

School Board Workshop:

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Subject:

BCMS Spring Activities Report

Presenter:

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SUGGESTED SCHOOL BOARD ACTION:

Report only

DESCRIPTION:

Spring seemed to arrive quickly last year as another school year flew by, and fortunately, the weather was cooperative for the most part. Spring is always one of our busiest times at BCMS, with a lot of different activities happening and a large number of students choosing to get involved. From athletics to clubs and other activities, our students had many opportunities to participate, compete, build relationships, and represent our school. Overall, it was another busy and successful spring for our Activities Department and, most importantly, for our kids.

Baseball participation was down last spring, with only 17 students coming out for the school team. This was disappointing, especially knowing that many more of our students are participating in travel baseball during the summer, and it is a trend we will continue to keep an eye on. With the lower numbers, we were unable to field two teams as we have in the past and as many of the schools we compete against are able to do. While our team did not experience the level of success on the field that we would have hoped for, the students who participated worked hard, continued to improve, and represented BCMS well throughout the season.

Softball numbers were also down last spring, but for a very different reason than baseball. Our high school program needed 12 of our eighth-grade players to move up and compete at the high school level, which significantly impacted our middle school numbers. Coach Matt Muetzel did a great job working with the girls who remained and was very positive about the progress they made throughout the season. While wins and losses are always part of athletics, the growth of our players is especially important at the middle school level, and Matt was excited about how much this group improved as softball players.

Track and Field continues to be one of our largest programs, growing from a record 106 athletes last year to an incredible 119 this spring—that is a lot of kids participating in one activity! Samantha Revenig continues to lead the program with a tremendous passion for track, even helping with the team right up until the birth of her second child, and returning coaches Jan Fournier and Lindsey Wurm were joined by Courtney Adair and Jordan Zrust. We hosted two meets this spring, which is a major undertaking when you consider the staffing, organization, and expense involved in putting on a middle school track meet. We took that

on as part of the first year of our new track scheduling alliance, and the partnership turned out to be a great success, providing our athletes with a full schedule and quality competition. Most importantly, the alliance worked well for our kids, and the schools involved were very pleased with how the first year went.

Boys Tennis continues to grow and establish itself as a strong middle school program. Coach Caleb Quernemoen is passionate about the sport and does a great job teaching fundamentals while also helping our students learn how to compete and understand the game. It has been fun to watch students enter the program with different levels of experience and develop into better tennis players throughout the season. Just as importantly, the growth we are seeing at the middle school level is beginning to have a positive impact on the high school program, which is exactly what we hope to see from our activities programs.

Golf was another program that experienced nice growth last spring, with 11 more students participating than the previous year. Our partnership with Buffalo Heights continues to be a great fit for our program and gives our students a quality place to learn and practice the game. Many of our kids have golfed recreationally with family or friends, but middle school golf gives them an opportunity to learn what it means to play the game competitively. One of the things our students enjoy most is traveling to different courses and competing against golfers from other schools. It is a fun program that continues to introduce more kids to a sport they can enjoy well beyond their middle school years.

Our spring intramural programs also proved to be very popular, with 106 students choosing to participate. Intramurals continue to be an important part of our Activities Department because they provide opportunities for students who may not be interested in a traditional school sport to still get involved. These programs give kids another way to spend time with friends, meet new people, and feel connected to our school outside of the regular school day. Having more than 100 students participate is a great reminder that offering a variety of activities helps us reach more of our kids.

Overall, it was a busy but very successful spring for our Activities Department. Between athletics and intramural programs, we had 25 more students participate in a school activity than we did the previous spring. That growth is something we are proud of because the more opportunities we can provide, the more chances our students have to get involved, build relationships, and feel connected to BCMS. We will continue to look for ways to improve our programs and, most importantly, create opportunities for more of our kids to be involved, active, and part of something at school.

ATTACHMENT:

- BCMS 2026 Spring Activities Participation Report