# Bendle Points of Pride (2019-2020)

## **Bendle High School**

- ☆ 13 seniors graduated with Summa Cum Laude and 9 with Magna Cum Laude.
- Several seniors earned special honor cords: (7) Student Council, (2) Service Learning, (18) LINKS, (6) Blueberries.
- National Honor Society (NHS) sponsored and organized two blood drives for the American Red Cross, resulting in 115 blood donors.
- ☆ The NHS students continued the recycling program at the high school.
- ☆ Marching Band earned a 2<sup>nd</sup> Division rating at MSBOA Marching Band Festival.
- ⇒ Band received a 1<sup>st</sup> Division rating at MSBOA Band & Orchestra Festival.
- ☆ Band qualified for MSBOA State Band & Orchestra Festival for the third year in a row.
- Two students received a 2<sup>nd</sup> Division rating at MSBOA State and Solo and Ensemble Festival.
- ⇒ Band students performed at the Burton Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony.
- ⇒ Band students performed at the high school on Pizza with Santa Day.
- ☆ Bendle High School hosted Government day with five local and state representatives present.
- ☆ The LINKS program was very involved and participated in team building activities and enjoyed trips to the Whiting, Galaxy Bowling Lanes and Crystal Fieldhouse. Activities included game days, presentations, ice-skating, and a dinner mystery party.
- Nine seniors received scholarships from local community groups, colleges and universities.
- ☆ 19 juniors and 3 seniors were inducted to the NHS and 18 seniors graduated with NHS status.
- A student was acknowledged for their participation as representative for the Bendle Board of Education.
- ☆ 37 students attended the Genesee Career Institute.
- Hosted Teen Quest, a pre-employment and leadership program preparing teens for success in the workplace.
- Students attended several career planning activities throughout the year, including 4 college visits, a college fair, Genesee Career Institute presentation and tour, Women in STEM, Mott's Business and International Studies, and MI Career Quest.

#### **Bendle Middle School**

- Positive Behavior Interventions Support (PBIS) continued and students earned rewards and incentives for positive behavior.
- National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) members did a great job this year with leading, planning and initiating events to sustain and improve the quality and experience of Bendle Middle School students.
- ☆ Student Council members met weekly along with NJHS combining their efforts. Together they planned and identified solutions to improve the overall school atmosphere. They worked together planning events such as, the beautification of our school and community spaces, and planning school events and dances.
- A Parent (PTO) and volunteer programs included the Paw Power group, Thanksgiving baskets, Christmas dance, Christmas food distribution and the Family Fiesta Night. They also collaborated with staff and student council on the Halloween Dance, Trunk or Treat and the Valentine Dance.
- ☆ 21<sup>st</sup> Century provided students with after-school opportunities.
- ₹ 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade band students performed at MSBOA Band and Orchestra Festival.

- Bendle Middle School Band students participated in online instrumental master classes with students from around the country.
- ☆ Project Based Learning and Google Classrooms are used in daily instructions.
- ☆ Going Green projects continued with weekly recycling and students growing plants in the greenhouse.
- ⇒ BMS added the LINKS program and it was a great success.
- ☆ Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) professional development increased student engagement.
- ☆ Bendle T-shirts were provided to students who improved their grades.
- Blueberry Ambassadors were added to Bendle Middle School promoting positivity and kindness.
- Certificates Awarded for Academics: Quarter 1: All A's = 32 students; A/B's = 51 students; Quarter 2: All A's = 30 students A/B's = 63 students; Quarter 3 All A's = 31 students; A/B's = 46 students; All Year All A's = 15 students; A/B's = 35 students
- ☆ Five students had perfect attendance through the school year.
- Seven students earned the Principal's Award for "quality leadership through solid decision making".
- ★ BMS Teachers, staff and students embraced virtual lessons through the Covid-19 pandemic and did a fantastic job!

### **West Bendle Elementary**

- ₩ West Bendle received the Excellence in Positive Behavior Interventions Support (PBIS) award from the Genesee Intermediate School District.
- West Bendle is one of a few elementary schools in the county that received an "A" on the Mackinac Center's Michigan Context and Performance Report Card.
- ⇒ 92% of parents attended parent teacher conferences.
- ☆ 12 students were part of the Blueberry Ambassador Program.
- Two students were honored with the Nancy Pyonk award for 5<sup>th</sup> grade distinguished student.
- A student received the Principal Award as the most improved 5<sup>th</sup> grade student over the course of three years.
- ☆ West Bendle had over 300 participants at three Title I Parent and Family nights.
- All students received dental screening and 72 students needed and received additional dental treatment that they would not have received elsewhere.
- ☆ West Bendle had an afterschool Babysitter Club where 5<sup>th</sup> grade students were trained and coached on how to become a successful babysitter.
- ☆ A homework help and mentoring club was established and held throughout the school year.
- A coping and positive mind set class was taught by the school social worker during breakfast time.

# **South Bendle Elementary**

- ⇒ 92% of parents attended parent/teacher conferences.
- South Bendle had a 91% student attendance rate.
- ☆ 184 students who were below grade level in reading received intense reading interventions the entire school year.
- Seven Title I teachers were used as classroom, small group, and one-on-one tutors. This support allowed us to strengthen our Multi-Tiered System of Support instruction in every classroom.
- SMART boards are utilized in all K-2 classrooms.
- A Classroom DOJO was used in every classroom as a means of parent communication and student engagement.

- Continued the "Positive Peers" program in which a group of students took a backpack home on Friday with a bully prevention/education movie, popcorn, and parent survey.
- Active parent volunteers helped in and out of the building each day to support teachers through the library and volunteer center.
- Helped 75 families through the food and clothing closet.
- Continued Positive Behavior Interventions Support (PBIS) system district wide using the acronym R.O.A.R. (Responsible, On-task, Attitude, Respectful).
- ☆ Supported all students that screened for social-emotional services.

## **Community Education**

- ☆ 25 students in grades K-5 were serviced in our latchkey's "The Tiger Kid's Club" (TKC) before and after school program with activities that encouraged their social, emotional, physical and intellectual needs.
- Throughout the school year, TKC remained open for school half and early release days and some school vacation days, and was open throughout the summer weeks offering unbroken service to our working and non-working families at a reasonable rate.
- TKC offered homework help and other tutoring throughout the school year and summer months.
- Students in TKC on regular school days received dinner daily provided through the district food service program.
- The ninth annual Bendle Summer Camp Adventure took place at Friel with 25 students attending from Bendle Public Schools and throughout Genesee County. Students enjoyed academics, fun projects, recreational activities, special speakers, and several field trips. The camp took place Monday through Friday from 6:30 am to 6:00 pm.
- All students attending Bendle's Summer Camp Adventure were provided a free breakfast and lunch by the district.
- Bendle Community Education oversees facility usage for the district. During the 2019-20 school year 51 school events and 348 non-school events were scheduled at the district buildings.
- ☆ K-5 students participated in a spring break camp week, which included a field trip to For Mar.
- Friel Early Childhood Center entered its fifth year offering preschool and childcare Monday-Friday, 6:30 am to 6:00 pm. with free breakfast, lunch and snack being provided throughout the calendar year.
- Great Start to Readiness Program families were serviced by FECC through a wraparound preschool program.
- ☆ Friel Early Childhood Center was recognized for 100% compliance with immunization reporting.
- FECC serviced 11 preschoolers and was certified through Great Start to Quality with a 3 out 5 star rating.