

good news!

from Bryant Schools

Our students and staff give us many reasons to be proud of Bryant Public Schools. To highlight honors, awards and recognitions, we share **Good News from Bryant Schools!** with you, our parents and community.

District

Community members and Bryant Walmart, collected snacks for students thanks to the **Champions For Kids Program**.

The following students were recognized through the **Real Proud of Real Hornets** Award, sponsored by Bank of Little Rock Mortgage:

- Amy Bucks, Davis Nossaman, Rachel Bacon, Christopher Baldwin (BHS)
- Brooks Ellis, Kalyn Caddy, Hayden Korn (BMS)
- Ty Griffin (BES), Bradley King (HFES), Kayde Cross (SES), Ethan Harris (HCES), Keely Goertzen (PES)



Bryant Fall Fest **Pumpkin Bling** school winners were HFES (1st), HCES (2nd) and SpES (3rd).

The **Bryant Fire Department** visited elementary schools during National Fire Prevention Week to educate students on the importance of fire safety. During their visit, students had the opportunity to participate in a coloring contest. First place winners received breakfast, a fire department tour and a fire truck ride to school.

Mass Band, featuring 790 student musicians, entertained the community prior to the football game on Oct. 11. The Bryant band program has 1,114 total enrollment (grades 6-12).

Sykes Athletes of the Month

August: Caitlyn Bell (Girls Cross Country)

September: Charlie Terry (Boys Cross Country)

October: Mercedes Dillard (Volleyball/Softball)

Blue Hornet Awards were presented to staff members from each school in recognition of excellence, leadership and service. Congratulations to the following:

DISTRICT	Becky Bergeron , Maintenance/Warehouse
BHS	Lawrence Jefferson , Civics/Economics Teacher
BeMS	Melissa Bragg , Volleyball Coach/PE Teacher
BMS	Luke Smith , School Resource Officer
BES	Adrienne Stephens , Secretary
CES	Janis Masters , Speech Pathologist
DES	Barbara McCreight , CBI Teacher
HFES	Mollie Doolin , 3rd Grade Teacher
HCES	Karen Brown , Special Ed Co-Teacher
PES	Cherie Grist , 4th & 5th Grade Math/Science Teacher
SES	Kim Wilson , Secretary
SpES	Bobbie Morehart , PE Teacher

Bryant High School

Congratulations to the 2013-2014 **Freshman Academy Ambassadors**: Noah Balushi, Mariah Benham, Natalie Burgess, Rachel Chappell, Sebastian Diaz, Mallory Gatson, Ellie Hooten, Lataisha Jeffery, Alexis Kandlbinder, Alyssa Kubaiko, Ryan Lynch and Connor Qualls.



The Student Senate sponsored the **"IT CAN WAIT"** campaign to prevent accidents and deaths due to texting and driving.

Students collected shoes for the **Ozark Water Project**, which also provided clean water for those living in parts of Africa.

H.E.A.T. (Hornet Engineering And Technology)

placed first in the youth division at the Bryant Fall Fest Duct Tape Boat Race.



Students in the **ASL Club** participated in National Deaf Awareness Week by attending and assisting at the deaf bowling league night at Enterprise Lanes in Benton.

Congratulations to the following **DECA** students for placing at the recent fall conference: Zach Graddy, Business Administration; Haley Shipe, Finance; and Hannah Branch, Business Management.

Peyton Weaver finished third at the State Overall Girls Golf Tournament on Oct. 17. Both she and **Savanna Cathey** earned All-State honors with their play at the 7A State Girls Golf Tournament.

Congratulations to the **Lady Hornets and Jr. Hornets** for winning the team championships at the Russellville cross country meet.

Drew Castleberry earned All-State honors in Rogers at the 7A State Boys Golf Tournament.

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Bethel Middle School

Over 300 students met together for **See You at the Pole** on Sept. 25.

Bryant Middle School

At the recent Benton Dance Invitational, the **7th grade team** placed 2nd in Jazz and Kick while the **8th grade team** placed 1st in Hip Hop and 2nd in Pom.

Nicole Sample, an 8th grade art teacher at BMS, received a \$700 grant from Walmart for her efforts in promoting the arts in education.

Libby Atkinson's **Career Orientation** students participated in job shadowing projects around the community.

BMS has kicked off the **Junior Achievement Program** where different representatives from area businesses come into the classroom to discuss the economy as it relates to their field, the world of work, and life outside the classroom.

Paron

Paron Elementary was recognized with the **Beating the Odds Award** for its performance on 2013 state Benchmark assessments. This award is given by the Office for Education Policy to highlight high achieving Arkansas schools.

Davis Elementary

Thanks to a grant from the Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance, Davis students are receiving **Breakfast in the Classroom** each morning. This pilot program provides a healthy and nutritious start to every student's day.

Salem Elementary

Salem welcomed **Leslie Penfield** as the new Assistant Principal.

K-5 Live is the morning newscast produced by 5th graders. The daily show features the Pledge, National Anthem, weather, news, birthdays, and a motivational message.

Collegeville Elementary

Fifth grade students chose to participate in a rigorous application



process in order to become members of the inaugural **CES School Senate**. Congratulations to the following: Hayden Thompson, Kushiro Patel, Kylie Robinson, Annalise Robbins, Hudson Wiltshire, Ty Bahnks, Zack Overton, Geoffrey Sims, Nate King, Brianna Lewis, Garret Wilson, TJ Metcalf, Adria Clark, and Aryn Stiles.



Collegeville **parents and faculty** enjoyed a night together focused on creating a shared team vision.

Hurricane Creek Elementary

Over 200 students participated in the annual fall **Walk to School** event. Teachers came to school extra early to help students and promote the benefits of walking. As students arrived at school, the PTO provided breakfast in the outdoor classroom.

HCES provided a meal for the **Bryant Hornets** football team. Students meet with players and enjoyed learning about school spirit.

Springhill Elementary

Second grade students partnered with Chili's of Bryant to donate \$2,000 to **St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital**.

The Grammy-nominated duo **Trout Fishing in America** hosted songwriting workshops for fifth graders on Sept. 26. Trout's work with last year's students resulted in one of the songs, *Zoo Wacky Zoo*, being included in their newly released cd, *Rubber Baby Buggy Bumpers*.



Parent volunteers launched **iMOM**, a monthly breakfast where mothers and their children meet with other moms and kids to discuss a wide range of family topics, spend time together, and create fun memories. Over 275 attended.

Hill Farm Elementary

Students learned about healthy lifestyles thanks to hands on exhibits from the **Farm to You** Program.

With the help of local businesses, the PTO purchased **Hill Farm Rocks** t-shirts for all the students at the school.

The **Watchdog Dad** kick-off hosted more than 200 for pizza and information about the program.

Bryant Elementary

Kindergarten students enjoyed a field trip to the **Pumpkin Patch** to learn about farming.