 p.m.	McBain
Fri. May 8	4:00 p.m.	@Breckenridge Relays
Wed. May 13	4:00 p.m.	Highland Conference Meet@McBain NMC

**Varsity Track**

Mon. Apr. 13	4:30 p.m.	Tri Meet - Houghton Lake/SHA
Fri. Apr. 17	4:15 p.m.	@Fowler Invite
Tues. Apr. 21	4:30 p.m.	Tri Meet - Lake City/McBain NMC
Fri. Apr. 24	3:00 p.m.	@Clare Invite
Tues. Apr. 28	4:30 p.m.	@Pine River
Fri. May 1	3:00 p.m.	Great Lakes Invitational
Tues. May 5	4:30 p.m.	Tri-Meet @ Manton
Sat. May 9	10:00 a.m.	Alma Scottie Invite @Alma College
Mon. May 11	4:30 p.m.	Tri-Meet - Ewart/Marion
Sat. May 16	TBA	MHSAA Regionals @ Breckenridge
Tues. May 19	3:30 p.m.	Highland Conference Meet @ Marion
Sat. May 23	TBA	MITCA Team State Championships
Tues. May 26	TBA	Morning Sun Meet of Champions
Sat. May 30	TBA	MHSAA State Finals @Hudsonville

**Varsity Baseball**

Tues. Apr. 7	4:00 p.m.	Sanford Meridian
Sat. Apr. 11	9:00 a.m.	@Mt. Pleasant Invite
Thurs. Apr. 16	4:00 p.m.	Clare
Sat. Apr. 18	9:00 a.m.	@Kenowa Hills Invite
Tues. Apr. 21	4:30 p.m.	Manton
Mon. Apr. 27	4:30 p.m.	@Ewart
Thurs. Apr. 30	4:00 p.m.	@SHA
Tues. May 5	4:30 p.m.	@Pine River
Fri. May 8	4:30 p.m.	@McBain NMC
Sat. May 9	11:00 a.m.	@Bay City Western Invite
Tues. May 12	4:30 p.m.	Marion
Fri. May 15	4:30 p.m.	Lake City
Sat. May 16	10:00 a.m.	Beal City Invite
Tues. May 19	4:30 p.m.	@McBain
Wed. May 20	4:00 p.m.	Bay City Central
Sat. May 23	11:00 a.m.	ChippewaHills@Northwood
Wed. May 27	4:00 p.m.	@Shepherd
Sat. May 30	9:00 a.m.	MHSAA Districts

**Varsity Softball**

Tues. Apr. 7	4:00 p.m.	Sanford Meridian
Fri. Apr. 10	4:00 p.m.	@Harrison
Thurs. Apr. 16	4:00 p.m.	Clare
Sat. Apr. 18	10:00 a.m.	@Beaverton
Tues. Apr. 21	4:30 p.m.	Manton
Thurs. Apr. 23	4:00 p.m.	@Vestaburg
Sat. Apr. 25	10:00 a.m.	@Mt. Pleasant
Mon. Apr. 27	4:30 p.m.	@Ewart
Thurs. Apr. 30	4:00 p.m.	@SHA
Tues. May 5	4:30 p.m.	@Pine River
Tues. May 12	4:30 p.m.	Marion
Fri. May 15	4:30 p.m.	Lake City
Sat. May 16	10:00 a.m.	Beal City Invite
Tues. May 19	4:30 p.m.	@McBain
Wed. May 20	4:00 p.m.	Bay City Central
Sat. May 23	9:00 a.m.	@Coleman Invite
Wed. May 27	4:00 p.m.	@Shepherd
Sat. May 30	9:00 a.m.	MHSAA Districts

# SPRING SPORTS SCHEDULE



## SWISS STEAK DINNER

Menu includes  
Swiss Steak – Real Mashed Potatoes – Green Beans  
Cole Slaw – Dessert – Beverage

**Adults - \$8**

**K-6 Students - \$5**

TAKEOUTS AVAILABLE

**Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>**

**5:30 – 7:30 PM**

**Beal City Schools Cafeteria**

Sponsored by the Beal City TEMPO Club

## **Camp Hayo-Went-Ha – PARENT MEETING**

On Tuesday, March 14, at 6:30pm, in the School cafeteria, we will be holding a Camp Parent Meeting for ALL parents of 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders planning on attending Camp. We encourage all parents to attend this year's meeting, since we will be going over some NEW information that will need parent's attention. Some of the topics that we will be covering include;

- Signing medical release forms to allow administration of over-the-counter medication. Signing this form at the parent meeting will allow you not to have a physician signed note for administration of some over-the-counter medication at camp. Bring your ID as the form must be notarized.
- Medical/physical forms
- Camp forms that are required by all students who attend Camp.
- A presentation of the itinerary and specific activities that the students will be involved in at Camp.
- Packing list of needed items to bring to Camp.
- Q&A session with School Staff and the Director of Camp Hayo-Went-Ha, David Yuhaus.

## *Camp Hayo-Went-Ha*

Mayes Elementary School 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade students will be leaving for Camp Hayo-Went-Ha on May 4<sup>th</sup> and returning on May 8<sup>th</sup>. This outdoor educational experience has been a popular field trip for Mayes Elementary students for decades. Students are asked NOT to bring camp luggage to school on the school bus. All camp items should be dropped off at school by parents. Fees for this field trip are secured through fundraising activities and/or parents paying for all or part of the trip. We would like to thank the PTA for their financial support. If you have any questions regarding Camp, please call the elementary office at 644-2740.

# PTA Pig Roast And Silent Auction

Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>

4pm – 9pm

@ The K of C Hall in Beal City



\$7 at the Door (3 & up)

\$6 in Advance (Elementary Office)

2 yrs & under free

Horseshoe Tournament

**BYOB**

(All Proceeds Will Benefit The Elementary Playground Project)

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### Sponsor a Camper

Spring is coming. What a wonderful feeling! Soon our 4<sup>th</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> graders will be heading to Camp Hayo-Went-Ha for an educationally fun filled week. Students participate in many activities that teach history, science, language arts, teamwork, and self-confidence. Some of the favorite activities are Michigan Country, High Ropes, Predator Prey, Survival, Rocks and Minerals, Climbing Wall, Wetlands and Skit Night. Students' days and evenings are packed full of fun, learning, and good food.

It costs \$196 for a child to go to camp. We would love for every student to be able to benefit from this experience. But some families have come onto hard times and find it difficult to pay for camp. That's where you come in. We are looking for people to sponsor campers. A sponsor can pay the full tuition or part of it for a camper. If you would like to sponsor a camper, please fill out the form below and send it into Mayes Elementary.

Thank you so much for your generosity. The experience and memories you are giving a child will last a lifetime.

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Camp Sponsor

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Check one:

\_\_\_\_\_ Full tuitions \$ 196

\_\_\_\_\_ \$100

\_\_\_\_\_ \$50

\_\_\_\_\_ \$10

\_\_\_\_\_ Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_