

April 2026 School Board Meeting: Classroom Snapshots

Nome Education Association

Jill Peters: HS Special Education

In less than a month 34 8th graders from Beltz will be heading off to Washington DC- this is the biggest group ever!

Students have been fundraising since the summer of 2026 to raise enough money for this trip. They have done lemonade day, car washes, babysitting, bake sales, dessert auctions, worked the concession stand at the games, Halloween Carnival and Fireman's Carnival.

As the date approaches students are having weekly meetings to prepare for the trip. Ms. Tweet will have students practice debating each other on topics like freedom of speech so that students can be ready to have discussions about citizenship when they join up with students from Montana, New York and Puerto Rico on the Close-Up Program.

Students are excited to visit the National Museum of the American Indian, the Holocaust Museum, the National Museum of African American History and Culture, Colonial Williamsburg, Arlington National Cemetery, and all of the memorials. Students will end the trip watching the musical 1776 at Ford's Theatre.

But one of the biggest highlights will be meeting with Lisa Murkowski and getting a behind the scenes tour of the Capitol from her staff which was arranged by Mr. Horton.

Justin Heinrich: NBHS CTE

I was able to bring in a freshly harvested ptarmigan and we processed it in the Outdoor class. We donated the meat, gizzard & heart to the home ec class so they can use local resources.

BHS also visited the digital design class and Ms Osborne taught us about oil lamps & taught us how to make them. So the kids got to carve their own oil lamp. After they got the lamps made, she taught us how to light the lamp.

Kids got to bring their lamps home, and share with their family.

Students from Mrs Write's photography class came in and captured the event.

We are working together, so both classes will have projects to work on.

Ryan Horton: NBMS Social Studies

"You're never too young to learn how to be responsible with your finances. In Mr. Horton's English class, students took a week to learn a different kind of literacy - Financial Literacy! They were able to practice sound investing, learn how to avoid scams and bad debts, and, most importantly, how to make important decisions like how to best approach college and work after they graduate from school. Most importantly, they got to have fun talking about something that really interests them - money!"