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## Celebrating our Graduates

by Jeff Melvin,  
Bangor High School Principal



The class of 2014 will receive their diplomas on Sunday, June 1 at 2:00 p.m. in the high school gymnasium. It will be a time of great joy and jubilation for our seniors as they come together as a class for one final time. It truly is a time to celebrate, as a lot of hard work has gone into the thirteen years of education for these young people. I want to recognize all those that have been involved, as our seniors do not get to this point just by going it alone. Family involvement is critical to the success of each senior. Without family support, most students will not be successful in any endeavor. In the thirteen years of school, K-12 teachers have had over 15,000 hours of instructional contact with each senior. This does not include all the other contact hours from athletics, activities, clubs and organizations that teachers work with students. Friends, fellow students, other significant adults, pastors

and church families all contribute to the overall success of each of our seniors. We thank each of you for your involvement with these young people.

Now, back to graduation. This ceremony should be just that – a ceremony. Please plan to be on time! When we say it starts at 2:00 p.m., that means should plan to be in your seat at that time. During the ceremony, we expect that you will plan to remain seated and quiet. That's what we do at a ceremony. This is graduation, not a sporting event. Graduation is a time to allow each graduate his/her own special moment in the spotlight. It is a time to remain seated, to remain quiet, and to give the proper respect that each and every student deserves for his or her accomplishments.

Our future is in good hands with our young people heading off to make their contributions to this great country. Congratulations, Class of 2014! We are all very proud of each and every one of you!

## 5k Color Run/Walk

The National Honor Society is sponsoring a 5k Color Run/Walk on Saturday, May 17th on the Bangor High School Cross Country Course. If you have never heard of a color run, the whole concept is to shift the focus from your personal time, to the time of your life! As runners traverse the cross country trail, they will be doused with a different color at each kilometer. Paper registration forms are available at local Bangor businesses or on the color run website; bangor5k.squarespace.com. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. and race time will be 10:00 a.m. There will also be a pre-registration on Friday, May 16th at the high school annex from 5:00-6:30 p.m. The cost is \$20.00 per person and all proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society. Please join in the fun by starting the race in white, finishing cloaked in color, all while raising money to fight cancer!



## Bangor Middle School Summer school!

**Parents of Middle School Students,**  
If you feel your child would benefit from summer school assistance, please read the following information:

- Bangor Middle School is again offering a summer school for students who are currently in grades 5, 6, 7 and 8.
- The summer school program will be held at South Walnut Elementary. Teachers will focus daily on math, reading and writing during the program.
- The dates of the program are from June 25 through July 23. School will begin at 8:00 a.m. and finish at 12:00.

• Bus transportation will be provided and breakfast and lunch will be offered free of charge to all who attend.  
 • Letters will be sent to parents of students who have been identified as needing further assistance in math and language skills

Please contact the middle school at 427-6824 for any further information you may need.  
 Thank you,  
 Dan Thorbjornsen  
 Assistant Principal, BMS  
 Middle School Summer School Coordinator

## Bangor C.E.C. Announces Graduation Celebration

Bangor Community Education Center will be hosting their graduation ceremony on Thursday, May 29th at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Education Center. The C.E.C. will be honoring student graduates from all programs including the Virtual Academy, Alternative Education, the Homeschool Partnership Program, and the Adult Education Program. Please join us in celebrating these accomplishments! Cake and punch reception to follow.

## High School Credit Recovery to be Offered

Bangor High School students who need to make up credits will have the opportunity this summer. The Bangor C.E.C. will be offering a credit recovery program in conjunction with the Bangor High School. This program begins on Tuesday, July 1st and will operate through August 7th. Classes will be held Monday through Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. A \$50 fee per course is required. For more information or to register, contact Wendy Tremblay, Bangor High School Counselor at 427-6800 ext. 1004 or Lynn Johnson, C.E.C. Director at 427-6800 ext. 2100.

## American Red Cross Blood Drive

The National Honor Society will be hosting an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Wed., May 14th, beginning at 8:00 a.m. and concluding at 1:45 p.m. The location is the high school annex, formerly the Career Academy, located immediately east of the high school. Help save a life! Give blood today

## APRIL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

### 9TH GRADE

#### Katlynn Bodfish - Nominated by Natalie Kluge

Comment: Katlynn Bodfish has shown a BIG improvement this semester. She went from a low grade to an A- since she has started doing all the work and attending on a regular basis. She has also started participating more in class...offering answers etc. I am really proud of her stepping up her game.

### 10TH GRADE

#### Thomas Walantyn

Comment: Thomas shows genuine compassion for others and a helpful spirit in class. He does not have a perfect grade but he puts forth a genuine effort, asks questions, and helps others when he can. He is respectful and focused.

### 11TH GRADE

#### Kyle Szymanski - Nominated by Ms. Vandop

Comment: Kyle is diligent and very helpful in class. Last semester he mentored and aided a new student and I was extremely appreciative and proud of his actions.

### 12TH GRADE

#### Bethany Ross - Nominated by Ms. Vandop

Comment: You deserve a vacation in Hawaii girlie. Every Wednesday morning you deal with about 10 middle school students and manage to organize them....film them and police them. I can entrust you with the equipment the content and the kids ---you rock. You save me time and time again...thank you.

## Corrections to Honor Roll

### 5th Grade

\*Denotes All A's

Noemi Arevalo  
 Lucas Artis  
 Ariana Birkhead  
 Mayra Calvillo  
 Abbigail Daugherty  
 Emilie Fillmore  
 Katherine Gallegos  
 Sammy Giidden-Fry  
 Jasmin Gomez  
 Elijah Griffioen  
 \*Michael Hardester  
 Emily Hernandez  
 \*Carter Hull  
 Jaedon Jones  
 \*Keith Kueny  
 Olivia Kuiper  
 Cameron London  
 Kenneth McPike  
 Hannah Mellinger  
 \*Abby Moench  
 Rolando Munoz  
 \*Zachary Polk  
 Leonardo Puga  
 Cecelia Salomon  
 Kali Schneider  
 Katalina Soria  
 A J Stigler

### 6th Grade

\*Denotes All A's

Tyler Brenne  
 Andrew Cervantes  
 Grace Ford  
 Jennifer Garcia  
 Jose Garcia  
 Tirza Gennrich  
 Alondra Gutierrez  
 Audrey Hay  
 \*Hannah Householder  
 Ke'Arius Jennings  
 Lisandro Magana  
 Alvaro Martinez  
 Mason May  
 Krea Pittman  
 Emily Pop  
 Jennifer Quinones  
 Shelby Ray  
 Hailee Stone  
 Summer Torres  
 Ariel Wescott

## Class of 2014 Announces Top Ten Students

Back row, L-R: David Saucedo, Christopher Foster, Alexis Stigler, Emily Roe, Paul Gruber.

Front row, L-R: Wolfgang Alas, Sabrina Hoadley, Danielle Costantini, Marissa Carpio, Emily Bus.



## South Walnut Elementary April Students of the Month

### Miss Byrd nominates: Daniel Hernandez

Daniel follows the classroom rules, completes his daily work, participates in learning activities, focuses his attention on reading and language activities and works well with others. He has excellent attendance and is always prepared for class.

### Mrs. Phillips nominates: Ramiro Saucedo

Ramiro has worked very hard this year. He has greatly improved in all academic areas! Ramiro always tries his very best in class and has worked very hard at home to improve. He is kind to others and helpful. Ramiro is a good friend. He is a Star Kindergartener!

### Mrs. Szczyпка nominates: Daniela Ramirez

Daniela Ramirez is the April Student of the month in Mrs. Szczyпка's kindergarten class. Daniela stays safe by staying seated while she works. She takes pride in her work and does it neatly. Daniela acts responsibly by doing her work and homework. She respects everyone by listening quietly and following directions.

### Mrs. Tapper nominates: Conner Titman

Conner is a joy to have in the classroom. He works hard at doing his best work. He is very helpful and always asks to help Mrs. Tapper, the friends in our classroom, and anyone else in our school. He is a hard worker and works even harder to learn more. He is a great example for other students and that is why he is our Student of the Month.

### Mrs. Cowles nominates: Cayden Harris

Cayden has worked very hard the last few months in every subject area. He is always willing to help others and is a very kind friend to everyone in class. Cayden shows star behavior throughout the classroom and school. We are very proud of him.

### Mrs. Goodrich nominates: Adabella Rico

Adabella has been working very hard to become student of the month. Adabella has consistently been in her seat ready to listen and learn. She encourages her classmates to be ready by being ready and holding up the quiet sign. Adabella has shown that she is a STAR student by listening and following directions. Way to Go Adabella!

### Mrs. Moench nominates: Trinity Davis

Trinity Davis has improved her on task behavior in the classroom. She is a very strong student in all content areas and has been putting good effort into working well with others. Trinity is a good friend to those around her. I am very proud of all the improvements that she has made this school year.

### Mrs. Vassar nominates: Kyra Shull

My student of the month for April is Kyra Shull. Kyra has been a hard worker this school year. She is a good classroom citizen and follows directions in a timely manner.

### Mrs. Hardester nominates: Caleb Burrows

Diana is always ready, always prepared, and always gives her best. She is an excellent role model. She is a very caring and considerate young lady. She is always making good choices and helping others. For this reason, I nominated Diana for student of the month.

### Mrs. Ricca nominates: Erlinda Soria

Erlinda is a pleasure to have in class. She is respectful and courteous. She is close to getting her fifth encore! She is always willing to help someone if needed and gets along well with everyone. She has great work habits and always tries her best. Awesome student!

### Mrs. Ward nominates: Roberto Nieva

Roberto Nieva is our April Student of the Month! Throughout the year Roberto has worked hard in the classroom with his learning and by doing his best on all assignments. In different ways Roberto has shown what a good friend he is to others through caring and helping his classmates. I am proud of Roberto for his terrific effort this year and hope he keeps it up!

### Mrs. Artis nominates: Kaitlyn O'Brien

Kaitlyn is student of the month because she has great attendance and shows some of the best STAR behavior of anyone in the classroom. She her 5th encore already. Kaitlyn will do any extra work that is asked of her and is very responsible. She is a good friend to others and a great helper in the classroom. Kaitlyn also does very well in meeting her A.R. goals. Congratulations Kaitlyn.

### Mrs. Christensen nominates: Dylan Maystead

Our student of the month for April is Dylan Maystead! Dylan is a very hard worker and always does his homework. He has even come back after dismissal because he remembered he forgot it! Dylan is helpful to others whenever he can be by loaning them a pencil or helping them with work. One thing I like about Dylan is how nice he is to others. If someone is being picked on he will stand up for them or tell an adult. It has been so fun having you in my class Dylan!

### Miss McNally nominates: Lyndsay Crandall

Lyndsey is a STAR student! Lyndsey treats others with respect and kindness. She is very responsible always turning in her work on time and meeting her AR goal. Lyndsey also has a lot of confidence and a positive attitude :) I really enjoyed having her in class this year! Congratulations on being Student of the Month!

### Mrs. Mortensen nominates: Kiera Canning

Kiera is such a great helper in the classroom. She does whatever is asked of her and even stays after school to help stack chairs and clean the floor. She comes to school everyday with a smile on her face and is ready to learn. I appreciate all of her help and enjoy having Kiera in my class. Keep up the good work!!!

### Mrs. Hoch nominates: Emily Underwood

Emily should be proud of the hard work on task behavior in the last few months. She works very hard completing all of her assignments and give her best effort in class. She's very responsible with her planner and comes to class prepared. She always has a smile on her face and a kind word to say to others.

### Mr. Klebba nominates: Tamehiah Walker

Tamehiah is a shining example of what a Star Student should be. She always tries her hardest on her work, is respectful of others around her, and has a constant smile on her face. I am proud to have Tamehiah in my class!

### Miss Waite nominates: Hannah Hernadez

Hannah is always displays STAR behavior in the classroom and outside of the classroom, too. She is a great student with a good attitude. Hannah is one of the first ones to volunteer to help and she can be trusted to do the right things at the right times. Congratulations Hannah!

## Athletic Banquet

The Bangor High School Athletic Banquet will be held on Saturday, May 17th, at 6:00 p.m. in the high school cafeteria and auditorium. This invitation only banquet, will honor senior athletes by presenting participation awards, varsity letters, and athletic scholarships, including Male and Female Athlete of the Year. This year's guest speaker will be 1989 Bangor High School graduate Rick Reo. Mr. Reo, a former Bangor High School teacher, coach, and Bangor High School Assistant Principal. Mr. Reo is currently the principal at Bloomingdale High School and Bloomingdale Middle School. The evening will conclude with a video recapturing the year of athletic memories.

## Upcoming Dates to Remember

### May 12th -(auditorium)

High School Band Concert 7:00 pm

### May 13th- (auditorium)

Middle School Band Concert 7:00 pm

### May 14th

2014 Senior Honors Banquet

### May 15th

National Honor Society/Red Cross Blood Drive

### May 17th

National Honor Society-Color Run/Walk

Register at: bangor5kcolor.squarespace.com

### May 17th

Athletic Honors Banquet

### May 23rd

PTO Picnic/Field Day at South Walnut

### May 25th

National Honor Society Car Wash at Village Market

### May 26th

Memorial Day-No School

### May 29th

Community Education Center Graduation Ceremony

### June 1st

Graduation

### June 9th

School Board Meeting- 6:00

## Help Wanted!

### Secondary Special Education Resource Room Teacher-

Full time position available for individual qualified to provide instruction and support for 9th-12th grade special education students. Must have 6-12 certification in special education (EI or LD) with one other endorsement.

Please send letter of interest, copy of teaching certificate, and current resume to jmelvin@bangorvikings.org or call 427-6844.

### Secondary Mathematics Teacher-

Full time position available for individual qualified to provide instruction for 5th-8th grade students. Must have 6-12 EX endorsement. A DX endorsement is also preferred.

Please send letter of interest, copy of teaching certificate, and current resume to jmelvin@bangorvikings.org or call 427-6844.

### Fourth Grade Teacher-

Full time position available to individual qualified to provide instruction for 4th grade students. Must have Michigan Elementary Teaching Certificate, and must meet NCLB standards. Early Childhood Endorsement preferred. Must have computer/technology skills.

Please send a send letter of interest, copy of teaching certificate, and current resume to jdavis@bangorvikings.org or call 427-6863.