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BENZIE CENTRAL SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL SCHOOL NEWS

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Calendar of Events

March 6, 8, 10	Boys District Basketball Games, held at Benzie HS
March 24	Half Day Students & Teachers
March 25-31	Spring Recess
April 3	School Resumes
April 7	End of 3rd Quarter
April 11-13	MI Merit exam (see right)
April 14	No School Good Friday
April 16	Close-Up Trip April 16-21
April 18	Report cards sent home with students
May 1	AP Chemistry Testing High School
May 1	AP Psychology Testing High School
May 3	AP Literature/Comp Testing High School
May 6	Prom Greystone Mansion
May 8	AP Biology Testing High School
May 9	AP Calculus Testing High School
May 10	Chicago Trip May 10-13
May 17	Band Concert High School Auditorium 7:00 pm
May 22	Choral Concert High School Auditorium 7:00 pm
May 24	Senior Exams All Day
May 25	Senior Exams/Seniors Last Day All Day
Class of 2017	Senior Awards Night HS Auditorium 7:00 pm
May 26	1/2 day students release 10:45 am/Full day teachers
May 28	Baccalaureate St. Andrew's Presbyterian 1:00 pm
June 1	Graduation Rehearsal & Breakfast HS Gym 7:45am
June 2	9-11 Honors Program High School Auditorium TBA
June 4	Graduation High School Athletic Field 3:00 p.m.
June 7-9	Exams grades 9-11
June 9	Last Day of School; 1/2 day students/full day teachers

Michigan Merit Exam scheduled April 11-13

The Michigan Merit Exam takes place April 11-13. Please follow this attendance schedule during these dates. If a student comes to school on an incorrect date, he or she will wait in the office for a ride home. Attendance on these testing dates is extremely important and opportunities for "make up" testing will be limited.

Tuesday, April 11:

11th grade: SAT test, full school day
10th grade: PSAT 10 test, full school day
9th and 12th grade: no school

Wednesday, April 12

11th grade: ACT Work Keys test, full school day
9th grade: PSAT 9 test, full school day
10th and 12th grade: no school

Thursday, April 13

11th grade: M-STEP tests, full school day
9th, 10th and 12th grades: full school day, regularly scheduled classes

****Just a reminder, that the last day of school is a tentative date due to weather related days. Please post these days for further reference.



I wouldn't miss it! (an article from 2016 Resources for Educators, a division of CCH Incorporated)

Teens who attend school regularly have stronger bonds to their school and are more likely to graduate. Good attendance also creates a habit that can carry over into work later. Consider these tips:

- ◆ **Set expectations.** Being out for even a day or two a month can hurt your child's performance. Tell them that the only acceptable excuses are illness, family emergencies, or pre-approved college visits.
- ◆ **Discuss results.** Point out that missing school means they'll have to make up coursework. If they fall behind, they may have to retake courses.
- ◆ **Keep in contact.** Write notes or call attendance lines for excused absences so the school knows your child's not skipping. If the student does skip, contact the school so you can create a plan to get them back on track.



Student(s) of the Month

MARCH

Cody Reightley

Leah Stapleton



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Counselors Corner:



Ms. Powell will be getting into the classrooms and sending home information about scheduling classes for next school year after spring break. The process is quick and easy and is done online but with hard copies of information provided as well. We will have parent meetings set up during the last quarter of the school year as well to give everyone plenty of time to get acquainted with middle school classes and to answer any questions folks may have.

Mrs. Burrus: Students currently in 9th, 10th and 11th grades will begin making course requests for next year on March 14. Students in these grades will get a letter on March 7 explaining the course request process and options. This is the first of several steps in the scheduling process for next year.

April 18th at 6:30 p.m., families of current 11th and 10th grade students are encouraged to attend a College Planning night in the High School library. A representative from Aquinas College will share valuable information on searching for a college that is a good fit, visiting campuses and paying for college. This is intended for all families planning for college.... not just those considering Aquinas! Also, Mrs. Burrus will discuss dual enrollment with parents and answer questions about that option.