



THE AGGIE EXPRESS

Beal City Elementary



Students of the Month

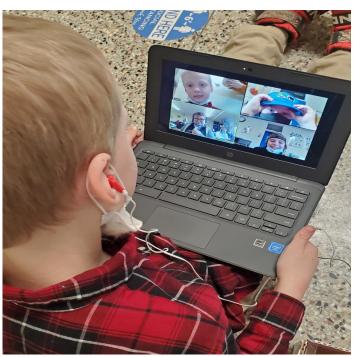
April



Back Row: (L to R) Barrett Cornell, Emma McConkie, Blake Funnell, Aubrey Quick Front Row: (L to R) Paisley Ryman, Carson Loomis





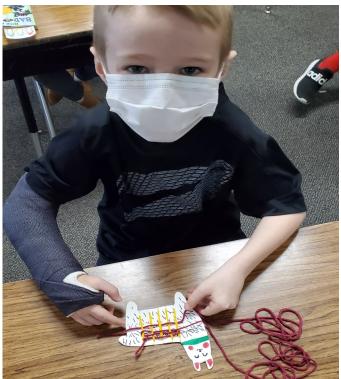


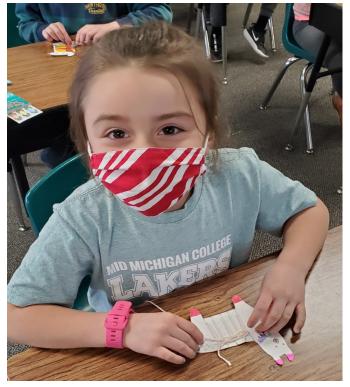


 2^{nd} & 5^{th} Graders Enjoy Reading Month Activities

The 2nd graders in Mrs. VanBlargan's class & 5th graders from Mrs. Wentworth's classroom made reading buddies happen each week in March, even if it was through a computer screen. Reading month was so much fun! The students were able to read to each other, play I Spy, Pictionary and tell jokes they made up for each other.

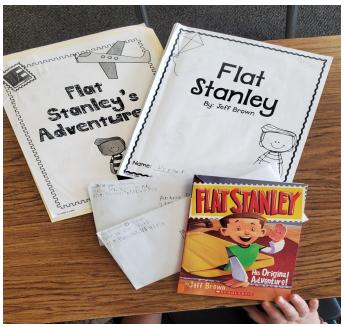






Mrs. VanBlargan's class learned how to weave during one of their Language Arts lessons. The students had so much fun practicing this new skill. We read the award-winning children's classic, *Goat In the Rug* which talked about weaving a goats hair into a rug. The students learned what a loom was and were able to use their own to create this project.







2nd Grader's Flat Stanley Project

The 2nd graders in Mrs. VanBlargan's class participated in a Flat Stanley project. First, the students read the book *Flat Stanley* to better understand why he was so flat. Then, students each wrote two letters to friends or family members from other states. The students were able to practice their geography skills as well as their letter writing skills. We have slowly began to get back our Flat Stanleys, along with letters and gifts. One of them even came back from Disney World with stickers & suckers for each of them.



Mrs. Hull's Third Grade Class

Thank you to the Isabella Community Credit Union

A BIG thank you to Isabella Community Credit Union for the \$500 teacher grant. Mrs. Hull was able to purchase books for students in her class to take home monthly and buy a couple new series for the classroom!



Spring Sing

Please join us via Facebook live. The elementary Spring Sing will be livestreamed on the Beal City Elementary Facebook page at 1:00 p.m. on May 20, 2021.



Pictured are Alayna Andrews, Sage Schumacher, Ayden Case, Cameron Lynch, Kirsten Turner and Nathan Coston.

Digital Detox for Seniors

Six seniors in the Senior Survival class accepted a challenge on March 22nd. They agreed to hand their cell phones over to Mrs. Davis at 3:00 until the following morning. Students were unable to text, use social media, and utilize the internet unless academically necessary during the 17-hour period. Following the challenge, the students debriefed with their classmates. The Senior Survival class has been learning about the impact cell phones, social media, and technology have on relationships, mental health, and American culture.







Future Chemists

Future chemists illustrate the concept of a limiting reagent in a chemical reaction with Magnesium and Hydrochloric Acid. Chemistry students also practiced Stoichiometry by determining the mass of Sodium Hydrogen Carbonate in a sample of baking soda.





Students learned about the different types of volcanoes, eruptions and the dangers associated with them by doing a research project on various volcanoes located throughout the world.

M-STEP Testing

Testing season is upon us! We have already started with our 5th grade students, with 3rd & 4th grade to follow in the upcoming weeks. 5th grade students will take assessment in ELA, Math, Science and Social Studies, while our younger grades will only have tests in ELA and Math. Given the turbulence of the last year, we are very interested to see how our students score.



Feeding in the Classroom During M-STEP Testing

Elementary classes are bringing their classrooms to the Aggie Cafe to grab-n-go a free breakfast so they can fuel their minds before testing. This benefits the students in so many ways and gives us the opportunity to feed more of our students a nutritious breakfast!



School Breakfast is Cool!

Every day is a perfect day for school breakfast!

As the summer approaches, kids are often more restless and distracted at school. You can help to make sure that their last weeks of school are productive by ensuring that they begin the day with a nutritious breakfast. Studies show a good breakfast makes kids more alert, less distractible and better behaved in school; it even improves their test scores!

Let's keep our students focused by making sure they begin every school day with a balanced meal at home or at the School Breakfast Program.

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.

Athletic Post Season Awards

Boys Basketball:

Team BCAM Academic All State - 9th Consecutive Year

Jake Gross – Highland Conference 1st Team Marcus Kent - Highland Conference 1st Team Brayden Haynes – Highland Conference Honorable Mention

Competitive Cheer:

Zeta Zeneberg – 2nd Team All District Kyleigh Konwinski – Honorable Mention All-District

Girls Basketball:

Paige Antcliff – Highland Conference 1st Team & BCAM Team First Award Grace Weber – BCAM Outstanding Senior Student-Athlete Mykenzie Kent – Highland Conference Honorable Mention

Board Briefs

The following was approved at a regular board meeting on April 19, 2021:

- The March payments of bills as presented: General Fund payments \$680,102.95, Payroll Account payments of \$1,506.43, Hot Lunch payments \$14,920.98, Student Activity Account payments of \$7,504.88, Custodial Fund payments of \$492.25, Athletic Fund payments of \$5,435.89, and Arbiter Sports payments of \$4,027.17.
- The Nottawa Township Sewer Project Resolution as presented.
- The Bond Bid Acceptance including the Bus Bids as presented.
- The Resolution for the Sale of the Bonds as presented.
- The following probationary teacher recommendations: Secondary: Alsatia Lohr will complete 4th year and approved for 5th year, James Tice will complete 3rd year and approved for 4th year and Griffin Bohannon will complete 2nd year and approved for 3rd year. Elementary: Amanda Schmidt will complete 3rd year and approved for 4th year and Shelby Weber will complete 3rd year and approved for 4th year. There were no tenure teacher recommendations.
- The COVID Hazard Pay for administrators.
- The 1st reading of the Neola Spring Policies as presented.
- The following coaching recommendations as presented: Dan Martin Varsity Baseball Voluntary Assistant and Kevin Wilson Varsity Baseball Voluntary Assistant.

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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 Griffin Bohannon.

In his two years with the district, Mr. Bohannon has excelled in his primary responsibility of being a secondary Math teacher. He has worked closely with the rest of our Math department to help make our student's 6-12 math experience a positive one. Mr. Bohannon has gone above and beyond that primary responsibility by expressing a willingness to coach our boys and girls high school track teams. This year that means a whopping 62 students, thanks to Mr. Bohannon's recruiting efforts. Mr. Bohannon also keeps himself busy coaching our middle school Robotics team and helping with our Cross Country program. Outside of school, Mr. Bohannon focuses on his family and his recreational running. We are extremely fortunate to add Mr. Bohannon to our Aggie family. Thanks for all you do!