



THE AGGIE EXPRESS



Class of 2020 DAR Good Citizen of the Year

Seth Schafer was nominated by his teachers and peers as the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Good Citizen of the Year for our district. He was nominated based on characteristics of dependability, service, leadership and patriotism. This is a great honor and we are very proud of Seth for his outstanding good character!



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. This ceremony will be held on Monday, November 11th at 10:00 a.m. in the big gym. If you are a veteran or a current member of the U.S. Military, please plan to attend the Veterans Day Ceremony. 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 this ceremony.

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 a luncheon 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 Schools received an Energy Star Emerald School Award

The combined conservation and recycling efforts of Jess Spry's FFA and recycling programs, Marci Faber's food service crew, and Jason McDonald's building and grounds staff have led to Beal City Public Schools being designated as an "Emerald School" by the Governor. It's a great example of everyone working together to accomplish more than they could as individuals. Thanks to all for saving money and the environment at the same time.

Beal City Public Schools earns ENERGY STAR Certification!!!!

We're excited to announce that Beal City Public Schools has earned ENERGY STAR® certification from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)!!!

The next time you visit, check out the little blue label on display at our entrance – it represents proven, verified superior energy performance over a 12-month period. In fact, ENERGY STAR certified buildings and plants perform in the top 25 percent of similar buildings nationwide!



Thank you for being a part of our sustainability story by taking simple actions to cut energy waste – like turning off the lights in empty rooms, reporting energy waste to our facility manager, and taking part in making our building as energy efficient as possible.

Here's to another year of cutting energy waste, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and doing our part to protect the environment – together!

Learn more at energystar.gov

Reading Now Network

Literacy experts from the Reading Now Network visited Beal City Elementary to conduct instructional rounds and evaluate our instruction and programming. Working with this team, our staff is going to target specific areas of instruction that can be improved to make a difference for our students. We are very excited about this new partnership!



Rotary Citizen of the Month

Congratulations to Seth Schafer on his selection as Beal City Public School's Rotary Citizen of the Month. Seth was joined at a congratulatory luncheon by his mother Denise.

Beal City Elementary



Students of the Month



Back Row (L to R): Blake Funnell, Shelby Smith, Cuyler Smith

Front Row (L to R): Sofie Gruss, Levi Sienkiewicz, Joel Contreras-Martinez

Holiday Program/Senior Citizen Reception

The annual Mayes Elementary Holiday Program/Senior Citizen Reception will take place on Friday, December 20th, 2019. The Senior Citizen Reception will begin at 12:30 p.m., with the Holiday Program following at 1:00 p.m. Both will take place in the elementary gym. Come out for an afternoon of fun and entertainment!



Youth Basketball Clinics

Youth and JH Girls Basketball Camp registrations are taking place. Flyers have been sent home. Please call the elementary office at 989-644-2740 or the high school office at 989-644-3944 for more information!



Depending on the football season...the boys basketball camps for grades 1-6 will run on Saturdays from Nov. 16th to Dec. 14th from 8-10 a.m. Flyers will be delivered to classrooms the first week in November.



Meet Martin!

This 2019-2020 school year, Beal City welcomes foreign exchange student, Martin Korunka. Martin is eighteen years old and is attending Beal City for his senior year. Martin is staying with Doug and Andrea Lobert while in the United States. Martin is from the Czech Republic and flew approximately seven hours to arrive in the United States. Back home, Martin has three siblings; two younger brothers and one younger sister. Martin's main motivation for traveling to the United States was to see the difference in culture. So far, Martin has noticed that we have much larger roads and more traffic.

Outside of school, Martin loves to play sports. Back home, he played soccer and floor ball. Martin is currently on the varsity football team here at Beal City, and in the spring will be participating in track. One thing Martin definitely would like to do in the United States is attend a National Hockey League game. The community here at Beal City hopes Martin enjoys his stay and has the best experience!

Student Journalist Natalie Ancliff



Beal City Junior Dances in Russia

Did you know that one of our own students has started their dancing career? This summer, Rosie Daniels had an opportunity to dance at a prestigious ballet school in Russia. After dancing since she was 16 months old and dancing in many performances: The Nutcracker, Snow White, Peter and the Wolf, and more, her hard work has really paid off. Rosie and 14 other students earned a scholarship to be flown to Russia and dance at the Bolshoi Ballet Academy for six weeks. Three thousand three hundred people applied for this scholarship but only six hundred sixty got in, and Rosie was one of them.

However, it wasn't easy to earn that scholarship. Each student was required to write four essays, and turn in a teacher recommendation. It wasn't easy dancing there, either. Rosie had a hard time getting used to repeating the same dances over and over again. It was also tough to deal with soreness after so much dancing. Despite the soreness and nerves, Rosie loved Russia. "I was really nervous," she said. "When I got off the plane, everything was in Russian. It was very intimidating." While in Russia, Rosie stayed at the Moscow State Academy, and with two host families on the weekend. At the end of her trip, Rosie performed with the other students at the Academy. Rosie was very thankful for having the opportunity to visit and perform in Russia.

Student Journalist Mackenzie Fuller

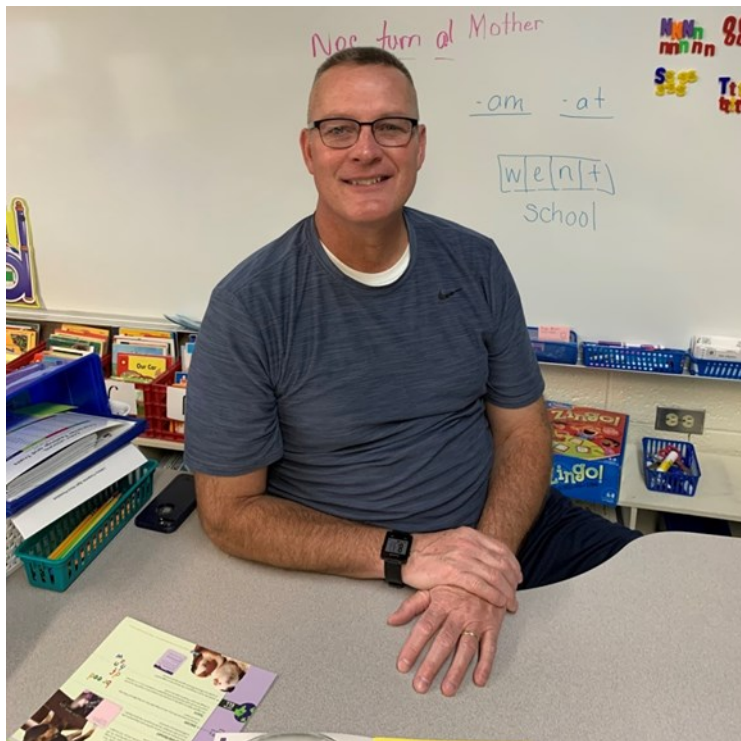


Winter Sports Schedule

JH Boys Basketball

Fri. Nov. 8	5:30 p.m.	Tri w/McBain @ Pine River
Mon. Nov. 11	6:00 p.m.	Pine River
Wed. Nov. 13	6:00 p.m.	Houghton Lake
Mon. Nov. 18	6:00 p.m.	Lake City
Fri. Nov. 22	5:30 p.m.	Tri w/Lake City & Roscommon
Mon. Nov. 25	6:00 p.m.	@Ewart
Mon. Dec. 2	6:00 p.m.	Roscommon
Thurs. Dec. 5	6:00 p.m.	@McBain NMC
Thurs. Dec. 12	6:00 p.m.	@McBain
Tues. Dec. 17	6:00 p.m.	Manton
Thurs. Dec. 19	6:00 p.m.	Ewart

*****Staff Member 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 honoree is Dan Beckwith.

Mr. Beckwith teaches physical education, computers, and provides Title reading interventions for grades K-5 at Beal City Elementary. He has done an exceptional job of evaluating and implementing our new technology curriculum pilot through learning.com. Mr. Beckwith is also working with students on critical test taking skills that will serve students well in all areas of their education. Thank you Mr. Beckwith for your outstanding efforts with our students!



Middle School Students of the Month

The Middle School Staff is excited to recognize three outstanding students. 6th grader Kelsey Straus, 7th grader Chase Wezensky, and 8th grader Oliver Zeien are the October Students of the Month. Thank you for being a positive person, a role model for your peers, and going above and beyond on your classwork. We look forward to having a pizza party and recognizing our September and October students of the month during the first week of November.



Wreath Sales



Wreath sales will be taking place again this year throughout the first few weeks of November. Order forms will be due on November 18th and wreaths will be delivered to the school on November 25th. We will also be offering crosses this year made out of double-tipped balsam and decorated with ribbon. Sizes, prices, and options are listed below.

Size	Price	Options
22"	\$20	Red, Burgundy, or Blue & White Ribbon
32"	\$25	Red, Burgundy, or Blue & White Ribbon
50"	\$75	Red, Burgundy, or Blue & White Ribbon
30" Cross	\$35	Red, Burgundy, or Blue & White Ribbon
	\$5	Wreath Hanger



Beal City Elementary Robotics



Beal City is in its 2nd year of Elementary Robotics. This year, we have 35 students in grades 4th 5th & 6th which make up four full teams. Also, we are pleased to announce that we have one new Junior FLL Lego team, which is made up of 6 students in grades first, second and third.

Robotic students are engaged in hands-on STEM experiences, such as critical thinking skills, building, designing, and programming which helps them build confidence, grow their knowledge and develop habits of learning.

These 41 students have been working hard all fall in preparation for their District competition which will be held in Clare, Michigan, November 23, 2019 at the Clare High School. Come out and support our future engineers and programmers.

***Note – the Junior FLL team, are too young to compete, but will have a presentation to show what they have learned this year.



Project R.E.D.

Project R.E.D. or Rural Education Day, is a great way to introduce our young people to the great history of Michigan Agriculture. This year, Beal City's 4th graders joined the rest of Isabella County's 4th graders on September 26th and visited Bryant Farms for a special learning opportunity. The hands on activities and the special demonstrations were enjoyed by all!

Board Briefs

The following was approved at a regular board meeting on October 21, 2019:

- General Fund payments of \$579,385.69, Payroll Account payments of \$1,377.47, Hot Lunch payments of \$8,261.72, Student Activity Account payments of \$31,619.37, Athletic Fund payments of \$5,281.27, Arbiter Sports payments of \$3,046.05, Capital Project payments of \$5,000.00.
- The 2nd reading of the Emergency Operations Plan as presented.
- The 1st reading of the NEOLA Policy Fall Updates as presented.
- The 2018-2019 Audit as presented.
- The following coaching recommendations: Cam Gatrell – Varsity Boys Basketball, Cam Gatrell – 5th/6th Gr. Boys Program Director, Dan Beckwith – 8th Gr. Boys Basketball, Teri Cramlet – Voluntary Assistant JV Girls Basketball/Varsity Girls Basketball Assistant, Madison Menheer – Voluntary Assistant Competitive Cheer, Brian Locke – Voluntary Strength and Conditioning Coach, Jamie Farrell – Voluntary Assistant JV Boys Basketball, Dennis Lorenz – Voluntary Assistant JH Boys Basketball, Kyle Yuncker – Voluntary Assistant JH Boys Basketball, Sam Wieringa – Voluntary Assistant JH Boys Basketball, Aarron Butkovich – Voluntary Assistant JH Boys Basketball, Tucker Gross – Voluntary Assistant Freshman Basketball.

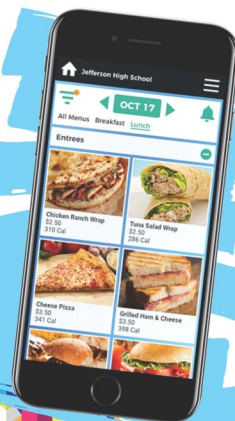
The following coaches were hired through PCMI: Brad Antcliff – Varsity Girls Basketball, Brad Antcliff – JV Girls Basketball, Todd Schafer – JV Boys Basketball, Kyle Gross – Freshman Basketball, William Chilman V – 7th Gr Boys Basketball, Kendra Licari – 8th Gr. Girls Basketball, Shawn Licari – 7th Gr. Girls Basketball, Bailie Erway – Competitive Cheer, Brad Antcliff – 5th/6th Gr. Girls Basketball Program Director, Brad Antcliff – Varsity Softball.

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.

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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 lunch item and these cold whole grain items: muffins, uncrustables, donuts, cereal, cheese stick, juice and milk. Students must choose a fruit and 2 grain items.

Location: Aggie Cafeteria

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

Full pay price: \$1.75

Reduced: \$.30

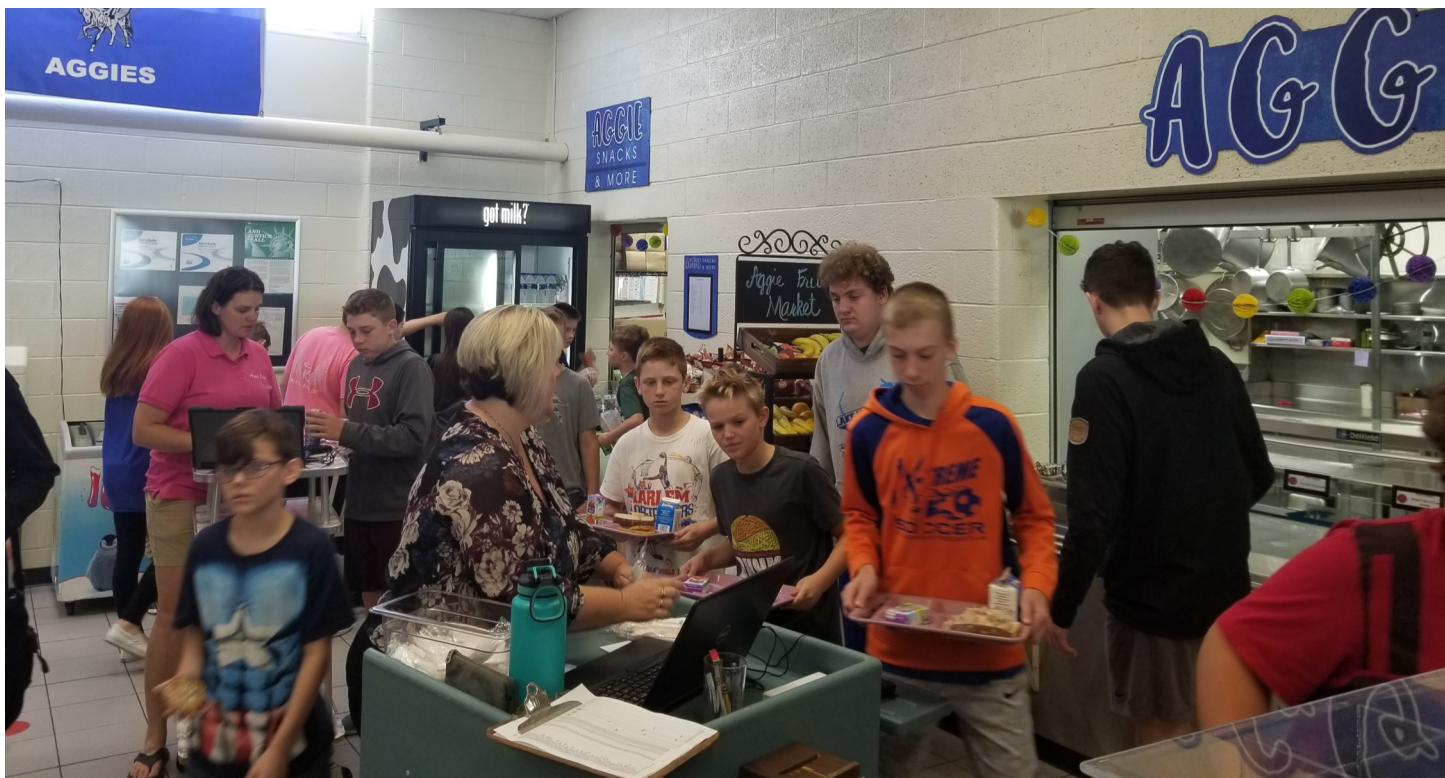
Remember, no breakfast will be served if we have a delay.



Apple Crunch

October 10, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. we celebrated National Food Day and Apple Crunch Day! We had over 800 people participating this year. We joined other schools and businesses around the state to raise awareness about healthy eating and wellness, by all of us crunching into a Michigan Apple on the same day!





The second line we added at Middle school and High school lunches has really sped things up!



The students are loving the Aggie Fruit Market at lunch.

1994 State Championship Halftime Recognition

Beal City Football and Athletics invited back the 1994 state championship football team and coaches in recognition of the 25th anniversary of their championship.

The undefeated 1994 team did not listen to the outside noise that they were not supposed to qualify for the playoffs, instead they used it as motivation. The team opened the season with a 48-0 victory over Sacred Heart and only built momentum from there, by going on to win the Highland Conference with a 5-0 record. From there the team won their next 4 games by a combined score of 190-14 which included the Regional Championship game against North Muskegon. This led to the first Aggies trip to Marquette's Yoooper Dome where the Aggies battled Lake Linden and defeated them 22-14. In the state championship game, at the Pontiac Silverdome, the Aggies rolled to a 35-14 victory over Litchfield.

Members of the team included:

Freshman	Sophomores	Juniors	Seniors	Assistant Coaches
Kal Cotter	Dave Scully	Michael O'Neil	Brad Gross	Keith Yuncker
Jeremy Straus	Nick Onstott	Charlie Stahl	Aaron Andres	Dennis Lorenz
Aaron Pohl	Zach Anderson	Wes Wilson	Luke Gottleber	Joel Wilker
Josh Courtney	Nathan Mead	Corey Block	Mike Bardell	Jay Wallace
Jason Schafer	Kelly Rau	Nick Schmierer	Joe Crimando	Jim Fournier
Jason Gruss	Ryan Nelson	Kevin Faber	Jim Bailor	Kyle Weiber
	Keith Cotter	Dave Pung	Ben VanAllen	Pat Onstott
	K.C. Klumpp	Kris Pung	Bill Schumacher	Head Coach – Ben Steele
	Tony Fox		Abe Pasch	Athletic Director – RJ Schafer
	Andy Gross		Chad Schafer	
	Mike Gould		Nick Fussman	
	Chris Fussman			



Winter Sports Registration Meetings

Boys & Girls Basketball (7-12)

Competitive Cheer (9-12)

Student/athletes will not begin practice or tryouts until the three items listed below are complete. Once all items are confirmed by the athletic office, the student/athlete will be given an approval ticket. The ticket must be given to your coach.

- 1) Physical: Approved and filed in athletic office, completed on or after April 15, 2019.
- 2) Participation fee: one of the following
 - a. Paid
 - b. Waiver Complete
 - c. Parent has communicated with athletic office a plan of payment
- 3) Athletic Consent: Signed and submitted

*If unable to attend the meeting, the athletic office is open all scheduled school days from 7:15-AM – 3:15 PM

Athlete Registration Meetings

<u>Boys Basketball (9-12):</u>	Tuesday, November 5	7:00pm
<u>Girls Basketball (9-12):</u>	Tuesday, November 5	7:00pm
<u>Competitive Cheer (7-12):</u>	Tuesday, November 5	7:00pm
<u>Girls Jr. High Basketball:</u>	Wednesday, December 18	7:00pm

First Practice/Tryout Dates

Girls HS Basketball	November 11
Competitive Cheer	November 11
Boys HS Basketball	November 18
Girls JH Basketball	January 6

*Please reference the “School & Events Calendar” at www.bealcityschools.net for practice and game details. Practice times and dates will be added in early August.

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**Congratulations to the 8th grade Rocket Football team who
made it to the playoffs this year!**

Pictured back row: Coach McKenny, #18 Payton Butkovich, Coach Miles, #53 Kylis Straus, #50 Josh Wilson, #66 Westin Anderson, #22 Devin Flachs, #67 Jacob Pasch, Coach Faber, Owen Mckenny, #34 Bennett Gilde, #7 Jace Faber, Coach Bear.
Middle row: #26 Cayden Smith, #21 Wyatt Fort, #82 Luke Lyon, #2 Jack Fussman, #25 Braydon Schafer, #24 Jamison Latham, #97 Parker McDonald, #8 Kane Cale, #6 Alex Sytek, #19 Austin Small,
Front row left to right: Coach Baby Bear, #28 Lane Gross

Not pictured Coach Schafer