

# COMMUNICATOR

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## West Central School Corporation Future Projects

By: Mr. Don Street

January 2019 has given us some interesting weather days! I appreciate everyone's patience as we battle the winter weather. The prediction is for these weather patterns to continue, and we are several days away from seeing the first spring flower. These conditions require a degree of patience and a lot more effort in fulfilling our daily task.

I have a great appreciation for the Pulaski County Highway Department. We work closely together in determining a delayed start to the school day and school closings. The corporation is given information as to the time the trucks will begin the day and if additional time is needed before the bus routes are completed. We have the benefit of requesting a particular stretch of road be given attention from the PCHD. The communication and working relationship is greatly appreciated.

Our bus drivers do outstanding work! They have a great responsibility of delivering the students to school and home safely each day. There are off-road issues as well. On the coldest of days, the bus needs to be started earlier than normal so that the students can have a warm means of transportation. If you have the opportunity, I would encourage you to thank a bus driver.

Our maintenance staff works hard to clean the school parking lot and sidewalks. Depending on the weather, this may take several hours to accomplish. They may start at in the early morning hours. We greatly appreciate their work.

I appreciate your patience in coping with a disruption in the daily routine. Some families may have to rely on others to care for their children if there is a delay or cancelation. The bus may not arrive exactly on time due to road conditions, and on occasion even arrive from a different direction due to avoiding a turn-around, or a family not riding the bus and route can be shortened. The best results will come from your continued patience and understanding of the situation, and realization that the drivers are doing the best they can give the circumstances they are dealing with.

In the event of delays or cancellations, we attempt to use the curtesy phone message system to parents and staff. Information may also be found on WKVI 99.3, WLQI 97.7, WFRN 100.1, WSBT Channel 22, WLFI Channel 18, WNDU Channel 16, and ABC57.

Enjoy your winter and I encourage you to plan for spring!

# WCHS Yearbook

Order Your  
**YEARBOOK**



**2019 Seniors need to have senior pictures (portrait view) to Mr. Pack by April 1. You can email your digital picture to [spack@wcsc.k12.in.us](mailto:spack@wcsc.k12.in.us)**

**Yearbooks are now at their lowest cost of \$55.00. Send your check to Mr. Pack before March 1, 2019. On March 1, 2019 the cost of the book will increase to \$75.00.**

**To order your yearbook, please provide the following information:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Name (Please print)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Grade**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone Number**

**Please send form and money to Mr. Pack at the high school.**



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# News from the School Nurse

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## Immunization Information



Parents, the Department of Health has revised the immunization requirements for certain school age groups. You can get an early start completing their immunizations now. These vaccinations will be required for your child to start school. Remember, if your child has a religious/medical objection to vaccines, an objection form must be signed yearly. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Mellon at 219-567-9741.

### **New Immunization Requirements for 2019-20:**

**Hepatitis A—** Two doses of Hepatitis A is **required** for K-4 and **7th and 12th graders (new)**. **The first dose of Hepatitis A and 2nd dose of Hepatitis A have to be 6 months apart. Please start this vaccination ASAP for the new school year!**

**MCV4** (Meningococcal) and **Tdap** (Tetanus & Pertussis) needed for students going into **6th grade**.

**2-MCV4's** - required for **12th graders**.

**Reminders 2018-2019: Current 6th & 12th graders** need to get their **2nd Hepatitis A** if they haven't already. Several students are due this semester for this!

### **Date to Remember:**



March 6, 2019---7:30-1:00--Indiana Blood Center Drive—call Mrs. Johns at 219-567-9119 to schedule a convenient appointment.

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# GYM & SWIM

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Our Gym & Swim season will be coming to an end in February. Students have done a great job with learning new swimming skills. The pool area always enjoys this time of year. During the next few weeks students will be working on passing their level and hopefully advancing to the next color cap. Our safety portion is a success with students learning that water is fun but there are also dangers. Each week we go over what to do in an emergency and what is safe swimming. Great Job to all the students!

Just a reminder NO SCHOOL = NO POOL. Winter is here and the pool will not be opened when school is canceled or dismissed early. We also may need to close early due to weather conditions. We want everyone to stay safe! To check on the current status of the pool please refer to the West Central Facebook page.



## NHS Valentine's Day Fundraiser

West Central High School's National Honor Society is organizing its annual Valentine's Day fundraiser. Students, staff, parents, and relatives can order assorted flowers, cookies, or fruit snacks for their loved ones: carnations for \$2.00 each, large cookies for \$1.00 each, or Fruit Snacks for \$.75 each.

Sales begin Monday, January 22, and run through Wednesday, February 7. High school and middle school students can place orders during lunch. Elementary school students can place orders in the Elementary School Office. Alternately, you can send in the order forms below. The orders will be distributed on **Thursday, February 14, 2019.**

Show your love for that special person, and thank you for supporting the West Central High School National Honor Society's scholarship fund!



### NHS Valentines Order Form

Please enclose this order form with payment in a sealed envelope. You may copy this form.

**To:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Where:** (First name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Last name) \_\_\_\_\_

c K1    c K2    c K3    c KR    Teacher \_\_\_\_\_  
c 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade    Homeroom (5A, 2C, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_  
c Middle School    Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher(s): 5<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ 6<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ 7<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
c High School    Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher(s): 5<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ 6<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ 7<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

**From:** \_\_\_\_\_

**What:** (\_\_\_\_ cookies ´ \$1.00) + (\_\_\_\_ flowers ´ \$2.00) + (\_\_\_\_ Fruit Snack x \$.75) = Total \_\_\_\_\_

**Message:**



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**Message:**



# Library News

The Buy One Get One FREE (BOGO) Book Fairs are coming back to West Central in April! This is a perfect opportunity to stock up on some great books for your family.

Reading for pleasure unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover who they are. Here's what you can do to help children develop stronger reading skills and a love for reading:

- Set the example. Let children see you read.
- Have a collection of books in your home. Update this collection routinely to keep up with changing tastes and reading skills.
- **Support our school's Book Fair. Allow your children to choose their own books to read.**

Our Scholastic Book Fair is a reading event that brings the books kids want to read right into our school. It's a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable (Buy One Get One FREE) books for every reading level. Please make plans to visit our Book Fairs and be involved in shaping your child's reading habits.

## Book Fair dates & Shopping hours:

**Elementary: April 1-5**

**8 am - 3:15 pm**

**MS/HS: April 22-26**

**7:30 am - 3:30 pm**



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# Notes from the High School Guidance Department

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**Mark your calendar for the following events in early 2019:**

***Seniors and Senior Parents:***

Scholarship season is in full swing. Please note the following and see Mrs. Kennedy if you have questions:

West Central Scholarship – available now and due March 15, 2019 – WCHS website

Jasper County Scholarships – available now and due March 1, 20189

([www.jasperfdn.org](http://www.jasperfdn.org))

Pulaski County Scholarships – available January 12 and due March 2, 2019

([www.cfopc.org](http://www.cfopc.org))

***Juniors and Junior Parents:***

**Thursday, March 18 at 6:30 pm.** - Informational meeting in the HS Media Center to prepare for the senior year (held in conjunction with Parent/Teacher Conferences). New this year, a rep from Purdue will be here so share info from the college perspective.

Meet your student's teachers and then come to the HS Media Center at 6:00 p.m. for this important meeting. We will discuss planning for attendance at college, trade and technical schools after graduation. SAT and ACT testing will be discussed as well as the application process for scholarships and colleges.

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***Seniors and Senior Parents:***

Mark your calendar for Senior Awards Night—May 13, 2019 at 6:00pm.





# Notes from the High School

## High School Scheduling for 2019-20

We are only half way through the 2018-19 school year and it is already time to start scheduling for next year. Mrs. Kennedy began working before the Christmas Break on the scheduling process. Parents and students are reminded to contact the guidance office/student support services if they have any questions concerning which classes to take, what is required for high school graduation, what is required for college, and what coursework is needed for each diploma type. Please call and make an appointment if you would like to meet with Mrs. Kennedy to talk about your child's credits, schedule or future plans.

Minimum high school graduation requirements (Core 40) are: 40 Credits and passing the Core 40 End of Course Assessments.

- 8 Credits of English
- 6 Credits of Math
- 6 Credits of Science
- 1 Credit of Health
- 2 Credit of Physical Education
- 1 Credit of Preparing for College/Career
- 6 Credits of Social Studies (1 Gov't, 2 U.S. History, & 2 World History/Geography, Economics)
- 18 Elective Credits

In addition, students must be enrolled in a Math or Quantitative Reasoning course each year of high school.

\*\*\*\*\***NEW**\*\*\*\*\*

Students entering the 9th grade in the fall of 2019 and beyond must complete the Indiana Graduation Pathways Diploma. In addition to attaining the diploma requirements listed above, students must also demonstrate Employability Skills and Post-Secondary Ready Competencies. Information on the pathways diploma will be shared each year with 8th graders, as well as their parents, as they enter high school.

College requirements are increasing. Each college sets its own admissions requirements. State supported colleges are not required to accept Indiana graduates.

Some colleges have standard requirements for all students to meet in order to be admitted to the college. Other colleges have each department within the college establish their respective requirements. Purdue University has different admissions requirements for each department. Two years of a foreign language is a requirement for many four-year colleges.

***High Grades + High SAT/ACT Scores = More \$\$\$ in scholarships, grants and financial aid!! Students need to be encouraged to take high school seriously from the beginning of 9<sup>th</sup> grade and beyond.***

**College Costs Estimator is a fairly new tool for students and parents. Check it out at:**

<http://www.indianacollegecosts.org/calculate-your-college-costs>



# Driver's Education 2019

AGE: 15 years old—June 1, 2019

**REQUIREMENTS:** Driver's Education in Indiana exists in two parts. There is a Classroom portion and a Driving portion. The State of Indiana requires that you complete 30 hours of classroom time or equivalent online program. You will take your Classroom portion of Driver's Ed online through **Driving Brilliance.com**. You are also required to take 6 hours of in the car training to complete Driver's Ed. At West Central driving will be done during the month of June. **You must be at least 15 years old in the State of Indiana to get your Learner's Permit.** If you complete Driver's Education and hold your permit for 180 days, then you will be able to get your license when you are 16 years and 90 days old.

**CLASS:** The classroom portion of the class will be done online through Driving Brilliance. To access the registration go to **drivingbrilliance.com** and select register. **Make sure to put West Central as the high school.** Students may begin the online class after they turn 15, and must be completed to drive this summer. The online class may be done at home, on school computers during the school year, or students may also come to school to use computers during the first two weeks of June.

**FEES:** Total cost for the program will be **\$275.00**. A \$25 fee will be paid to Driving Brilliance for the online class. The fee must be paid online. A **\$250.00** fee will be paid to West Central for driving. Out of corporation students will be charged **\$350**. Students not completing the class will be refunded **\$150.00** (only if requested in writing).

**PERMIT:** Students will be given a CDE form **once they turn 15 years old and have the \$250 fee paid.** This form is what is needed to get the student driving permit. Students will take the CDE form and proper documents (found in Driver's Manual) to the license branch to get their permit. **Students must take and pass a written test at the license branch over the driver's manual to get their permit.** The manual can be found online at [www.in.gov/bmv/](http://www.in.gov/bmv/) under the drivers education tab. I have also ordered manuals to be delivered to West Central.

**DRIVING:** Each student must drive for 6 hours. Driving groups will be assigned at the end of May. **Driving will begin at West Central and students will be dropped off at West Central after driving.**

**VACATIONS:** If there is a specific week a student cannot drive, please fill out the form below so we do not schedule the student to drive during that time. Remember there is only so much flexibility we will have to get all students scheduled. Please include any camps, 4-H fairs, and vacations.

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Vacation or camps \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Mike Harter 567-9119 School or 574-870-6605 Cell

Please return the bottom portion of this page to Mr. Harter with your payment.



# Educational Foundation Donations

As we approach the end of the school year, please be reminded of the opportunity to donate to the West Central Schools Educational Foundation.

The foundation is a tax-exempt charitable organization under Section 501C(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and incorporated under Indiana Law as a not-for-profit corporation. Contributions are deductible for income, estate and gift tax purposes.

The purpose of the foundation is to provide scholarships for the youth of the West Central School Corporation. A secondary purpose is to promote educational excellence by raising funds for an endowment through which grants can be awarded for the purpose of strengthening educational programs.

If you would like to become a donor, please complete the form below. You may stop by the Central Office if you are interested in establishing an Advised Endowment Fund Agreement.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Contribution of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make checks payable to West Central Schools Educational Foundation**

**Mail to:**

**WCSE Foundation**

**P.O. Box 578**

**Francesville, IN 47946**



# Kindergarten ROUND UP

## WEST CENTRAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 2019-2020 KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP INFORMATION

**ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:** Your child must be 5 by August 1, 2019, and you must provide a legal birth certificate. Your child must be fully immunized.

**ROUND-UP DAY: Thursday, April 4.** Your Round-up session will last approximately two hours. During your session, your child will be given a kindergarten readiness screening and his or her vision will be checked. You will also have the opportunity to meet the principal, counselor, nurse, speech pathologist and kindergarten teachers. School registration forms will also be filled out at this time.

**OTHER:** The Kindergarten fee will be determined at a later date. Please complete the form below and return it to the school office by **Monday, March 18**. If you know of a family who has an eligible child that does not receive a copy of The Communicator or The Trojan News, please ask them to contact the school at 219-567-9741.

***PLEASE SAVE TOP PORTION FOR FUTURE REFERENCE***

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### **KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP REGISTRATION 2019-2020**

Please complete this form and return it to the elementary school by **Monday, March 19** so we can schedule your child for this exciting time.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Child's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Birth Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Gender

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent'(s)'/Guardian's Name(s)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address of Parent/Guardian Child Resides With

Is your child enrolled in the Medaryville Preschool?    Yes \_\_\_\_\_    No \_\_\_\_\_

Is your child enrolled in Head Start?    Yes \_\_\_\_\_    No \_\_\_\_\_

Other Program? \_\_\_\_\_

Please check your preferred time for your Round-up session:

Thursday AM (9:00) \_\_\_\_\_    Thursday PM (1:00) \_\_\_\_\_



## COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF PULASKI COUNTY ONLINE SCHOLARSHIP INSTRUCTION SHEET HOW TO GET STARTED

Go to the CF's very own website at [www.cfopc.org](http://www.cfopc.org) and click on Scholarships.

You will see a list of all the scholarships. Begin by clicking on COMMON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION where you will create an account. This will require a user name and password.

**~DO NOT SHARE YOUR PASSWORD INFORMATION~**

The common application is used as a tool/shortcut and needs to be filled out only once. It will link your information to all other specific applications you apply for.

Once the common application is complete, you will need to return to the list of scholarships and click on the links for the specific scholarships you wish to apply for until established. Once established you can log in and access them all through smarterselect.com.

Complete the applications of your choice, making sure to fill in all appropriate information for each application -- each scholarship requires different information and attachments. **MAKE SURE YOU SAVE YOUR INFORMATION.**

Keep in mind that you can save and return later to complete applications at any time up until the scholarship deadline.

## STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

**Students are responsible for submitting applications online and turning in the signed agreement page by the March 1st, 3:00 p.m. deadline.**

Students are responsible for providing the correct contact information for online recommendations. If recommender does not have email, include their first and last name on the online application and then print off the recommender section page and hand deliver. The form has instructions for the recommender to follow.

Check often with recommenders to make sure they have received your request and not sitting in their junk email. Give recommenders adequate time to respond before the deadline.

Students are responsible for informing the guidance office that their transcript needs to be emailed to the CF. **GIVE THE GUIDANCE OFFICE AT LEAST A WEEK'S NOTICE BEFORE THE DEADLINE!!** Please wait until after February 2<sup>nd</sup> to request transcript submission.

**VERY IMPORTANT: You must turn in a signature page checking off each specific application you are applying for. If student is under 18, the signature page ALSO needs to be signed by a parent and turned in to the guidance office before the March 1st, 3:00 p.m. deadline.**

# Miscellaneous School News and Reminders

## **Missed School Days**

West Central School Corporation has five(5) built in make-up days. These days will be used before utilizing E-Learning Days. The five (5) built-in days are January 21, February 15, February 18, March 13 and April 22. E-Learning Days will be utilized on days missed beyond the built in make-up days and designated days in future school years.

## **ILEARN Testing Dates:**

Grades 3-10 will be taking the ISTEP from February 26 through March 9 and again in April 22 through May 17.

## **Head Start**

Head Start is taking applications for children ages 3-5. For more information, please call 219-204-0736 to schedule an appointment.

Thank you!



**1ST ANNUAL WEST CENTRAL  
ALUMNI/STUDENT  
3 on 3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT  
\*SATURDAY FEBRUARY 16, 2019\*  
GAMES START AT 6PM**

**REGISTRATION: \$10.00 PER TEAM (this includes admission)  
AGES - HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMAN AND ABOVE  
ALUMNI EXTREMELY ENCOURAGED AND VERY WELCOMED  
REGISTRATION DEADLINE BY FEBRUARY 4, 2019**

**PLEASE CONTACT:**

**CAITLYNN BRIGMAN ([brigman.ca@wcsc.k12.in.us](mailto:brigman.ca@wcsc.k12.in.us))**

**JENNIFER JOHNS ([jjohns@wcsc.k12.in.us](mailto:jjohns@wcsc.k12.in.us))**

**CASIE ALLEN ([callen@wcsc.k12.in.us](mailto:callen@wcsc.k12.in.us))**



**FOR REGISTRATION FORM OR MORE INFORMATION**

**Admission to Game: \$2.00 per person (children under 5 free) further donations greatly appreciated**

**\* All proceeds benefit Riley Children's Foundation**

**Event Sponsored by West Central Student Council and is not affiliated with West Central Athletic Department**

**3 on 3 RULES**

- Half court play (two games will be played at once)
- 2 quarters - 8 minutes each, 1 timeout per quarter
- May have 1 sub on team
- Overtimes are sudden death once clock expires, meaning next basket wins
- Teams should wear same color shirt (light, dark or specific color) Please specify color on registration form.



**West Central Student/Alumni  
3 on 3 Basketball Tournament  
Registration Form**

**TEAM NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TEAM SHIRT COLOR:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**TEAM PLAYERS: (INCLUDING SUB IF WANTED)**

\_\_\_\_\_ **GRADUATION YEAR:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **GRADUATION YEAR:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **GRADUATION YEAR:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **GRADUATION YEAR:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TELEPHONE NUMBER:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**PAID:**

**CHECK #** \_\_\_\_\_

**CASH** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please turn registration form into middle school office or mail to  
West Central High School ATTN: STUDENT COUNCIL  
1852 S. US HWY 421, Francesville, In 47946**



# West Central FFA Newsletter

BY: Miranda Thompson  
,Kayla Hornback, and Tori  
Culp

# FFA



## Farmer's Breakfast

On September 22, 2018 the West Central FFA chapter held their 7th annual Farmer's Breakfast in the school cafeteria. FFA members served up a delicious meal of biscuits and gravy, hash browns, sausage, eggs, fruits, and drink. The proceeds will help pay for greenhouse supplies. Also the FFA planted pumpkins and sold them at the Farmer's Breakfast.



## Soar

On October 5-7 the West Central FFA chapter had four members go to Soar. Soar is a camp that FFA members in 7th to 10th grade can attend. They can learn more about SAE and CDE and work ethic. This year four officers went. Tori and Eli went as campers. Ethan and Jenna went as counselors. They had a really fun time.

## Spotlight Member

Nate Thompson

**Years in FFA-** 4 years

**Favorite thing about FFA-** All the different competitions, parties, and other things we do as a chapter

**Favorite CDE-** Small Engines

**Favorite FFA memory-** When we did the human chair at the Christmas party



## Up Coming Events

- Sign up for CDE



# West Central FFA NEWSLETTER

By: Miranda Thompson ,Kayla  
Hornback,and Tori Culp



## Christmas Party

The Christmas party was at Wheatfield bowling ally. It was a blast, and the members had a lot of fun.



## Spotlight Member

Alex Lynch

**Years in FFA-** 1 year

**Favorite thing about FFA-** everything we do

**Favorite FFA memory-**  
Christmas party



## Winter CDE

Jenna and Ryan both participate in winter CDE. Jenna did an essay and Ryan did an interview.



## Chapter breakfast

Friday, January 18th the FFA held another chapter breakfast for members. The food was very delicious.

## Key dates

Rec Night -Jan. 28

FFA Week -Feb. 19-22

Spring CDE - March 16

Hog Roast - April 13

# West Central FFA NEWSLETTER

By: Miranda Thompson ,Kayla

Hornback,and Tori Culp

## National FFA Convention & Expo

The West Central FFA officers went to Indy October 24-27. They attended sessions and workshops. They also participated in a behind the scenes tour of the elephant and aquatic area at the Indianapolis ZOO. They also attended a rodeo and Garth Brooks concert. They participated in a day of service at Newfield. Everyone had a really great time at National Convention & Expo.



## CHAPTER BREAKFAST

The Chapter breakfast went good and the members enjoyed the delicious breakfast food.

## Fire

On November 16-18 the West Central FFA chapter attend Fire. Fire is for FFA member that have went to soar in grades 7th to 10th. This year three officers went. The officers that went were Ethan, Jenna, and Eli. They had a fun time.

## OFFICERS

President: Jenna Cords

Vice President: Ryan Lynch

Secretary: Tori Culp

Treasure: James Faler

Reporter: Miranda Thompson

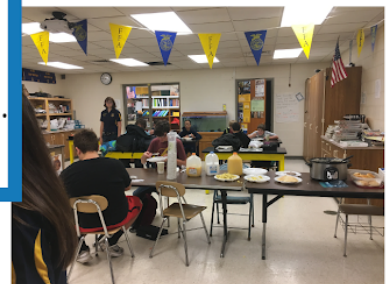
Sentinel: Eli Shanon

Parliamentarian: Ethan Shanon

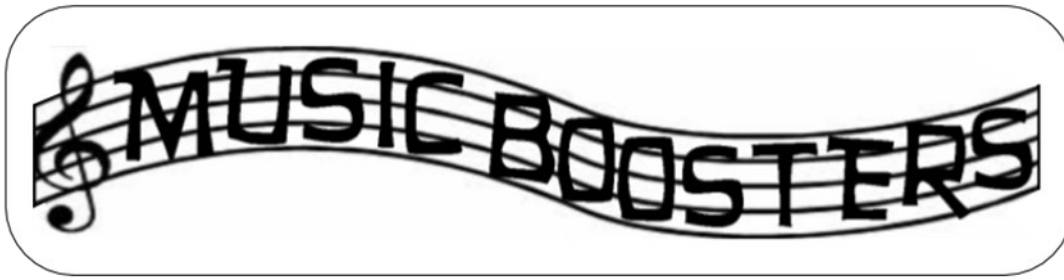
Historian : Kayla Hornback

## Greenhouse

On November 7th after school some FFA members worked on the green house and then enjoyed some snacks after words.







Middle & High School Band & Choir Director : Heather Straus

**Music Boosters Officers:**

President - Bobby G.J. Berrier  
 Secretary - Joanna Thompson  
 Fundraising Account Coordinator - Donita Stimson

Vice President - Bobby Berrier  
 Treasurer - Angela Bolen

It's that time of year again! **Butter Braid sales begin on February 22nd** and run until March 8th. If you are interested in purchasing Butter Braids any 6-12 grade Band or Choir student would be glad to take your order.



If you have an instrument at home that you are no longer using and would like to donate it to the Music program please contact Ms. Straus.

**Attention Parents of 6 - 12 grade band and choir students:** You are invited and encouraged to attend our monthly Music Booster meetings at 5:30 in the band room. Music Booster meeting dates for the rest of the school year are: February 11, March 11, April 8, & May 13.

**Attention Fifth Grade Students and Parents:** All 5th grade students will have a chance to try out different instruments during school on May 2. There will be a band sign up night on May 7 from 4-7pm for fifth grade students interest in being in 6th grade band next year. Quinlan & Fabish Music Company and Ms. Straus will be available that night to help students select instruments. Stay tuned for more details and information on this exciting event in May 2019.

**\*\*\* Important Dates \*\*\***

February 5	Pep Band - Boys Varsity Basketball 6:00 call time
February 11	Music Booster Meeting 5:30 pm Band Room
February 15	Pep Band - Boys Varsity Basketball 6:00 call time
February 21	Pep Band - Boys Varsity Basketball 6:00 call time
February 22	Butter Braids sales begin
February 26	Pep Band - Boys Varsity Basketball Sectionals @ West Central
March 11	Music Booster Meeting 5:30 pm Band Room
March 9	7th & 8th Grade Band ISSMA Group Contest @ Benton Central
April 8	Music Booster Meeting 5:30 pm Band Room
April 6	High School Band & Choir ISSMA Group Contest
May 5	Spring Band & Choir Program
May 13	Music Booster Meeting 5:30 pm in Band Room
May 17 & 18	Music in the Parks trip to Six Flags Great America
May 26	Graduation





Happy Spring Break

