








Berlin Middle School

April 2024 News

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Important Dates

- April 1**
BMS Track Starts
Curriculum Committee Meeting
- April 3**
Building/Grounds Committee Meeting
- April 4**
Finance Committee Meeting
- April 10**
Picture Day - BMS Track
- April 11**
Employee Relations Committee Meeting
- April 15**
NO SCHOOL
- April 24**
BASD Board of Education Meeting
- May 30**
8th grade Promotion
- May 31**
Last Day of School
- June 10 - 18**
Summer School

A Message from the Principal

Greetings BMS Families!

It's hard to believe we have two months left of school! Forward Exam testing started off strong with our students prior to spring break and we are so proud of our efforts by our students and staff. Track and field season is beginning and we are anticipating a great season with a large team.

One of the focuses that we would like to continue in these last eight weeks of school is our students being at school and in class. Every day of school is important. The consequences of missing classes and instruction can be especially tough on middle schoolers, especially during the second half of the school year. Here's why:

- Every class is packed with essential material. Regular attendance helps students keep up with the curriculum and learning pace.
- It's easier for students to get the support they need from teachers when they are in class and can ask questions.
- Once the year is half over, many teachers are focused on mastery of learning of the standards. The rigor increases as can the pace of instruction.
- Your student may have more assignments as a result of the increase of pace and review. The more time out of class, the more the schoolwork piles up, which can overwhelm middle schoolers. To support learning, prioritize attendance.

Continue to:

- Emphasize the importance of arriving on time to every class prepared and ready to participate.
- Accept no excuses for missing school—except true illness or emergency. Skipping a class to finish an assignment is not a valid reason.
- Avoid making appointments or plans for your child that would result in a missed a class

Kind regards,

Colleen Pariso

Colleen Pariso
BMS Principal



Promoting Strengths

BMS introduced a new homeroom activity called "Sources of Strength" that has been well-received by both students and teachers!

During this activity, students jot down ways they can utilize their selected strengths in the 4th quarter to conclude the school year positively!

Afterwards, classmates will link their strips of paper together to form a chain, and eventually, the entire homeroom will combine all their chains into one, with open ends ready to connect to other homeroom chains for a display in the hallway!



BMS is a "Groovy" Place to Be!

The roller skating sessions have sadly concluded, but our middle school students enjoyed a spectacular final day filled with dance lights and glow sticks! Looking forward to more thrilling skating experiences next year!

Thank you to our Phy. Ed./Health Teacher Mrs. Gehring for an awesome roller skating session.



We are Hiring!

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Secretary - Berlin Middle School
Join our team. Apply today!



The Berlin Area School District is hiring a Berlin Middle School Secretary.

Learn more about this opportunity today on our website. berlin.k12.wi.us

— JOIN OUR —
TEAM



BMS Students Shine at Academic Quiz Bowl!

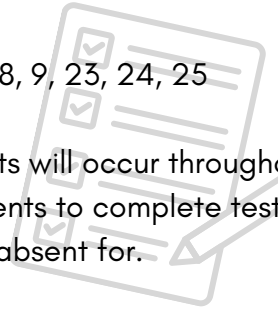
Students from BMS participated in the academic quiz bowl held in Waupaca. Despite narrowly missing the victory with a score of 110-115, the students showcased exceptional skills and had a fantastic time together!

We are incredibly proud of your hard work and dedication!

Forward Exam Testing Dates

- April 10, 11, 17, 18, 19
- 8th Grade Only - April 8, 9, 23, 24, 25

Make up testing for students will occur throughout the month of April for students to complete tests they did not finish or were absent for.



Track Meets & Sign Up

The track season for students in grades 7 & 8 begins on April 1.

- Tuesday, April 9 @ Ripon
- Monday, April 15 @ Home
- Tuesday, April 23 @ Home | Conference Relays
- Monday, April 29 @ Home
- Friday, May 3 @ Wautoma
- Tuesday, May 7 @ Ripon | Conference Meet



Outstanding Achievements by Solo & Ensemble Participants

Every BMS participant was awarded 1st and 2nd place honors.

Remarkably, all BMS band students secured a top rating, marking a historic first for the school!

Great job to all!





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BERLIN BULLDOG'S

2024 IN-PERSON REGISTRATION

- Saturday, March 16 OR
- Saturday, April 13 OR
- Saturday, May 4th

Berlin Lanes (side room)
9 am - 11 am

Cheerleading Athletes: Child Entering 3rd - 8th Grade for 2024/25 School Year
Football Athletes: Child Entering 5th or 6th Grade for 2024/25 School Year



Berlin Middle School

Be Respectful

- Use active listening and clear communication when expressing thoughts
- Express needs and emotions in an appropriate manner

Be Responsible

- Use organizational skills and strategies to focus attention
- Come to class on time and prepared with materials

Be Safe

- Work cooperatively and productively with others
- See something, Say something

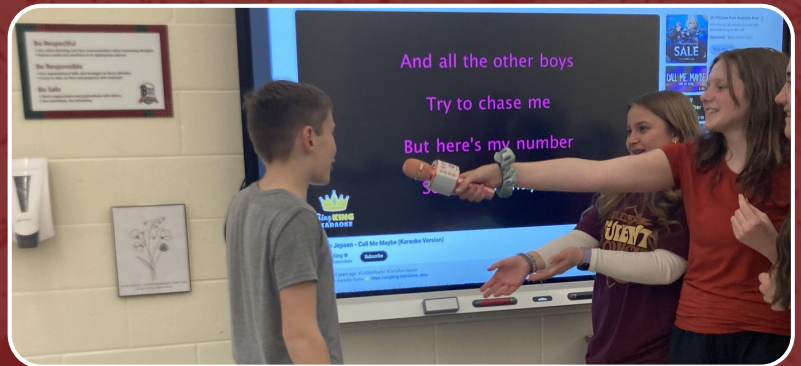


BMS Activity Night was a Blast!

The evening was packed with excitement for both students and staff. Numerous individuals engaged in sports, arts and crafts, trivia, bingo, and other activities!

The time spent together outside of school hours was truly delightful!

Special thanks to Kwik Trips for all the pizza!



Berlin Area School District | 2023-2024 Academic Calendar

JULY 2023						
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1 - 2 No School - Winter Break
 12 End of First Semester
 15 No School - Teacher Work Day

AUGUST 2023						
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15-18 New Teacher Days
 22-24 No School - Staff Development
 28-29 No School - Staff Development
 31 First Day of School

FEBRUARY 2024						
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2 No School - Staff Development
 22 No School - Staff Development
 23 No School

SEPTEMBER 2023						
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4 No School - Labor Day
 29 Homecoming

MARCH 2024						
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21 No School - Parent Teacher Conferences
 22 No School
 25-29 No School - Spring Break

OCTOBER 2023						
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2 No School - Staff Development
 26 No School - Parent Teacher Conferences
 27 No School

APRIL 2024						
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15 No School - Staff Development

NOVEMBER 2023						
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10 No School - Staff Development
 22-24 No School - Thanksgiving

MAY 2024						
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10 No School - Staff Development
 24 Graduation
 27 No School - Memorial Day
 31 Last Day of School

DECEMBER 2023						
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11 No School - Staff Development
 25-29 No School - Winter Break

JUNE 2024						
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