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

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*Conrad College Fair

We took 19 seniors to the annual College Fair in Conrad on Thursday, September 21st. This event allows our students to connect with colleges all over Montana and a number from out of the state as well as military recruiters and other employment agencies.

*Senior College Application Week (CAW)

At the beginning of this month, we had 2 weeks devoted to helping seniors apply to Montana colleges. We have at least 30 seniors that have completed this task (not all of them reported to us if they completed it). We will share more once we get an official tally. We will continue to encourage our seniors to complete college applications through the rest of the year

*Dual Enrollment

This semester we have 3 classes that are available for our 10th-12th graders at BCC, that are being taught by our own teachers. We have 17 students attending these classes.

*MSU Northern TekNoXpo

We took 7 11th and 12th graders to this event in Havre on Thursday, October 12th. Students picked a track and spent all morning learning about that field of study.

*Cat/Griz Pep Rally

We are again planning our annual Cat/Griz Pep Rally for November 10th at BHS. This has opened back up to K-12 students since CO-VID. We use this event to not onl celebrate our seniors' college plans but also to have a little banter between the Cats and the Griz fans.

BMS GEAR UP

Due to budget cuts, we are unable to fill the full-time BMS GEAR UP Specialist position so we chose to use the limited allocation for student services. We are in the process of scheduling campus visits for our GEAR UP 7th and 8th graders along with a handful of other trips for the year.

*Career/College Prep Lessons in 7th and 8th Grade Social Studies We have been providing mini lessons in these classes, once per week. The focus this semester is on careers. We have been exploring careers using mini career interest inventories. This month we will also start a "monthly budgeting" activity that students will work on to learn about the cost of adulting. Students will have jobs, cars, houses and other related bills. This activity will take up most of the semester to do.

*STEM events

These are back in our budget and are awaiting final state approval so we can offer these once per quarter for our students.