

Brandywine Heights Area School District

200 West Weis Street, Topton, PA 19562



Superintendent Report

April 9, 2018

Curriculum/Instruction:

1. Summer Learning Grant

- The United Way of Berks County Board of Directors has approved our summer learning grant for \$5,000
- We will be developing summer learning opportunities for our students with this money

2. Personalized Professional Development

- BHASD is investigating a way to make our professional development more individualized for each staff member.

3. Brandywine Heights Virtual Academy

- The VA has 200 students currently enrolled (227 total for 2017-18 school year)

4. Current Curriculum Conversations

- Our current curriculum conversations are focused on the following:
 - Math Fluency
 - 9-12 ELA resource selection
 - World language resource selection
 - K-5 ELA curriculum writing
 - STAR Professional Development
 - Read 180 Professional Development

Technology:

● Berks County IU CIO

- The BCIU is searching for a new CIO again. This time they are requiring *IT school district experience*.

● BHASD & HIG

- The next scheduled quarterly meeting between BHASD & HIG is scheduled for May 3rd.
- Many of the formal structures implemented since our last meeting are proving beneficial.

● Clever (Single Sign-On)

- We will be piloting Clever with a small group of students to determine if this single sign-on tool performs as desired.

- **Technology Committee Meeting**
 - The Technology Committee met on March 27th and discussed the following items:
 - i. HIG restructure / Procedures
 - ii. BotNet attack / Webroot deployment
 - iii. Kajeet - Equity for all students
 - iv. Projectors (lampless) VS TVs
 - v. WiD box alternate investigation
 1. Airtame
 2. StreamBeam
 3. Microsoft
 - vi. Device selection (HP x360ee VS Lenovo Yoga 11e)
 - vii. Cases for new devices?
 - viii. Clever (Single Sign-On Solution)
 - ix. End of Year device collection
 - x. Windows 10 / Office 16 - PD for next year
- **Recent Purchases (for Makerspace & Explore Classes)**
 - OneButton Studio
 - Laser Engraver
 - 3D Printers
 - Google Expedition

Athletics:

1. Character Education

- Athletic teams will be working with the Youth Cheerleaders in organizing a dedication event for the Tia Melcher Memorial. The event is scheduled for April 14th at 5:00 PM. Additional details will be made available at a later date.

2. Student/Community Involvement

- "Guiding the College Bound Athlete," Presented by Rick Wire, Founder of Dynamite Sports. Tuesday, March 27th at 7:30, HS Auditorium. This event is free of charge.
- 2nd Parent Athletic Advisory Committee meeting was held on March 13th. Recognizing student athletes was identified as a priority and action items were identified to be initiated during the spring season. The next meeting will be scheduled for the 2nd week of April.

3. Athletic Excellence

- Bailey Gimbor: County Champion, Sectional Champion, District 3rd place, Regional 3rd place, State Qualifier, one match away from placing top 8.
- Dalton Gimbor: County Champion, Sectional Champion, District Finalist, Regional 3rd place, State Qualifier, one match away from placing top 8.

- We had 2 swimmers qualify for the PIAA state meet: Michaela Hersh and Skylar Strunk. Michaela finished 22nd in the 200 Freestyle and 18th in the 100 Backstroke Michaela's backstroke time qualified her as the 2nd alternate for finals. Skylar finished 10th in the 50 Freestyle earning her PIAA All-State Honorable Mention honors.
- Drew Miller and John Harrison earned All Division honors in Basketball
- Hannah Fenstermacher earned All Division honors and Skyler Miller earned honorable mention honors in Basketball.

Brandywine Heights Community Task Force:

1. Character Counts Family Fun Night

- A night focused on character building activities to reinforce the pillars of character for grades K-8. There are different stations for each character trait with fun activities and an opportunity to talk about importance of good character. High School SADD students and teachers will be volunteering to help ensure a successful night for families! There will be prizes and snacks. Participants will also have the opportunity to win a door prize of 6 passes to Ozzy's!

2. BHC Task Force Annual Scholarship

- The Brandywine Heights Community Task Force will be awarding a \$1,500 scholarship for an eligible BHASD senior.
 - May 1 = Application due date
 - May 2-31 = Applications reviewed
 - June (first week) = Scholarship recipient announced

3. Music in the Park with Topton Borough

- Come join TJ Bebb to celebrate Brandywine Task Force's Anniversary at the Topton Memorial Park.
- The Task Force will be celebrating with an ice cream social - We hope you will join us for some sweet treats, great music, and valuable family time.

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 District Enrollment Board Report
 April 2018

Class of	Grade	Total Enrollment	Staff 2017-18	Average Class Size	Students with Academic IEPs (with possible related services)		Free/Reduced Lunch students		Virtual Academy Full Time	Virtual Academy Part Time/Blended
2030	Kindergarten	88	5	17.60	9	10.23%	31	35.23%	1	0
2029	First Grade	102	5	20.40	17	16.67%	33	32.35%	0	0
2028	Second Grade	105	5	21.00	26	24.76%	45	42.86%	0	0
2027	Third Grade	103	5	20.60	19	18.45%	30	29.13%	0	0
Elementary		398								
2026	Fourth Grade	83	4	20.75	26	31.33%	30	36.14%	0	3
2025	Fifth Grade	114	5	22.80	32	28.07%	43	37.72%	0	1
Intermediate		197								
2024	Sixth Grade	106	5	21.20	21	19.81%	32	30.19%	1	1
2023	Seventh Grade	121			23	19.01%	31	25.62%	3	0
2022	Eighth Grade	123			35	28.46%	33	26.83%	1	3
Middle School		350								
2021	Ninth Grade	105			17	16.19%	31	29.52%	4	22
2020	Tenth Grade	121			18	14.88%	35	28.93%	3	46
2019	Eleventh Grade	120			28	23.33%	24	20.00%	5	47
2018	Twelfth Grade	113			21	18.58%	24	21.24%	4	55
High School		459							16	170
Out of District Placements		6			6					
Totals		1410			298	20.75%	422	30.44%	22	178