### **Bloomsburg Middle School Board Report**

#### Presented by Heaven Reinard, Middle School Principal

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#### Middle School Learning Loss After School Program

The intervention team met during the week of April 4<sup>th</sup> to discuss student data. Based on the data, the team was able to see which students were showing improvement and determine individual student action plans for the remaining weeks of intervention. The program is still going strong with regular attendees in all grades and will conclude on May 26th.

Starting in the 2022-2023 school year all students will have ELA and Math intervention or enrichment built into their schedules. Intervention will provide an opportunity to close learning gaps and help students build confidence in foundational skills. Enrichment will allow students to push their knowledge to a higher level and complete more complex activities in order to better prepare them for higher level math concepts as they matriculate into high school. Our goal is to close learning gaps for those in need and challenge others in order to prepare our Middle School students to be as successful as possible as they make their way through 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade and better prepare them to take advantage of the amazing opportunities that our High School has to offer.

### The Pride: Middle School Student Leadership Organization

The Middle School is excited to announce that our BMS Pride Student Leadership will be presenting their April accomplishments at the May 9<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting! We can't wait for Mrs. Flook and her leaders to share all of the amazing things they did for our school over the last month!

#### Middle School Panther Pride Committee

The Panther pride committee conducted a book swap with faculty in our lounge. Faculty was invited to bring a book to share with one another. In May the Panther Pride Committee is planning a birthday celebration during lunches. This will celebrate the middle schools 34<sup>th</sup> year. Our students and staff have noticed the changes in our building and we are excited to continue to celebrate our students, faculty and staff on a daily basis!

#### Columbia County Band Festival

Mr. Kostuik and Mr. Marmo are happy to highlight the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students, Allyson Bang, Sarah Woodley, Cerella Borich, Reina Fetterman, Morgan Dana, Athena Mannino, Adrianna Chyko, Angelina Wright, Raymond Ulrich, Dylan Kritzer, and Nate Roberts, who participated in the 2022 Columbia County Band festival on Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at Central Columbia. The band consists of around 100 members from Berwick, Bloomsburg, Benton, Central Columbia, Southern Columbia, and Millville school districts. We are so proud of these incredibly talented BMS students and can't wait to see where the world of music takes them!

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# 8th Grade Earth Day Field Trip

To celebrate Earth Day, a group of fourteen 8<sup>th</sup> grade students travelled with Mr. Alex Oliver and Ms. Terri Drucker to Upstream Farmstead in Elysburg, PA to plant native trees. The students toured the farm and learned of the rotational grazing and organic gardening practices in use on the farm. They then helped to plan, measure, and mark the field where the trees were to be planted and planted 80 black locust trees. The tree planting was a part of a larger project on the farm to plant over 250 trees in order to establish a silvopasture, a practice that utilizes one field for both tree and pasture (grass) production.

#### Panther Shout Outs:

Congratulations to 8<sup>th</sup> grader, Ahleah Prybyla! Ahleah recently competed in the Regional Finals of the National History Bee at Muhlenberg College in Allentown. She represented BMS as the only female in her division and placed 4<sup>th</sup> overall after winning the central championship! We are so proud of you, Ahleah! Thank you for representing BMS!

A huge shout out to Mrs. Anne Kostiuk who was able to coordinate hygiene care packages for all 6<sup>th</sup> graders to receive from Geisinger. This is just another example of how hard our guidance departments work to ensure our BMS students needs are met! Thank you, Mrs. Kostiuk!