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Eagle eye

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Safety Information

As part of the district's ongoing efforts to keep our students, staff and community safe, the Administration, with the support of the Safety Committee and local law enforcement agencies, holds drills with the hope of acclimating students and teachers to a procedure that they will be able to follow quickly, effectively, and safely should the need arise.

During these drills, it was discovered that we needed a way to visually alert students and faculty of a drill in locations where it may be difficult to hear emergency alerts. In addition, there needed to be a way to visually indicate an emergency situation to people who may be outside of the building at the time of the emergency. For instance, athletics on the field, a bus driver pulling in after a bus run or a parent dropping off a student.

The solution was to install strobe lights within noisy locations in the building and strategically outside the building to alert people to stay away. We hope this information ensures all stake holders understand their meaning to the degree possible. Bolton Central School, and specifically the Safety Committee, continue to work on and implement safety measures in an effort to keep our campus welcoming, but maximize safety for all.



The Eagle Express is Up and Running!

We all know that practice is a great way to learn. Working together, BCS faculty and staff came up with a creative way for our students to get a bit more practice with their math skills, change up their routine and make Fridays that much more fun!

The plan is to provide our students with a coffee cart that they will be in charge of (supervised by a teacher) to sell coffee/hot cocoa and baked goods to teachers and staff on Friday mornings. The idea is to review identifying currency, counting, and making change which helps with math and is also a valuable life skill. This exercise will also help with budgeting, communication and customer service skills. Of course, any extra interactions with our students contributes to the positive culture here at Bolton Central School. The name of

this new endeavor will be "Eagle Express!"

The proceeds will be going towards items for the cart and a donation of the students' choice. Thank you to our staff for coming up with new and interesting ways to help our students learn the skills they need.



Our Youth & Government Student Group Prepares for State Conference



Youth & Government students recently attended a District Conference to prepare for their State Conference. The conference was held at the Silver Bay YMCA Conference

threshold for the New York State Excelsior Scholarship. Ella Hens, Finley Eager, Meghan Hull and Lydia Phelps presented a bill to change the school admission age cutoff from December 1st to September 1st.



Facility. This was the group's first of two district conferences before their State conference in Albany.

Bolton is part of District 3 for Youth & Government and is joined by Minerva, Newcomb, Johnsburg, Queensbury and North Warren.



At this conference, Tyler Trowbridge (New York State Youth Lieutenant Governor), Ila Hubert (our New York State Editor-in-Chief) and other members of our student leadership shared what the conference would be like,

the rules of parliamentary procedure and allowed time for legislative bill groups to work on their proposals.

Three of our Bolton Central School groups presented. Tyler Trowbridge, Sullivan Eager, Ian Daken and Alyas Kennedy presented a bill to increase the income

Andrew Hull, Jadynn Egloff, Natalie Figueroa, Thea Kennedy and

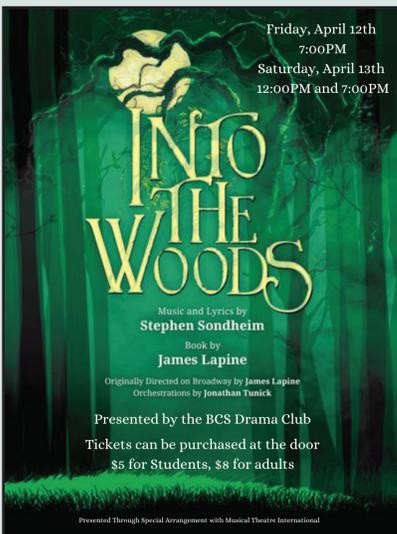
Maddy Andersen presented a bill to increase the amount of time needed for a Speech and Language Pathologist to attain a Master's degree and to allow SLP students to work in the field as they are working towards their Master's Degree; something not permitted currently.



YMCA Youth & Government is a national program that involves thousands of teens nationwide in state organized, model government programs. Students have the opportunity to immerse themselves in experiential civic engagement and literally practice democracy. The program culminates with teens serving as delegates at their state conference, debating bills on the floor of the legislature.



Bolton Central School Drama Club Presents, "Into the Woods"



The Bolton Central School Drama Club will present the musical, "Into the Woods" on Friday, April 12th at 7 p.m., Saturday April 13th at noon and again that evening at 7 p.m.

The cast and crew compiled a cabaret performance this fall. You can gain a sneak peak by clicking the QR Code! Please join us in April. With three performances to choose from, we hope to see you there!



TEACHER SPOTLIGHT: Cody Kober



District role: Secondary Social Studies Teacher

College/Degree: I graduated from SUNY Plattsburgh as a part of their BA/MST Program. I received my Bachelor's Degree in History and a Master's of Science in Teaching. I also received accreditation from Syracuse University, and I am currently working towards an Administrative Degree from SUNY Plattsburgh.

Why did you decide on the profession you did? Did you always want to be involved in education?

I decided to become a teacher during my senior year at BCS. I had narrowed my college major down to Broadcast Journalism or Education based on my interests and opportunities offered at BCS. I always enjoyed presenting in class and after taking one of Ms. Carlson's computer courses, which had us teach a lesson to the Elementary students, I knew I wanted to pursue a career in Education.

What attracted you to BCS?

Bolton Central School represents home. There is a unique sense of community and "family" when you think about Bolton Central School. I was eager to apply for the position at BCS because I want to be a part of and afford the same opportunities to the students that I received while in school.

Describe your teaching style?

I try to bring a lot of energy to the classroom and keep the students engaged. I teach Social Studies which is stereotypically a "boring" or "annoying" subject to learn about. I strive for my class to be the opposite. My goal is to have the students think as if they were in the time period and get them to consider situations. Seeing a student make even the slightest connection to a historical event makes the day worthwhile. I try to do this by relating to the students and getting to know their interests while teaching.

What keeps you enthusiastic or motivated about your role? As an alumnus, I was able to develop strong relationships with my past teachers and some who are now colleagues. I consider them mentors. When I think about those bonds and how I can forge my own with students at BCS, it motivates me to remain a positive role model.

Please tell us about places you have been or would like to travel to? As a student at BCS, I was able to travel quite a bit. I was involved in the Outing Club and Spanish Club that took trips to the Pacific Northwest and to Spain. Since high school, I have had the opportunity to visit Ireland, England, France, and Italy. Following graduate school, I drove across the country and lived in Big Sky, Montana for a year. Ultimately, my goal is to travel to all fifty states.

meet the Nurse!



Mrs. Shanah Krug

School Nurse

I am new to school nursing this year and am so excited to join the Bolton CSD community. I have been a nurse for 16 years with experience in various specialities. My *favorite* part of nursing is working with families. I look forward to getting to know each and every one of you!

I live in Queensbury with my husband and three children. We are super busy these days with sports and afterschool activities. We also have two adorable dogs and three crazy cats.

Some of my favorites:

- ❖ Dark sea salt chocolate
- ❖ Salt and vinegar chips

Things I love:

- ❖ Yoga
- ❖ Listening to music
- ❖ Playing card games with my kids
- ❖ Being near water

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A favorite quote:

"Make deep connections" – Yung Pueblo

A Busy Day Outdoors AND Haiku Observations for 2nd Grade!



Ms. Hens and her 2nd grade class had a full day with Mr. Ted Caldwell recently. The day started at the Bolton Conservation Club Community Garden to harvest sweet potatoes. Everyone worked together to get the garden beds cleared.

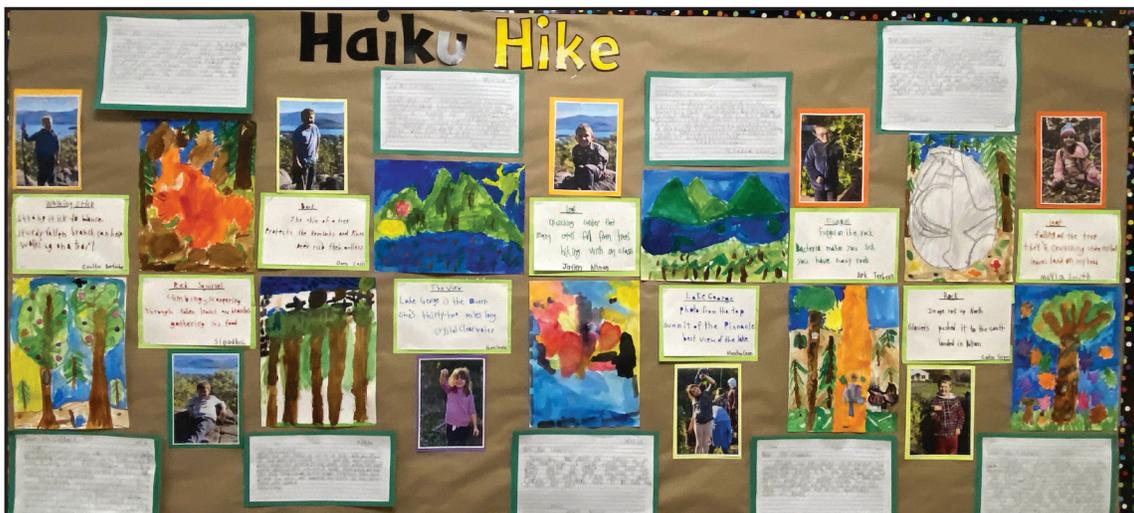
From there students hiked the Pinnacle Trail. Along the way they learned how they could identify some trees by their leaves and also learned to spot forest plants!

These remarkable experiences led to lessons back in the classroom. Ms. Hens and her students used the observations from their trip to work on creating a haiku poem. Haiku poems are unique 17 syllable poems that illustrate the meaning of something or express feelings in just a few descriptive words. The exercise helps students observe the world around them and to understand that poetry can be part of our everyday lives. Students also created artwork to go with their haiku poems.

In addition, each student wrote Mr. Caldwell a thank you note and shared their reflections on different parts of their trip.

The bulletin board outside of the 2nd grade classroom is where this great work can be seen but we are happy to share photos of student work here and also photos from the trip!

Our students are so fortunate to have these experiences right in their own back yard and friends like Mr. Caldwell who makes time to spend with our students.



SCAN ME

Want to read the poems and enjoy the illustrations in close-up photos? Find a comfortable spot, grab a warm beverage and click the mug QR Code!

National Honor Society Induction Ceremony 2023



Bolton Central School is honored to welcome seven new inductees to the Bolton chapter of the National Honor Society. In order to be eligible to apply, students must have a GPA of 88 or higher. The new inductees are:

**Emma Anand
Daniel Cooper
Sullivan Eager
Hannah Perry
Tyler Trowbridge
Layna Ward**

Congratulations to all our National Honor Society members! The District was very grateful to host this ceremony to honor the achievements of our students.

If you missed this inspiring ceremony you can watch it on the Bolton Central School's district YouTube channel by scanning the QR Code!



SCAN ME

Senior Citizens' Luncheon is a Sensation!

Our new National Honor Society inductees wasted no time honoring their oaths to scholarship, service, leadership, and character. Not even a week after the induction ceremony the Bolton Central School chapter of the National Honor Society had the special privilege of hosting senior members of the community for a delightful afternoon of food and entertainment.



Guests were able to enjoy a trip down memory lane looking at yearbooks from graduations past that were projected onto the big screen on stage and Bolton Central School alumni in attendance were recognized.



The luncheon was a success, "The senior members of our community are vital to our students here at Bolton" said NHS Advisor, Lori Humiston. Although our luncheon was on hiatus during the pandemic years, it was lovely to have our seniors in the building. Being able to catch up with our dear friends is always a true delight! The Bolton CSD National Honor Society luncheon for senior members of our community is a much-anticipated event and we're looking forward to engaging with them in this way next year!

Guests were personally escorted by student members of the NHS and entertainment was provided by the BCS music department, Jazz Ensemble. Margaret Maranville, Cafeteria Manager, and her team provided a delicious lunch. Mrs. Jessica Foy and her Food & Nutrition students



provided the desserts and NHS students made sure everyone had what they needed to enjoy their visit.



Photos courtesy of Class of 2024 Senior, Ila Hubert.

I AM BOLTON CSD | NATALIE FIGUEROA



Name: Natalie Figueroa
Age: 18
Grade: Senior

Describe your family.

I live with my Mom, Dad and my brother, Abram. We live next door to my grandmother.

What's your favorite thing about school?

My favorite thing about school is spending time with my classmates. Right now my favorite class is AP Psychology, It's really interesting. I also like my English Composition/Intro. to College Writing class.

Do you participate in sports or extra curricular activities?

I play basketball and softball. I also participate in Youth & Government, Drama Club, Band, Chorus and am co-president of the National Honor Society with Lukas Becker. During summers I work at Northward Ho and The Algonquin Restaurant. I have been working since I was 14.

Who is someone you idolize or would like to meet one day?

I would love it if I could meet Beyonce one day. Not only is she an amazing singer and performer but she is also a powerful role model!

Do you know what you want to do when you get older?

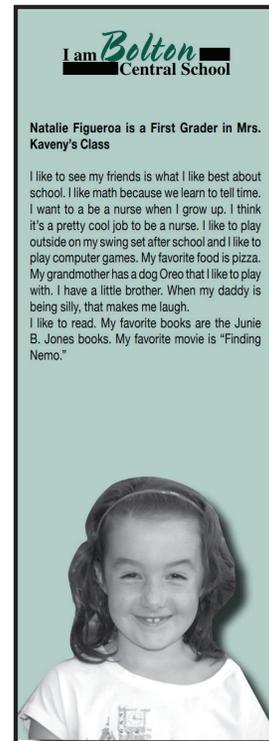
I would like to become a Speech Language Pathologist. I was able to participate in a job shadow experience with a Speech Language Pathologist in a nursing home setting. I really enjoyed it.

What do you like to do in your spare time?

I really like listening to different kinds of music. I love it all! I also enjoy going to concerts at SPAC.

Have you traveled or would you like to?

I traveled to France. It was the first time I had ever traveled overseas. I was so impressed by the centuries worth of history. Being able to visit castles that were built in the 1200's was a remarkable experience.



It's not often that we have an "I Am Bolton" then and now! Natalie did not recall participating in this "I Am Bolton" interview back in the Fall of 2012. She did enjoy reflecting on her answers. Especially the fact that her Dad still makes her laugh all the time!

I AM BOLTON CSD | MAYLA SMITH



Name: Mayla Smith
Age: 8
Grade: 2nd Grade

Describe your family.

I have six brothers. Carter and Tucker, Bryce, Jayce, Logan and Hunter!

What's your favorite thing about school?

My favorite time at school is when we get to play outside at recess. I also like gym because I get to run around. During class time, I like working with a buddy.

Do you participate in sports or extra curricular activities?

In the fall I play soccer. After school I go to Computer and Book Club. Once a week I go to gymnastics at the YMCA.

Have you traveled or would you like to?

My family and I have traveled to the beach at Cape May and Virginia. I would love to visit Paris, France one day.

What do you like to do in your spare time?

I have a desk at home where I work on crafts. I make lotion, hand sanitizer and I like to paint and draw too..

Do you know what you want to do when you grow up?

When I'm older, I would like to go to school to learn how to be a hairdresser and own a salon.

Congratulations to Both Varsity Soccer Teams!



Congratulations to our Girls and Boys Varsity Soccer teams on winning their 2nd consecutive Adirondack League Championship this season!



In addition to demonstrating outstanding athletic skill, our student athletes have been recognized by the New York State Public High School Athletic Association as a Scholar-Athlete Team. This award was created to highlight outstanding scholastic achievement by varsity level student athletes. The team's average GPA for 75% of the roster must be greater than or equal to 90.00. We are so proud to acknowledge both our 2023 Varsity soccer teams -



strong on the field AND in the classroom!!

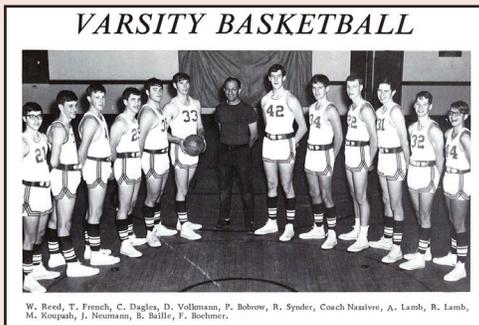
Want to read the read about the exciting games and see some more photos? Click QR Code!



TOP STORY Bolton-Warrensburg sweeps Adirondack League titles (updated)

From the HIGH SCHOOL BOUNDARY: Saturday's high school sports news (copy) series
Pete Tobey Oct 14, 2023

Recognition of Class of 1969 Graduate: 1,000+ Career Points



Bolton Central School was honored to recognize Class of 1969 graduate, Robert Snyder on his achievement of scoring over 1,000 points in his Bolton Central School career.

Mr. Snyder was, after a lot of research, able to produce documentation of all points scored. On Tuesday, December 19th, in the company of family and friends, Mr. Snyder's name was added to the



recognition banner in our gymnasium. Congratulations to Mr. Snyder on his hard work on the basketball court and dedication to researching the achievement!



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Students in Grade 3 studied cast shadows while creating their own self-portraits.

In STEAM - A is for ART!

Students in Grade 1 studied pattern and color. They were taken through a guided practice, focusing on following directions, pattern making and color exploration.



Students in Grades 2 and 4 studied Pablo Picasso and the symbolism of the Bull. Using shapes, color and the idea of cubism students put together their own Picasso inspired Bull drawings.



Students in Kindergarten explored line and color while creating these Primary colored pieces. Using paint sticks, they were able to practice Line and Color.