



Bronson Jr/Sr High School

March 7, 2011



Students:

- ✓ **Band Festival:** The high school band scored a 3 at the band festival in Three Rivers on March 4th. It has been years since the Bronson Band has participated in a festival.
- ✓ **Student Essays Publicized:** Two students from Sang Park's 10th grade English class had their essays published in the Bronson Journal. Emily Mayes and Brittainie Arias wrote opposing views of censorship as it pertains to the language in Huckleberry Finn.
- ✓ **4-H Capitol Experience Program:** Bronson's Foster McCollough was selected to represent Branch County in Lansing March 21-23. He will be taking a hands-on role in state government along with 4 other Branch County students.
- ✓ **SJV All-League and Scholar Athletes:**
Devan Audette – Scholar Athlete
Torey Ernsberger – Scholar Athlete
Katherine Carpenter – Academic All-League
Sam Erwin – Academic All-League
Allison McClish – Academic All-League
Allison Rifenburg – Academic All-League
Sara Walso – AA Honorable Mention
Kassandra Weinberg – AA Honorable Mention
Ariana Yoder – AA Honorable Mention
- ✓ **Wrestling State Finals:** Sam Erwin and Hunter Machus both competed at the Palace in Auburn Hills, with Hunter placing 4th in the State Finals. Sam and Dan Erwin sang the National Anthem prior to Saturday's state wrestling matches.
- ✓ **National Archery Event:** Mrs. Quiter's Archery Team had a 39.6 average score at the Feb. 25th competition. Anthony Mitchell, Tyler Sobeski, and Allison McClish led with a combined total of 22 perfect shots. Bronson placed 7th of 18 schools.
- ✓ **Prudential Spirit of Community:**
Congratulations to Tyler Rinehart who is a Local Honoree in this year's program for his volunteer work in the community. Thank you to Tyler for his volunteer service to the Bronson Community.

Students (cont.):

- ✓ **Regional SkillsUSA:** The following Bronson students placed in the regional competition:
Kristi Bull- Hospitality
Mitch Miller- Hospitality (2nd team)
Miranda O'Neill- Leadership Events –Job Interview
Tyler Rinehart- Auto/Diesel Tech- Diesel
Logan Stout- Welding – Shielded Metal Arc
- State Contests:** (Directly from local to state)
George Griffith- Precision Machining -CNC Milling
Paige Taylor- CSI- CSI Team #3
- ✓ **January Students of the Month:**
12th- Preston Weber 11th – Franky Crabera
10th- Austin Pierson 9th - Maritza Hernandez
8th- Katelyn Schwartz 7th – Rebecca McClish
- ✓ **February Students of the Month:**
12th – Charlie Reed 11th – Anthony Mitchell
10th – Kylei Ratkowski 9th - Sara DeBoard
8th - Wesley Disbro 7th – Alexa Ratkowski

Upcoming Events:

- March 7** Begin JH Term 3
- March 13** Daylight Savings Time begins
- March 14** Spring sports tryouts/practices begin
- March 15** MME Test Make-Up through March 17
- March 18** "Godspell" theater production at 6 PM
- March 19** SJV Quiz Bowl in HS Cafeteria @ 8:30 a.m.
"Godspell" theater production at 6 PM
- March 20** "Godspell" theater production at 2 PM
- March 21** BHS Olympics week begins
- March 23** SJV Academic All League Dinner in Sturgis
- March 26** Branch County Science Olympiad,
7:00 AM – 4:00 PM, BHS
- March 30** SJV Band Day at Mendon.
- April 1** BHS Olympics Reward Trip
Last day before Spring Break
- April 11** School Resumes
- April 11-15** SADD Awareness Week



National Women's History Month



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Staff & Curriculum:

- ✓ Attendance was high for the MME and ACT. There were fewer absences this year than in previous years. The EXPLORE and PLAN assessments also went well. Thank you to Laura Baker for her outstanding organization in coordinating the assessments.
- ✓ Mrs. Hard's Chemistry students researched chemists and made poster biographies of their research. The posters have been displayed on student lockers.
- ✓ Twenty high school students volunteered for the Student Advisory Team. Students discussed various topics, including school spirit, guest speakers, and student events/activities. The group will meet again on March 8th.
- ✓ Letters written in both English and Spanish were mailed to selected parents inviting their students to participate in the Rosetta Stone ELL program. The program began February 15th. Myra Belote and Paulette Farrell are facilitating.
- ✓ Coldwater's Principal Bill Milnes will visit Bronson on March 29th to observe our America's Choice Program. Quincy's Principal Dave Spalding will visit on a later date.
- ✓ Lisa Franks announced that the April 14th Science Fair will have two division, Jr. and Sr. High, so any 7th-12th grade student can participate. The public may view the projects from 5:30-7:30 PM in the library. Mrs. Franks also announced that the rocket competition is now in the testing phase.
- ✓ Marie Bielawski, Julie Freeman, and Sarah Medema attended a workshop on February 15th, a training about how to use Moodle for online student coursework.
- ✓ North Muskegon High School and Heritage High School will be visiting Bronson this month to learn more about our May Term schedule.
- ✓ Carol Konkol and the SIP Leadership Team completed the SPR, and they were submitted on February 24th.
- ✓ Laura Baker and Wes McCrea attended the ACT Conference in Lansing on February 24th.
- ✓ Twelve students received Subway gift cards on Count Day on February 9th. Students had to be in class on time and in attendance all day to be eligible to be in the drawing. BACC students were included.
- ✓ The Branch County Coalition Against Domestic Violence will be sponsoring a "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes" event on April 30th. More information is available at the Jr/Sr High School.
- ✓ Congratulations to the wrestling team for finishing runner-up at the team regionals. Both Constantine and Bronson each won 7 matches in a very intense competition, but Constantine had 2 more pins than Bronson, giving them the edge. The team did a great job this season. Congratulations to them and to Coach Al Sosinski.