



The Badger Barker



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Badger Robotics Starts Season Strong

March 1-3, 2018, the Alerus Center in Grand Forks was abuzz with nearly 1,500 students from 4 teams as the inaugural Great Northern Regional FIRST Robotics Competition was under way. Teams from five states gathered to compete on the Power Up playing field to see who would earn the title of Regional Champion and have the honor of advancing to the World Championships in Detroit, Michigan, in April.



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Team 3750 was one of those 47 teams. Qualification rounds ran all day Friday and continued Saturday morning. Gator Robotics finished the qualifications with a record of 8-2-1 and ranked 5th overall. During the alliance selection process, the top eight teams chose two other robots (teams) to join them in the elimination rounds. As the selection process began, the number two alliance Team 525 Swartdogs from Cedar Falls, Iowa, invited Team 3750 to join their alliance, and they graciously accepted. During the second round of picks, alliance number two chose Team 5638 LQPV Robotics from Madison to complete their team.

With only eight alliances remaining in the competition, the number two alliance including Gator Robotics faced off against the number seven alliance (2472 the Centurions from Circle Pines, 4009 Denfield DNA from Duluth, and 3883 Data Bits from Cottage Grove) to see who would win the best two out of three. Gator Robotics came out victorious in the quarterfinals, winning two matches right out of the gate with scores of 423-259 and 345-187.

In the semifinal round, alliance two would face off against the number three alliance consisting of team 3130 The ERRORS from Woodbury, 5576 Team Terminator from Spirit Lake, Iowa, and 4198 RoboCats from Waconia. Again Gator Robotics would win, but it would take all three rounds to win two matches with scores of 399-312, 334-394, and 361-288. This win would send Gator Robotics to the competition finals.

In the finals, Gator Robotics and their alliance partners faced off against a familiar face: Team 5172 The Gators from Greenbush-Middle River and their alliance partners 4539 Kaotic Robotics from Frazee and 6175 Mystery Machine from Eden Valley-Watkins. Over the past year, Badger has collaborated with Greenbush-Middle River for several events, and they knew this would be a tough round, especially looking at the history of Team 5172 and how successful their robotics program has been. As fate would have it, Badger's alliance took the lead about half way through the first match and maintained that lead until the final 30 seconds when the GMR alliance surpassed them and finished the match with a score of 314-336. During the break between matches, alliances met and discussed changes in strategies and when round two began GMR's alliance shot ahead and never looked back. Badger's team came up short, losing to the number one alliance 272-423. This second place finish at the Great Northern is the best that Badger's robotics program has ever finished.

Team 3750 Gator Robotics looks forward to their second regional event that will take place March 29-31 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. They would like to congratulate their counterpart, The Gators from Greenbush/Middle River on their advancement to the World Championship event, Russ & Mary Anderson from Team 5172 on their Volunteers of the Year Award for all of their hard work establishing the Great Northern Regional in Grand Forks, and GMR's head coach Mary Anderson on being the recipient of the prestigious Woodie Flowers Award at the Great Northern Regional event. They also want to extend a huge thank you to all of their sponsors, especially those who attended the regional event in Grand Forks, who without their support none of this would be possible.

"I am so proud of the students and mentors who have dedicated numerous hours making our program successful. Some students have put in over 300 hours in the last couple of months planning, building, wiring, programming, creating video animations, building a business plan, and so much more. It's amazing watching these kids who come from various backgrounds bond together for a common goal. This program is truly remarkable!" stated head coach Valerie Truscinski. "It was also incredible to see the outpouring of support at the event since it was closer to home. In the past, the closest regional events were either in the cities or Duluth. Many families, friends, and sponsors attended to cheer on our team. The support that comes from living in a small close-knit town is immeasurable!"



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Badger School Superintendent's News



Greetings from the Badger School District

Winter is (supposedly) behind us and spring is in the air! Spring means the start of another extracurricular activity season. Baseball, golf, softball, track, and clay busters are now underway. Our student athletes, as well as our coaching staff, have been working hard to prepare for the competitive season. Once the weather warms up and the fields are ready, please come out and cheer on our students as they represent our school on the field of competition.

Music Revue Performed at Badger School

"80's Invasion" was presented at the Badger School on March 22 and 23. Thank you to all of you who recently attended the performance. The event was a great success. Both performances were well attended, and the dinner served on Thursday and Friday night was amazing! Thank you for all of your support; your attendance was greatly appreciated by the performers as well as our school district. A music revue and dinner does not occur without the work of many people, most of those who worked behind the scenes to make this event possible. Community and parent volunteers came together as well as staff members to assist with the meal, costumes, and props as well as set up. Mrs. Jody Randall and Mrs. Rhena Storo did a wonderful job planning and preparing a great meal that many enjoyed! Ms. Lisa Erickson, Mr. Dan Carpenter, and Mrs. Becky Dahlgren worked together to direct and choreograph the production. Working together, their passion and commitment to our students and school district provided the leadership necessary to make the revue become a reality. Most importantly, many students devoted countless hours and many nights and weekends rehearsing and preparing for the "80's Invasion." All of you did such a wonderful job on stage as well as those students who worked as support behind the scenes. Your efforts provided us with two great nights of entertainment. Thanks for making our school proud!

Ghost Out

The week of April 5, Badger 7-12 grade students and their teachers participated in a Ghost Out program. The program was primarily the result of FCCLA students Tessa Blumer, Emma VonEnde, and Kennedy Truscinski. The goal of the Ghost Out program is to reduce accidents and deaths as a result of distracted driving. Each day students were provided facts and information regarding statistics surrounding vehicle accidents involving "young" drivers. During the week, a representative of the Minnesota State Patrol presented "Gone Too Soon," a program developed by the Minnesota State Patrol as a way to educate and stress the importance of safe driving for high school students. Culminating the week was a powerful ceremony in which students (with parental consent) told a fictitious story of their own death, which included reading their own obituary as a result of careless driving. The program was powerful, and we thank all who were involved.

Badger School Proudly Serves our Community!

Our school is here to serve our students, parents, and community. As always, if you have any questions or would like to visit in person, please stop by any time. I welcome any ideas or suggestions you may have for our district. Working together we can "Make A Difference" and continue to proudly represent our community and serve our students.

Sincerely,

Tom Jerome
Superintendent, Badger School District



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April Gator Sports

By: Traci Hill

Spring Sport Reminder: Due to weather, games change quickly. For updates go to www.badger.k12.mn.us and click on "Gator Athletic Schedules."

Baseball

- 2 Roseau @ BGMR
- 5 @ Ada-Borup (Ada)
- 10 @ Northern Freeze (Karlstad)
- 14 @ Fosston
- 16 @ West Marshall
- 17 Kittson County Central @ BGMR
- 20 NCE/UH @ BGMR
- 23 Fertile-Beltrami @ BGMR
- 24 @ Red Lake County Coop (Red Lake Falls)
- 27 St. Thomas @ BGMR

Softball

- 3 @ NCE/UH (Twin Valley)
- 7 @ West Fargo Tournament
- 12 @ Roseau
- 17 @ Warroad
- 19 Red Lake County Central @ BGMR
- 21 Gator Tournament @ BGMR
- 24 Red Lake Falls @ BGMR
- 26 East Grand Forks @ BGMR

Track

- 3 @ Bemidji Indoor
- 12 @ Bemidji
- 17 @ Lake of the Woods
- 19 @ Thief River Falls
- 26 @ East Grand Forks
- 27 @ Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton

Golf

- 19 Girls @ Greenbush
- 19 Boys @ Karlstad
- 24 Girls @ Stephen
- 24 Boys @ Warren

April Fun Facts

<https://www.famousbirthdays.com/facts/facts-about-april.html>

By: Rebecca Dahlen

Flower ~ Sweet Pea or Daisy
Birthstone ~ Diamond
Zodiac Sign ~ April 1-19
Aries; April 20-30 **Taurus**
Name Origination ~
 April comes from word "aperire," a Latin word meaning "to open," representing the opening of buds and flowers in spring. According to the early Roman calendar, April was the 2nd month but became 4th when they started to use January as the first month.

Celebrations:

- April Fools' Day ~ April 1
- Arbor Day ~ April 5
- Earth Day ~ April 22

March Awareness:

Global Child Nutrition
Mathematics Awareness

Celebrity Birthdays:

- 1 ~ Logan Paul
- 3 ~ Alec Baldwin
- 4 ~ Robert Downey Jr.
- 6 ~ Peyton List
- 9 ~ Kristen Stewart
- 15 ~ Emma Watson
- 16 ~ Chance the Rapper
- 19 ~ James Franco
- 23 ~ John Cena
- 29 ~ Katherine Langford
- 29 ~ Willy Nelson

April Dates to Remember

By: Maria Aristides

- 2 No School ~ Spring Break
- 3 ECFE "Jack and the Beanstalk" 6:00 pm
- 4 Comm Ed ~ Kids Yoga 3:15 pm
- 5 Instrumental Ensemble Contest @ LOW
- 5 Kindergarten Round-Up 5:30 pm
- 7 Prom Grand March 8:00 pm, cost \$2
- 9 School Board 7:30 pm
- 10 Comm Ed ~ Adult Yoga 5:45 pm
- 11 Comm Ed ~ Kids Yoga 3:15 pm
- 10 ECFE "Graduation" 6:00 pm
- 12 LifeCare Medical Center Field Trip, grade 5
- 17 Comm Ed ~ Adult Yoga 5:45 pm
- 18 Comm Ed ~ Kids Yoga 3:15 pm
- 18-21 FCCLA State Conference
- 23-27 Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center, Grade 7
- 24 Comm Ed ~ Adult Yoga 5:45 pm
- 25 4th Quarter Midterm
- 25 Comm Ed ~ Kids Yoga 3:15 pm
- 25 Career Expo @ NCTC EGF, grades 11-12

April Wacky Celebrations

www.timeanddate.com/holidays/fun/

By: Pitchawee Chairpamote

Wear Pajamas to Work Day ~ April 16

Have you ever woke up late and had no clue what to wear to school or work? Have you ever felt that the clothes you wear are not comfortable? Well, if you have, this day is for you. Wear your pajamas to bed and get up and go to work in them. Study or work in this comfy outfit, but make sure your jammies are appropriate.

Look Alike Day ~ April 20

Time to look like somebody else...copycat. Have you ever been told you look like your dad, your mom, your brother or sister, or even a stranger? Well, if you have, you should celebrate this day. Dress like your look alike and copy his or her mannerisms.

Honesty Day ~ April 30

This month began with lies and ends with honesty! Honesty is a great virtue. We all know about the boy who cried wolf. When a wolf actually appeared, no one believed him. If you want someone to believe you when it's important, then you need to be honest all of the time. To celebrate this day, just be honest.

Random Riddles

www.goodriddlesnow.com

By: Anh Nguyen

1. What tastes better than it smells?
2. During what month do people sleep the least?
3. What kind of room has no windows or doors?
4. What's orange and sounds like a parrot?
5. What jumps higher than a building?
6. What goes up but never comes down?
7. Is an older one-hundred dollar bill worth more than a newer one?



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Senior Spotlight Ashtyn Beito

Parents: Chris & Jodi Beito
Siblings: Dawson, Brogan
Nicknames: Ash, Magoo, Ashy-ton
Favorite:

- Sport:** Football
- Food:** Nachos
- Color:** Blue
- Quote:** "Respect is like a paycheck. If you don't earn it, you don't deserve it."

If you had one wish, what would you wish for? I would wish there would be no starving children in the world.

If you could have one person travel with you to anywhere in the world, who would it be and where would you go? My mom and we would go to the Dominican Republic.

What one word best describes your personality? Outgoing.

What was your most embarrassing moment in high school? Going to Wolf Ridge my seventh grade year and falling in the snow whenever our class went snowshoeing. A classmate had a broken leg and he was doing better than me.

What is your favorite thing to do with your free time? Spend time with friends, family, and our foreign exchange student that my family and I are hosting this year.

What is one memory you'll always remember from Badger School? Our pep fests that we've had over the years.

What is one thing that you are proud of that happened to you in high school? Being a football manager my junior and senior year and being on the Honor Roll.



Senior Spotlight Anh Nguyen

Parents: Nguyen Dinh Phuong, Ly Thu Hong
Siblings: Hai Ly
Nickname: N
Favorite:

- Sports:** Swimming, running, dancing
- Foods:** Sushi, pasta
- Color:** Green
- Quote:** "You'll never be alone."~ Shawn Mendes

If you had one wish, what would you wish for? Having enough money so that I can come back to the U.S. for college and live here.

If you could have one person travel with you to anywhere in the world, who would it be and where would you go? My friend. We would go to New Zealand or Scandinavia.

What one word best describes your personality? Outgoing.

What was your most embarrassing moment in high school? We were working with cement during shop class. The boys and Mr. Peterson were ahead spreading the cement out. I was late and when I came outside I walked straight into the wet cement.

What is your favorite thing to do with your free time? I'm really social so being with friends and hanging out.

What is one memory you'll always remember from Badger School? How people thought I knew Yannik, the foreign exchange student from last year, just because we're both German.

What is one thing that you are proud of that happened to you in high school? I'm proud that I joined cheerleading, Robotics, and FCCLA. And I'm proud that so many people are telling me how good my English is.



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Senior Spotlight Alyssa Grindahl

Parents: Misty & Dale Grindahl

Siblings: Brutus & Dale

Nicknames: Lyssdog, Strawberry

Favorite:

Sport: Wrestling

Foods: Chicken anything and sweets

Colors: Black & pink

Quote: "You have to be odd to be number one."~ Dr. Seuss

If you had one wish, what would you wish for? Cancer free world.

If you could have one person travel with you to anywhere in the world, who would it be and where would you go? My dad and we would go to North Carolina.

What one word best describes your personality? Loving.

What was your most embarrassing moment in high school? Breaking my leg in gym.

What is your favorite thing to do with your free time? Drive around and hang out with friends.

What is one memory you'll always remember from Badger School? Wolf Ridge in 7th grade.

What is one thing that you are proud of that happened to you in high school? Making Badger like a family to me and having amazing friends and teachers.



Senior Spotlight Joanna Erickson

Parents: Scott & Tina Erickson

Siblings: Micah, Julia, Sarah, Leah

Nicknames: Jojo, Jolo, Little J, Josie, Giggles

Favorite:

Sport: Basketball

Food: Homemade pizza

Color: Red

Quote: "...it gets better."

If you had one wish, what would you wish for? The power of intelligence.

If you could have one person travel with you to anywhere in the world, who would it be and where would you go? Kaitie and we'd go to Iceland.

What one word best describes your personality? Caring.

What was your most embarrassing moment in high school? My random laughs.

What is your favorite thing to do with your free time? Watching anime.

What is one memory you'll always remember from Badger School? All the funny conversations with my class.

What is one thing that you are proud of that happened to you in high school? Being a part of this class.





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Spring Senior Athletes

By: Liesl Aarhus

Kaitie Hamann ~ Softball

Age you started softball: About 10

Reason you joined softball: My best friend joined and I fell in love with the game, and my dad coached T-ball.

Favorite memory from last season: The varsity first baseman told me to “rock at first base and prove everyone wrong.”

Goals for this year: Make the most out of my senior year.

Plans to help you get stronger and better at softball: I started weight lifting before the season began.

What are you looking forward to this season: Hopefully being a role model for the younger girls coming up to play.

Tyler Isane ~ Baseball

Age you started baseball: 8

Reason you joined baseball: Everyone played it from a young age.

Favorite memory from last season: Hitting 3 home runs.

Goals for this year: Play as a team and win as a team.

Plans to help you get stronger and better at baseball: Work hard in practice and really focus each and every day.

What are you looking forward to this season: I look forward to throwing the baseball around and just have a good time with the guys.

Austin Maurstad ~ Clay Busters

Age you started clay busters: 17

Reason you joined clay busters: To try a new sport.

Favorite memory from last season: Out-shooting my sister on my first day.

Goals for this year: Get a score of 22 out of 25.

Plans to help you get better at clay busters: Get a new gun and go to the practice weeks before competition starts.

What are you looking forward to this season: Getting better and trying out my new gun.

Anh Nguyen ~ Golf

Age you started to golf: 17

Reason you joined golf: It’s a lifetime sport, and I really liked it the one time I was playing.

Favorite memory from last season: This is my first year in golf.

Goals for this year: Doing as good as possible.

What are you looking forward to this season: Having a lot of fun and learning the game of golf.

Ethan Praska ~ Golf

Age you started to golf: 16

Reason you joined golf: I joined because I wanted to learn a sport I could play for the rest of my life.

Favorite memory from last season: I birdied a par 5 in Roseau, the hole that runs right up to the clubhouse; meanwhile, Devan is hitting trees off the right side of the fairway right next to Mr. Johnson and the Roseau coach.

Goals for this year: I want to repeat my birdie on the par 5 in Roseau.

Favorite golf course: I like Roseau the best because that is where I’ve gotten a hole in one and a birdie on a par 5.

What are you looking forward to this season: I am looking forward to having fun during meets with the random people that are assigned to my group.

Dillon Nieman ~ Golf

Age you started to golf: 17

Reason you joined golf: I wanted to try it out, and it is the last sport I will get to play in high school.

Favorite memory from last season: This is my first year in golf.

Goals for this year: Make it into the top six for varsity.

What are you looking forward to this season: Getting coached by Mr. Johnson.

Joanna Erickson ~ Golf

Age you started to golf: 18

Reason you joined golf: I have never tried golf, but my classmates encouraged me to join the team.

Favorite memory from last season: This is my first year in golf.

Goals for this year: Learn how to play golf correctly.

What are you looking forward to this season: Making new friends and having a blast.





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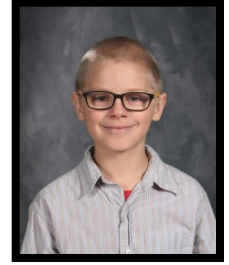
Elementary Viewpoint

By: Tia McKinnon

What is the best thing to do on a rainy day?



Elijah Monsrud (1st grade): The best thing to do on a rainy day is to play inside. I like to play games because it is fun. I don't go outside because I don't want to get sick.



Abram Wirta (2nd grade): I would draw pictures. I am scared of thunder and lighting. Drawing helps me forget about the rain. I love to draw!



Eli Olafson (3rd grade): I like to go outside on rainy days. It's fun to run around and climb trees. When it's done raining, I splash in the puddles.



Wyatt Hilligas (4th grade): You could stay inside, or you could go out and get your rain coat, boots, and umbrella. Staying inside makes you look out the window and sigh; but if you go outside, you could splash in the puddles. If you go outside by yourself, however, you may not have as much fun. So go out and bring a friend with you!



Phillip Sanden (5th grade): I like to sit inside and watch YouTube. I like it because there are a whole bunch of videos to watch. Some gaming videos and cool DIYs about Legos are my favorite to watch.



Carter Hamann (6th grade): Read a book, because it can be educational. It can be fun and entertaining. Personally, I think reading a book is best because I think reading is awesome.

Trivia

By: Tessa Blumer

- What year was the first Apple computer released?
 - 1971
 - 1976
 - 1982
 - 1986
- In the Harry Potter series, what is the name of Harry's pet owl?
 - Pig widgeon
 - Errol
 - Hermes
 - Hedwig
- In our solar system, which planet has the shortest day?
 - Jupiter
 - Saturn
 - Mars
 - Neptune
- If you were in the city of Turin, what country would you be in?
 - Turkey
 - Spain
 - Italy
 - France

FCCLA Job Shadowing



Badger FCCLA State Officer Kennedy Truscinski and Area Officer Alex Ylitalo traveled to the State Capitol in St. Paul to shadow legislators Wednesday, March 7. Kennedy met with Senator Paul Utke of District 2 from northwestern Minnesota, while Alex partnered with Rep. Tama Theis of District 14A from central Minnesota. Kennedy and Alex toured the Capitol with 40 other FCCLA members. Shadow Day is an opportunity for members to learn about careers in public service, increase awareness of state and government political processes, and current issues.



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Band Musician of the Month Keyasha Housker



Grade: 7

What instrument do you play, and why did you choose this instrument? Clarinet because it was small, and I liked that it had a lot of different keys.

If you had to change your instrument, what would you pick and why? French horn because I love the sound that it makes.

What is your favorite song to play? Pep band songs because they are upbeat.

If you could pick a theme for Music Revue, what theme would you pick? Disney because of all the characters.

What is your most memorable moment in band? Adding numbers to one of our bass clarinet's collection of dropped music papers, he is already at 50...

What advice would you give to younger musicians? Enjoy playing and taking on the challenges.

Who inspired you to be part of band? Ms. Erickson inspired me.



Choir Musician of the Month Joanna Erickson

Grade: 12

What section are you in? Soprano 1

How long have you been in choir? 6 years

What kind of music do you like to sing? Pop

What is your favorite part about being in choir? I love singing and performing for our community.

What are you looking forward to this year? Music Revue

What advice would you give other vocalists in choir? Do not talk when you're supposed to be singing, and if you love singing, try out for solo.

What is your favorite choir memory? Getting to sing with my classmates for the last time.

Banana Bread

https://www.simplyrecipes.com/recipes/banana_bread/

By: Derrick Corneliusen

Ingredients:

2 to 3 very ripe bananas, peeled

1/3 cup melted butter

1 teaspoon baking soda

Pinch of salt

3/4 cup sugar (1/2 cup if you would like it less sweet, 1 cup if more sweet)

1 large egg, beaten

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

1 1/2 cups of all-purpose flour



Directions:

1. Preheat the oven to 350°F and butter a 4x8-inch loaf pan.
2. In a mixing bowl, mash the ripe bananas with a fork until completely smooth. Stir the melted butter into the mashed bananas.
3. Mix in the baking soda and salt. Stir in the sugar, beaten egg, and vanilla extract. Mix in the flour.
4. Pour the batter into your prepared loaf pan. Bake for 50 minutes to 1 hour at 350°F or until a tester inserted into the center comes out clean.
5. Remove from oven and let cool in the pan for a few minutes. Then remove the banana bread from the pan and let cool completely before serving. Slice and serve. (A bread knife helps to make slices that aren't crumbly.)



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Kindergarten Korner

By: Emma Dimich



Autumn Turpitt

Age: 6

Are you enjoying kindergarten? Yes, I like doing Smart Time, lunch, recess, playtime, and playing on the iPads.

What is your favorite movie? *Frozen* because I love Elsa's hair.

At what age is a person an adult, and why do you think so? 66 years old because that's the only number I can think of.

If you were in a movie, what would your character be like? A butterfly with the colors of blue, red, white, and pink.

What animal would make a great driver? A pug named Olivia because she is the greatest driver.

What makes someone smart? By reading the book *Green Eggs and Ham* by Dr. Seuss and getting everything right on worksheets and tests.

Noah Stoutenburgh

Age: 7

Are you enjoying kindergarten? Yes, what I like to do is play with blocks, sharing, and I also like stack the states.

What is your favorite movie? *Cars 3* because Jackson Storm is in it.

At what age is a person an adult, and why do you think so? 18 years old because you can do stuff like grocery shopping every time you want.

If you were in a movie, what would your character be like? An engineer because I can be very awesome at driving trains.

What animal would make a great driver? Scorpion because it has a tail with a stinger.

What makes someone smart? Calling somebody handsome and getting everything right.



Ryder Quamme

Age: 6

Are you enjoying kindergarten? Yes because it's fun. What we do is homework, play, naps, recess, gym, and music.

What is your favorite movie? *How to Train Your Dragon* because it has different dragons like Gronckle and Astrid.

At what age is a person an adult, and why do you think so? 19 years old because my uncle is nineteen. It is when you're older and bigger.

If you were in a movie, what would your character be like? I want to be Hiccup from *How to Train Your Dragon*.

What animal would make a great driver? A dragon because you can ride on it, and it is fast.

What makes someone smart? Their brain. It makes you think.



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Ramp-Up Topics for April

Submitted by: Stacey Warne, Dean of Students

GRADE 6: High Skills Careers – In this unit, students will be encouraged to explore and understand the need for a high skill career based on financial and personal benefits. Students will also revise their Readiness Rubric during the month of April. **Workshop:** Career Cluster Interest Survey

GRADE 7: Students will be focusing on financial awareness and the differences between “good” and “bad” debt as it relates to paying for college. One of the activities focuses on the idea of credit and interest and that borrowing money or using credit for “bad” debt is not a good idea. The seventh graders will also update their Readiness Rubric in an advisory session.

GRADE 8: Following last month’s focus on paying for college, students learn with more depth about the ways to pay for college including personal contributions (savings and loans) and money that may come from outside sources (scholarships, grants, and work study). There is good video resource for parents and students to watch regarding this topic online at www.mnprivatecolleges.org/paying. Students will also be updating their Readiness Rubric during the month of April.



GRADE 9: In April, students will learn about options they have during high school that will give them the opportunity to earn college credit. Students learn what AP (Advanced Placement), IB (International Baccalaureate), CIS (College in the Schools), and PSEO (Post-Secondary Enrollment Options) are. Students also have an opportunity to earn college credit through PLTW programs if they meet criteria. In one advisory session, students will be updating their Readiness Rubric.

GRADE 10: During April, sophomores will learn more about the importance of building relevant and effective resumes, and why they are important. The Readiness Rubric will also be reviewed and edited by the tenth grade class.

GRADE 11: Juniors will learn the importance of being a lifelong learner and how it is imperative for their career and personal development. Students will also be introduced to the idea of employability, which will be relevant for students in summer jobs, internships, and their long-term career goals. In additions to updating the Readiness Rubric, students will assess their hopes and dreams for their senior year.

GRADE 12: Seniors will be looking at the general idea of how college grading can be different than what many students experience in high school. Seniors will also spend some time celebrating their postsecondary choices by creating posters that will be displayed in the school describing their plans and also writing a thank you letter to someone who has positively influenced them along their way.

Ramp Up Grade 8/9 Career Panel presenters included Beth Siverhus from LifeCare laboratory sciences, Jessica Parson from MN Department of Natural Resources, Nathan Voll from Intercept Industries Accounting Department, and Shayne Isane farmer/business owner.

Random Riddles Answers

1. A tongue
2. February, because it is the shortest month
3. A mushroom
4. A carrot
5. Everything. Buildings don't jump.
6. Your age
7. Yes. A \$100 bill is worth more than a \$1 bill.

Students Teaching Students

Thank you to sixth grade students Xander Grugal, Macy Majer, and Treston Nichols for teaching the kindergarten class what a globe is and helping them locate countries. Because of the Olympics, the countries of South and North Korea were two of the countries found on the globe.



Trivia Answers

1. B 2. D 3. A 4. C



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Campus Comment

By: CeCeilia Yeager

Which historical figure would you like to be?

Gabe Warne (7th grade): Abraham Lincoln. He was a president and helped the North win the Civil War. He stopped slavery and is now on the penny and the five dollar bill.

Hailey VonEnde (8th grade): If I could be a historical figure, I would want to be Audrey Hepburn. She is an inspiration for me to always put forth my best effort towards even the toughest things in life. She also worked extremely hard to meet her dreams, which makes me want to do the same. Besides being an inspiration, she lived a life where she was one of the best actresses in Hollywood and was thought to be the most beautiful woman of the century.

Liesl Aarhus (9th grade): I would probably want to be Abraham Lincoln. In my opinion, I feel he was the greatest president ever elected. I would want to be him because he inspired the country to end slavery and accept equality. Also, he was extremely tall, and I would love to be tall. He also wrote amazing speeches that inspired the whole world.

Emma Gust (10th grade): I would be Coco Chanel because she was a huge innovator in the fashion industry. Her ideas were revolutionary for her time.

Alex Ylitalo (11th grade): No one because I would not want to tamper with the past. *Back to the Future* taught me that lesson.

Tyler Isane (12th grade): George Washington because he was the 1st President of the United States. I also admire him because of his leadership through the Revolutionary War. I would be on the dollar bill too!

Mrs. Lee (FACS Teacher): I would choose to be Cleopatra. She was a strong leader and mother with great fashion sense!



Life was better 20 years ago ~ agree or disagree.

By: Cierra Olds

Trey Nichols

I think the world was better without technology because people got along and didn't go on technology everywhere they went.

Tia McKinnon

I disagree because 20 years ago we didn't have the same technologies that we have today. Compared to 20 years ago, we have jumped far and beyond when it comes to electronics and machinery, and we are still upgrading everything to be better than it was before.

Tessa Blumer

My personal opinion is that life was better 20 years ago. Kids grew up different. Social media was not a thing, and news did not travel as fast. Kids could be kids, and life was a little more laid back.

Derrick Corneliusen

Yes, because people did a lot more things with each other because they did not have cell phones.





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Trumpet Fun

On Wednesday, March 7, professional trumpet player, Mike Vax, came to the Badger School and conducted a workshop for area trumpet players. Trumpeters from Greenbush-Middle River, Tri-County, and Roseau also came to Badger to participate in the afternoon of trumpeting.



ECFE Olympics

Badger ECFE celebrated the Olympics with an obstacle course and an award ceremony on Tuesday evening, February 27. Our Gold Medal winners were Weston Sovde, Giuliana Sovde, Jaryn Kukowski, Shalyn Kukowski, Janiya Jenson, and Alexi Berger. Badger ECFE meets regularly throughout the school year on Tuesdays from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the pre-school room and is free for children ages 0-5 years.



Young Authors

The Young Author's Conference was held on March 8 in Thief River Falls. Badger School sent 8 students to attend this great event. While there, students learned new writing skills firsthand from multiple authors, photographers, illustrators, and other professionals in publishing. The students had a ton of fun learning and practicing these new skills, which included learning how to draw characters, creating and writing movie scenes, and learning the process of writing a book while a student! Pictured are (back) seventh graders Tali Hamann, Bryza Rud; eighth graders Greta Lee, Abby Novacek-Pratt; (front) sixth graders Ashton Pickhartz, Ada Lee; fifth graders Bethany VonEnde, Maggie Lorenson.

Stuck on Reading

The Badger National Honor students sponsored Stuck on Reading during Read Across America Week. Students in grades K-12 donated \$1 per piece of duct tape to tape Badger 2017 Homecoming King Tyler Isane and Queen Joanna Erickson. A total of \$117 was raised and donated to the library to purchase books. Grade 6 donated the most and won treats for their class. Thank you to all the students who participated and to the National Honor Society students for hosting the event.





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Read Across America Thinking Cap Thursday





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Shout Out To.....

Christian Hietala, Karissa Kaml, Dorothy Kjelland, Amelia Stainbrook, Logan Sunsdahl, and Brandon Pries for helping serve cake for Dr. Seuss Day.

Emma Gust for being our Cat in the Hat during Read Across America.

Blood donors from our community and school – thank you for your willingness to donate and save a life!

Rosalie Olson for providing cookies for the NHS blood drive.

National Honor Society (NHS) members Tyler Isane, Austin Maurstad, Dillon Nieman, Devan Olson, Ethan Praska, Gavin Davy, and Alex Ylitalo for organizing and working at the blood drive.

Nathan Voll, Jessica Parson, Shayne Isane, and Beth Siverhus for taking time to meet with our 8 & 9th graders for the Ramp Up Career panel.

FIRST Robotics Team #3750 for all of their hard work and awesome performance at the Great Northern Regional Robotics competition in Grand Forks.

All the people who helped officiate, run the clock, sell concessions, and supervise our winter sports activities here at the Badger School.

BHS Alumni Robby Davy, Kasey Pries, Mariah Modahl, Kaitlyn Emery Walsh, and Alex Burkel for serving on the Ramp Up College Panel for grades 7 and 12.

Juli Smedsmo for accompanying our kids at music contest.

All of the parents and school volunteers who helped us out during the music revue-- we couldn't do it without you!

Badger pep band kids for a great pep band season!

Ed Walsh and Deb Meier for hauling our band and trailer to contest and tournaments. We appreciate you!

All who helped make the Music Revue happen. The musicians and actors made this a show one to remember!

Kennedy Truscinski and Alex Ylitalo for representing Badger School at the Capitol for FCCLA Shadow Day.

Students who helped Lunch Lady Jody Randall with the musical supper Thursday night. They were awesome..as was the musical!!

Actors who made their characters come to life at this year's music revue. The best gift you can give to others is a smile and a laugh!

Good job!

Badger Gator Robotics for representing Badger School! We are very proud of you!

Superior Music!



Each year the Badger band and choir participate in a large-group contest. Performing groups are evaluated by 3 judges with a highest score possible of 40. A minimum score of 35 points from 2 out of 3 judges is the minimum requirement for a Superior rating.

Dan Carpenter, Badger Choir Director, hosted the Large Group Choir Contest on February 26 at the Badger School. The Badger Choir competed as a Category 1 Mixed Choir, which is the most challenging category a choir can compete in. They performed *Danny Boy*, arranged by Joseph Flummerfelt and *Elijah Rock*, arranged by Moses Hogan. Following their performance the judges evaluated and assigned scores of 38, 38, and 39 – three Superior ratings

The Badger Concert Band and Band Director Lisa Erickson competed in the Large Group Instrumental Contest at Tri County School on March 14. They performed *Mountain Thyme* by Sam Hazo as well as *Dreams and Proclamations* by Roland Barrett. Following the performance the judges evaluated and assigned scores of 39+, 40, and 40 – three Superior ratings.





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NHS Blood Drive Success

On Thursday, March 8, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Badger High School, the Badger National Honor Society (NHS) hosted its 3rd blood drive this school year for United Blood Services. NHS members Austin Maurstad, Tyler Isane, Ethan Praska, Devan Olson, Dillon Nieman, Alex Ylitalo, and Gavin Davy worked hard to promote the event and also helped set up and take down tables, kept refreshments stocked, signed-in donors, and helped with anything else the United Blood Service workers needed. There were 24 donors; 6 were first time donors. This resulted in 27 units of blood being collected. The Badger NHS thanks Rosalie Olson for again providing homemade chocolate chip cookies for the donors. Thank you to the Badger community and Badger High School student donors for making this blood drive a success.

