

**Browning Middle/Browning High School/WBH GEAR UP
May 2021 Board Report**

Collaboration Projects:

Thanks to the collaboration with BCC, Manpower, and our BHS team, we have 8 students that will attend a Certified Nursing Assistant's training in June. BCC also secured funding for a summer Flagger's training as well. We hope to get a few students enrolled in that course too.

BMS GEAR UP

We just completed our annual Expanding Your Horizon's event on Tuesday, May 18th. This is an event sponsored by the Flathead Valley Alliance to get more young girls interested in STEM careers. Normally it is an in-person at FVCC but this year we did it virtually. We had 13 6th-8th grade girls participate. We are working on trying to provide a similar event for our BMS boys.

On Thursday, May 27th we will hold our annual Career Day event at BMS. We have almost 30 presenters, most of whom will be virtual. We have speakers from all over the U.S. as well as our own community that cover a wide range of careers including architect, pilot, veterinarian, construction worker, entrepreneur, fish and game, gaming, etc.

For the summer, we will be hosting a week-long photojournalism camp with MAPS Media Institute for any interested BMS students. We also have 14 of our BMS students signed up for a GEAR UP summer camp in Bozeman.

BHS GEAR UP

On Tuesday, May 11th and Thursday, May 13th we completed our 1st annual Decision Day to honor our 2021 graduates and their post-high school plans. We had 29 students and their families participate either virtually or in-person. We provided a catered lunch and the event was shared on Facebook Live. We also had several representatives from college and military join and help celebrate with our students.

We created the final curriculum for the GEAR UP lessons in all of the advisory classes. We focused on helping our students with summer melt, creating posters to help celebrate our seniors graduating, as well as a reflection activity for our Seniors to share with staff and underclassmen at BHS.

We also plan to continue with our annual Senior Grad Walk through all of the schools on Thursday, May 20th regardless of the weather.

Besides funding the first session of BHS Credit Recovery, we are also having a 2nd virtual IT Camp for any high school students interested in learning about Raspberry Pi and robot cars.