

Boyceville Community School District



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Boyceville High/Middle School

Principal's Report

November 19, 2025

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Facilities

Consistent with our upgrades throughout the school year thus far, doors continue to be the focus of changes throughout the high/middle school. As I write this report, I am able to watch the installation of the set of interiors door being completed on Door #18 (from the main parking lot). We continue to have doors installed and each installation feels like a small victory as we move closer toward the completion of this phase of the project.

The most common concern over this past week has been the inconsistent temperatures; we have had rooms that a week ago were unbearably hot and this week they are a literal ice box. We have an upstairs that struggled to hit the low 60s this week... our students continue to persist and make the most of the conditions with hardly a whimper; the wherewithal of our students has been and continues to be, greatly appreciated.

Climate/Culture

Our BHS STUCO (Student Council) has been highly impactful for the duration of October and early into November. From organizing Unity Day and "Mix It Up" lunch activities, to hosting our Veterans' Day program - our student council has taken on a dynamic that encourages student engagement and elevates what it means to be a part of our student council. Our STUCO president, Will Engel, has implemented his vision for service-based leadership and his fellow members have embraced this change. It is amazing to see the impact that our student leaders can have on the continued development of community here at BHS.

Our October Student of the Month program designated "RESPONSIBILITY" as our designated trait. We had nine middle school students nominated - Henry Arnold, Brysen Krueger, Lucas Lain, Noah Monfort, Ethan Mrdutt (8), Aericka Olson Sheilin Vasquez-Martinez, Henley Webb - with Ethan Mrdutt (Class of 2031) being selected as the BMS SOM. We had two students receive a nomination in the high school - Corbin Nelson (2) and Kade Phillips - Kade Phillips (Class of 2027) was tabbed as the BHS SOM.

The Library Learning Center continues to be the hub of activity for our student body as we were presented with a special appearance from former BHS English Instructor, Mike Kruszynski, who shared his rendition of Edgar Allen Poe's, The Telltale Heart. The LLC also served as a Hospitality Room to our guests who were recognized during our Veterans' Day Celebration. A special thank you to Jen Engel, Jen Bignell AND Rochelle Olson for their contributions which served to honor veterans and thanking them for their selflessness.

Curriculum & Instruction

Our conversations have become a bit more emotional as we received our DPI Accountability Report Cards for the 2024-2025 school year. Our results were mixed this year, highlighted by the middle school securing a score of 76.2 (Exceeds Expectations) - outdistancing the state average in six of seven categories (Achievement (2), Growth (1) & On-Track to Graduation (3)). Our high school score remained the same last year - 54.7 (Meets Few Expectations); this score is disappointing when considering the work that we have engaged in over the past school year. This score is the lowest since 2018 and has resulted in preliminary conversations that revolve around where we need to focus our efforts in order to improve our performance. Our initial work has focused on identifying those students who are demonstrating minimal growth when compared to previous years. As we continue to evaluate this measure, we will continue to engage in those crucial conversations that need to be had if we are going to move forward and help account for all the great things that are taking place at BHS/BMS.

We are only two months away from finalizing our Course Registration Handbook and conversations have been taking place about changes in offerings and opportunities for our students. While there have been delays in registering during the past two years, we are looking for the registration process to open for the 2026-2027 school year the week of January 19. I am hopeful that we will continue to be mindful of our student body and secure opportunities that will ensure they are successful once their time at BHS has come to an end.

Student Health & Safety

Our Pupil Services Department (school counselors, Pupil Services Director & principals) continue to engage in dialogue about ways in which we can help educate our greater community about the ills associated with social media and the ever-evolving world of AI. We are actively searching for programs that we can present to our community (in conjunction with neighboring districts) that will help bring a greater awareness to this concern. I am hopeful that we will have more concrete information to share before the end of the calendar year.