

HIGH SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT (DECEMBER 2025)

Academic & Instructional Highlights:

December will conclude the first full semester of the school year, with staff and students maintaining strong instructional momentum. Teachers continued implementing strategies aligned with district goals to support student engagement, differentiated instruction, and formative assessment practices. Students demonstrated resilience and focus as they prepared for end-of-semester assessments. In January, our core departments will take a half-day to conduct data analysis and develop a plan for state assessment prep days.

Fine Arts & Extracurricular Activities:

The performing arts program had a particularly outstanding month.

- The choir presented a successful and well-attended concert on December 4 under the direction of Mrs. Ammerman, highlighting strong student preparation, vocal growth, and musicality.
- The band performed on December 8 under the leadership of Mr. Reppart, showcasing the continued development, discipline, and talent of our instrumental music students.
- Due to increased student participation and strong enrollment in the drama program, the Murder Mystery Dessert Theatre is returning Friday, January 9, through Sunday, January 11, under the direction of Mrs. Ammerman.
- Auditions for the spring musical were held on Tuesday, December 9, and Thursday, December 11, with excellent student turnout, reflecting high interest and engagement in the performing arts program.

Post Prom Committee:

The Post Prom Committee began selling raffle tickets for a chance to win a Christmas Wreath that includes \$500 in gift cards. Community members can purchase \$10 raffle tickets, with the drawing scheduled for Thursday, December 18. Proceeds will support a safe and successful Post Prom celebration for students.

DECA:

On December 2, DECA members completed the DECA District Test. This assessment is given to students who participate in specific categories and are part of the scoring system. On January 26, DECA will be traveling to Western Michigan University for the annual district competition.

Robotics Club:

Mr. Mabry did an excellent job of helping people remove machines from the old metal/wood shop that they had purchased in the auction. The space has given the robotics team space to build half of a robotics arena. The new setup will provide the club room for more productive practices. The season will kick off on Saturday, January 10.

Winterfest:

The Student Senate will host Winterfest week from Monday, February 2, through Saturday, February 7.

School Safety & Security Initiatives:

Bridgman High School continues to prioritize student and staff safety through the implementation of the “I Love U, Guys” Standard Response Protocol (SRP) and the continued use of the CrisisGo App. Students and staff are regularly reminded of emergency procedures, ensuring consistent language and expectations in any crisis.

Semester Closing & Looking Ahead:

As the semester comes to a close, our 1st semester exams will take place on Tuesday, December 16, through Thursday, December 18, with Christmas break starting on Friday, December 19. The exam days are ½ days for all students in the district.

Summary:

December was a successful and full month at Bridgman High School, featuring outstanding fine arts performances, strong student engagement, proactive safety initiatives, and meaningful community involvement. The dedication of our students, staff, and families continues to make Bridgman High School a place of excellence and pride.