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- 🐾 Fall Varsity & JV Soccer begins August 26, 2024
- 🐾 Superintendents Day August 27 & 28 for Teachers and Staff
- 🐾 Corn Roast for Staff, Students and Parents August 28 4:30– 5:30
- 🐾 Open House for K - 12 August 28 5:30 - 7:00
- 🐾 School Opens for all Students / Pre-K - 12 September 3
- 🐾 Modified Soccer begins September 3
- 🐾 Tax Collection begins September 4

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2024-2025

GOALS OF THE DISTRICT

1. To provide opportunities for our students to excel in academics, career trades, extracurricular activities, and skills development, by offering a variety of programs and providing the resources necessary in support thereof.
2. To remain fiscally solvent and stable, by means of long-term budget planning, reducing expenses, negotiations, and exploring additional revenue streams to ensure the longevity of our district.
3. To recruit and retain excellent faculty and staff by fostering a positive atmosphere with high morale, endorsing professional development, supporting our administrators, and recognizing our employees hard work, dedication, and success.

GOALS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

1. To enhance community relations and communication by increasing transparency and ensuring the timely and clear dissemination of information through the District's website, social media platforms and other user-friendly avenues.
2. To build and encourage succession planning and professional development in the areas of budgeting, facility planning, and leadership growth.
3. To maintain a safe and orderly educational environment where the Board of Education, administration, teachers, staff and community deliberately display and guide our students to learn and exhibit kindness, respect and professional behavior.

SCHOOL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

846-5826	Ms. Jane Collins, Superintendent Mrs. Sally Kohl, Secretary to the Superintendent / District Clerk Mrs. Marisa Riordan, District Treasurer Mrs. Colleen Bellinger, Business Manager
846-5411	Mr. Adam Passage, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds Mrs. Mindy Grandjean, Food Service Director Mrs. Mary Forrester, Tax Collector
846-5121	Mr. Scott A. Storey, Principal Mrs. Teresa McIntosh, Main Office Secretary Mr. Barry Davis, Interim Administrator / Athletic Director
846-5825	Mr. Shaun Gagan, School Counselor Mrs. Jerrica White, Guidance Secretary, Pre-K-12 Registration Mrs. Emily Worden, CSE/CPSE
846-5323	Mrs. Karen Bertram, Nurse Dr. Alfred L. Gianfagna
846-5023	Mr. Craig O'Donnell, Mechanic / Bus Driver
846-5617	Fax Number

FAREWELL SENIOR CLASS OF 2024

Greyson Agaciewski - Airforce	Garrett Hyman - Navy
Hayden Allen - Work Force	Erick Livingston-Work Force
Nicholas Babcock - OCC	Jacob Loomis - OCC
Peyton Bellinger - JCC	Megan Maurer - Clarkson University
Kennady Billman - Monroe CC	Owen McNett - Work Force
Christopher Bond - JCC	Gabriel Newell -JCC
Kaylie Chiodi - RIT	Aiden Nichols -Work Force
Brittan Cross - American International College	Evelynn Nohle - JCC
Jacob DeWitt - Work Force	Kaden Nolder - Work Force
Ty Disbro - JCC	Dioselin Perez-Escobar - Work Force
Brandon Dodge - JCC	Cayden Randall -JCC
Kiah-Lily Duger - SUNY Potsdam	Reagan Riordan - Alabama University
Isabella Eastman - Houghton University	Kealy-Marie Roach - Boces Adult Education
Devan Ewald - JCC	Haylee Robinson -Work Force
Kayden Gordinier - JCC	Caleb Scofield - JCC
Faith Graham - SUNY Morrisville	Casey Scofield - JCC
Jude Hernandez - JCC	Ella Wainwright - Suny Brockport
Morgan Hodge - St. Lawrence University	Madison Weyerstrass - OCC
Miranda Hubbard - JCC	Lauren Wood - JCC
Shane Hungerford - Work Force	



From the Desk of Superintendent Jane A. Collins August 2024

Dear Members of the Belleville Henderson Community,

As July and August roll by, we enjoy passing tasseled cornfields! We are gearing up for another exciting school year at Belleville Henderson School! Teachers and staff begin on August 27 and 28 with two Superintendent's Days. On those two days, we review important required laws and NYS Education Regulations. Teachers prepare their classrooms for students so everything is ready on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, our first day of school!!!!

What is New this Year?

Family Corn Roast – On Wednesday, August 28 from 4:30 to 5:30 PM, we are inviting families for a Corn Roast and Hot Dog dinner! Our Open House for parents and students will follow from 5:30 to 7 PM when parents and students meet their teacher!

New CSE Chairperson – Mrs. Emily Worden is our new CSE Chair who will also be supporting our Academic Intervention Services (AIS) Program and overseeing counseling services. Mrs. Worden's background is in special education and school improvement in special education.

New Buildings and Grounds Supervisor – Mr. Adam Passage, Class of 2005, is our new B&G Supervisor.

Mr. Passage, a custodian, has been at the district for the past several years. It's nice to see a hometown graduate in a leadership role!

New Teachers and Instructional Staff – We welcome two new teachers, Ms. Olivia Ososkalo who will be teaching social studies and Ms. Katie Abel who will be teaching science. Mrs. Michelle Lawrence is teaching 7-12 health and English this year. We are happy to share that Mrs. Jerrica White will be returning to Belleville Henderson School as the typist in our Guidance Office. Our new support staff are: Mrs. Tiffany Whitney and Ms. Zell Bolton Food Service; Mrs. Laura Killenbeck, Teacher Assistant; Ms. Ashley Loura, Ms. Laura Metzler, Mrs. Melanie O'Brien, and Ms. Kelsey Glenn are all new Teacher Aides. Mrs. Terry Sanders is a bus driver. We are happy to welcome all to Belleville Henderson School!

Community Schools Grant – Our North County Families Students Community Schools grant focuses on student achievement, supporting families, student mental health, and students who are having difficulty with school attendance.

Capital Project - This summer we are under construction at both the bus garage and K-12 School. Mr. Staveski, our architect, has an article in this newsletter with more on the capital project.

Finance Updates

Tax Collection Program – Tax Collector, Mrs. Mary Forrester, will collect all taxes at the District. As a cost saving measure, we will not be using the Community Bank, NA as a tax collection site. Starting September 4, 2024, you may pay in person on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM at the Main Entrance #1. The last day to pay in person is Thursday, October 3 from 3:30 PM to 6:00 PM. No cash or Credit Cards are accepted. Checks and Money Orders are accepted.

Summer School and ARP Grant - The American Rescue Program (ARP) ends September 2024. ARP funded the summer school program. Next year's 2025 Summer School Program will be in the general budget.

Transportation Bus Fleet – We appreciate all those community members who voted on June 18, 2024 for the second budget vote. We eliminated one of two buses, which was \$116,000, to reduce the budget for that vote.

State Aid Projections for the following School Year – Transportation expenditures drive state aid to the district. In the 2025-2026 budget year, the District's Transportation Aid will be reduced due to a reduction in spending of \$116,000.

Long Range Budget – With the reduction in the levy by \$116,000 for 2024-2025, and the reduction in transportation aid in 2025-2026, we are monitoring all spending this school year. The 2025-2026 budget year is carefully being studied, too.

Future Publications – We hope you enjoy our newsletter. We welcome ideas that you would like to see more information about our school. We are seeking community sponsors for future Panther Press Publications to highlight our school!

The safety of our students and staff continues to be our first priority. Our School Safety Officer, Mr. Earl is a retired NYS Trooper. He has a great rapport with our students. We look forward to September 3, 2024 when we are all back together!

Sincerely,
Jane Collins

Belleville Henderson School... Where We Grow Great Leaders!

From the Desk of Principal Mr. Storey

August 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians, Students and Staff,

Welcome back! I hope everyone has had a wonderful vacation. I hope your family was able to enjoy times of joy, rest, and relaxation over this summer.

This past summer we were fortunate enough to provide in-person instruction to students in grades K-8. Over 80 students maintained their academic skills this summer. I would like to recognize and thank the following teachers and staff who worked directly with our students this summer. They were: Mrs. Gordinier (K), Mrs. Rutigliano (K), Mrs. Scoville (Gr. 1), Mrs. Eastman (Gr. 1), Mrs. Coseo (Gr. 2), Mrs. Marlowe (Gr. 3), Ms. Loomis (Gr. 4-5), Mrs. Tiller (Gr. 6), Mrs. Corron (Gr. 7-8), Mr. Bingle (Credit Recovery), Mrs. McNett (aide), Mrs. Barney (aide), and Mrs. Bertram (Nurse).

We would also like to honor and acknowledge our non-instructional staff who supported the education of our students this summer. These individuals are Mrs. McIntosh, Mrs. Moyer, Mr. Gagan, Mrs. VanBrocklin, and all District Office employees - Mrs. Bellinger, Mrs. Riordan, Mrs. Kohl, Mrs. Rexford, and Ms. Collins. A special thank you is extended to our transportation department, maintenance, and technology departments, whose staff worked daily to ensure our students experience a safe educational environment throughout the summer.

Finally, the Belleville Henderson Board of Education continues to be a strong supporter of our Summer School Program. Without their support, our students would not have had the opportunity to strengthen their academic skills over the summer.

Changing topics, the Belleville Henderson Backpack Program will be in full swing again this year. Last year we provided eight families with a backpack full of food for the weekend. We were pleased to be able to offer our Backpack Program to our Summer School students' families this year as well. We hope to grow the program even more in 2023-2024. If you would like more information about the Backpack Program please call the main office. To seek assistance, please call Mrs. Bertram at 846-5323.

As in past years, Belleville Henderson, through Cornell Cooperative Extension, is pleased to be offering its students an after-school program. This program offers students an academic hour of support as well as a renowned 4-H curriculum. You may call the main office for more information.

Once again, this summer, I had the privilege of serving as one of the judges for the Jefferson County Spelling Bee. A warm congratulations is extended to Madelyn Grimshaw and Lucas Valley for winning this year's spelling bees in their respective divisions.

As the new school year begins, I encourage parents to be actively involved in their children's education. Together, we can provide the best educational environment. Please do not hesitate to contact me at any time if you have any questions or concerns.

Again, welcome back! I look forward to a successful and rewarding school year.

Sincerely,

Mr. Storey

Mr. Storey

FROM THE DESK OF EMILY WORDEN

Hi Panther Family,

I wanted to take a minute to introduce myself. I hope you are having a fun and relaxing summer. I am excited to be at Belleville Henderson and working with your child. I have spent the summer working with Mrs. VanBrocklin getting to know our district's CSE policies and procedures.

The CSE office will continue to handle all special education supports, including 504 plans. I will also be leading in AIS supports, learning center, school counseling and child study team meetings.

Please know that we are adjusting our process on how we will hold CSE meetings. CSE meetings will be held throughout the school year and will follow your child's re-evaluation date. The procedure of CSE meetings will remain the same and as always will follow NYS guidelines.

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to me!



More Information :



315-846-5825



eworden@bhpanthers.org

Emily Worden

Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much
-Helen Keller

Learning Center:

We will be having a learning center in the Middle and High School this school year. The learning center will be scheduled on your child's schedule and will operate like a structured learning environment. The goal for the learning center is to build academic success and prioritize learning. It is important to know that the learning center is not a special education placement or accommodation.

What will occur in the Learning Center?

Organization tips

Assignment completion

Skill building

Assistance is establishing goals, routines and good habits

Who will be in the learning center?

Students who need extra support in any academic area including organization, skill development and a quiet work environment.

The learning center will allow teachers to collaborate with each other in order to provide support to students proactively. Students may move in and out of the learning center as needed throughout the school year. Student data will be reviewed confidentially by the LSS team that will meet monthly. If you have any questions regarding the Learning Center, please contact Mrs. Worden at eworden@bhpanthers.org or (315)846-5825.

Meet Your Community Schools Coordinator!



Hello! My name is Stephanie Quick, and I am the Community Schools Coordinator at Belleville Henderson CSD.

Through the North Country FSCS: Families, Students, Communities, Schools grant's partnership with Cornell Cooperative Extension of Jefferson County, my "home base" is here at BHCS. I want to share a little about who I am and what a community school is so you have an idea of what my role is and how I can support you.

"Quick" Facts! (See what I did there?)

- I am a Northern New York native; I graduated from Sandy Creek Central High School
- I have an associate degree in Math/Science from Jefferson Community College
- I have a bachelor's degree in Geological Sciences from the University at Buffalo
- I have a master's degree in Teaching Science from Northern Arizona University
- I was a Middle/High School Science & Math teacher for 5 years in Arizona
- I have 3 dogs - Boone (Black Lab), Radar (Pug), and Monte (Brittany)
- I can't wait to get to know you and your family better!

What is a community school?

- A community school serves as a hub for community resources, fostering a supportive and engaging environment for students, families, and local residents.
- Community schools integrate academic, health, and social services to enhance student learning and development.
- They often *collaborate with community organizations and local businesses* to provide programs and services that address the diverse needs of the community, such as after-school tutoring, health clinics, and family engagement activities.
- The holistic approach aims to *remove barriers to learning by addressing the social, emotional, and physical well-being of students and their families.*

Stay Tuned!

- After-school program information for students will be coming soon!
 - ☐ Culinary Arts
 - ☐ Healthy Living
 - ☐ More will be announced at a later date!
- Be on the lookout for family and community events!
Have an idea for a program or event, please let me know!
Stephany Quick - squick@bhpanthers.org - (315) 775-8474

Childhood Special Education Services

Early childhood Special Education Services are available for children from birth to the age of 5 or school age. Your child can receive a free evaluation to determine a need for special services. Special services are also free for all children, if deemed necessary after the evaluation process.

Early Intervention Services 0-2 years old

Early Intervention is a program that provides services to developmentally delayed children from birth through 2 years of age. If you have concerns regarding your child's development in the areas of speech and language, motor skills, hearing, vision, or any other areas of development, you can call Jefferson County Public Health Services at 786-3355 for an evaluation.

Preschool Special Education 3-5 years old

Preschool children who have a delay in development may be eligible for special services as well. Developmental problems can occur in any of the following areas:

- Language (talking and understanding)
- Motor (walking and movement)
- Hearing
- Visual
- Other

Each school district in New York State must have a Committee on Preschool Special Education. If you suspect your child may have a problem, you can refer your child to CPSE by contacting Emily Worden at 846-5825 at Belleville Henderson Central School.

Pre-school special education includes evaluation and a variety of special services. There are many choices as to where and how special services can be provided. You have an opportunity for input regarding services for your child. The special services your child receives are developed by the CPSE. The committee consists of you, the chairperson from the school district, the school psychologist, a representative from the county where you live, someone who evaluated your child or can interpret the evaluation, and a pre-school teacher. You are welcome to bring along anyone else you think can be helpful. If you feel that your child is delayed in any of the above areas, please do not hesitate to call our school district and request an evaluation by the CPSE.

If you need further information regarding the referral process to Early Intervention or CPSE, please feel free to call Kathi Zecher, Associate Director of Head Start, Health and Disabilities Services at 782-4900 ext. 242. You may also call Emily Worden, CPSE Chairperson, at 846-5825.



PANTHER PRESENCE

Prowling for Excellent Attendance



September 2024

Welcome to Belleville Henderson's first attendance newsletter. It is our goal to educate families and the community on the importance of school attendance.

The purpose of this newsletter is to:

- Raise awareness of the impact of good attendance
- Cultivate conversation by sharing data
- Provide helpful tips on helping your student arrive at school each day and on time.

We hope you will find each newsletter helpful and informative.



DID YOU KNOW:
54% of our 7th-8th graders and 80% of our 9th-12th graders report that they don't get enough sleep and rest?

The Social and Emotional Benefit of Regular Attendance

Research has shown the following benefits from consistent and on-time attendance:

- A predictable schedule builds the child's **confidence** at home and school.
- Student anxiety decreases because they **know what to expect** from the previous day.
- Children recognize they are **part of a community**; their peers and teacher expect and include them and miss them when they are gone.
- Ongoing, extended conversations and learning lead to **improved student outcomes**.
- Children learn to increasingly **control their emotions** simply by being in a consistent environment and on a schedule every day.
- Students spend **more time building on what they learned** the day before and less time "catching up" (another decrease in anxiety).
- Parents and families feel more a part of the **school community**.

What Families Can Do

Elementary K-5

- + Set a regular bedtime and morning routine.
- + Show interest regularly in what your child has learned.
- + Ask interesting questions about your child's day.
- + Support good attendance habits.

Secondary 6-12

- + Monitor your teen's academic progress and seek help from teachers or other staff when necessary.
- + Encourage your teen to join meaningful after-school activities that are offered.
- + Ask interesting questions about your teen's day.

IMPORTANT ATTENDANCE FACTS: There are 180 days in a school year, which leaves 185 days to spend on family time, appointments, and other commitments!

Chronic Attendance

180 Days 100%	172 Days 96%	164 Days 94%	156 Days 92%	More than 18 days absent, less than 90%
Very good chance of success	Off to a flying start	Low chance of success	Harder to make progress	Chronic Absenteeism (Not fair for your child)

The goal for all students is to be present in school at least 90% of the school year. This equates to missing no more than two days each month.

Statistics show that students with **regular attendance** are more likely to achieve their **full potential**, and are less likely to **suffer** from gaps in their learning.

Let us work with you to ensure your child's educational success.

**Belleville Henderson CS
Shaun Gagan
School Counselor
sgagan@bhpanthers.org
315-846-5825**

**School Counselor Notes
Off and Running!**

Good Morning!

A HUGE welcome to Jerrica White!! Jerrica is the newest member to the Guidance Office team. Over the course of the school year, I will be meeting regularly with your student to talk about their plans for life after BHCS. During these meetings with students we discuss what they would like to do and how to get there. I would love to have your input as well. If you would like to meet with me and your child please contact me to arrange a time and date. I am very flexible about times. If you can only meet early in the morning or late in the day, we can arrange a time that works for you.

In the beginning of October I will be taking the seniors to JCC's Higher Education Day. There is also an evening session open for all students. If you would like more information please reach out to me in the Guidance Office. In November the seniors will attend WorkForce Connections, a mock interview with numerous of careers, businesses and agencies in attendance. Also in October the 11th graders have the opportunity to take the PSAT's here at BHCS.

Another event in November to keep an eye out for, we will hold a College & Financial Aid Night here at BHCS. I bring in a college representative and someone from NYSED who specializes in financial aid for college

Through out the fall we will have numerous college representatives coming to BHCS to meet with students. Over the course of the entire school year we have Career Chats once or twice a month. The presenters are from various careers fields. They will talk with any student interested in that particular career field. If you would like to be a Career Chat presenter please reach out to me at school. We are always looking for community members to come in and speak with our about their careers.

**JEFFERSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE
INSTANT ADMIT DAY**

In December, I have admissions representatives from Jefferson Community College come to BHCS and I have ALL the seniors fill out an application for JCC. There is no fee for the application and if the student does not want to go to JCC they don't have to do anything to cancel the application. I provide a lunch for the students. It gives the students an opportunity to meet with, and ask any questions about the application process or about college in general.

2023 Capital Improvement Project

You may have noticed a lot of activity at the school and bus garage this summer. We are nearing completion of the 2023 Capital Improvement Project which the District superintendent, key staff members, the District Architect and Engineers and the Construction Management firm have been planning since the Building Conditions Survey was completed in 2020. With this project, the district has addressed key initiatives that includes safety and security, energy efficiency and will enhance and extend the useful life of the existing building. Phase 1 of the project was completed in the fall of 2023 and included a roof replacement at the bus garage. Earlier this summer, contractors began work to replace the public address system, security cameras and lighting in the parking lots. Additional security measures include new doors and a security window will be installed at the main entrance. A new make-up air unit for the kitchen will be replaced and the two air handling units at the gym will arrive in December for installation after the basketball season is completed. Ventilation and cooling will be addressed at select offices. Other work will include the replacement of the bus lift, reconstruction of the kiln room, new side walks ,masonry restorations and upgrades to finishes at both buildings. Much of the work will be completed by early September with the entire project scheduled to be completed by May 1, 2025.

Stephen J. Staveski AIA
Associate Principal

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Maintenance Department

Wow, what a wild summer this has been! First and foremost, thank you to the teachers for helping us by covering your shelves and leaving a map of your room. It made it much easier for my crew to put your rooms back together the way you wanted them. Even with the capital project going and the non-stop rain, we have succeeded in keeping the grounds maintained.

We are working on and will have the soccer fields ready for the first day of practice. Fire inspection has been completed and all floors have been stripped and waxed. Classrooms have been cleaned and are ready for our students to make new memories in the upcoming year.

Some of the new improvements that are in process or have already been completed with the capital project this summer: Lights around the playground and parking areas to make it safer for our staff and students. New sidewalks have been completed around our school campus. Night lights are being installed throughout our building.

I would like to thank my staff, Duane, Paul, Phil, Cindy, Connie, Nate, Faith, Robin, John, Rich, Aidan, Rusty and 3 of our own BHCS students Alexis, Jayden, and Braeden for all their hard work and dedication in getting school ready for opening day.

Adam G. Passage
Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds
Belleville Henderson Central School

PESTICIDE NOTIFICATION

New York State Education Law Section 409-H requires all public and nonpublic schools to provide periodic written notification regarding the potential use of pesticides throughout the year. The Belleville Henderson Central School District maintains a list of all staff and persons in parental relation to students who wish to receive prior written notification of pesticide applications as required by law. In the event of an emergency application necessary to protect against an imminent threat to human health, a good faith effort will also be made to supply written notification to those on the Prior Notification List.

If you would like to receive prior notification of pesticide applications that may occur at the school, please provide a letter to:

Adam Passage
Belleville Henderson Central School District
8372 County Route 75
Adams, NY 13605

State your request, your address, day and evening phone numbers, and an email address. Sign and date your request.

Required Notifications

Please refer to www.bhpanthers.org > Board of Education > BHCS D Policy Manual for more information on the following notifications:

- Access to Student Records (Policy #7240)
- APPR of Teachers and Principals (Policy #6130)
- Disclosure of Student Records to Military (Policy #7242)
- Student Information (“Directory Information”) (Policy #7241)
- Student Privacy (Policy #7250)

Please refer to www.bhpanthers.org, under Site Shortcuts>Your Right to Know:

- Teacher Qualification Requests
- Parents’ Bill of Rights for Data Privacy and Security

BELLEVILLE HENDERSON CENTRAL SCHOOL ASBESTOS NOTICE

All Belleville Henderson Central School District buildings have had an inspection for the presence of asbestos-containing building materials according to the Asbestos Hazardous Emergency Response Act (AHERA) of 1986. Under the Federal Guidelines, the buildings were completely inspected for asbestos-containing materials. A copy of the Management Plan is available in the Main Office, as well as the District Office. Every six months surveillance is done of the asbestos-containing material. Every three years, a mandatory re-inspection takes place in each area that is known to contain these materials.

The District’s contact person regarding asbestos is Adam Passage, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds. Mr. Passage can be contacted at (315) 846-5411.

From the Desk of Mr. Barry Davis

If your child is playing a sport this year at BHCS, and you and your child were unable to attend the meeting on Monday, August 19th for parents and players to review the Code of Conduct for athletics, please contact Mrs. Moyer at school to set up a meeting prior to the beginning of the season so that your child may participate. Please note: This is for the entire school year and for all sports including soccer, basketball, cheering, baseball and softball. .

Varsity Soccer practice begins on August 26th. Modified soccer practice begins on the first day of school, September 3rd.

Fall Coaches:

Boys Varsity Soccer: Mr. Vaughn Assistant Coach: Mr. Crooker

Girls Varsity Soccer: Mrs. Costello Assistant Coach: Ms. Graham

Girls Modified Soccer: Mrs. McGrath Assistant Coach: Mrs. Fowler

Boys Modified Soccer: Miss Ososkalo

Under the Lights Games: Girls Varsity September 19th vs Sandy Creek

Boys Varsity September 20th vs Alex Bay

Both games begin at 7pm

As a reminder all team schedules can be found on the following website:

<https://www.schedulegalaxy.com/>

Barry Davis

Interim Administrator/Athletic Director

Belleville-Henderson Central School

2024 SCHOOL TAX COLLECTION

*****NO CASH OR CREDIT CARD*****

Check or Money Order Accepted

Make Checks Payable to:

**Mary Forrester, Tax Collector
Belleville Henderson CSD
8372 County Route 75
Adams, NY 13605**

To Pay in Person:

Starting Sept 4, 2024
Monday & Wednesdays
3:30 pm-5:30 pm

Last Day to Pay in Person: Thursday, October 3, 2024
3:30 pm-6:00 pm

Please go to Main Entrance #1

AFTER OCTOBER 3, 2024 WE WILL COLLECT BY MAIL ONLY!

Notice of Non-discrimination under Title VI, Section 504, Age Discrimination Act and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities:

The Belleville Henderson Central School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, or age, creed, military status, pre-disposing genetic characteristics, family status, marital status, criminal history or domestic violence survivor status in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies:

Scott Storey, Building Principal
8372 County Route 75
Adams, NY 13605
315-846-5411

Inquiries concerning the application of the Belleville Henderson Central School District non-discrimination policies may also be referred to the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights (OCR), 32 Old Slip, 26th Floor, New York, NY 10005, telephone (646)428-3800

ATTENDANCE

Parents of students who are late or absent will be called on a daily basis to check on their attendance. We will be utilizing Parent Square again this year to make these calls. If you expect that your student will be late or absent, please call the health office phone. Calls can be made before school hours by calling 846-5323 and leaving a message on the answering machine. If you do not call in before 8:00 a.m., please expect a phone call from the school to inquire about your student's absence.

Schools are responsible for your student's learning. Schools, however, cannot do their job if your student is absent. Learning builds day by day. A student who misses a day of school misses a day of learning.

Here's How You Can Improve Your Student's Attendance

1. Talk with your student about the importance of attending school regularly.
2. Avoid scheduling family trips during school hours.
3. Help your student stay healthy by eating nutritious food and getting enough sleep and exercise.
4. Discuss with your student what is happening at school.
5. Support school rules and consequences.
6. Show your student why education is important.
7. Set a good example for your student.

The Board of Education has adopted a policy that students must attend school a minimum 85% of class sessions.

WRITTEN EXCUSES FOR ABSENTEEISM

It is necessary for the school to have information on file concerning absenteeism during the school year. When your student is absent for any reason please send in a written excuse with your student the day he/she returns to school. Excuses for students in grades Pre K through grade 12 should be taken to the Main Office.

An excuse should be provided EVERY TIME a student misses time from school. This includes late arrivals, early departures, and all day absences. The excuse must include:

1. Student's full name
2. Dates of Absence (s)
3. Reason for Absence
4. Parent/Guardian Signature

Excuses are legal documents and must be maintained as a student record.

ASSIGNMENT REQUEST

When a 7-12th grade student is unexpectedly absent from school it would be appreciated if that student would ask a classmate to pick-up his/her assignments and needed books. If this is not possible, please call the Main Office at (315) 846-5411 between 8:00-9:00 AM.

When a student knows in advance that they will be absent from school (field trips, dentist, doctor, etc.), they are responsible for getting their own assignments and handing those assignments in on schedule.

If work is required for a **K-6 student**, please call Mrs. McIntosh at 846-5411 between 7:00–8:00 AM.

Note: When homework assignments are not called in during times noted above, it is not guaranteed that the homework will be available.

BUS CHANGE INFORMATION

Parents / Guardians at the beginning of the new school year please update your children's bus information. We need new updated transportation information each year. We can not use old bus notes. Please see the Annual Transportation update form on page 19.

Bus change information should be directed to the Main Office. Please be very specific when writing bus note changes. The following information should be included on the bus note:

1. Student's full name
2. The date
3. The person's name where the child is going
4. The address and telephone number for that person
5. Parent/Guardian Signature

BELLEVILLE HENDERSON BACKPACK PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM

The targeted date for the backpack program to begin is mid September for the new school year. The goal of the program is to help Belleville Henderson's children to become food secure each weekend. If your family is approved to receive the Free/Reduced Meal Program at school, or if you would like your children to participate in the BHCS Backpack Program please fill out and return the form below to:

Karen M. Bertram, School Nurse
Belleville Henderson Central School District
8372 County Route 75
Adams, New York 13605

315-846-5323 or kbertram@bhpanthers.org

Please list the name of the student below

NAME _____

NAME _____

NAME _____

NAME _____

NAME _____

NAME _____

Please list the name of Parent/Guardian and contact information

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

Please circle how you would like your pack delivered: BUS DELIVERY or PARENT PICK-UP

PLEASE SIGN ON BACK OF PAGE

PARENT/GUARDIAN and STUDENT

We are asking that your family help us out!



Please be accountable for the BHCS Backpack that is sent home each week.

We ask that you make sure the BHCS backpack is sent back to school each Monday morning. The backpack supply is limited.

We ask that you sign at the bottom of this agreement that you will be accountable each week for the backpack that is sent home to you and make sure that on Monday morning it is returned to school.

Thank you

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Student(s) - Please list:

2024 – 2025 Annual Transportation Update for Students in Grades K - 6

AM and PM Bus information/After School Program Participation/Unplanned Early Dismissal

You may complete one form for up to five children with the same dismissal instructions. For additional children, or for any child with different instructions, please complete a separate form. If changes occur to your address, phone number, daycare provider, etc., please complete a new form so we can update your information.

For occasional dismissal and transportation changes, please send a written note to school with your child in the morning. If you are not able to send a note, please call the office at 315-846-5121 and email for FAX your change, in writing, before Noon (12:00 p.m.). Email to tmcintosh@bhpanthers.org FAX to 315-846-5617.

Student's Name _____ Student's Grade/Teacher _____

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Student's Name _____ Student's Grade/Teacher _____

Parents' / Guardian's information (required):

Name _____ Home/Cell Number _____

Name _____ Home/Cell Number _____

Home Address: _____

How will your child/children get to school each morning? _____ Parent Transport, _____ Ride bus # _____, or _____ Walk to school

Morning Bus Pick-up address (if not home address): _____

Primary Dismissal Plan: (Check one): 1. _____ Parent Pick-up, 2. _____ Bus Drop-off, 3. _____ Dismiss to 4-H, 4. _____ Walk home

1. Adults permitted to pick-up @ 2:45 p.m.: _____

Phone # _____ to call if no one arrives on time. Note: if driver is late, students will be moved to the Main Office.

2. Name of adult responsible at drop off location _____ Relationship _____

Phone number: _____ Address for Drop Off: _____

3. 4-H Afterschool Program (indicate days your children stay) _____ Monday _____ Tuesday _____ Wednesday _____ Thursday _____ Friday

IN THE EVENT OF AN UNPLANNED EARLY DISMISSAL OR SCHOOL CLOSING, WHEN THERE ARE NO AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS OR ACTIVITIES IN PLACE, MY CHILD WILL DISMISS AS DESIGNATED BELOW: (PLEASE CHECK ONLY ONE)

_____ My child/children will be Picked up by: Name _____ Phone _____

_____ Please bus my child/children for drop-off at our Home Address listed above: (Bus # _____)

_____ Please bus my child/children to an alternative location: Name of person at drop off location: _____

Alternate Drop-Off Address: _____ Phone # _____ (Bus# _____)

I understand that it is my responsibility to designate an adult to be present and visible to the bus driver at the drop-off site and/or in time for pick-up at dismissal. I understand that transportation changes are to be made in writing before noon.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

BELLEVILLE HENDERSON CENTRAL SCHOOL
8372 County Rt. 75
Adams, NY 13605
(315) 846-5411
FAX (315) 846-5617 www.bhpanthers.org

Email addresses for this district will consist of the person's first initial and complete last name followed by @bhpanthers.org

Superintendent Jane Collins
Principal Scott Storey
Business Manager Colleen Bellinger
CSE Chairperson Emily Worden
Interim Administrator/Athletic Director Barry Davis

FACULTY AND STAFF

Pre-Kindergarten Christina Scordo
Kindergarten..... Kimberly Gordinier
Kindergarten..... Andrea Rutigliano
Grade 1 Rebecca A. Eastman
Grade 1 Karen Scoville
Grade 2 Kaci Coseo
Grade 2 Katelyn Costello
Grade 3 Rhonda Dudley
Grade 3 Kathleen Marlowe
Grade 4 Carrie Eastman
Grade 4 Stephen Lawrence
Grade 5 Lesley Bellavia
Grade 5 Barbara Graham
Grade 6 Heather Bailey
Grade 6 Lindsay Tiller
AIS Sharlene Loomis
Agriculture Tedra Bean
Art Sarah Fowler
Art Jeri Haldeman
English Melanie Berry
English Amanda Britton
English / Health Michelle Lawrence
ELL/AIS..... Karin Martinez
Librarian..... Stephanie Race
Math Jennifer Corron
Math David Green
Math Maryellen Thomes
Music/Instrumental Katie McGrath
Music/Vocal Sara Gleason
Physical Education Danielle Donie
Physical Education Ronald Whitney
Reading Shannon Lane
Science Barbara Bibbins

Science	Katherin Abel
Science	Heather Streeter
Social Studies	Olivia Ososkalo
Social Studies	Justin Montague
Spanish	Deanna Cobb
Special Education.....	Peter Bingle
Special Education.....	Emily Keck
Special Education.....	Leisa LaLone
Special Education.....	Miste Morales
Technology/Driver Education.....	Matthew Soluri

OTHER PERSONNEL

Account Clerk	Karrigan Riordan
Community School Coordinator	Stephanie Quick
Dental Hygienist	Janelle Hodge
Deputy Treasurer/Deputy Tax Collector.....	Darlene Rexford
District Clerk/ Secretary to the Superintendent	Sally Kohl
District Treasurer	Marisa Riordan
Guidance Counselor	Shaun Gagan
Guidance Office Secretary	Jerrica White
Main Office Secretary	Teresa McIntosh
School Safety Officer.....	Steven Earl
School Nurse	Karen Bertram
Teacher Aide	Cindy Barney
Teacher Aide	Rebecca M. Eastman
Teacher Aide/Tax Collector/Claims Auditor	Mary Forrester
Teacher Aide	Kelsey Glenn
Teacher Aide	Gail Hicks
Teacher Aide	Ashley Loura
Teacher Aide	Laura Metzler
Teacher Aide/Athletics	Michelle Moyer
Teacher Aide	Melanie O'Brien
Teacher Aide/CSE Office	Alison VanBrocklin
Teacher Assistant	Jessica Grandjean
Teacher Assistant	Laura Killenbeck
Teacher Assistant	Marcie Matthews
Teacher Assistant	Maggie McNett
Teacher Assistant	Whitnee Miner
Building and Grounds Supervisor	Adam Passage
Cleaner	Faith Brown
Cleaner	Duane Davis
Cleaner	Phillip McGrath
Cleaner	Nathan Nichols

Food Service Director	Mindy Grandjean
Food Service	Zell Bolton
Food Service	Valarie Gehrke
Food Service	Paula Grimshaw
Food Service	Tiffany Whitney
Food Service	Sarah Zehr
Transportation Supervisor	Craig O'Donnell
Transportation	William Babcock
Transportation	Kent Frawley
Transportation	Michael Frawley
Transportation	Kurt Gehrke
Transportation	Valarie Gehrke
Transportation	Rebecca Kiblin
Transportation	Alicia Lashway
Transportation	Todd Race
Transportation	Terry Sanders
Transportation	Kevin Simpson
Transportation	Tina Spencer
Transportation	Becky Thomas
Transportation	Carol Ann Thomas

OUTSIDE AGENCIES (BOCES/CCE/MORIC/PIVOT)

Community School Coordinator	Stephany Quick
Cornell Cooperative Extension (4-H)	Cindy Fields, Mindy Grandjean,
.....	Marianne Hardy, Sharlene Loomis
Occupational Therapist	Sarah Derouin
Physical Therapist	Lisa Polatas
PIVOT	Annalyn Hall, Paige Maitland
Psychologist	Victoria Kellner-Landers
Speech	Paige Flaherty
Technology Coordinators.....	Christopher Stone
Technology	Chance Fernandez, Art Kahler, Frank Quarles

CALENDAR OF EVENTS SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

Aug. 26	Varsity Sports Begin
Aug. 27	Superintendent's Day (Faculty and Staff only)
Aug. 28	Superintendent's Day (Faculty and Staff only)
Aug. 28	Corn Roast 4:30 - 5:30 PM
Aug. 28	Open House 5:30 - 7:00 / Grades Pre-K - 12
Sept. 2	Labor Day Holiday — NO SCHOOL
Sept. 3	School Opens for all Students / Pre-K - 12
Sept. 3	Modified Sports Begin
Sept. 5	Booster Club Meeting 6:00 PM
Sept. 9	4-H After School Begins
Sept. 16	Board of Education Meeting @ 7:00 PM
Sept. 19	PTO Meetings in the Library @ 6:30 PM
Sept. 19	Under the Lights Varsity Girls Soccer vs. Sandy Creek @ 7:00 PM
Sept. 20	Under the Lights Varsity Boys Soccer vs. Alexandria Bay @ 7:00 PM
Sept. 20-25	Book Fair
Sept. 21	Alumni Under the Lights Soccer Game @ 7:00 PM
Sept. 21	Community Ag Fair
Sept. 25-26	Individual Picture Day
Oct. 3	
Oct. 4	5 Week Progress Reports Mailed
Oct. 7	Board of Education Meeting @ 7:00 PM
Oct. 14	Columbus Day - NO SCHOOL
Oct. 14-18	School Board Recognition Week
Oct. 17	School Picture Retakes
Oct. 20-22	NYSSBA Convention
Oct. 23-26	National FFA Convention Trip, Indianapolis, IN
Oct. 29	Bi-County Junior High Band Rehearsal
Oct. 31	Halloween

CALENDAR OF EVENTS NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

Nov. 1 Bi-County Elem. /Senior High Chorus Rehearsal
 Nov. 2 Bi-County Fall Festival @ South Lewis School
 Nov. 4 Board of Education Meeting @ 7:00 PM
 Nov. 6 PTO Meeting @ 6:30 PM in the Library
 Nov. 6 NJHS Inductions
 Nov. 7 Booster Club Meeting 6:00 PM
 Nov. 7 Parent Teacher Conference Pre-K-12 / 5:30 - 7:30 PM
 Nov. 8 Parent Teacher Conference / Grades Pre-K - 8 / 12:00 - 3:00 PM
 Nov. 8 Report Cards Mailed Home
 Nov. 11 Veterans' Day - NO SCHOOL
 Nov. 18 JV & Varsity Winter Sports Begin
 Nov. 20 NHS Inductions
 Nov. 22-23 Area All-State Festival @ Indian River High School
Nov. 27-29 Thanksgiving Recess - NO SCHOOL

Dec. 3-8 All State Festival
 Dec. 5 Booster Club Meeting 6:00 PM
 Dec. 6 Kids Night Out - 5:00 - 7:00 PM
 Dec. 9 Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 PM
 Dec. TBA Kris Kringle Corner for Students
 Dec. 11 Band and Chorus Winter Concert @ 7:00 PM
 Dec. 13 15 Week Progress Reports Mailed
Dec. 23-1/5 Christmas Holiday Recess NO SCHOOL- School Resumes on January 6, 2025

Belleville Henderson Central Lunch

September 2024

Breakfast-FREE
Lunch FREE

- Served daily:
- 1% white Milk and
- Low-fat chocolate milk
- Fruit
- Ham, Turkey, PBJ, and Bologna
- Salad bar
- Yogurt Parfaits

ALL MEALS ARE FREE

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PHONE: 315-846-5121
FAX: 315-846-5617

CONTACT PERSON:
MINDY GRANDJEAN
8am-1pm

EMAIL:
mgrandjean@bhpantlers.org

You can add or check your child's account by going to Myschoolbucks.com

Snacks:
*Chips \$.75
*Cookies \$.50
*Ice cream \$.75
*Extra lunch items \$.50
*Main Item \$1.50

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 LABOR DAY	3 Chicken nuggets Seasoned noodles Broccoli	4 Hotdogs Sweet fries Squash	5 Brunch lunch Breakfast Sausage Hash brown Baked beans LOCAL Maple Syrup SUGAR DADDIES	6 Panther Pizza Corn on the cob Salad
9 Orange chicken Rice Broccoli	10 Fish sandwich or BBQ rib French fries Chickpeas	11 Spaghetti with Meat sauce Whole grain cheese stick Sweet potatoes	12 Locally fresh Cheeseburger Tater tots Cauliflower	13 Panther Pizza Corn on the cob Salad
16 Chicken and waffles Broccoli LOCAL Maple Syrup SUGAR DADDIES	17 Grilled cheese Tomato soup Green beans	18 Baked Ziti Whole grain garlic knot carrots	19 Walking tacos Lettuce and cheese Black beans Rice	20 Panther Pizza Corn on the cob Salad
23 Chicken Patty French fries Broccoli	24 Brunch lunch Breakfast Sausage Hash brown Cauliflower LOCAL Maple Syrup SUGAR DADDIES	25 Sloppy joes Sweet fries Carrots	26 Loaded nachos Taco meat, cheese Rice Black beans	27 Panther Pizza Corn on the cob Salad
30 Orange chicken Rice Broccoli			Sweet corn from North branch Farms -Served every Friday until gone	Breakfast sausage from Local Shirley's Farm Winter winds Lacona

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2024-2025 Board of Education Meeting

Monday, September 16, 2024
Monday, October 7, 2024
Monday, November 4, 2024
Monday, December 9, 2024
Monday, January 13, 2025
Monday, January 27, 2025
Monday, February 10, 2025
Monday, March 10, 2025
Monday, March 31, 2025
Monday, April 14, 2025
Monday, May 12, 2025
Tuesday, May 20, 2025
Monday, June 9, 2025
Monday, July 14, 2025

Special Board of Education meetings will be
scheduled as necessary.

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