

17th Annual Old Fashioned Tamily Phristmas

On **Friday, December 13th, 2019** families in the North Branch community and surrounding area are invited to attend North Branch Area Schools' 17th Annual Old Fashioned Family Christmas.

The annual event will be held from 6:00-8:00 PM at Ruth Fox Middle School and will host a variety of games, a craft room, food, pictures with Santa, cookie walk, shopper's room, \$1 and \$.25 auctions, and more!

The yearly event is designed to raise money to send Ruth Fox Middle School students to the U.S. Space and Rocket Center Space Camp in Huntsville, Alabama. Last year, over \$12,000 was raised to send 7 students to Space Camp. Come out to take part in the fun and support this great cause!





FRIDAY - DECEMBER 13, 2019 - 6-8PM

Message from the Superintendent

Dear Parents, Students, and Community Members,



As the calendar turns to 2020, (I have a difficult time even comprehending we are a few short weeks away from 2020), we have much to be thankful for at the

North Branch Area School District. I have been employed in education for 35 years (since 1985) including my last 20 years with NBAS. Honestly, I think all of our county schools are doing a better job than ever providing an exceptional education for all students. I feel extremely blessed to live in and work in Lapeer County and especially in the North Branch School District. Please allow me to share just a few of the reasons for my gratitude:

✓ People:

- Teachers and Support Staff: I am constantly reminded of the main reason parents send their children to North Branch Schools and that is because of our teachers. Our teachers are dedicated and highly skilled professionals who truly care about each and every child. All of us, (administration, teachers, and all support staff) know we have a huge responsibility in educating all children as well as showing them love and concern as we would our own child.
- North Branch Community: Every single day I witness the warmth and support of the North Branch community. Our enrollment continues to grow primarily due to families living outside of the district boundaries choosing to send their children to our school district. We appreciate that you welcome them with open arms and they quickly become part of the Bronco family. Thank you for ALWAYS supporting North Branch Area Schools.

✓ Student Opportunities:

- Accelerated Learning Opportunities K-12 with the Compass Program, AP Classes, STEM Academy, Online Learning, and Dual Enrollment programs;
- Comprehensive Special Education Programs including our VIP program at the HS;
- All-Star Reading Night, Math Night, Old Fashioned Family Christmas, Space Camp, Washington D.C.
 Trip, and Award winning Music and Theater Programs;
- State Competitive Athletic Programs available with NO student fees;
- Numerous clubs and student organizations such as BPA, Robotics and Quiz Bowl;
- State Recognized excellence with our Quest High School Alternative Education Program;
- A Board of Education commitment to provide the low class sizes in our elementary with an emphasis on K-2 class sizes averaging less than 23 per class.

✓ Financially Stable School District:

- Our district spends its resources wisely and utilizes annual Board of Education approved 5-year plans to guide us financially. We have increased our fund equity from 5.9% in 2014 to a projected 13.7% at the end of the 2019/2020 school year. We have done this while investing \$2,512,363 dollars in facility, curriculum, technology and transportation improvements.
- I met with a community group last week to set the record straight regarding a new track which will be installed next summer. I shared three years ago we identified a need to replace our present track which is 26 years old and in disrepair. We have moved our home track meets to away sites because the track

is not safe to hold home athletic events. Like all big ticket expenditures in our district, we saved for the athletic track over the past 3 years and will pay for it out of our capital improvement account. The track is expected to cost approximately \$580.000, and we will not have to borrow funds to make this improvement nor will we go to the voters for additional funding. By August 1, 2020 we will have fully paid for the athletic track which will be used by our students, athletes, and community. I would like to thank our Community Track Committee (CTC) of roughly 15 community members who volunteered to meet and help design the most cost effective way of replacing our present track.

• Finally, we are well on our way to paying off the voter approved bonds in our district. In 2016, we were projected to make our final debt payment in 2041. The ending date has been accelerated by 3 years to 2038 which is a conservative estimate. We do our very best to maintain the excellent facilities and learning environment our community has provided for our children.

I am most thankful that I understand the reason we celebrate during the holiday season. I am appreciative that I live in a community where family and friends are a priority and people come together to lend a helping hand to those who need a little extra assistance especially during this time of the year. I hope you are able to spend quality time with your loved ones over the holidays. Our last day of school before the holiday break is Friday, December 20 and we will return to school on Monday, January 6, 2020.

Happy Holidays,

Jim Fish

North Branch Superintendent

Department Developments

The North Branch Drama Department has been very busy again this year. Our first production of the year was "Elf The Musical Jr."

We were pleased to welcome 5th and 6th grade students who played the roles of Santa's elves. The show was a huge success and crowd pleaser. The cast and crew spent countless hours rehearsing the show and did a tremendous job on performance nights. Special thanks go out to Mrs. Lauren Dayton who served as the music director, Wendy Miller as choreographer and Alex Naracon as technical director. We would also like to thank all of the parents who volunteered their time and talents to help make this show a success.



We are currently working on two projects: the NBHS 2019 talent show and our night of one act plays. Talent show performances will take place on December 20th during the last period of the day. Our night of one act plays will be performed on January 23rd, 24th and 25th, 2020. We will be performing two one act play entitled: "Ten Ways to Survive the End of the World," and "Apocalypse or Bust." Both are comedic plays about the end of the world. One of the shows will be representing North Branch at the Mid-Michigan Theater Arts Festival on January 31st and February 1st, 2020.

VeteransAppreciation Dinner

The Veterans Esteem Team of Lapeer County put on another spectacular Veterans appreciation dinner and event. The NORTH BRANCH HIGH SCHOOL chapter of the Veterans Esteem team was present for Friday night set up and food prep from 2:30-9:30 and was there first thing in the morning on Saturday for a FULL day of continued set up. Our team was the largest team present, having 14 members attended, spoke and helped to make the event a success. Our team helped to celebrate and serve nearly 500 local veterans and spouses. Here are a few pictures of our kids in action.





V.E.T members who attended:

Sponsor Cindy Howe

Gabe Hutchins
Val Trombley
Lilly Patten
Jasmine Mauk
Nolan Parker
Liberty Cooper
Rebecca Collings
Dylan Townsend
Miyah Matice
Maddy Matice
Sara Allen
Kamdyn Mouseau
Hunter Nichols
Jack Enen







Annual High School Collegiate Breakfast

The annual NBHS
Collegiate Breakfast will
take place this year on
Friday, December 20th
starting at 6:45 a.m.
Students who have
graduated and who
are attending college or trade school
or are actively serv-



ing in the military are especially encouraged to attend and participate. After breakfast, juniors, seniors, and our guest alumni will move to the auditorium where the graduates respond to questions about life after high school and offer advice on ways to make the most of the remaining time to prepare for what comes next.

Interested graduates should email Student Council Advisor Alison Reed, areed@nbbroncos.net with their RSVP by Friday, December 6th.

Voice of Democracy Contest



Senior
Amy Ludescher
competed
in the 2019
Lapeer County
VFW Voice of
Democracy
competition last
month. She
wrote and taped
her speech
"What Makes
America Great."
She won the 1st
place title and
will receive a

\$100.00 prize. She will advance to the districts at Clio VFW on January 12, 2020.



Meet North Branch Area Schools' Junior

Mason Ludwig!



Mason is pursuing his dreams of a racing career in North Carolina while remaining a North Branch High School student by doing virtual learning through Quest High School.

You can follow Mason and even watch him race live on his facebook page by searching Mason Ludwig Racing. One more way that Quest uses alternative means to guide their students to their future!

Enroll Today at Award Winning (Puest High School!

Students interested in enrolling at Quest High School or obtaining more information about the programs offered at Quest can learn more about us on our facebook page at

www.facebook.com/NBQuesthighschool/. To enroll, contact Program Coordinator Corey Rosser by e-mail at crosser@nbbroncos.net or by phone at 810-688-7581.

Family Fun Fair!

Four Quest students spent their Friday evening volunteering at the PTC's Family Fun Fair. **Kirstyn Dumity, Andrew**



Ramey, Trevor TenHave, and Austin Waldron helped run different game stations.

Austin said, "This was the first time I have ever volunteered for something. Getting a chance to help brighten some little kids' days was a great source of positive energy for me!" Barb Terauds, Teacher representative for the PTC had this to say, "It's always a joy having Quest students help out with our Family Fun Fair! They helped make it a great evening for our families!"

Quest Claims Disc Golf League hampionship!

Quest traveled to Camper's Haven Disc Golf Course in Bad Axe to compete for the TASL Disc Golf Championship. Quest defended their title with their 4th consecutive league championship, finishing 21 shots better the 2nd place team. Of the 45 contestants throughout the league, Senior Nathan Bacon placed 1st overall, Senior Jon Crandall tied for 2nd overall, and Junior Austin



Waldron tied for 4th. The other two scores counting toward the team total were Senior Ian Kutchey and Junior Zack Jocham. **A BIG THANK YOU** to Jason Cullin, Lisa Bodnar, Chris Parent, and Tyler Bemis for volunteering their day to help run the tournament!

Good Ole' Fashioned Lee Cream Social

The North Branch Senior Center invited Quest students to a good ole' fashioned ice cream social. It was a great opportunity for Quest students to connect with community members and hear from many of the people that have contributed to the North Branch community for decades!

Junior Abby White said, "It was a cool experience because I got to learn about some of their life stories and culture differences." Kirstyn Dumity commented, "It was interesting

to hear about how school was for them and what it was like to grow up in a small town."



14th Annual Quest Benefit Dinner

The 14th Annual Quest Benefit Dinner was well attended, with a full cafeteria right up until the end of the dinner! The North Branch Masonic Lodge once again donated over \$1,000, bringing their total contribution to Quest to over \$24,000 over the past 15 years. **A BIG THANKS** to the Masonic Lodge for their continued support and donations!



"Hoo-Dini" stops for photo-op with students at the Spaghetti Dinner!

Let's See How Far We've Come



Mr. Rosser had the pleasure of catching up with 2007 Quest graduate **Josh White**. Josh served in the United States Military from 2007-2016. He is again serving our country through a contractor as an Analyst on F-16 fighter jets in New Mexico. We are proud

to have Josh as part of the Quest family!

Another 2007 Quest graduate, **Ben Strong**, excelled in high school, qualifying for the Skills USA state competition in welding his Junior year, and winning the state and national competition his senior year. Since graduating, Ben



started a career in welding, eventually switching gears, and is now a Lineman working for Motor City Electric. Ben took time out of his busy schedule to be a guest speaker for Quest's AM session.



Supporting all Learners

Ruth Fox Middle School has expanded its implementation of the Multi-Tiered Systems of Support model through the entire school, to now include 7th-8th grade. During this 4th hour block, student may be in a group to work on remedial skills, or may be in an enrichment class to explore topics in a meaningful and impactful way.

One example of this enrichment is through the Jamestown simulation, where students in Mr. James and Mrs. Stradinger's class create and run a fictional town. In this, they create and elect their own government, research issues that impact their community, and make impactful decisions through a democratic process. In this sim-

ulation they partnered with other classes to solve problems. Mrs. Sherrieb's science enrichment class designed bridges for their town and presented various design options. Miss Ratajczak's English enrichment class presented public service announcements that they created to inform them of social issues. What a great authentic learning!









National Un



On October 23rd, Ruth Fox students and staff wore orange in support of National Unity Day. On this day we commit to stand up against bullying,

and to encourage kindness, acceptance and inclusion.

Fan Favorite



Congratulations to Rylee Rodriguez, voted as the Artsonia Artist of

Mrs. Baksa's Art classes uploads their completed works to their online digital Artsonia portfolios to be shared with parents and families.

Parents can also comment and order keepsakes of their student's works!

Rylee received a plaque featuring her work, and a gift certificate to Blick Art Supplies.





This year, the Ruth Fox Middle School Quiz Bowl team is expanding from two to four teams, through the coaching of Miss Fish and Mrs. Wagner. During their first meet at Marlette, the 6th grade team took 1st place.

Way to go Broncos and a great start to the season!



Free Books!

With the help of numerous sponsors, Mrs. Rose's 5th grade students were each given a free book for Halloween! Thank you to those who sponsored her classroom and helped to make this happen!



Supports Local Veterans

Ruth Fox Middle School has continued its annual support and celebration of local veterans during the Month of November and throughout the school year. Students have shown their appreciation for local veterans by writing letters and post cards, and supporting fundraising events for local veterans. In October and November, our 5th and 6th graders participated in Star Spangled



Bingo and the Ruth Fox Activity Night, with all proceeds going to support our veterans.

On November 26th, our 5th and 6th graders honored local veterans with Ruth Fox Middle School's 18th Annual Veterans Celebration. Over 80 veterans attended, and were recognized. The students made it special through their artwork, poetry, and essays under the theme of "Celebrating Veterans". With the fundraising efforts earlier this year, Ruth Fox Middle School presented a check for \$1200 to the North Branch American Legion Post 457. Following the assembly, the attending Veterans were invited for conversation, coffee, and cookies with family and students. Thank you to all of our veterans and those who have and are currently serving our country!

Rewarding Effort, Attendance & Behavior

Throughout this year, Ruth Fox Middle School has many activities that reward students for their day to day efforts.

We hosted our first PBIS Fall Fest on October 25th. This was a celebration for students who have maintained good attendance, had all A's, B's, or C's on their reports cards or have shown significant improvement in this area and have had no major disciplinary issues this year. This celebration was a collaboration of 5th – 8th grade staff that included cookie decorating, donut eating contests, pumpkin bowling, a costume contest and much, much more.

For our 5th and 6th graders, we have a weekly **Friday Choice Time.** Students work hard all week are able to be able to participate in a fun Choice Time activity with the teachers. These choices include a dance party, drawing club, computers, dodge the pins, extra playground time, and "you can build it". There is something fun for everyone!









Student Assist Homeless Connect

Our 7th and 8th grade student council members volunteered with the Lapeer County Homeless Connect. The students were able to prepare lunches, fill food boxes, package clothing for needy community members and more.

Way to go Broncos!



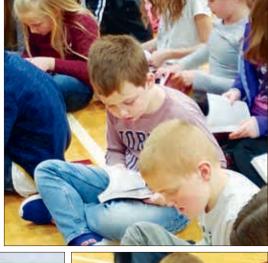


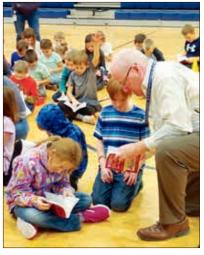
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Kiwanis 3rd Dictionary Sive-Way

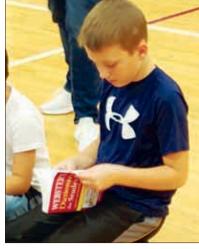
Erika, Mike & Sarah, local parents and Kiwanis members, stopped by to read a story and provide dictionaries for all 168 of our third graders to keep as part of their annual give-away.

We are very fortunate to be part of such a caring community!









2020-21 Begin-a-garten/Kindergarten

Believe it or not, we are already in the process of planning for the 2020-21 school year! With that said, we would like to invite those affected parents to our Begin-a-

PARENT ORIENTATION NIGHT

garten/Kindergarten Parent Orientation Meeting:

WHAT: 2020-21 Begin-a-garten/Kindergarten

Parent Orientation Meeting

WHEN: Tuesday, February 11 • 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. **WHERE:** North Branch Elementary Cafeteria

This is a parent-only meeting in which we will begin the orientation process for next fall.

If you have a child who will be 5 years old on or before December 1, 2020, and will be attending school this coming fall, please contact us at the office at 810-688-3042 right away so we can begin the enrollment process. A formal invitation will be sent to you for the meeting on February 11th. Please feel free to contact the NBE office for more information.

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Please checkout the

November Curriculum Corner Newsletter

penned by district instructional coaches:

Cindy Lewis, Theresa Rae and Sara Taylor at http://bit.ly/NBcurriculumNov

Deposit Day



On Friday, November 8 NBE students were treated to a visit from our friends at ELGA Credit Union through the LEAF Program. The Super Saver Hero made a special appearance on our first Deposit Day helping students make 51 deposits totaling \$723.05! ELGA's Super Saver Hero spoke to students about ways to earn and save money. There were many proud students with piggy banks, pennies and purple lanyards enjoying their banking experience which included learning how to fill out a deposit slip.

LEAF is
a children's
saving program brought
to you by the
Lapeer County
Community
Foundation,
ELGA Credit
Union, and
Lapeer County
Schools.



The LEAF program provides kindergartners with Children's Savings Accounts which are long-term savings accounts that will grow along with your student. Students are highly engaged in this program all while learning about making smart financial choices. Super Savers will be receiving an additional \$25 deposit once all Deposit Days have been completed as an extra incentive!

Our next Deposit Day is tentatively scheduled for December 3rd. Sign up for the LEAF Portal at **LapeerCounty.CF.org/LEAF** and watch the account grow with each deposit! Remember, deposits can be anything from pennies to dollars.



Pacts About Michigan's "Ready By Grade Three" Law

In 2016, the Michigan legislature adopted the Read By Grade Three (RBG3) law. This law requires schools to identify and support K-3 students who have reading concerns. The most talked about requirement of this new reading law is the 3rd grade retention component that comes into effect at the end of this school year - Spring 2020.

The law states that a 3rd grader may repeat grade 3 if they are "more than one grade level behind." The Michigan Department of Education defines a year behind as receiving a scale score of 1252 or below on the state M-STEP English Language Arts assessment. The following table outlines the cut scores on the state ELA M-STEP that would lead to retention, recommended "reading supports" or promotion.

Elementary teachers, literacy coaches and leadership have been working together to ensure all com-

RBG3 Category	Cut Score	Response	
1	1252 or Lower	Subject to the retention policy and will be given the resources and supports below*	
2	2 1253-1271 Additional reading supports are recommended, <i>not re</i> (not subject to retention policy)		
3	1272 or Higher	Meets the Grade 3 reading requirement (not subject to retention policy and additional needs or supports can be determined at the local level)	

ponents of the law are met (outlined below). North Branch Elementary has excellent teachers who provide all students with quality literacy instruction, tailored support, and are striving to grow lifelong readers and writers in our community.

For more information about RBG3, please review the Read By Grade Three Requirements, visit http://bit.ly/RBG3parents and/or reach out to Amber White, Director of Curriculum & Instruction, or Theresa Rae, North Branch Elementary Literacy Coach, at 810-688-9362.

READ BY GRADE THREE REQUIREMENTS

Retention begins Spring 2020:

- takes place when a student is 1 year or more behind in reading as defined by 3rd Grade English Language Arts M-STEP scale score
- parents will be notified by June 1st if their child's reading score on the English Language Arts M-STEP is 1252 or below
- parents have 30 days upon receiving notification of retention to file a good cause exemption w/the school; please call 810.688.3570 or 810.688.9362
- the district has 30 days before the 1st day of school to determine if the exemption will be aranted

EXEMPTIONS can be granted for students to bypass retention, who EITHER:

- are less than 1 year behind on the state assessment
- have an IEP or 504 plan
- perform at grade level on state approved alternative assessment
- demonstrate grade-level reading proficiency through an alt. standardized reading assessment approved by Superintendent
- demonstrate grade-level reading proficiency through student portfolio on all standards
- demonstrate proficiency on state math assessment & has portfolio showing proficiency of science & social studies standards
- were previously retained in K, grade 1, 2, or 3 & received 2 years of remedial support
- have less than 3 years of instruction in English Language Learning programs
- have been enrolled less than 2 years in the current district & were not provided an Individual Reading Improvement Plan in previous school
- demonstrate proficiency in all other subject areas

• have a parent who requests an exemption within the 30 days and the Superintendent approves this "in the best interests of the pupil"

End of 2019-2020- A student not promoted to Grade 4 must have evidence-based reading program and:

- a) a highly effective teacher of reading as determined by the teacher evaluation system
- b) the highest evaluated grade 3 teacher in the school as determined by the teacher evaluation system OR
- c) a reading specialist.

Districts are required to:

- assess K-3 reading skills 2x's per year (fall & spring), the 1st assessment within 30 days of school starting
- provide written notice to parents of a deficiency
- provide an Individual Reading Improvement Plan (IRIP) developed by the teacher, principal, parents & other pertinent school personnel for any deficient students within 30 days after identification
- Provide parents a Read at Home plan to support their child at home
- target specific areas of professional development for teachers
- utilize a literacy coach

Districts will develop a Reading Intervention Program that includes:

- evidence-based core reading instruction
- intensive development in phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, comprehension & writing
- parent "Read at Home" plans & other documentation of school's efforts to engage
- documentation of dissenting opinions expressed by school personnel or parents in Individual Reading Improvement Plans

Grade 3 Reading Intervention Programs must include:

- · more intervention time than the previous school year
- daily small-group and/or one-to-one instruction
- ongoing progress monitoring assessments
- intervention by a teacher, tutor, or volunteer outside the regular English Language Arts classroom time who has specialized reading training

Literacy Coach shall support teachers in:

- each of the 5 major reading components
- administering & analyzing assessments • diagnosing reading deficiencies
- using progress monitoring
- modeling effective teaching strategies
- facilitating study groups
- data analysis
- · evidence-based practices

English Language Learners must receive:

- ongoing assessments that provide actionable data
- instruction in academic vocabulary
- instruction using strategies such as modeling, guided practice and comprehensive input

Bus News Vou Can Use!

Greetings from Transportation!

WE CAR'T SEE YOU... Student and/or Your Address

- **A.** It is very difficult to see your student at the bus stop in the dark! Please consider having your student wear bright color clothing, it helps to see them. We also encourage your student to use a flashlight or cell phone with light to help locate where they are at the bus stop.
- **B.** It is also very difficult to see addresses on mailboxes and homes that are dark or only on one side of the mailbox. Our buses travel in both directions on many of our routes. Any reflective markers, numbers on both sides of the mailbox would be greatly appreciated.



Very soon the weather will turn to cold, icy roads. Please remind your students to use caution while waiting for and boarding the bus. Please stay back a minimum of 10 feet from where the bus stops.

Just a reminder to make sure your students dress warm for the ride to and from school. Hats, gloves, boots and warm coats are a good idea. You just never know when we might get stuck on a winter day and have to get on another bus.

In the event the roads are just too bad we will announce a SNOW DAY! This will be done through Skyward as well as

local TV stations. Every effort is made to make a decision concerning cancelling school by 5:00 a.m., however in some situations, due to unforeseen circumstances, the decision takes longer.

Our goal is to safely transport your student to and from school. We will continue to offer up "News You Can Use" to help reach that goal.

Thank You for your support and help! From the Dean Transportation Department

When to keep your child home from school

We always encourage you to seek medical care when your child is sick and follow your medical provider recommendations when your child should return to school and activities.

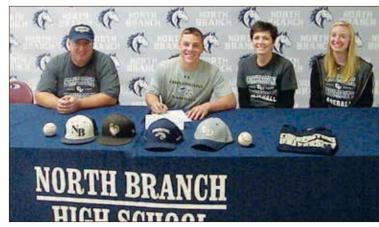
Remember to call the school every day that your child will be absent. Make sure the school has your current contact information in case your child becomes ill or injured at school. If your child has a communicable disease i.e. Strep, Lice, Meningitis,

Chicken Pox, Influenza etc., please notify the school. In some instances it will be necessary for your medical provider to provide the school with a medical release before your child can return to school.

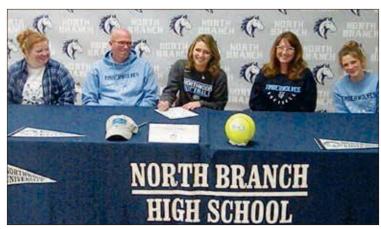
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Signs and Symptoms	Cold	Flu &
Symptom onset	Gradual	Abrupt
Fever	Rare	Usual
Aches	Slight	Usual
Chills	Uncommon	Fairly common
Fatigue, weakness	Sometimes	Usual
Sneezing	Common	Sometimes 2
Stuffy nose	Common	Sometimes 🖁
Sore throat	Common	Sometimes
Chest discomfort, cough	Mild to moderate	Common
Headache	Rare	Common
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SYMPTOMS	I NEED TO STAY AT HOME	I'M READY TO GO BACK WHEN
Temperature/Fever	If fever is 100 or higher within the last 24 hours.	Fever free for at least 24 hours without fever reducing medication, i.e. Tylenol, Motrin.
Vomiting/Diarrhea	If they have vomited or had diarrhea within the last 24 hours.	No episodes of vomiting or diarrhea in the last 24 hours without medication.
Coughing	If they are coughing continuously or having problems breathing.	Coughing is mild or infrequent and no problems with breathing.
Eye Infection	If they have redness, itching, and/or crusty drainage from one or both eyes.	Evaluated by a doctor and have a note to return to school.
Rash	If they have a body rash with itching or fever.	Free from itchy rash or fever. Evaluated by doctor if needed.
Sore Throat	If throat has spots, severe redness with a fever.	Evaluated by a doctor and have a note to return to school.
Head Lice	If they have active head lice or nits.	Treated with appropriate lice treatment and checked by the office staff to make sure they are lice and nit free.

Sports News



Eli Robinette signs with Cornerstone University to play baseball.



Claire Lyons signs with Northwood University to play softball.



2019 INDIVIDUAL VARSITY SOCCER AWARDS PICTURED L to R:

Ryan DeWitte - 1st Team - All Conference, All District; Hunter Robinson - 1st Team - All Conference, All District; Brent Lange - Honorable Mention All Conference; Garrett VanWormer - Honorable Mention All Conference



2019 INDIVIDUAL GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY AWARDS

PICTURED L to R: Karlie Schlaud - 1st Team All Conference; Haileigh Bissett – 1st Team All Conference, 1st Team All State, Academic All State with a GPA of 3.778



2019 INDIVIDUAL BOYS CROSS COUNTRY AWARDS

PICTURED L to R: Evan Schapman - 1st Team All Conference; Gabriel Hutchins - 1st Team All Conference



2019 VARSITY SOCCER TEAM ACADEMIC ALL-STATE GPA WITH TEAM GPA OF 3.69

FRONT ROW L to R: Kyle Nelson, Merlin Gillot, Josh June, Eli Liebler, Andrew Muntz, Landen Swoish, Keegan Herron.

MIDDLE ROW L to R: Ian Liebler, Landon Herron, Jimmie Elizando, Ryan DeWitte, Aydan McIntyre, Kaleb June.

BACK ROW L to R: Brent Lange, Garrett VanWormer, Hunter Robinson, Brendan Perry, Ethan Kaltz, John McNees, Austin Coler.

NOT PICTURED: Nathan Coy, Ethan Griffith, Gabriel Hutchins.























Sports News



2019 FOOTBALL TEAM ACADEMIC ALL-STATE QUALIFIER WITH TEAM GPA OF 3.794 - DIVISION IV PLAYOFF QUALIFIER

FRONT ROW L to R: Sean Patten, Alex Albrecht, Demarcus Wagoner, Drew Ragatz, Brayden Vauter, Brandon Martin.

MIDDLE ROW L to R: Darien Wheeler, Ryan DeWitte, Eli Robinette, Jacob Ranney, Kobe Wentzel, Caiden Mears, Jackson Schultz, Gavin Cotterman, Will Damaska. BACK ROW L to R: Wyatt Howe, Brant Mohr, Ryan Rogers, Lucas Perry, Drake Deshetsky, Caleb Hitchcock, Hunter Reinke, Dustin Manns, Devan Elliott, Colton Law, David Petitt, Griffin Mabery, Lawson Rutledge, Andrew Mersino. NOT PICTURED: Lucas Andrews and Hunter Ratliff.



2019 VOLLEYBALL TEAM ACADEMIC ALL-STATE WITH TEAM GPA OF 3.4985 – BWAC CHAMPIONS, DIVISION II DISTRICT CHAMPIONS

FRONT ROW L to R: Shyanne Utley, Charlise Hyde, McKayla Coutcher, Gracie Hyde BACK ROW L to R: Breann June, Hannah Farnsworth, Quinn Peterson, Mattea Swoish, Regan Swoish, Paige Walker, Olivia Gajda, Natasha Bickel NOT PICTURED: Jordan Wilson



2019 INDIVIDUAL FOOTBALL AWARDS

PICTURED L to R:

Will Damaska - Honorable Mention All Conference; Alex Albrecht - 1st Team All Conference; Wyatt Howe - Honorable Mention All Conference; Drake Deshetsky - 1st Team All Conference; Lawson Rutledge - 1st Team All Conference; Brandon Martin - 1st Team All Conference



2019 INDIVIDUAL VOLLEYBALL AWARDS

PICTURED L to R:

Breann June - BWAC MVP, 1st Team All Conference, All Region; Charlise Hyde – 1st Team All Conference, All Region, Honorable Mention All-State; Hannah Farnsworth - 2nd Team All Conference, All Region; Quinn Peterson - 2nd Team All Conference; Shyanne Utley - Individual Academic All-State

























North Branch Winter Sports Schedule

VARSITY	' BOYS BASKET	BAL	L
DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
December 10	Caro	Away	7:30
December 13	Bad Axe	Away	7:30
December 18	Lakeville	Home	7:00
January 03	Imlay City	Home	7:30
January 07	Armada	Home	7:30
January 09	Richmond	Away	7:30
January 15	Lapeer	Home	7:00
January 17	Algonac	Home	7:30
January 21	Almont	Home	7:30
January 24	Yale	Away	7:30
January 29	Kingston	Away	7:30
January 31	Imlay City	Away	7:30
February 04	Cros-Lex	Away	7:00
February 07	Richmond (Snowcoming)	Home	7:30
February 14	Algonac	Away	7:30
February 18	Armada	Away	7:30
February 21	Yale	Home	7:30
February 28	Almont	Away	7:30
March 03	Cros-Lex	Home	7:30
March 05	St. Clair	Home	7:30
March 09	Districts @ Flint Powers	5	TBA
March 11	Districts @ Flint Powers	5	TBA
March 13	Districts @ Flint Powers	,	TBA

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DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
December 10	Caro	Away	6:00
December 13	Bad Axe	Away	6:00
December 18	Lakeville	Home	5:30
January 02	Imlay City	Home	6:00
January 07	Armada	Home	6:00
January 09	Richmond	Away	6:00
January 15	Lapeer	Home	5:30
January 16	Algonac	Home	6:00
January 21	Almont	Home	6:00
January 23	Yale	Away	6:00
January 29	Kingston	Away	6:00
January 30	Imlay City	Away	5:30
February 04	Cros-Lex	Away	5:30
February 06	Richmond	Home	6:00
February 13	Algonac	Away	5:30
February 18	Armada	Away	6:00
February 20	Yale	Home	6:00
February 27	Almont	Away	6:00
March 03	Cros-Lex	Home	6:00
March 05	St. Clair	Home	6:00

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DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
December 10	Caro	Away	4:30
January 02	Imlay City	Home	4:30
January 07	Armada	Home	4:30
January 09	Richmond	Away	4:30
January 15	Lapeer	Home	4:00
January 16	Algonac	Home	4:30
January 21	Almont	Home	4:30
January 23	Yale	Away	4:30
January 30	Imlay City	Awav	4:00

FRESHMAN BOYS BASKETBALL, cont.

February 04	Cros-Lex	Away 4:00
February 06	Richmond	Home 4:30
February 13	Algonac	Away 4:00
February 18	Armada	Away 4:30
February 20	Yale	Home 4:30
February 27	Almont	Away 4:30
March 03	Cros-Lex	Home 4:30
March 05	St. Clair	Home 4:30

VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL

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DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
December 03	Lakeville	Home	7:00
December 05	Lapeer	Away	7:00
December 10	Clio	Home	7:30
December 12	Bad Axe	Home	7:30
December 17	Almont	Away	7:00
December 19	Cros-Lex	Away	7:30
January 03	Imlay City	Home	6:00
January 07	Richmond	Away	6:00
January 14	Armada	Home	7:30
January 17	Algonac	Home	6:00
January 24	Yale	Away	6:00
January 28	Almont	Home	7:30
January 31	Imlay City	Away	6:00
February 03	Lakers	Home	7:30
February 07	Richmond (Snowcoming)	Home	6:00
February 11	Cros-Lex	Home	7:30
February 14	Algonac	Away	6:00
February 21	Yale	Home	6:00
February 25	Armada	Away	7:30
February 27	Caro	Away	7:30
March 02	Districts @ Lake Fentor	1	TBA
March 04	Districts @ Lake Fentor	1	TBA

March 06 Districts @ Lake Fenton J.V. GIRLS BASKETBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
December 03	Cros-Lex Freshman	Home	5:30
December 05	Lapeer	Away	5:30
December 10	Clio	Home	6:00
December 12	Bad Axe	Home	6:00
December 17	Almont	Away	6:00
December 19	Cros-Lex	Away	6:00
January 03	Imlay City	Home	4:30
January 07	Richmond	Away	4:30
January 14	Armada	Home	6:00
January 17	Algonac	Home	4:30
January 24	Yale	Away	4:30
January 28	Almont	Home	6:00
January 31	Imlay City	Away	4:30
February 03	Lakers	Home	6:00
February 07	Richmond	Home	4:30
February 11	Cros-Lex	Home	6:00
February 14	Algonac	Away	4:30
February 21	Yale	Home	4:30
February 25	Armada	Away	6:00
February 27	Caro	Away	6:00

VARSITY WRESTLING

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
December 11	Garber	Away	6:00
December 14	Frankenmuth (B.	attle In Bavaria)	9:00

December 18	Lapeer	Home	6:00
December 21	Mayville Tournament	Away	8:30
January 10	Richmond/Almont/Yale	Home	5:30
January 11	Bad Axe Tournament		TBA
January 17	Cros-Lex w/Imlay City & Yale	Away	TBA
January 18	Marysville Tournament		TBA
January 24	Yale w/Algonac	Away	5:30
January 25	Flint Southwestern	Away	9:00
January 31	Imlay City	Home	5:00
February 02	Yale - Peltier Classic	Away	9:00
February 08	BWAC Tourney @ Imlay	/ City	9:00
February 13	Team Districts @ Flint k	Cearsley	TBA
February 15	Individual Districts	TBA	TBA

VARSITY BOWLING

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIMI
December 11	Yale (Holly Meadows)	Away	4:00
December 12	Imlay City (Gerlachs)	Home	4:00
December 18	Armada (Strikers)	Away	4:00
December 19	Almont (Gerlachs)	Home	4:00
January 08	Richmond (Strikers)	Away	4:00
January 09	Cros-Lex (Gerlachs)	Home	4:00
January 15	Imlay City (Cedar Lanes)	Away	4:00
January 16	Algonac (Gerlachs)	Home	4:00
January 22	Algonac (Colony)	Away	4:00
January 23	Yale (Gerlachs)	Home	4:00
January 29	Cros-Lex (Kautz Shore Lanes)	Away	4:00
January 30	Armada (Gerlachs)	Home	4:00
February 05	Almont (Hide-A-Way)	Away	4:00
February 06	Richmond (Gerlachs)	Home	4:00
February 28/29	Regionals	TBA	TB/
March 06/07	State Finals	TBA	TB/

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
December 14	Troy CCAM	Away	TBA
January 08	Yale	Away	6:00
January 11	Oxford Invite	Away	TBA
January 15	Imlay City	Away	6:00
January 18	Davison Invite	Away	TBA
January 29	Richmond	Away	5:30
February 01	Kearsley Invite	Away	TBA
February 07	Romeo Invite	Away	TBA
February 15	Brandon Invite	Away	TBA

DATE OPPONENT

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November 21	Marysville (McMorran Place Arena)	8:00
November 22	Thumb Legion (Colleen J. Howe Arena)	6:00
November 26	Capital City (Suburban Ice)	8:00
December 04	Swartz Creek/Flushing (Crystal Field House)	6:00
December 11	Grand Blanc (Crystal Field House)	6:00
December 13	Tawas HS (Crystal Field House)	6:30
December 14	Tawas HS (Crystal Field House)	7:00
December 18	Midland Dow (Crystal Field House)	6:00
December 20	Marysville (Crystal Field House)	6:30
January 03	Thumb Legion (Colleen J. Howe Arena)	6:00
January 08	Midland Chemics (Crystal Field House)	6:00
January 10	Thumb Legion (Crystal Field House)	6:30
January 11	Fenton/Linden Griffins (Hartland Arena)	1:30
January 15	Saginaw Heritage (Saginaw Bay Arena)	7:00
January 18	Canton (Lakeland Arena)	2:00

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January 22	Powers Catholic (Flint Iceland Arena)	6:00
January 24	Tawas HS (Tawas Bay Arena)	7:30
January 29	Davison HS (Crystal Field House)	6:00
February 05	B.C. Western (Bay County Civic Arena)	7:00
February 12	Mt. Pleasant (Isabella Comm Arena)	7:00
February 19	B.C. John Glenn (Crystal Field House)	6:00
February 21	Thumb Legion (Crystal Field House) Sr. Night	8:00

M.S. COMPETITIVE CHEER

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
January 29	Richmond	Away	5:30
February 01	Kearsley Invite	Away	TBA
February 05	Algonac	Away	6:00
February 07	Romeo Invite	Away	TBA
February 12	Armada	Away	6:00
February 15	Brandon Invite	Away	TBA

M.S. GIRLS BASKETBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
November 11	Richmond	Away	4:30
November 13	Imlay City	Away	4:30
November 18	Armada	Home	4:30
November 20	Cros-Lex	Home	4:30
November 25	Yale	Away	4:30
December 04	Almont	Away	4:30
December 07	BWAC Tourney @ Imla	y City	TBA
December 11	Algonac	Home	4:30
December 14	BWAC Tourney @ Cros	-Lex	TBA
December 18	Imlay City	Home	4:30

M.S. BOYS BASKETBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
January 22	Richmond	Away	4:30
January 27	Imlay City	Away	4:30
January 29	Armada	Home	4:30
February 03	Algonac	Home	4:30
February 05	Cros-Lex	Home	4:30
February 08	BWAC Tourney @ Imla	y City	TBA
February 12	Yale	Away	4:30
February 19	Almont	Away	4:30
February 22	BWAC Tourney @ Cros	-Lex	TBA
February 26	Imlay City	Away	4:30

M.S. WRESTLING

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
November 22	22 BWAC Tourney @ Richmond		4:00
November 26	Algonac w/Armada	Away	4:30
December 04	Almont/Cros-Lex	Home	4:30
December 07	Armada Invite	Away	9:00
December 11	Imlay City	Away	4:30
December 18	Yale w/Richmond	Away	4:30

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