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South Walnut Elementary

Congratulations Students of the Month for November



South Walnut Decorates Downtown Bangor



Breakfast with the Teacher- Featuring Ms. Vance & Mrs. Brown Classes



Christmas Concert

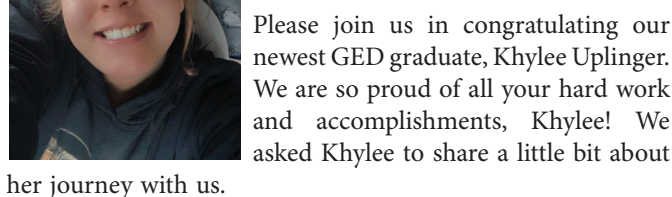


The annual South Walnut and Apple Tree Preschool Christmas Concert took place on Thursday, December 14. Attendees had the opportunity to take pictures with Santa before the concert, and the annual raffle also took place. The classes collected donations for the raffle baskets during the month. Mr. Measzros directed the students in singing and performing festive holiday favorites.

South Walnut students enjoyed decorating downtown this month. The Bangor Police department escorted the students during the walk from and back to the school. Bangor residents may vote on their favorite tree at Harding's, City Hall and Sturgis Bank by December 22. The winning grade level will be announced in January.

Bangor Career Academy

Congrats Graduate Khylee Uplinger



Please join us in congratulating our newest GED graduate, Khylee Uplinger. We are so proud of all your hard work and accomplishments, Khylee! We asked Khylee to share a little bit about her journey with us.
Please share a little bit about what led you to our GED Program. Why did you decide to earn your GED certificate?
"I used to do really well in school until I hit high school, then I started failing. The school system was ruining my love for learning. I tried the online program and I did even worse so I dropped out without any plan to continue my education. I heard about Bangor's GED program from one of my friends and decided to give learning one more shot. When I started the GED program I started to thrive. I found my spark again and I was so happy to learn. I started writing a book, and I finished way sooner than I thought was possible."

Were there any challenges or obstacles that you had to overcome to finish your GED studies? If so, what helped you most on your journey?
"My biggest challenges or obstacles would have to be my mental health. All that helped me get through everything was to just keep reminding myself it'll all be worth it and that hard work truly does pay off."

Tell us a bit about your experience in our GED program and your future plans. How has the GED Program helped you achieve your goals?
"I loved the GED program, it reignited my spark for learning. I want to go to college to be a respiratory therapist for pediatrics or neonatal."

Do you have any advice or inspirational message for other GED students that are working towards earning their certificate? What would you say to a student who is unsure whether they should enter the GED Program?
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HAPPY HOLIDAYS
From your staff at Bangor Public Schools
Happy New Year 2024

WINTER BREAK
NO SCHOOL
DECEMBER 25 - JANUARY 5
MERRY CHRISTMAS

Bangor Middle School

Bangor Middle School Spelling Bee



Aurora Goril, Liz Bachmann, Ava Kelly, and Maggie Prentice.

The annual Bangor Middle School Spelling Bee was held on Tuesday, December 12, in the middle school library. The students have been preparing for the bee for about two months. They have been learning not only how to spell the words, but definitions of words and the language of origin the words came from.

The spelling bee contestants were Liz Bachmann, Aurora Goril, Ava Kelly, and Maggie Prentice. The placings were as follows: 1st place Maggie Prentice, 2nd place Aurora Goril, 3rd place Ava Kelly, and honorable mention to Liz Bachmann. The top three will move on to the Cloverleaf Regional Spelling Bee at Lake Michigan College in Benton Harbor on February 22, 2024. We would like to thank the Bangor Alumni Foundation for sponsoring our spelling bee.

MSBOA Solo and Ensemble



On December 2, three Middle school band students competed in the MSBOA District V1 MS Solo and Ensemble. "They did a wonderful job and all earned medals," stated Band Director Tianna Doe. Medals: Rachel Loomis - Division 2, Talon Abbott - Division 1, Bella Gray - Division 1.

Student Council Visits Humane Society



Bangor High School

Students of the Month & Turn Around Viking Award



Congrats to (pictured from left to right) Liam Mortensen for receiving Student of the Month, Mason Williams for the Turn Around Viking award, and Madison Lennox on receiving the Student of the Month.



Gone Boarding Class Designs Skateboards

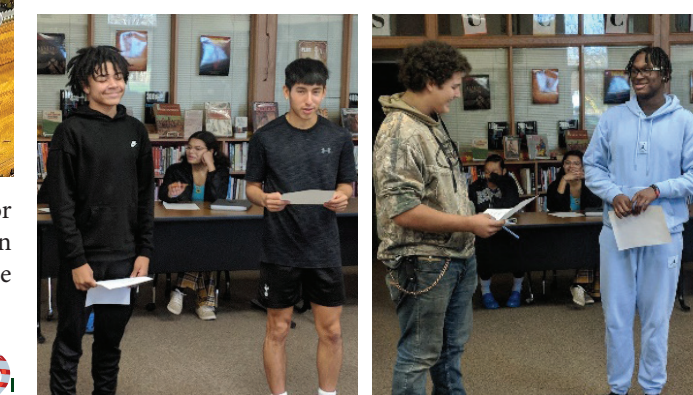


Right: Bangor Seniors Taylor and Thalia Cease proudly display their skateboards, created in the Bangor Gone Boarding class. Many students in the class worked hard on finishing their skateboard projects this month.

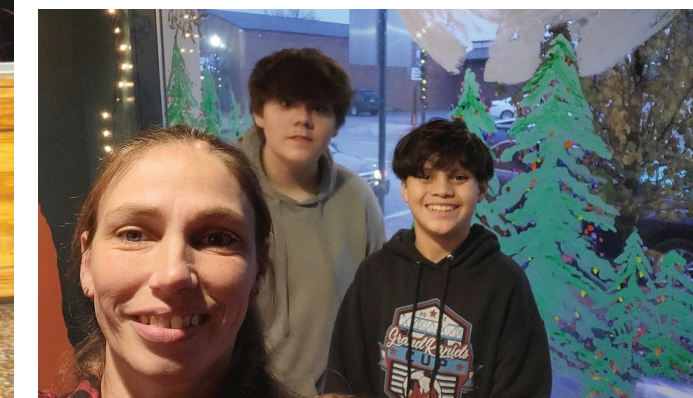


Mentor/Mentee Program

This school year a mentor/mentee program has been implemented at Bangor High School in which juniors and seniors are paired with freshmen and sophomores as mentors. The goal of the program is to build student rapport, thus improving academics and social aspects of the student body by forming mutually beneficial relationships between the mentors and mentees.



Window Wonderland Winners



Congrats to Mrs. Nesbitt and BHS students Michael Rathbun and Octavio Ocampo on winning the Bangor Christmas Parade's "Window Wonderland" window decorating competition on Saturday, December 2nd. The trio decorated Bigfoot Burrito's window.

