

## **HIGH SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT (DECEMBER 2024)**

### **Exams:**

The 1st semester is already coming to an end. With that being said, that means that students will be taking their 1st semester exams. Our exams will take place on December 17 - 19. These are ½ days for all of the students in the district.

### **DECA:**

On December 3, DECA members completed the DECA District Test. This assessment is given to students that are participating in certain categories and a part of the scoring system. On January 24, DECA will be traveling to Western Michigan University for the annual district competition.

### **Performances:**

- Unfortunately, the choir concert had to be postponed to Wednesday, January 15 due to a staff member illness.
- On Monday, December 9, the band put on a wonderful concert. The next step for the group is to start preparing for the pep band and festival. We had five students who participated in this year's honors band.
- The auditions for this year's spring musical will take place on January 8 and 9. This year's musical will be the "Wizard of Oz"

### **Robotics Club:**

We have taken the first steps to have our own robotics club called the Bridgman BeeBotics. In supporting the cost of the club, the team has been able to secure some grants through FIRST Robotics and local companies are interested in sponsoring them. We have been lucky that we have had a couple of parents willing to step forward as mentors. Our maintenance staff did an excellent job cleaning out the old metal/wood shop which will be the club's new build and practice site. The BeeBotics are planning to go to the robotics competitions in Berrien Springs and Kentwood. The club is open to 7th - 12th graders creating a great transition from Lego League. Right now, the club has about 5 - 6 members.

### **Winterfest:**

Student Senate will be hosting Winterfest week from January 27 - January 31.

**Congratulations:**

- On Saturday, December 7, Mr. Miller earned his 600th career win as a varsity basketball coach.
- Junior Zoey Heyn made the Moody on the Market's 40 under 40 list for 2024. She was nominated as a professional under the age of 40 making a positive impact in our community. Zoey is the owner of Zo's Mini Donuts, which has 2 locations and 9 employees selling thousands of donuts every summer.