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THE AGGIE EXPRESS

Metric Olympics





Picture from left to right are: Jack Weber, Justin Forbes, Will McClintic, Katelyn Schultz, Bryn Gilde and Landon Davis.

The 6th grade science class recently competed in the annual Metric Olympics. Students competed in events such as the cotton ball shot put and the paper plate discus. Competitors were scored based on their ability to estimate metric units.

Taking home gold medals in their respective classes were Justin Forbes and Bryn Gilde! Silver medalists included Will McClintic and Landon Davis! Jack Weber and Katelyn Schultz earned bronze medals for their performance.

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 one staff member each month for their service to the students and community of Beal City. This month's honorees are Jess Thomas and Jordan Gohs.





We were all very sad when Donna retired as our media center aide last summer. None of us could have guessed that we would get such a great team of new staff members to try and fill her shoes! Jess Thomas and Jordan Gohs have each been wonderful additions to our staff. They have worked tirelessly to make our students feel at home in the media center. They have learned students' names in record time, and have done wonderful things to make the library as inviting as possible, with seasonal decorations and daily candy giveaways! Every morning a line of students shows up to tell a joke, do a dance, or answer a trivia question in hopes of earning a piece of candy -- so much fun! Thank you, Jess and Jordan, for being a bright spot for our Aggies during these uncertain times!



Beal City Elementary Students of the Month

January

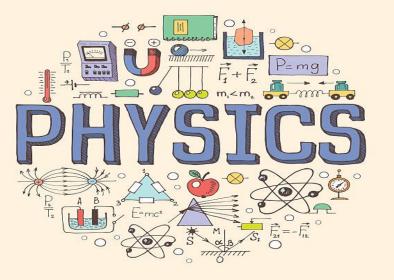


Back Row: (L to R) Gavin Simmer, Bryce Schultz, Weston Zingery Front Row: (L to R) Emily Clare, Cooper Henry, Bentley Flaugher

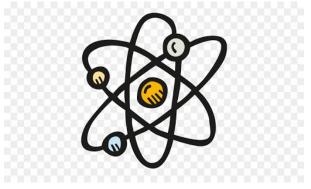
March is Reading Month

As always, the staff at Beal City Elementary is hard at work planning our Reading Month activities for the month of March. This year's theme is Journey into Reading, and we have lots of activities planned related to travel. Please encourage your students to shoot for those reading goals during the month of March!

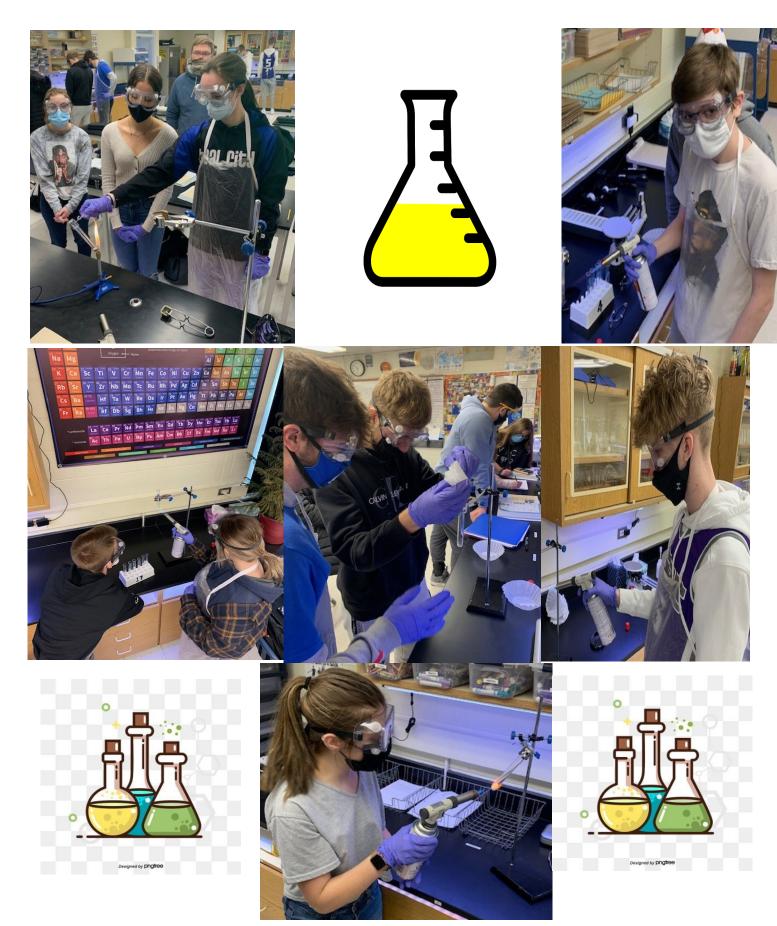








Mr. Leppert's Physics students determine the specific gravity of various metals in a recent lab activity. Most if not all of the lab supplies have been purchased through a 2% Chemistry/Physics tribal grant.



Mr. Leppert's Chemistry students measure the percent of water in a series of crystal-line compounds called hydrates and test the reactivity of various metals.

Middle School Students of the Month



Pictured above are Students of the Month for September, October, and January.

Back left to right: Elijah Pierson (7), Connor Seinkiewicz (6), Jace Faber (8), and Hailey Hulliberger (8). Front left to right: Jack Weber (6), Arryana Brown (7), and Katelyn Schultz (6) Not pictured: Isabelle Davis (8) and Mya Scully (7)

Students of the Month are chosen for their citizenship, participation in class, positive attitude, dedication to studies, and respect for staff and peers. These students are selected by the Middle School Staff. They had a pizza party on February 19th, and will be given certificates at the awards ceremony. Congratulations, kids! We are so proud of you!



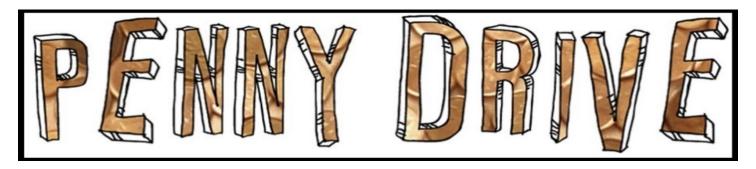
Board Briefs

The following was approved at a regular board meeting on February 15, 2021:

- The January payments of bills as presented: General Fund payments \$597,541.00, Payroll Account payments of \$7,821.49, Hot Lunch payments \$8,232.11. Student Activity Account payments of \$1,793.13, Athletic Fund payments of \$2,885.42.
- The Therapy Dog Program as presented.
- The following coaching recommendations as presented: Cam Gatrell Boys Elementary Basketball, Griffin Bohannon Co-Ed Varsity Track, Kristin Schafer JV Softball, and Dan Beckwith Voluntary Assistant Girls Basketball.

The following coaches have been hired through PCMI: Shawn Licari – 7^{th} Gr. Girls Basketball, Kendra Licari – 8^{th} Gr. Girls Basketball, Brad Antcliff – Girls Elementary Coordinator, James Estell – Voluntary Assistant Girls Basketball, Steve Pickens – Varsity Baseball, Brad Antcliff – Varsity Softball, Stefanie Locke – 50% Varsity Track Assistant and Jenny Davis – 50% Varsity Track Assistant.

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.



National Honor Society Penny Drive

Do you not know what to do with all of your extra change? Beal City National Honor Society does! From January 25th - February 4th, Beal City National Honor Society organized a penny drive fundraiser including all 6th-12th grade students and staff. Donations from all money donated from the penny drive was given to Buffalo Wild Wings in dedication of all frontline workers. Frontline workers are able to stop into Buffalo Wild Wings and essentially get meals paid for thanks to Beal City's generous donations. Overall NHS raised \$1,789.91 exceeding their goal of \$600. Students and staff went above and beyond once again in hopes to give back to others. Brandon Gross alone attributed 12% of our total! The Beal City community is powerful and dedicated to helping others throughout this time.

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Dear Aggie Families,

At Beal City Schools, we try hard to give our students the tools they need for success. Sometimes, the tools required are more than just textbooks, computers, paper and pencils. Our students are facing issues like; anxiety, depression, stress, trouble focusing in school, the unpredictability of navigating peer and social issues, as well as the many uncertainties Covid brought us. Our students need help dealing with these issues; more help than we can give alone. It has been proven that social emotional therapy dogs can help us provide the support that our students so desperately need.

Beal City Schools has always been able to count on our community for help - and we need a lot of it. We need to raise a minimum of \$10,000 to cover the cost of the dog and its training.

We hope you will consider becoming one of our school therapy dog sponsors. As a sponsor, you will bask in the knowledge that you have made our school and community a better place to be. Together we will be able to provide our students, staff and community with the benefits of a school therapy dog.

Please see back of this letter for the Sponsorship Levels Document, to find the giving level that is right for you. The deadline for having your name included on the fundraising t-shirts, and banner is March 10, 2021.

We would like to thank you in advance for your consideration and generosity. Please contact our Therapy Dog Committee at bctherapydog@bealcityschools.net with any questions.

Sincerely.

The Carl D. Mayes Elementary, School Therapy Dog. Committee



Beal City Therapy Dog Sponsorship Levels

Elite Level \$1500+ donation or contribution of lifetime maintenance care

Your family or business will receive:

- ★ Name of family or business to be displayed on the Therapy Dog's Vest (worn at school and in public while working).
- ★ PLUS everything listed below.

Gold Level ⇒ \$1000 donation

Your family or business will receive:

- ★ Name of family or business to be displayed on a professionally printed banner displayed outside BC Schools.
- ★ PLUS everything listed below.

Silver Level ⇒ \$500 donation

Your family or business will receive:

- ★ Name of family or business printed on the back of our fundraising t-shirts.
- ★ Recognition of donation in a Facebook Post.
- ★ PLUS everything listed below.

Bronze Level ⇒ \$100 donation

Your family or business will receive:

- ★ Recognition of donation on the Beal City Schools Website.
- ★ Recognition of donation in the Aggie Express.

Beal City Therapy Dog Donation **



Please complete this slip and send it in the self-addressed stamped envelope provided either, with donation or after donating electronically.

"Donate Tab" through Beal City Website	Check (made out to Beal City Schools)
Donation amount \$	
Please check one of the following:	
Elite Donor- \$1001+	OBronze Donor- \$100
Gold Donor- \$1000	Other
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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: uncrustables, donuts, breakfast kit, bagels/cream cheese and milk. Students must choose a fruit and 2 grain items.

Location: Aggie Cafe

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

Full pay price: \$1.75

Reduced: \$.30

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