

Browning Middle/High School /WBH GEAR UP April 2023 Board Report

BHS/WBH GEAR UP

***FAFSA Support**

We are still helping seniors both at BHS and BMS with FAFSA's

***Portfolio Support**

We have been helping seniors with portfolio preparations for their upcoming presentations on Saturday, April 22nd. GEAR UP has been responsible for administering the Financial Literacy piece of this along with helping students with other aspects of their portfolios.

***GEAR UP Career/College Prep Advisory Lessons**

We are continuing our annual GEAR UP lessons in advisory classes every Wednesday. The topics focus on anything career and/or college related topics. This month's focus has been on helping seniors with portfolio items, and test overview of the upcoming ACT Mosaic (SEL test) for freshmen and seniors.

***ACT Assessments**

Pre-ACT (10th Grade) - March 7th - We had 62 students take the test

Makeup Day was March 17th

ACT Mosaic (9th and 12th Grade SEL) -

9th Grade - April 19th and 20th

12th Grade - April 26th and 27th

ACT (11th grade) - March 28th with April 11th and 25th being makeup days.

Final numbers will be shared in the next report.

***11th Grade Campus Visit**

We took 17 11th graders on a campus visit March 29th to the 30th. The first day we did a campus visit at Carroll College and on the 30th we were on campus all day at Montana State University. Taylee Rides at the Door (first Blackfeet tour guide at MSU) was our campus tour guide and we also got to see Seth Still Smoking and Caroline Spotted Eagle (CO 2022) who also served on our student panel. So proud of all 3 - they are doing awesome in college!

***Billings Native Voice Expanding Your Horizons**

Ronnel took 5 BHS students to Helena on March 27th-30th for a tour of the State capital. Students toured the capital, sat in on the house bill 317 and had workshops on public speaking, networking, motivation, job corps, and the legislative process. This was paid for by the Billings group along with some support for meals by Jen Wagner/BHS budget.

BMS GEAR UP

***BMS AVID/STEM Trip**

We combined our AVID and BMS STEM trip for Tuesday, March 21-23rd in Helena and Bozeman. We took 18 students (6th-8th grade). On the way down we stopped at a science museum for a science exploration and lab activity - students made homemade flashlights. The next 2 days we were on campus at Montana State University doing STEM activities, including a project with making homemade kites and flying them along with a visit to MSU's Plant Growth Center. We will finish our time in Bozeman with a stop at the Museum of the Rockies.

***BMS 7th and 8th Grade Campus Visits**

We are working on scheduling our remaining campus visits for April. 7th grade will have day campus visits to Flathead Valley Community College and 8th grade will be at SKC.

***ACT Assessments:**

Pre-ACT for 8th grade: The plan is to do this assessment on Friday, April 28th.

ACT Mosaic (SEL assessment) for 7th Grade: Jodie Goss, our BMS GEAR UP Committee teacher rep has volunteered to let us do this assessment in her class.

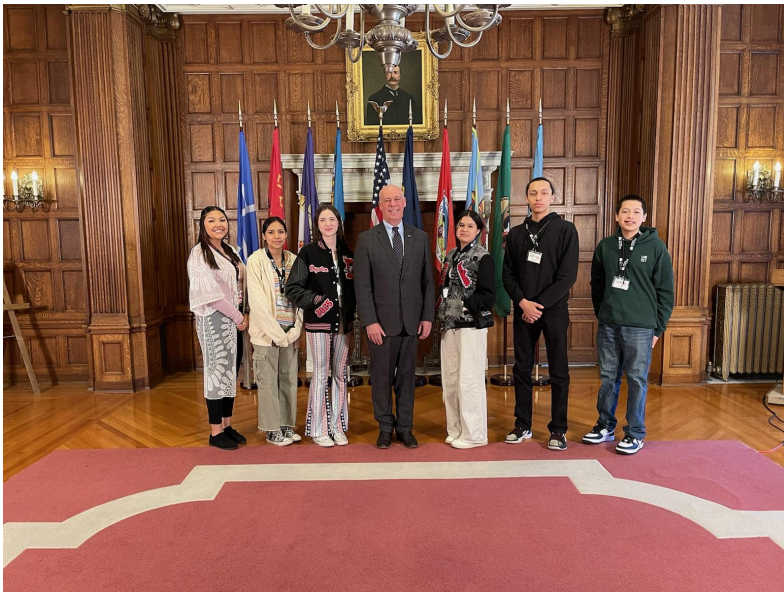
This will take place on Tuesday, April 25th.

BMS/BHS Team

April 16th-18th, some of our building GEAR UP teams attended our Spring Planning meeting in Great Falls. Team members that were at the meeting were: Kari McKay, Whitney Lucke, Ronnel Goss, Melanie Magee, Angela Heavy Runner and Jodie Goss. We started planning out our next year.



11th grade MSU Campus Visit



Ronnel and BHS Expanding Your Horizons Student Helena Capital Tour