

Boyceville Community School District



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Boyceville High/Middle School Principal's Report May 21, 2025

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Class of 2025

At the time of this meeting, the Class of 2025 has officially completed their time at Boyceville High School. We are excited to celebrate their achievements during our commencement ceremony this Friday, May 23. Prior to this culminating event, we will recognize our students in a number of ways throughout the past week - we conducted a Baccalaureate Service and Scholarship Ceremony on Sunday, May 18, and we provided our upcoming graduates the opportunity to be celebrities as they rekindled their relationship with Tiffany Creek and walked through the halls of BHS/BMS for the final time as students in our most recent, the Walk of Honor. This year's graduating class is comprised of 48 students (12 honor students) and as we prepare to say good-bye, it is imperative that we share how proud we are of their accomplishments and how excited we are for them to tackle all the challenges that they have been preparing to face for the past fourteen years.

"It is good to have an end to journey toward; but it is the journey that matters, in the end."

- Ursula K. LeGuin

These forty-eight students have reached the culmination of their journey, and as they look back, I hope they appreciate the ups and downs that they have experienced and the tools that they have picked up along the way.

Academics

Planning for the 2025-2026 school year is well underway. I want to provide a "thank you" to Andy Hamm for his innovative work in creating a Google Forms-based registration system. Thanks to Andy's insights AND patience, we implemented a more efficient process for course selection which will streamline scheduling for years to come. Both Andy and Karlene Berry have begun building preliminary master schedules for the 2025-2026 school year, in hopes of having schedules finalized for our high school student body ahead of summer break. I would like to extend my most sincere gratitude to Andy for his forward-thinking approach.

As part of our ongoing efforts to enrich student experiences, we are thrilled to announce an expansion of our middle school music program. Beginning this fall, participation in band or choir will be required for all middle school students, replacing our current General Music 6. The impetus behind this change is directly related to the impact that music has on academic success. Data reveals the following -

- Students who participate in music programs often demonstrate higher academic achievement particularly in math, science and English.

- Music participation can lead to improved standardized test scores, higher GPAs and increased graduation rates.
- Involvement in music programs fosters a stronger connection to school, leading to better attendance and engagement.
- Music education has been linked to increased persistence, resilience and commitment to education, leading to more students graduating from high school and attending college.
- Music education can also contribute to the development of critical thinking, problem-solving and communication skills.

We will begin sharing more information about these updates and other changes for the 2025-2026 school year starting in June, as we work to ensure a smooth transition to the upcoming school year.

School Culture

We continue to celebrate student success and positive contributions through our Student of the Month program.. For April, Layla Score (Class of 2027), recognized by Ms. Debee and Sophie Lunderville (Class of 2029), recognized by Mr. Michael Roemhild, based on their ability to demonstrate the characteristics of honesty and integrity.

Thank you to our students, staff, and families for fostering an environment of learning, respect, and growth. Together, we continue to make Boyceville High/Middle School a place where every student can thrive.