

NEW BERLIN HIGH SCHOOL

MRS. HATTIE LLEWELLYN

High School Principal Board Report



April 2024 Board Report

TO: NBCUSD #16 Board of Education, Mrs. Jill Larson, Superintendent

From: Hattie Llewellyn, High School Principal

School Improvement

- The high school Building Leadership and Instructional Leadership Teams met before spring break to discuss future planning for School Improvement Goals and Professional Development for staff. Here are the bullet points that will be focused on:
 - Improving School Culture and Climate this team will focus on the following areas each month:
 - Student Recognition, Wellness, and Morale
 - Staff Recognition, Wellness, and Morale
 - We will begin using the Jostens Renaissance Program and the resources we have available through this to support PBIS Tier I activities.

April activities have included - PBIS Celebration, Student of Character Recognition, Freaky Friday for teachers, Movement Monday for April, Salute to Staff/Pretzel Hero, and the Pulse Survey has been sent out to Parents, Students, and Staffuly.

- College and Career Readiness - this team will focus on the follow areas:
 - Pretzels with a Purpose - On April 22nd, we will begin revising/planning for next year's College and Career Readiness Programs during our 11:40 Dismissal Schedule Days. We are also taking a field trip to Litchfield High School in the morning on that day to observe/discuss their College and Career Pathway Development Process, and other items they presented at the IPA Conference I attended back in October.
 - Portrait of a Graduate - this team began creating the NBHS Portrait of a Graduate - critical components and the graphic, which will be ready by the end of this school year.
- Improvement of Instruction/Student Achievement - this team will focus on planning professional development for staff for the 24.25 school year
 - Literacy Instruction - How to Support Struggling Adolescent Readers
 - Technology - AI Tools, Rooms, IXL
 - Rigorous Instruction
- Pretzel Academy - this team will focus on the following areas:
 - Freshman and New Student Transition to High School - we sent out a survey to this year's freshmen asking for feedback from the Freshman Academy they attended at the beginning of this year and we will use that feedback to plan improvements.
 - Presenting monthly topics during Advisory that focus on SEL/Executive Functioning/Life Skills Support
- NBHS Multi Tiered Systems of Support - this team will focus on the following areas:

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- Revising/Planning systems of support that are targeted and documented to help support the whole student.

Curriculum and Instruction

- Nothing to report this month.

Assessment

- Shout out to Mr. Viola for coordinating a very smooth assessment season! Juniors will be taking the ISA on April 10th, and we will finish the MAP sequence with our Spring Benchmark testing the last week in April.

Pretzel Positives

NBHS Pretzel 411

- End of the Year Timeline has been sent to Parents, Students, and Staff - Click [HERE](#) to view it.
- Senior Trip to St.Louis is April 10th - Ms. Kennedy and Ms. Gray will take students to the Cardinals Game and then to Dave and Busters.
- Ms. Gray is planning on taking a group of students to the 2024 Youth Employment Fair on April 23rd. Businesses from all across Springfield and Sangamon County are coming together to hire youth for the summer. This is your chance to talk to someone about summer opportunities.

NBHS Student Shout Outs

- Congratulations to Michael Biesenthal for meeting the requirements on the PSAT/NMSQT to enter the 2025 National Merit Scholarship Program - he will find out in September if he is a National Merit Scholarship Program Semifinalist or Commended Student.
- Congratulations to Prom King Tyler Moore and Queen Schylar Spradlin

NBHS Staff Shout Outs

- Ms. McGuire and Mr. Mangiaracina for coordinating and hosting a great Prom!
- SSOs - Darrin, Donnie, and Larry for supervising at Prom - their presence is greatly appreciated!
- Mrs. Cindy Moore and Ms. Hemmerle for planning, organizing, and coordinating Post Prom and providing our students a safe space to hang out and have fun after Prom!

Recommendations:

High School Math Instructor: Mr. Joseph Coulton