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Our school year is almost halfway complete and flying by. The month of December is a wonderful time in our schools annually with excited children about the holidays and upcoming break from school. I would like to encourage everyone to finish the first semester of the 2017-18 school year strong. As a break approaches, I encourage everyone to continue our relentless pursuit of greatness with high expectations, unlimited support, and a grateful spirit.

A Changing Society Calls for 21st Century Skills

Society has changed a great deal over the last 25-30 years, drastically impacting today's students. Workforce demands have increased to a point where 80% of employers feel that students must master core subjects and critical thinking, communication, collaboration, and creativity skills to be successful in the 21st century. Eighty percent of the nation's jobs are in the service economy, which means students must master listening skills, empathy skills, problem solving skills, communication skills, and collaboration skills. Effective citizenship has changed over the years in a more complex, online, and global way. In addition, society continues to navigate through the "information age" where students must be able to synthesize information instead of only "knowing it." With what we know about these changes, we must continue our school district's focus on core subject skills, career and technical education, developing and nurturing a love for the arts, and focus on improving students' critical thinking, communication, collaboration, and creativity.

SCHOOLS NEWS

Breckinridge County High School

Congratulations to the BCHS Y-Club for being recognized with a Merit Award at KYA 2017 for contributing 791 service hours in 9 months.

Breckinridge County Middle School

Congratulations to the BCMS National Beta students and sponsors for achieving National Beta School of Distinction status.

Breckinridge County Area Technology Center

The BCATC proudly congratulates all students who have recently passed industry certification. Seventy percent of Automotive Technology and Welding students have passed industry certifications this school year.

Ben Johnson Elementary School

Congratulations to BJES Guidance Counselor/PE Teacher, Mr. D.J. Riggs, for receiving an award for his contribution to the Fuel Up to Play 60 Program and helping BJES to be recognized as one of 17 schools in the state to receive Touchdown School status.

Custer Elementary School

Congratulations to the CES students and staff for providing 20 complete turkey baskets to families in need during Thanksgiving this year.

Irvington Elementary School

On November 21, Irvington Elementary School held its annual Community Day Dinner for 350 guests to kick off the holiday season.

Hardinsburg Elementary School

HES 4th and 5th grade students recently visited ECTC and Kentucky Wesleyan College in an effort to promote college and career readiness.

UPCOMING DISTRICT EVENTS

November 27th– December 8th, 2017– MAP Testing Window for Elementary and Middle Schools

December 4th-15th, 2017– Elementary Learning Checks

December 6, 2017– CERT Testing at BCHS

December 11th-15th, 2017– Quarterly Common Exams at BCMS

December 15th, 18th, & 19th, 2017– Semester Exams at BCHS

December 20, 2017– District Wide Training Day for Staff (No School for Students and Christmas Break Begins)

SPOTLIGHT

Emily Priddy— BJES Teacher



Mrs. Emily Priddy is an all-around innovative teacher, 4th and 5th Grade PLC team leader, and STLP Coordinator at BJES. Her relentless focus on student learning is valued and appreciated throughout our school district. She has also helped BJES receive Gold STLP status for the last 6 years.

BRECKINRIDGE COUNTY SCHOOLS

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