



Browning High School
April Board Report
2021

Don't Stop Believin'

Goal-

Relationships & Engagement on Google Meet and Google Classroom

Strengths

- Conferences
- Fun times
- Assessments
- Sr Portfolios

Total Enrollment-502

9th 143

10th 131

11th 134

12th 94

Attendance-84%

9th 84%

10th 82%

11th 85%

12th 86%

Home Visits-28

Transferred In-7

Transferred Out-1

Court Referrals-20

Transcript Requests-22

Perfect Attendance 17, Near Perfect 42, Great Attendance 60
Attendance and Enrollment have gone up in April

Great things are happening at BHS

Bored at lunch???

Books aren't the only thing you can check out in the library!!

Come check out a bike and go for a ride on campus...

It's been a hard year. Come to the Library at lunch and relieve some of that stress!

Health benefits of regular cycling

- increased cardiovascular fitness.
- increased muscle strength and flexibility.
- improved joint mobility.
- decreased stress levels.
- improved posture and coordination.
- strengthened bones.
- decreased body fat levels.
- prevention or management of disease.

Teachers, please feel free to come ride during lunch, after school on Tuesdays, or during your plan! You'll be a better person for

it:)  **PE teachers are also welcome to use!**

RISE 2021 Youth Leadership Conference

We have 3 students consistently meeting weekly with other youth around the state for the Youth Advisory Team Meetings. The meetings were started thorough the Tribal Relations and Resiliency Unit and are mentored by Tina Jackson and Don Wetzel. The group calls itself RISE and as students planned a youth conference with the assistance of Sage Golisano, Americorps VISTA at MT OPI Tribal WA Project. Around 50 students met online to meet, introduce themselves though presentations and to listen to motivational Indigenous speakers. Autumn Wagner, Joslyn Grinsell and Brittney Wagner are the members-hats off to them for participating and sticking it out the entire time.

Youth Leadership Workshop Cut Bank, Mt

Laureena Croff, counselor at CBHS reached out to our student leaders inviting them to a leadership conference to discuss fighting stereotypes. Donnie Wetzel, Mike Jetty and Empower Mt presented via Zoom to students from Cut Bank, Valier and Browning. Dr. Johnson, III and Mr. Johnson, IV chaperoned and took 3 BHS students-JP Bird Rattler, David Sharp and Giovanni McCulloch. Hats off to these students who participated in the conference.

ACT Testing

ACT testing for Jr. and Sr. students happened on April 20. 54 students took the test and were treated to snacks and a catered lunch. Usually only Jrs. Test in the spring however due to COVID and our phases, we were unable to offer the ACT in the spring or fall. BHS made plans along with GEAR UP to offer the test to both Jr. and Sr. students. Make up test is being held on May 5, 2021.

The ACT test will provide you with information about your student's progress toward college readiness and is widely used by colleges in making decisions about admission. The test will include four multiple-choice tests in the following subject areas: English, Math, Reading and Science plus an essay test that is a writing prompt. BHS offered a ACT Bootcamp class to help students study for the test.

PreAct Testing

PreAct testing was offered on April 8th for sophomores. The makeup test was on April 21st. BHS had 29 students take the PreAct.

*The **PreACT** is a practice ACT test, which is a college admission exam that serves the same purpose as the ACT. The PreACT simulates the ACT testing experience by providing students early exposure to ACT test questions and predictive score ranges on the 1–36 ACT scale. This helps students get comfortable with the standardized testing experience and understand how they are doing in the core subjects of English, Math, Reading, and Science.*

Students also receive a personalized view of college and career possibilities—based on their answers to the ACT Interest Inventory, which can help them to start thinking about career paths. Parents/guardians, GEAR UP staff and counselors can use the data to help students choose high school courses most relevant to career areas of interest as well as help them map out a post-high school plan. Once GEAR UP receive the scores, they will work closely with the 10th grade counselor and plan to meet individually with each student to explain their scores and career interest results. The students will then bring the scores and information home for their family to review.

2021 Prom-Enchanted Forest

After a year of no activities, BHS/BHA held their Prom on April 17, 2021. 246 students were in attendance at the "Enchanted Forest". Music was played by Wind Dancer Tunes and catered food was on hand provided by Glacier Peaks Jackpot Restaurant for the students to enjoy.

We appreciate all the individuals who helped to make the 2021 Prom a success:

Blackfeet Tribe Incident Command, BPS School Board, BHS/BHA staff, Activities Department, district employees who chaperoned, parked cars, helped serve food, and/or decorated, BPS Maintenance, BLES & ManPower for security, InterQuest, Calf Robe Photography, Scotts Photography, Pikunni News, BPS Transportation, and student sponsors.

Senior Portfolios

You may not know this, but each senior has the requirement of 20 hours of community service and creating a portfolio that they compile and present to a panel of judges. We schedule a day each April for students to dress for success and present. It began many years ago and has been a sought after practice by many school districts.

It symbolizes many things:

- a reflection of a student's educational journey from K-12 or just 9-12,
- interview practice for a job or scholarship application,
- collecting pertinent documents to have on hand for college, a scholarship, a job interview, or for any other form process they will go through,
- and finally, a positive way for them to showcase the one thing they know inside and out - *themselves!*

Starting on April 23 then again on April 24, 2021 from 8:00am-3:15pm, 29 judges were on hand to train then judge 63 portfolio presentations! This year was a remarkable year as we had virtual and in person judges as well as virtual and in person presenters. Starting April 26 BHS began to schedule make up presentations and have completed a grand total of 75 presentations!! 11 students need to finish.

It is such a wonderful process to watch not only as a judge in the room with the presenter but also as a greeter. Seeing them as a bundle of nerves going back to present, then coming out transformed-relieved and confident, was rewarding! Tears were shed, happiness was given & received, and confidence swirled around in the school.

We are so proud of the students that leave from BHS - they are well rounded academically, culturally, and emotionally. They have a community that supports them in Browning Public Schools; from their elementary teachers to secondary teachers, TAs, custodians, cooks, all the support staff and administrators.

Thank you to the following judges & greeters:

Zebah Burdeau, Irene Augare, Mistyne Hall, Johanna Johnson, Violet Sinclair-Boggs, Louise Geibel, Leo Bird, Mike & Roylene Comes At Night, Shawn Clark, Kevin Kicking Woman, Lucy Muragin, Sarah Flammond, Andrea Evans, Erin Gilham, Ashley BullCalf, Debra High, JoAnne Grandstaff, Victoria McClellan, Emerlea Sure Chief, Marissa Krupa, Larry Woolf, Brenda Johnston, Lynnel Bullshoe, Masala Prellwitz, Mary Beth Lazy Boy, Ettore Whitford, Amy Andreas, Glenn Castle, Kitty Skunkcap, Sienna Speicher, John Parente, Jack Parrent, Daniella Langlois, Melanie Magee, and Kathy Broere.

We appreciate your support for the Class of 2021!

Graduation 2021

We have 86 seniors and 75 are ready to graduate. We have sent information about Seniors Scholarship Brunch, Senior Awards and Graduation to all parents and students.

We are in the process of pulling all staff together to assist with different aspects of each event.

Thank you for your positive attention to all the exciting opportunities for students here at BHS!