

# BOARDMAN LOCAL SCHOOLS



2020-2021 QUALITY PROFILE













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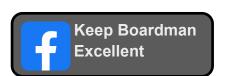
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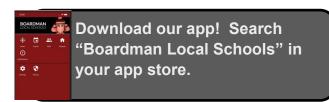
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# Superintendent's Message



Students, parents, teachers and our entire school staff supported each other to navigate a pandemic. As you look through these pages reflecting on a year full of challenges, you can't help but notice how much we were able to accomplish *together*....

As we progress through the first month of a new school year, we are determined to meet the challenges that come our way and to grow, excel and prevail.

This year, we welcome nearly three dozen new staff members across the district; one of the biggest back-to-school groups we've seen in years. Their fresh perspectives-coupled with support from our veteran teachers and staff- is sure to continue the tradition of excellence that Boardman enjoys.

Over the summer, our buildings and grounds have seen many updates and changes. The most noticeable might be freshly paved parking lots at Center, Glenwood and BHS, as well as a new ramp and front entrance steps at Boardman High School.

Boardman's maintenance and custodial staff have prepared our buildings to start the year fresh. Updated filtration in all buildings and new air purifiers will be added to every classroom, cafeteria and auditorium/gym. We will be vigilant this year, as COVID cleaning protocols will be continued in the 2021-22 school year.

Despite the pandemic and regardless of the challenges we may encounter, we are focused on flexibility as we work with our community to accomplish our main goal: The health and safety of our students as we strive to keep our buildings open for productive in-person learning.



#### A Message From Your Board of Education



Spartan Families:

Now entering a second school year in the face of a Pandemic, we feel an amazing sense of gratitude to so many.

Our students and families faced change and challenge with courage and resilience. We recognize the incredible effort to make learning a priority. You devoted so much time to work with us as a team. WE THANK YOU!

Our hardworking principals and dedicated staff: as many Spartan traditions were canceled or modified, Boardman's staff of 600-plus found ways to create new opportunities. Their guidance and vigilance to provide a safe and nurturing environment never waned.

Our Boardman Community and Alumni: whether we needed volunteers, donations or support-you responded.

THANK YOU—to our entire Spartan Nation for your continued trust and support as we move this district forward. We will once again be working closely with our administrative team to provide quality programs, engage our families, and remain fiscally responsible as we provide the best education for our Spartans.

Thank you for your support!

President Vickie Davis, Vice President John Landers, Jeff Barone, John Fryda, Frank Zetts



more than three decades, Principal Cindy Fernback

retired in June. The following BHS traditions began

# Boardman High School

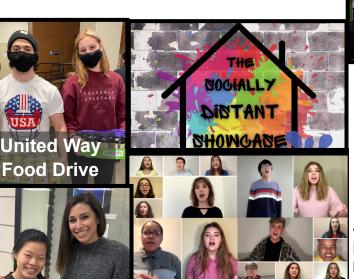




Boardman High School hosted a student Covid 19 Vaccine Clinic on May 3. Nearly 100 BHS students who were 16 and older signed up to get the Pfizer shot.



- Spartan Stroll
- Yes Fest
- Legacy Lockdown (thanking 1st responders)
- Student Lunch & Learns in the Media Center
- Cafeteria Courtyard Renovation
- Monarch Butterfly Waystation



Boardman's Industrial Arts program is partnering with area building trades to create a path from classroom to job site. A new pre-apprenticeship prep program begins this year and will give our students a "foot in the door" to skilled apprentice training upon graduation.



**All** Boardman Sports Teams competed and finished their seasons— despite the Pandemic.

The following were AAC Team Champions for the 2020-21 school year:

- Boys Basketball
- Boys/Girls Bowling
- Girls Cross Country
- Boys/Girls Swimming & Diving
  - Boys/Girls Track
- AAC Players of the Year: Ethan Andersen/Basketball, Frank Bero/Cross Country, Ryan Sam/Golf, Lexus Petrich/ Bowling and AAC Basketball Coach of the Year Pat Birch









Welcome
Principal Zura!

BHS is **Our** building. In order to prepare our Spartans for the next chapter in their lives—students, parents, aides, custodians, secretaries, teachers and administrators **ALL** play a vital role.

We are in this Together!





# Glenwood Junior High







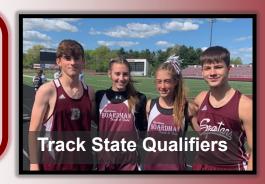
Robotics Teams recognized by the Board of Education for first ever "All Boardman" Robotics Competition



PE was awarded a \$2,600 grant to install a Disc Golf Course for school and community use



End of year Ice Cream Social for 300 honors students in 7th and 8th grade — Thank You Handel's!



Student Leadership school pantry drive brought in over 900 food and hygiene items—and the December Toy Drive sent 100 toys to Boardman elementary students

#### 21st Century Grant Earnings \$11,877

- \$1,400 Reflex: Math Fluency
- Alternative Fuel Foundation -\$700 Solar panels and portable power station

\$8,218 for the new BGJHS Outdoor Learning Space

- GPD Foundation \$3,900
- Mahoning County Commissioners \$3,168
- Walmart Community Grant (Sam's Club) \$1,000
- Project STREAM promotes student engagement in natural areas around the school including water monitoring, runoff studies and solutions and species documentation
- Ohio EPA Branch School Award for sustainability



Halloween Fun!
Art teacher Mr. Sheldone
twinning as Bob Ross



# Center Intermediate

#### THANK YOU PRINCIPAL EBIE!

**34 YEARS** lovingly teaching and guiding students at Center Intermediate. Principal Ebie literally left his mark as he painted hallways, remodeled the small auditorium and living room, and just this year, helped transform a storage room into a brand new Sensory Room. BCIS Food Pantry was the first of it's kind 5 years ago — paving the way for dozens like it across the Mahoning Valley. He kept the BCIS Tradition of Excellence strong!

Enjoy Retirement...We will miss you!



Assisted Living 'Love' Project

**Counselors Check Out New Sensory Room** 

#### WELCOME PRINCIPAL MASUCCI!

"My primary goal heading into the 2021-22 school year is to provide all students, staff and families with a warm, friendly environment where they feel welcomed and appreciated."



Extinguisher training





# **Robinwood Lane Elementary**





**Light It Up Blue** 

Forbidden Fountains turned into FUN decorations!

The Pandemic may have posed challenges in the 2020-21 school year, but Robinwood's staff came together and worked hard to provide our in-person and our virtual students with the same enriched and challenging curriculum.



Teachers recorded lessons for our new "Really Great Reading" Phonics program, and also for Math. This enabled *ALL* parents to watch the video lessons with their children to provide extra help and support.



The "Green Team" Incentive Program celebrated kindness and positive behavior with special events including Turkey Bowling, a Neon Dance Party, Snowman Craft, Sundae Party, Cookie Decorating, and a Bunny Hop.











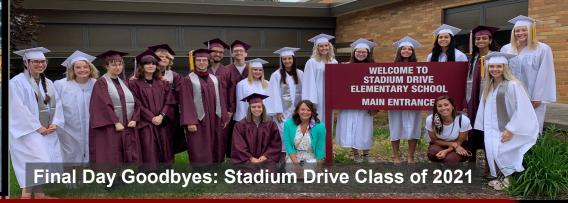












# **Stadium Drive Elementary**









#### 2020-21 Highlights

- Staff volunteers updated the building with paint and story book murals
- All staff trained in PAX Behavior Game: a classroom intervention to teach students better coping and self regulation in the coming school year
- Increased technology for students and staff for in person and remote learners
- Summer School intervention program supported nearly 80 students for three weeks

Some little elves helped stock the school's food pantry

#### #LESSONLEARNED

Other little elves made holiday cards for local nursing homes.





Most enthusiastic Kindness Lesson ever! The Secret Agent Spy, aka Mrs. Bean, left video clues for a week. Each day she also promoted random acts of kindness.

#LESSONLEARNED













## **West Boulevard Elementary**



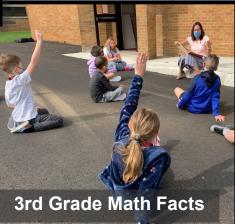


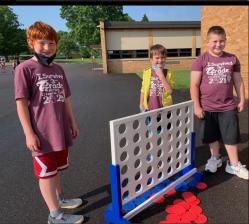


EMBRACING
OUTDOOR LEARNING!









The District's new "Really Great Reading" phonics program was a great success! Students learned to "finger stretch their words" to sound out and spell. They noted great improvements when it was time to journal and write stories.





2021 Creative





Flexible











Outdoor Learning

Indoor Fun



Once in a Lifetime



For more than 14 years, Project Mayhem has performed its rock orchestra magic. But this show in Spartan Stadium took the dedication, talent and hard work of students and staff to a whole new level.

Thousands filled the stands and spread out on blankets—swaying, singing along, and waving cell phone lights in the dark.

Pure Magic!

BSTN students, with special cameras and a drone captured it all on the video board and for a livestream.

The YouTube unedited version has more than 6.8K views to date.

In a year where COVID seemed to alter so much, this night felt so free and hearts were full. The weather, the talent, the crowd...

True Spartan Harmony!

### **Department of Instruction**

#### 1:1 DEVICE ROLLOUT

- The District's 1:1 initiative began at Glenwood Jr. High and Boardman High School in the Fall of 2020. We distributed 1,800 new Chromebooks to all students grades 7-12.
- Another 750 new Chromebooks will be distributed at Center this Fall. All other district devices will filter into K-4, making the Boardman Schools 1:1 District wide.
- 46 J-Touches were purchased for increased technology in classrooms. The J-touch works as if it
  were a life size iPad that allows students to interact with the screen
  with a swipe of the hand.
- Boardman teachers spent hours in professional development to transform the learning in their classrooms with new technology.
- All technology investments were provided through stimulus money provided to the district and at no cost to Boardman taxpayers.
- All Boardman teachers received new laptops to allow them more flexibility and creativity to reach students in class and at home.



#### SUPPORTING STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

All teachers K-4 have been trained in the new PAX Behavior program:

- PAX is a new Good Behavior Game that helps students to self regulate their behaviors. It will be implemented in the 2021-22 school year.
- Boardman has invested more resources into counseling and social workers. Through Federal Funds, we've increased our commitment to meeting the social/emotional needs of students and families.



• Specifically, Boardman has added a full-time counselor at Stadium Drive, two social workers district wide, and increased hours for professional support from community agencies—Alta Behavioral Health and Meridian HealthCare — to support all students across the district.



The Spartan Online Academy is Boardman's new virtual school for families who believe their student will thrive in a self-paced learning environment.

A committee of administrators, teachers, and Boardman parents spent months researching and vetting various online platforms. Two learning programs were chosen: Lincoln Learning for grades K-5 and Edgenuity for grades 6-12.

Virtual learning is not ideal for all students. It comes with unique opportunities but also requires much responsibility on behalf of the student and their parent/guardian. Key benefits of our Academy include the ability to participate in the District's in-person music program, athletics, and after school activities. Most importantly, students graduate with a Boardman diploma. For more information contact Edward Adams, Supervisor of Digital Learning, at 330-726-3412 or Edward.Adams@boardmanschools.org.

## **Department of Student Services**

#### THE SPARTAN FAMILY IS LARGE AND DIVERSE

Our students with special needs are a valued and integral part of what makes us Spartan strong. In partnership with the Office of Instruction, we ensure that every student has access to a high quality and research-based curriculum that promotes achievement.

#### CHILD FIND

The Boardman Local School District is required to locate all children who may have disabilities, birth through 21, who reside

within its boundaries. Special Education services are available in our schools for any child identified with a disability ages 3-21. If you have or know of a child who may have a disability under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, please contact: Boardman's Department of Student Services:330-726-3411



#### DID YOU KNOW?

- Bi-monthly electronic newsletters containing helpful information on tutoring, grants and other resources for families with special needs can be found on the District Website/Special Education Department page. Contact the Parent Mentor at 330-726-3404.
- Boardman has expanded our staff for the 2021-22 school year to include two additional speech therapists, two school psychologists, and many new intervention specialists and educational assistants. These positions are funded through a mix of federal of the second second



Summer





• Center Intermediate's new sensory room opened in partnership with Meridian HealthCare and its generous \$20,000 donation. We are using this success as a blueprint to establish sensory rooms in all of our elementary buildings through similar community partnerships.

#### CAMP SPARTAN

This summer, Boardman hosted two 3-week sessions of Camp Spartan. Students loved the therapy dog visit, enjoyed their PT and OT via obstacle courses, yoga, and big bowling, and participated in music therapy. Boardman police and fire were also a really big hit with the kiddos!













## **Transportation**

Starting the 2020-21 school year off during a pandemic required extra care and resources. Bus drivers wore face coverings and sanitized every bus twice daily. All buses were equipped with touch-free hand sanitizers.

As we begin a new school year, a Federal mandate requires face masks for public transportation. Therefore, Boardman

will require a mask for everyone on board. Extra masks will be available on buses if students lose or misplace theirs.



*Increased safety training* for our staff of approximately 60 drivers, mechanics and support staff included hands-on fire extinguisher practice, a major accident re-enactment with a flipped bus and first responder assistance, as well as maneuvering an obstacle course/

parallel parking/and rules of the road reinforcement.



**Safety Cameras:** Every school bus has inside cameras, and 10 buses now have outside cameras to aid in catching drivers who break the law and drive through the flashing reds.

### **Food Services**

What a busy, but "fruitful" year we had in Food Service during the 2020-21 school year!

Our 40 cafeteria team members made a total of **377,397 meals** for our in person and remote learners.



Donte

The USDA has extended Free Meals for ALL students for the 2021-22 school year. Students are encouraged to keep money in their PaySchools account for additional purchases like snacks or extra milk. All students will be issued a swipe card to easily access their account.



Food Service Director Natalie Winkle and her staff love the district's new food sealing machine!

The national charity 'No Kid Hungry' awarded us a \$20,000 grant to purchase the professional sealer. It allowed us to serve our remote students with fresh re-heatable meals, as well as serving students who ate lunch in other locations in our buildings for social distancing reasons.





## **Financial Accountability**

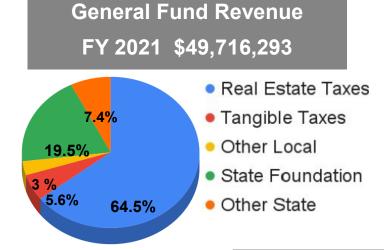


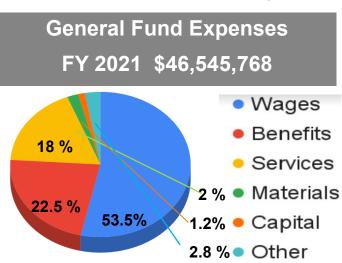
Federal ESSER funds have paid for PPE, cleaning supplies, sanitizer, plexiglass and student chromebooks in the 2020-21 school year.

Phase 2 will allow Boardman to buy air purifiers for every classroom, convert to water bottle refilling stations, add teachers & support staff, and eliminate student classroom fees for the 2021-22 school year.

#### Boardman Advocated for <u>"FAIR SCHOOL FUNDING"</u>

- The District is optimistic about new School Fair Funding legislation passed on June 30, 2021.
- It eliminates the CAP that has cost Boardman millions of dollars in state \$ in the last decade.
- The new funding formula is based on the actual cost to educate each student.
- It allows districts to more accurately predict funding and make sound fiscal decisions.
- It's good news for Boardman taxpayers, as it addresses the over-reliance on local property taxes.

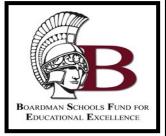






#### **Capital Improvements 2020-21**

- BHS MAIN ENTRANCE: NEW STEPS AND ACCESSIBLE RAMP
- CENTER INTERMEDIATE PARKING LOT: PAVED
- GLENWOOD JR. HIGH PARKING LOT: PAVED
- NEW SAFETY VESTIBULES AT BHS MAIN DOOR AND CENTRAL OFFICE ENTRANCE DOOR #16
- PLAYGROUND UPGRADES AT ALL ELEMENTARY BUILDINGS



The Boardman Schools Fund For Educational Excellence 6th Annual Reverse Raffle went virtual this year. Board members hosted an hour-long event and LIVE drawing on March 5 that was livestreamed by our student television network, BSTN.

The BSFEE is a nonprofit group dedicated to classroom teacher grants. Thanks to many sponsors, donors, and participants, the Reverse Raffle raised nearly \$20,000 to continue to support teacher grant projects that benefit Boardman Local School students grades K-12.

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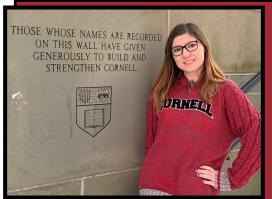
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#### A Few Words from Recent Spartan Grads...



"My most treasured time at Boardman was spent in the orchestra room, on stage, or out in the world with the incredible friends I made through that program. To this day my love of music and membership in the artistic community as a whole are grounding influences in my life."

Siena Larrick, Spartan Class of 2019

Environment & Sustainability major, Cornell University



"I feel like I was well-prepared for the academic demands of Bucknell, as well as the demands of a D-1 competitive swim program. I completely love my university and I credit my Boardman swim coaches and my BHS teachers for emphasizing time management and caring so much about us and our future."

Noah Basista, Spartan Class of 2020

Civil Engineering major, Bucknell University
Division-1 Bison Swim Team