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Happy Holidays
From Our House To Yours



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DECEMBER 2022, JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH 2023

Dec. 3 SAT
 Dec. 5 Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 PM
 Dec. 9 Kid's Night Out / 5:00 - 7:00 PM
 Dec. 10 ACT
 Dec. 12,13,14 Kris Kringle Corner for Students
 Dec. 14 Art Show / K-12 @ 6:00 - 8:00 PM
 Dec. 14 Band & Chorus Winter Concert @ 7:00 PM
 Dec. 17 Christmas Ball @ 7:00 - 10:00
 Dec. 23 15 Week Progress Reports Mailed
 Dec. 26 - 1/2 Holiday Recess NO SCHOOL- School Resumes on January 3, 2022



Jan. 3 School Resumes
 Jan. 6 Deadline to Register for February 11 ACT - Late Registration January 20, 2023
 Jan. 9 Board of Education Meeting @ 7:00 PM
 Jan. 9 Modified Winter Sports Begin
 Jan. TBA PTO Meeting in the Library @ 5:30 PM
Jan. 16 Martin Luther King Day - NO SCHOOL
 Jan. 23 Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 PM
 Jan. 24-27 Regents Exams

Feb. 3 20 Week Report Cards Mailed Home
 Feb. 10 Deadline to Register for March 11 SAT - Late Registration February 28, 2023
 Feb. 11 ACT
 Feb. 13 Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 PM
 Feb. TBA National FFA Week
 Feb. 20-24 President's Day & Winter Vacation



Mar. 1 PTO Meeting in the Library @ 6:30 PM
 Mar. 6 Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 PM
 Mar. 10 Deadline to Register for April 15 ACT—Late Registration March 24, 2023
 Mar. 10 & 11 School Musical "SHREK!" - Friday 7:00 PM / Saturday 2:00 & 7:00 PM
 Mar. 11 SAT
 Mar. 13 JV/V Spring Sports Begin
 Mar. 17 25 Week Progress Reports Distributed
 Mar. 20 Superintendent's Day - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April, May & June 2023

April 3	Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 PM
April 3	Modified Spring Sports Begins
April 7	Deadline to Register for May 6 SAT - Late Registration April 25, 2023
April 7	Good Friday
April 10 - 14	Spring Vacation
April 15	ACT
April 19	Grades 3 - 8 ELA Test
April 20	FFA Banquet—7:00 PM
April 20	Grades 3 - 8 ELA Test
April 21	Grades 3 - 8 ELA Test
April 21	30 Week Report Cards Mailed Home
April 25	Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 PM
April 29	Spring Festival Concert @ Indian River



May 2	3 - 8 NYS Math Test
May 3	3 - 8 NYS Math Test
May 4	3 - 8 NYS Math Test
May 4	Deadline to Register for June 3 SAT - Late Registration May 23, 2023
May 5	Deadline to Register for June 10 ACT - Late Registration May 19, 2023
May 6	NYSSMA Solo & Small Ensemble Festival
May 6	SAT
May 8	Public Budget Hearing & Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 PM
May 16	Annual Budget Vote / Election @ 2:00 - 8:00 PM & BOE Meeting - 8:00 PM
May 18	Honors / Effort Banquet @ 6:30 PM
May 19	Kid's Night Out / 5:00 - 8:00 PM
May 26	35 Week Progress Report Distributed
May 29	Memorial Day—No School

June 1	Grandparents' Day @ TBA
June 1	US History & Government Regents
June 3	SAT
June 5	8th Grade Science Test
June 5	PTO Meeting in the Library @ 6:30 PM
June 5-6	NYSSMA Solos
June 10	ACT
June 12	Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 PM
June 13	Last Day for High School Students
June 14-22	Regents Exams
June 19	Juneteenth Holiday - NO SCHOOL
June 23	Last Day of School / Elementary Report Cards Sent Home
June 24	Baccalaureate @ 5:30 PM
June 25	Graduation @ 2:00 PM
June 29	Report Cards MS/HS Mailed Home



BELLEVILLE HENDERSON

CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

2023
Capital Improvement Project

\$4,435,500



VOTE

Thursday
February 2, 2023
2pm - 8pm in the Foyer

Public Hearing
Monday, January 23
6pm in the Auditorium

Projected Schedule

2023	2024	2025
VOTE February	Submit to SED September	
	SED Approval January	
	Bid Feb/March	
	Construction Begins April	
		End of Construction August

K-12 SCHOOL BUILDING \$1,879,300

Safety and Security

- Provide security film on all exterior doors
- Replace main entry vestibule doors
- Replace public address system
- Provide additional security cameras
- Tie in emergency lighting to the generator
- Provide addressable carbon monoxide detectors and strobes connect to fire alarm system
- Replace site lighting poles, bases and wiring
- Replace damaged and settled sidewalks

Energy Efficiency

- Replace make up air unit for kitchen
- Replace two air handling units in the gymnasium
- Replace weatherstripping at doors

Extend the Useful Life of the Existing Building

- Reconstruct greenhouse and replace kiln and exhaust
- Masonry restoration and control joint sealant replacement
- Provide doors and windows at fitness center
- Provide air conditioning at select offices
- Replace backflow preventer
- Replace sanitary piping in crawl space



ESTIMATED TAX IMPACT

Full Home Value	Basic STAR Exemption	Enhanced STAR Exemption
\$100,000	\$6.92	\$2.48
\$125,000	\$9.39	\$4.95
\$150,000	\$11.86	\$7.42

Note: Increases shown below begin FY 2025-2026, occur three consecutive years and then level off for the remainder of obligation.

PROJECT FINANCING

- 71.4% State Building Aid (\$3,166,947)
- \$350,136 to be paid using the Capital Reserve Funds
- Project will start as debt service after BOCES project is paid off



Main Entrance-Create Secure Entry, Replace Doors



Replace Kiln & Exhaust System



Reconstruct Greenhouse



Masonry Restoration

BUS GARAGE \$2,556,200



Replace Overhead Door Panels



Replace Storefront Framing and Glazing



Repair Cracked Wall



Masonry Restoration



Replace with Fiber Reinforced Polymer Doors



Replace Roof & Paint Structure

Safety and Security

- Provide safety cross rails at original school building doors
- Replace exit signs and wall mounted emergency lights with led fixtures
- Replace fire alarm system
- Upgrade carbon monoxide detection system
- Replace main distribution panel
- Provide additional security cameras
- Replace building mounted exterior lighting with new led fixtures
- Provide site lighting at tennis courts and basketball courts
- Replace damaged and settled sidewalks

Energy Efficiency

- Replace ceiling hung gas fired unit heaters
- Replace water heater
- Replace damaged overhead door panels
- Replace exterior doors
- Replace windows and glazing
- Replace translucent panels in the bus service bays

Extend the Useful Life of the Existing Building

- Provide high performance coating at the base of structural columns
- Replace roof over bus storage bays
- Masonry restoration
- Upgrade finishes at the office and lounge areas
- Replace inground bus lift
- Modify control panel at the fueling station

YOUR VOTE COUNTS



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December 2022

Dear Members of the Belleville Henderson Community,

I want to wish all of you a safe and happy holiday season. I hope you are able to spend time with friends and family and enjoy all of the festivities that make up this time of year. I also wish you a Happy New Year. With 2023 just around the corner, I wanted to take the opportunity to address some of the exciting initiatives and projects that will be taking place within the district.

On Thursday, February 2, the Belleville Henderson Central School District will be asking for your support for our 2023 Capital Improvement Project. Our goal is "Preserving the Past as we Move to the Future." The project will involve both our K-12 Building as well as the Bus Garage and focus on three main areas: safety and security, energy efficiency, and extending the useful life of existing buildings. Through these improvements, we intend to enhance the learning environment of our students, expand upon existing safety measures within our buildings, and ultimately save district taxpayers money in the long term through lower energy costs and allowing district buildings to be strong for years to come. A public hearing and full presentation on the capital project will be on Monday, January 23 at 6 pm in the Auditorium. The vote will be on Tuesday, February 2 from 2 pm- 8pm in the Foyer. More information on the capital project will be available on our website, at our district office, and through direct mailings. Those who have any questions on the project may call me at 315-846-5826.

One of the main focuses of the 2022-23 school year has been on student academic success as well as implementing a strong K-12 intervention program to provide additional assistance to students. We look forward to positive results for our students as we continue these initiatives.

Please welcome Mr. Steve Earl to the Panther Family. Mr. Earl is our new School Safety Officer and comes to Belleville Henderson with 21 years of experience as a retired New York State Trooper. Beginning December 12, 2022, he will become an integral member of our staff to provide additional safety support for our campus, working closely with both students and staff by providing information on the best safety practices.

Thank you again for your continued support of the school district as we move forward into an exciting and productive 2023.

Together, we are, Panther Strong!

Sincerely,

Jane Collins
Superintendent

Principal's Message

The 2022-2023 is off to a terrific start! The school environment is returning to "normal." Students and staff, unless otherwise required, are unmasked, working in groups, and socially reconnecting with peers. Activities and events have also returned to our school and community. The Ag Fair, Booster Club Dance, Under the Lights Game, Halloween Parade, athletic contests, concerts, art shows, and assemblies, as well as other events, have resumed as well. It has been exciting catching up with those we haven't seen in a while.

Two recent celebrations held at Belleville Henderson were the induction of students into the Junior and National Honor Societies. On November 3rd, seventeen students were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society. These students are currently in grades eight and nine and were selected based on achievements in scholarship, character, leadership, service, citizenship, and knowledge. Congratulations to our National Junior Honor Society inductees.

On November 21st, fourteen students in grades eleven and twelve were inducted into the National Honor Society. They have proven achievements in the areas of scholarship, leadership, character, and service. Congratulations to our most recent National Honor Society inductees.

Every year, music students all over New York State prepare to perform a solo for a NYSSMA Solo evaluation. The students perform their solo for an adjudicator to receive a score and comments. The score and judge's rating can be used to apply to honor ensembles that range from local to National levels. Last spring, over 6,500 sophomores and juniors from across the state of New York prepared for Level 6 All-State evaluations in the hope of being selected to be one of the 900 students accepted to sing or play in an All State ensemble. Two Belleville Henderson students both received ratings of A+ and were accepted to the NYSSMA All State Mixed Chorus. Congratulations to these two students.

In November, Belleville Henderson hosted the Fall Bi-County Festival. Nineteen band and chorus programs with over 300 students participated in the festival. On November 5th, a concert was held at our school with wonderful, young musicians creating awesome music.

Every year, a "Look Book" is created by Jostens and sent to over 10,000 schools. Included in this "Look Book" are pages from individual schools' yearbooks. One of the pages of our school's 2020-2021 yearbook was chosen to be included in this year's "Look Book". According to the Jostens representative, "I have been with Jostens for 20 years now and there is only a few small handful of schools in Central New York that have been recognized like this." Congratulations to Mrs. Jessica Winters and Ms. Ann Colby as the advisors of the 2020-2021 Yearbook Committee!

We look forward to experiencing similar successes in 2023. Happy Holidays!

The World's Goal.... Kindness

Each year millions of Americans send Christmas cards to loved ones around the world. Some Christmas cards have family themes, some are simply made by large companies. Our family tends to send Christmas cards that are homemade.

Several years ago my wife decided to recreate a famous picture that would serve as our family Christmas card. She decided it would be nice to have my son and dog in the back of a red pick-up truck with a Christmas tree. There was one problem. We had the son and we had the dog.... we were missing the red pick-up truck. For about a month I was asked if I had found anyone with a red pick-up truck. Obviously, easier said than done.

As November came around and Christmas approached, the family was headed through Belleville for a gathering. On the way there we passed the local corner store. Driving through the four-way stop sign, low and behold, my wife spotted a red truck at the gas station. After contemplating how we could get the missing item into our Christmas picture *my wife* came up with a plan. The plan included *me* calling the store to ask who drives the famous red pick-up truck. After exchanging information I reached out to the owner of the truck. I explained my wife's dream Christmas card and a photo session with my son, our dog, and the red pick-up truck was established.

Clothes for the picture were picked out and the plan was in motion, with my parents serving as photographers. We made our way to the home of the red pick-up truck with scenery items in tow. After meeting the owner, a complete stranger, the truck was positioned for its first photo session. We set up an artificial tree, wrapped gifts, and other decorations in the back of the truck and the family climbed in. About 30 minutes and 200 pictures later, we packed up our items. I thanked our new "friend, offered a small monetary donation (which was denied) and left.

Over the next couple of weeks the best pictures were chosen and a Christmas card produced.

When thinking about one of the Board of Education goals... to teach our students to exhibit kindness, respect, and professional behavior I often think of the Storey's Red Truck Christmas Card.



Athletic Director Update:

Fall Soccer Roundup:

Our boys modified team had an overall record of 7-1-3, our modified girls were 4-4-3, our varsity girls ended their season 12-6 and the varsity boys were 11-6-1. Both our boys and girls varsity soccer teams saw Postseason Sectional play where they were both defeated in the quarterfinal round. Excellent job to our fall student-athletes.

Fall scholar-athletes:

Each season we apply to be a recipient of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) Scholar-Athlete Team Award. We use a mathematical equation to determine if our varsity teams qualify as a NYSPHSAA Scholar-Athlete Team or have scholar-athletes on the team. We are excited to announce that both our girls and boys varsity soccer teams qualified as scholar-athlete teams. Congratulations to our girls and boys varsity teams on their hard work academically.

As a reminder we use a platform called activate (formerly Schedule Galaxy) as a place where athletic game information may be found. This website is updated regularly with any changes to our athletic schedules. Please use the link below to go directly to the Belleville Henderson athletic schedule: <https://www.schedulegalaxy.com/schools/12>

Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Director Update:

This year we have implemented a learning center in grades 7-12. The purpose of the learning center is to help our students who may need additional academic support due to the pandemic or because they are struggling with content in a specific area. The learning center is proving to be very beneficial to our 7-12 grade students academically. At the elementary school level we have begun using a flooding model with our K-6 classrooms. The flooding model is allowing us to offer academic support for all of our students in small group settings. This model is also proving to be helpful to our K-6 students.



MUSIC DEPARTMENT NEWS

Concerts

December 7	Winter Band Concert - 7:00pm
December 14	Winter Chorus Concert - 7:00pm
April 5	Band Spring Concert @ 7:00 PM
May 17	Chorus Concert @ 7:00 PM

Winter Festival - Hosted by General Brown

January 28 Bi-County Select Vocal Ensemble, Jazz Band, and Senior Soloist Concert

Shrek, the Musical

March 10 at 7:00pm
March 11 at 2:00pm and 7:00pm

Thank you for supporting our student musicians!



Spring Festival - Hosted by Indian River

April 29 Bi-County Spring Festival Concert
May 5-6 Carthage Middle School - NYSSMA Solo & Small Ensemble Festival

BHCS Parades

May 20	Armed Forces Day Parade @ 10:30 AM
May 29	Memorial Day Parade @ 10:00 AM
June 2	Dairyland Parade @ 7:00 PM
June 10	Belleville Field Days Parade @ 6:00 PM



Congratulations to Kiah-Lily Duger and Kenneth Zehr for being accepted to the NYSSMA All State Mixed Chorus! To be accepted, music students all over New York State prepare to perform a solo for a NYSSMA solo evaluation. The students perform their solo for an adjudicator to receive a score and comments. The score and judge's rating can be used to apply to honor ensembles that range from local to National levels. Last spring, over 6,500 sophomores and juniors from across the state of New York prepared for Level 6 All-State evaluations in the hopes of being selected to be one of the 900 students accepted to sing or play in an All State ensemble. Kiah and Kenny both received ratings of A+!

Choral Student Accomplishment - Belleville Henderson Student, Kiah-Lily Duger, will sing in the Mixed Chorus at the All Eastern Chorus in April! She is one of many All State Recipients from a pool of students who applied from the following states; Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, the District of Columbia, and Department of Defense Schools in Europe. We are not aware of any other Belleville Henderson student who selected for this multi-state Mixed Chorus at the All Eastern Conference.

BI-COUNTY FESTIVAL NEWS

The BHCS Music Department and Panther Faculty and Staff hosted the annual Fall Bi-County Festival on November 1st, 4th, and 5th. We can't even begin to list everyone who had a hand in making sure it was successful because almost every department of our administration, staff, and faculty helped in some way. A special shoutout goes to Mr. Overton and his crew who did anything we asked to make the day successful. Over 300 students from Jefferson and Lewis Counties came to BHCS to make wonderful music, lasting memories, and impactful experiences. Thank you, everyone, for supporting our musicians.

Here are the Panther musicians that took part in the festival:

Elementary Chorus

Traigh Costello
William Gleason
Kyrone Williams
Delilah Zerphey

Jr. High Band

Ella Eastman
Mariyah Houghton
Brian Parish
Joseph Zehr

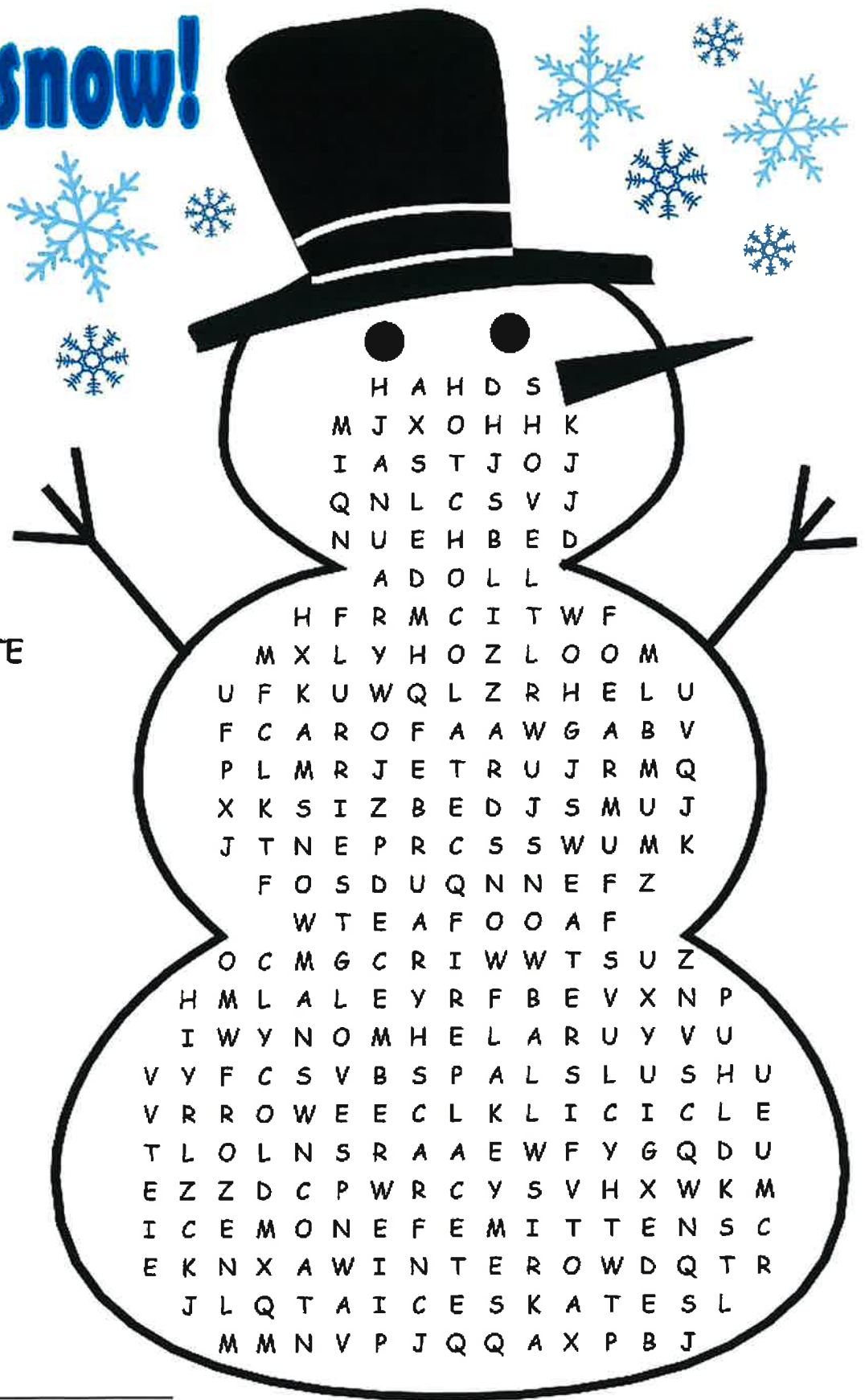
Senior High Chorus

Nicholas Babcock
Jared Bast
Selene Davis
Kiah-Lily Duger
Isabella Eastman
Trentin Misercola
Kenneth Zehr
Ronald Zehr



Let it snow!

BLIZZARD
 COAT
 COLD
 DECEMBER
 EARMUFFS
 FEBRUARY
 FIREPLACE
 FLURRIES
 FROZEN
 GLOVES
 HOT CHOCOLATE
 ICE
 ICE SKATES
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 SNOWFLAKE
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 SWEATER
 WINTER



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Board of Education Meeting Dates 7:00 p.m. in the BHCS

Monday	January 9, 2023
Monday	January 23, 2023
Thursday	February 2, 2023
Monday	February 13, 2023
Monday	March 6, 2023
Monday	April 3, 2023
Tuesday	April 25, 2023-BOCES Vote
Monday	May 8, 2023 (Public Budget Hearing & BOE Meeting)
Tuesday	May 16, 2023 (Annual Budget Vote/Election & BOE Meeting)
Monday	June 12, 2023
Monday	July 10, 2023

Special BOE meetings will be scheduled as needed.

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