



From the Superintendent's Desk

In one of my last articles, I commented on the positive atmosphere surrounding our MEAP testing and I am proud to say that our kids did very well. Our scores in grades 3 through 8 were above the state average for the most part and that is a testament to the hard work that our staff and students are doing in our classrooms. Congratulations to all involved, and parents, please praise your kids for the good work that they are doing. I know that our staff is committed to meeting the requirements of the state and No Child Left Behind. Our High School Juniors will be taking the Michigan Merit Exam (also known as the MME which is actually the ACT test) in March and our high school staff is working to not only academically prepare our students but also to provide the best possible test setting to achieve success at that level too.

We really have some good things going on around Breckenridge Schools and everyone is showing positive support to the district. It was exciting a few weeks ago during the Varsity Basketball game against Ithaca, the fan support was excellent and it truly felt like an evening of March Madness. This positive energy is infectious and we are seeing this at other events too, I hope that this keeps up; our kids need and appreciate your support.

Finally, I want to Thank the Breckenridge Education Foundation and the Breckenridge Music Boosters for purchasing a new sound system for our cafetorium. This system was in dire need of updating, and with the many choir concerts and drama productions that are using that equipment, we truly appreciate it. In these tough financial times, we truly appreciate the help that we receive from our community groups and we may have to rely on them more and more in the future.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact my office.

Sincerely,
Jeff Jennette, Superintendent

BUICK OPEN TICKETS

The golf team is selling Buick Open tickets again this year. If you are interested in tickets you can call Coach Mark Bleiler at 989-842-3182. Tickets are \$20.00. The Buick Open will be held the week of June 25 - July 1, 2007.



CONGRATULATIONS TO MARK BLEILER for being named "Division 4 District Golf Coach of The Year"



CONGRATULATIONS TO IAN COSTON for being named "All State" for football



Congratulations to the following students for receiving "All Tri Valley" awards for their fall sports. Golf - Travis Myers, Brandon Mueller, Eric Clerc, and Zach Earegood. Basketball - Chelsy Chapin, Courtney Seeley and Sam Roberson. Cross Country - Derek Childs. Football - Garrett Chapin, Matt Myers, Cody Rhynard, Ian Coston, Paul Schrems, Garrett Bolt, Ricky Chapin, Kory Neal, Darren Brennan

HUNTER'S SAFETY CLASS

**February 5, 6 & 7, 2007
6:00-8:30 p.m.**

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday Evenings. Cost \$7.00. Please register in advance. You must be 10 years of age to enroll in this course. Call 842-5761 after 4 p.m. Call 842-3182, ext. 501 during the day.

2006-07 Competitive Cheer Schedule

(Start times may vary as we get closer to event)

Sat., Feb. 3	at Mt. Pleasant	11 a.m.
Wed. Feb. 7	at Central Mont.	6 p.m.
Sat., Feb. 17	at Chesaning Inv.	11 a.m.
Sat., Feb. 24	Cheers Inv. (Home)	11 a.m.
Sat. Mar 3	MHSAA Regionals at Merrill HS	TBA
Sat. Mar 10	MHSAA Cheer State Finals at Delta Plex in GR	6 p.m.

MICHIGAN MERIT EXAMINATION

In March, all high school juniors across the state will take the Michigan Merit Examination (MME). This test replaces the MEAP tests, which juniors have taken in past years.

The dates of the MME are Tuesday, March 13 and Wednesday, March 14.

Juniors may use their ACT score from the first part of the MME to report to colleges and universities. The combined MME score will be used to determine eligibility for the Michigan Promise Grant.

Current seniors will have the opportunity to retake the MEAP test in March to earn the Michigan Promise Grant.

If you have any questions about the new test, feel free to contact the high school office.

Brecksonian Yearbook Earns NSPA First Class & MIPA Gold Rankings

The 2006 Brecksonian yearbook earned a third Gold ranking from the Michigan Interscholastic Press Association and a First Class ranking for the first time from the National Scholastic Press Association. The yearbook staff members under the guidance of advisor Dawn Landis, who are responsible for the production of the "A Penny For Your Thoughts" winner are Courtney LaCosse (12), Molly Daniels (11), Eric Dresden (11), Jessika Hamilton (11), Matt Myers (11), and Taylor Oswald (11). Graduated staff members are Josh Corbat, Adam Case, Patrick Eurich, and Sarah Jerome.

**Senior Parent Meeting
Monday, February 26
6:30 p.m.
BHS Room M-1
This will be an
organizational meeting
for the Senior
All Night Party.**

JUNIOR MEETING

Wednesday, March 14, 2007 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. a JUNIOR MEETING will be held at Breckenridge High School in the Media Center. All Junior students and their parents or guardians are welcome and encouraged to attend. Much valuable information will be given regarding your SENIOR YEAR; important dates, events, ACT information, college visits, and a SENIOR time line will be handed out. Please come to this important meeting. I look forward to seeing you there! If you have any questions please feel free to contact Marcia L. Royer, the High School Counselor, at school (989) 842-3182 extension 423.

COLLEGE GOAL SUNDAY

Students going to college in 2007 (and their parents) need to fill out the Free Application For Student Aid (FAFSA).

Get help filling out the Free Application For Student Aid (FAFSA) online **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11 between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m.**

You will need to bring with you all of your 2006 financial and tax information, In order to submit the FAFSA online, both the students and a parent will need to apply for a Personal Identification Number (PIN). This can be done right away by going to: <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/> and following the links. **The FAFSA is due March 1, 2007.**

For help with the FAFSA online, go to one of the locations near Breckenridge on College Goal Sunday, Feb. 11, 2007.

Mt. Pleasant - Central Michigan University, Rotunda Room, Bovee University Center, 103 E. Preston, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858-4262.

Saginaw/BayCity/Midland - Delta College, Main Campus Commons, 1961 Delta Road, University Center, MI 48710.

February CALENDAR of EVENTS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1
Wrestling @ St. Charles, 6 p.m.
9th BB w/St. Louis, 6 p.m.

FFA Districts
C.E. Open Basketball, HS Gym,
9-11 p.m., Cost \$1.00

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2
JV/Var. BB @ St. Louis, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3
Vocal Solo/Ensemble
Var. VB @ Chip Hills, 9 a.m.
Wrestling @ Dansville, 9:30 a.m.
Comp. Cheer @ Mt. Pleasant, 11 a.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4
C.E. Open Basketball, HS Gym,
5-7 p.m., Cost \$1.00

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5
9th BB @ Valley Lutheran, 6 p.m.
7th BB w/Ithaca, 4:30
8th BB @ Ithaca, 4:30

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6
JV/VAR BB w/Valley Lutheran 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7
JV/VAR VB @ Ithaca, 6 p.m.
7th BB @ Shepherd, 4:30 p.m.
8th BB w/Shepherd, 4:30 p.m.
Comp. Cheer @ Central Mont 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8
Wrestling @ Cross Over, 6 p.m.
9th BB @ Carrollton, 6 p.m.

C.E. Open Basketball, HS Gym,
9-11 p.m., Cost \$1.00

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9
JV/V BB w/Carrollton, 6 p.m.

Valentine Dance after game - 12:00 a.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10
Wrestling @ TVC West
VAR VB @ SVSU, 9 a.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11
C.E. Open Basketball, HS Gym,
5-7 p.m., Cost \$1.00

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12
7th BB w/Ovid, 4:30 p.m.

8th BB @/Ovid, 4:30 p.m.
Elem. Book Fair

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13
Elem. Book Fair

FFA Regionals
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14
JV/V VB @ St. Charles, 6:00 p.m.

7th BB @ St. Charles, 4:30 p.m.
8th BB w/St. Charles, 4:30 p.m.
Wrestling Team Districts, 6:00 p.m.

Elem. Book Fair
FFA Regionals
Thursday, February 15

9th BB w/St. Charles, 6:00 p.m.
C.E. Open Basketball, HS Gym,
9-11 p.m., Cost \$1.00

Elem. Book Fair
Staff Breakfast, sponsored by FFA
Friday, February 16

NO SCHOOL, Teacher Only
JV/V BB @ St. Charles, 6:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17
Comp. Cheer @ Chesaning, 11 a.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18
C.E. Open Basketball, HS Gym,
5-7 p.m., Cost \$1.00

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19
NO SCHOOL

9th BB w/Ithaca, 6 p.m.
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

JV/V BB @ Ithaca, 6 p.m.
7th BB w/Bullock Creek, 4:30 p.m.
8th BB @ Bullock Creek, 4:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21
7th BB w/Carrollton, 4:30 p.m.
8th BB @ Carrollton, 4:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22
9th BB @ Merrill, 6 p.m.
JV/V VB @ Valley Lutheran, 6 p.m.

C.E. Open Basketball, HS Gym,
9-11 p.m., Cost \$1.00

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23
JV/Var. BB w/Merrill, 6 p.m.
Music Boosters Spaghetti Dinner,
5 p.m., HS Cafe

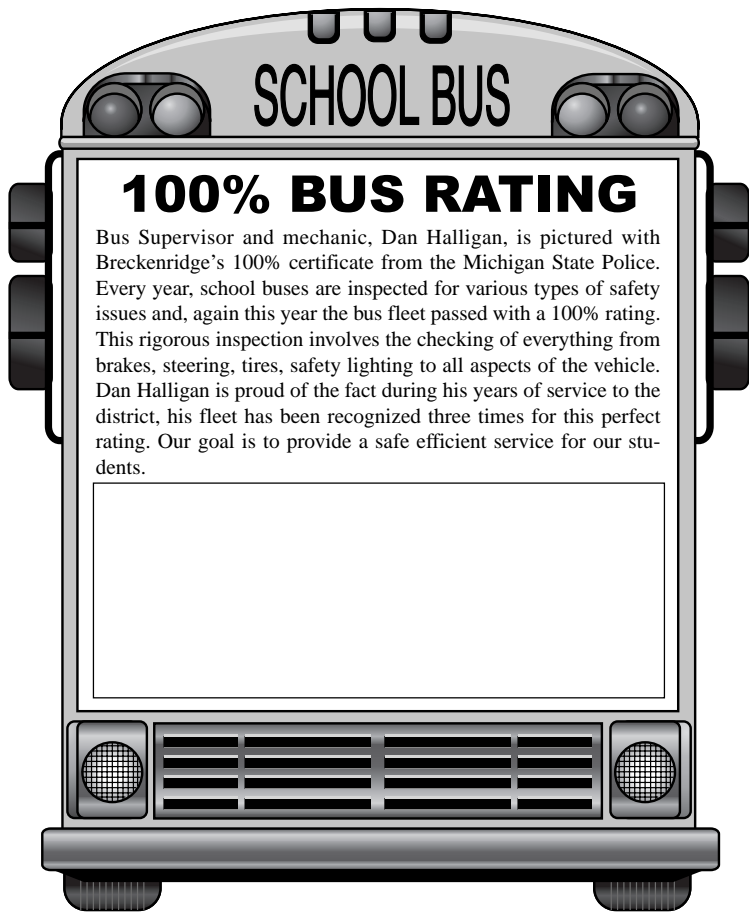
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24
Var. VB TVC Conf. Meet
Comp. Cheer Inv. Home, 11 a.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25
C.E. Open Basketball, HS Gym,
5-7 p.m., Cost \$1.00

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26
7th BB @ Ovid, 4:30 p.m.
8th BB w/Ovid, 4:30 p.m.

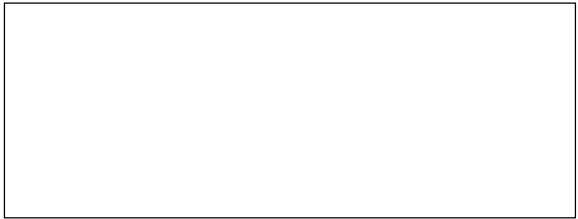
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27
JV. Var BB @ Sanford, 6 p.m.
VB Districts @ Merrill

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28
7th BB w/ St. Louis, 4:30 p.m.
8th BB @ St. Louis, 4:30 p.m.
VB Districts @ Merrill



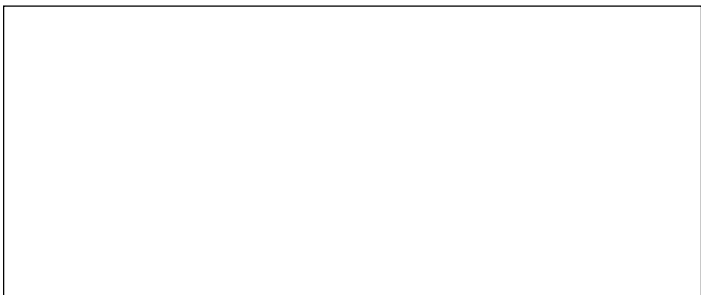
100% BUS RATING

Bus Supervisor and mechanic, Dan Halligan, is pictured with Breckenridge's 100% certificate from the Michigan State Police. Every year, school buses are inspected for various types of safety issues and, again this year the bus fleet passed with a 100% rating. This rigorous inspection involves the checking of everything from brakes, steering, tires, safety lighting to all aspects of the vehicle. Dan Halligan is proud of the fact during his years of service to the district, his fleet has been recognized three times for this perfect rating. Our goal is to provide a safe efficient service for our students.



MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

On December 19th the 6th grade students were exposed to the many different cultural traditions of Christmas. Jean Winther, Pastor of the First Congregational Church in Breckenridge, shared her story telling talents. She talked about the origins of the Christmas traditions that we see today. Lina Fenmick, an exchange student at the High School from Sweden, read Twas the Night Before Christmas in Swedish. Kevin Kramer, the ITV sign language instructor, also signed Twas the Night Before Christmas for the students. The 6th grade team would like to say "Thank You" to those people who helped make our day fun and informative.



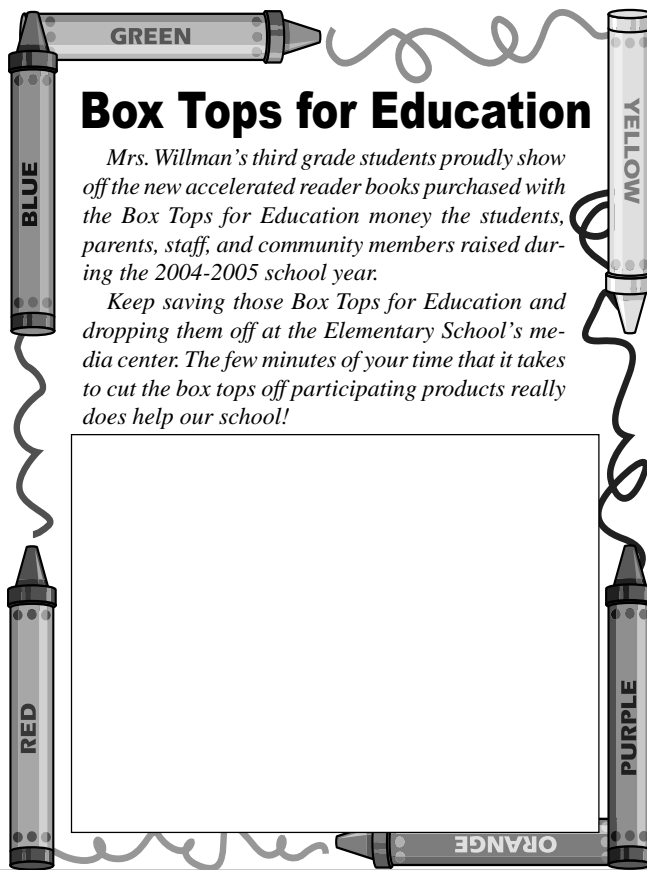
BPA STATE QUALIFIERS

- Derek Childs Banking and Finance, **1st Place**
- Josh Cooper Advanced Accounting, **3rd Place**
- Josh Corbat Human Resource Management, **1st Place**
Presentation Management Team, **3rd Place**
Administrative Support, **4th Place**
Business Spelling, **6th Place**
- Sara DeVuyst Advanced Accounting, **6th Place**
Banking and Finance, **6th Place**
Parliamentary Procedure, **4th Place**
- Patrick Eurich Legal Office Procedures, **5th Place**
- Ashlee LaRose Parliamentary Procedure, **5th Place**
Presentation Management Team, **3rd Place**
- Jeremy Mayer Presentation Management Ind., **4th Place**
- Ryan Paton Presentation Management Team, **3rd Place**
- Michael Reiber Database Applications, **1st Place**
- AshTin Smith Integrated Office Application, **3rd Place**
- Brandy Whittington Legal Office Procedures, **7th Place**

**Breckenridge High School
December Student of the Month
TORY SNYDER**

**January Student of the Month
ASHLEE LAROSE**

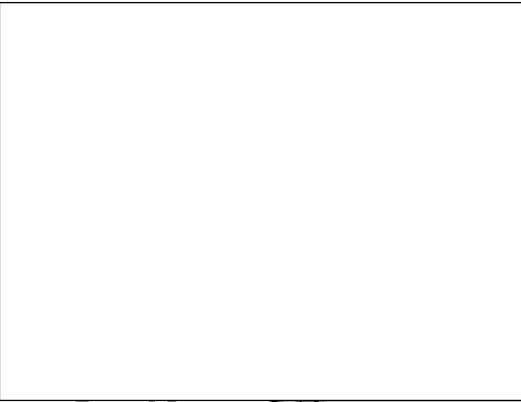
Tory and Ashlee received a Huskie Pride t-shirt from Mr. Havelka and a \$50 savings bond from Farmers State Bank.



Box Tops for Education

Mrs. Willman's third grade students proudly show off the new accelerated reader books purchased with the Box Tops for Education money the students, parents, staff, and community members raised during the 2004-2005 school year.

Keep saving those Box Tops for Education and dropping them off at the Elementary School's media center. The few minutes of your time that it takes to cut the box tops off participating products really does help our school!



FEBRUARY CALENDAR of EVENTS

FEBRUARY 13

8th BB w/STL - 4:30 p.m.
7th BB @ STL - 4:30 p.m.
Elementary Book Fair
9th BB @ Montabella - 6:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY 14

JV/V BB w/CM - 5:30 p.m.

Elementary Book Fair

FEBRUARY 15

8th BB @ OE - 4:30 p.m.

7th BB w/OE - 4:30 p.m.

9th BB w/Shepherd - 6:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY 16

9th/JV/V VB with Ithaca - 6:00 p.m.

Elementary Book Fair

FEBRUARY 17

NO SCHOOL

JV/V BB with Lakeview - 6:00 p.m.

Elementary Book Fair

FEBRUARY 18

Cheer at Chesaning - 12:00 Noon

FEBRUARY 20

NO SCHOOL

8th BB @ Lakeview - 4:30 p.m.

7th BB w/Lakeview - 4:30 p.m.

9/JV/V VB with Morley Stanwood - 5:00

Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY 22

8th BB with Central Montcalm - 4:30

7th BB @ Central Montcalm - 4:30

FEBRUARY 24

JV/V BB @ Shepherd - 6:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY 25

V VB @ Lakeview

Cheer - Home - 11:00 a.m.

FEBRUARY 27

8th BB @ Shepherd - 4:30 p.m.

7th BB w/Shepherd - 4:30 p.m.


Elementary Fine Arts Night

2nd Grade - 6:15 p.m.

3rd Grade - 7:15 p.m.

FEBRUARY 28

JV/V BB w/Sanford - 5:30 p.m.



Give The Gift Of Life!

BLOOD DRIVE

There will be a blood drive held in the middle school gym on March 22nd, from 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. The National Honor Society and the Red Cross will be sponsoring this blood drive.