Bendle Public Schools District Points of Pride (2018-2019)

Bendle High School (BHS)

- Approximately $1,852,460 was awarded in scholarships including FAFSA and the Michigan Tuition Incentive Program (TIP) this year.
- Robotics Team was a finalist at the Milford Regional competition in March.
- Blueberries, Service Learning and National Honor Society (NHS) cleaned headstones at the National Cemetery of Veterans and went to a nursing home at Christmas to sing carols.
- Service Learning worked at the North End Soup kitchen.
- Blueberries wrapped gifts for Bendle families.
- NHS sponsored and organized 3 blood drives for the American Red Cross, getting a total of almost 118 blood donors. The NHS students continued the recycling program at the high school.
- Bendle High School’s first Book Club had 10 students.
- Major food drive in March; Raised $500 for the Bendle cabinet.
- 9th Grade students went to Henry Ford Museum.
- Marching Band earned a 2nd Division rating at MSBOA Marching Band Festival.
- Band received a 1st Division rating at MSBOA Band & Orchestra Festival and MSBOA State Band & Orchestra Festival. 3 students from the high school band were selected to perform in the MSBOA District 3 Honor Band. 2 students received a 2nd Division rating at MSBOA State and Solo and Ensemble Festival. Band students had a master class rehearsal with Michael Kaufman, retired band director and MSBOA judge.
- 1 student received the Westgate Memorial Scholarship to attend Flint Performing Arts School.
- Band performed a Christmas concert for patients and staff at Insight Institute of Neurosurgery and Neuroscience.
- Forensic Science students visited the 67th District Court, meeting practicing lawyers, judges, law enforcement and other specialists in the field of forensic science. Students also participated in a mock crime scenes, investigations and trials.
- 41 students received the Presidential fitness award; 43 students completed the Marathon Kids Program.
- Bendle High School hosted Government day with 5 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. This year’s campaigns included autism awareness, respecting each other and spreading kindness.
- 6 seniors received scholarships from local community groups, colleges and universities.
- 22 juniors and 8 seniors were inducted to the NHS and 28 seniors graduated with NHS status.
- 1 Student was acknowledged for their participation as representative for the Bendle Board of Education.
- Several seniors earned special honor cords: (15) Student Council, (5) GAC Student Council, (12) Service Learning, (8) Anti-Bullying, (11) LINKS, (8) Blueberries.
- 22 seniors graduated with Summa Cum Laude and 14 with Magna Cum Laude.
- 6 Bendle employees and over 26 community members participated in sitting on a panel observing the 2019 Senior Exit Interviews in May.
- 35 students attended the Genesee Career Institute.
- Held a school wide career fair in which 22 community professionals were in attendance as presenters.
- Bendle High School along with the Atherton and Bentley School districts held their first unified Community Conversation event. The event was to open up communication within the community and area employers in the hopes of helping our youth become desirable employees.
- Students received an overall score of a 3.9 out of 4.0 for having completed quality Educational Developmental Plans (EDPs) for the 2018-2019 school year.
- 26 community members served as panel members, observing Senior Exit Presentations.
- 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 3 college visits, a college fair, Genesee Career Institute presentation and tour, Women in STEM field Trip at Mott, Manufacturing Day Field Trip, Mott's Business and International Studies Field Trip, and MI Engineering Careers Day.
- Nutrition II classes participated in the Smarter Lunchroom Detective Lessons promoting healthy eating through MSU. Receiving a grant of $500 to use in the cafeteria.
Bendle Middle School (BMS)

- Positive Behavior Interventions Support (PBIS) continued and students earned rewards and incentives for positive behavior.
- Student Council and National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) were added this year. Student Council promoted and planned end of year pride week. NJHS volunteered to help teachers pack up classrooms for the EOY.
- PTO and volunteer programs included the Anti-Bullying group, Bingo Night, Thanksgiving baskets, Christmas dance, and Christmas food distribution. They also collaborated with staff on the Halloween Glow Dance, Trunk or Treat, family movie night, Valentine dance and end of year celebration.
- 21st Century provided students with after-school opportunities.
- 7th and 8th grade band students performed at the MSBOA Band and Orchestra Festival.
- Project Based Learning and Google Classrooms is used in daily instruction.
- Going green projects continued with weekly recycling and students growing plants in the greenhouse.
- The 8th grade class took a field trip to the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor.
- 17 8th grade students took an Algebra class.
- 173 students earned Pride Day at Rollhaven for achieving positive behavior.
- 7th and 8th grade classes attended a field trip to Baker College.
- Technology was updated in media center and computer labs.
- 8th Grade parent meeting numbers increased significantly.
- BT sweatshirts provided to students who improved their grades.
- 92 students participated in the athletic programs at Bendle Middle School.
- Certificates Awarded for Perfect Attendance: Quarter 1: 55 students; Quarter 2: 42 students; Quarter 3: 19 students, Quarter 4: 42 students, 7 students achieved Perfect Attendance for the school year.
- Certificates Awarded for Academics: Quarter 1: A = 17 students, A-B = 55 students; Quarter 2: A = 14 students, A-B = 54 students; Quarter 3: A = 29 students, A-B = 42 students; Quarter 4: A = 20 students, A-B = 44 students; 9 students achieved All A’s for the school year.
- 6 students earned the Principal’s Award for “quality leadership through solid decision making”.

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” from the Mackinac Center.
- 94% of parents attended parent teacher conferences.
- 13 Students were on all year A honor roll.
- 66 Students were on all year A/B honor roll.
- 13 students were recognized for outstanding attendance.
- 4 students were recognized for perfect attendance for the entire school year.
- 94 students received the Citizenship Award.
- 25 students were recognized as outstanding Music students.
- 25 students were recognized as outstanding Physical Education students.
- 12 students were part of the Blueberry Ambassador Program.
- 2 students were honored with the recipient of the Nancy Pyonk award as the 5th grade distinguished student.
- 1 student received the Principal Award as the most improved 5th grade student over the course of three years.
- West Bendle has a running club that participated twice a week for the school year.
- West Bendle had over 400 participants at three Title I Parent and Family nights.
- All students received dental screening and 86 students needed and received additional dental treatment that they would not have received elsewhere.
- West Bendle had an afterschool Babysitter Club where 5th grade students were trained and coached on how to become a successful babysitter.
- Former MSU basketball player Anthony Ianni came and presented on the topic of Anti-Bullying and Character Education.
- A homework help and mentoring club was established and ran throughout the school year at West.
- 5th grade students participated in a new pen pal program with the high school.
A coping and positive mind set class was created and taught by the school social worker during breakfast time.

South Bendle Elementary
- 95% of parents attended parent/teacher conferences.
- South Bendle had a 91% student attendance rate.
- Students who were below grade level in reading received intense reading interventions the entire school year.
- 152 students were placed on an Individual Reading Intervention Plan (IRIP) at the beginning of the school year, by June only 73 students were still in need of an IRIP.
- 7 Title I teachers were used as classroom, small group, and one-on-one tutors. This support allowed us to have Multi-Tiered System of Support instruction in every classroom.
- SMART Boards are utilized in all K-2 classrooms.
- Classroom DOJO Bloomz, and/or REMIND was used in almost every classroom to provide immediate parent communication for all aspects of the classroom.
- 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.
- Had 25 active parent volunteers in and out of the building.
- 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. which stands for Responsible, On-task, Attitude, Respectful.
- All students learned how to be an “AGENT OF CHANGE” by doing community service projects. Some of these projects included Hurley Children’s Hospital, Assisted Living, Police Department, Fire Department, and the Humane Society.

Bendle Family Health Services (BFHS)
- Provided medical assessment and assistance to over 100 students of the district.
- University of Michigan Nursing Students provided hygiene presentations with hygiene packages to all West Bendle students.
- Provided American Heart Association’s CPR and First Aid training as needed to Bendle staff.
- Held Health-O-Ramas in all buildings. Collected student heights, weights, blood pressures and body mass indexes.
- University of Michigan Nursing students provided a Health Fair for all students during the Health-O-Ramas.
- Provided WIC services to 150 participants from the 48529 zip code on a monthly basis. Oral education and dental referrals were provided during all WIC visits and Introduction to WIC was completed for parent advocates.
- Dr. Trina Floyd and her staff participated in all district Open Houses and provided dental education and toothbrushes.
- Head lice checks and education were completed on an ongoing basis.
- All Bendle student emergency cards were reviewed and three attempts were made to parents requesting health plans be completed.
- Individual education and assistance to children of chronic disease bimonthly at the Middle School.
- Provided a sports physical day with partner Dr. Bouvier for members of the district.
- Trained Bendle staff to assist students with the following health concerns: diabetes, asthma, and seizures.
- BFHS attended all open houses and provided support and information for district families.
- Organized Bendle Safety day for Summer GSRP and 21st Century students.
- Provided CPR to all graduating seniors.
- Initiated Babysitters Club afterschool lessons at West Bendle.

Community Education
- 35 students in grades K-5 were serviced in latchkey’s “The Tiger Kid’s Club” (TKC) before and after school program with activities that encouraged their social, emotional, physical and intellectual needs.
- TKC offered homework help and other tutoring and remained open for school half and early release days, some school vacation days, and the summer weeks offering unbroken service to families at a reasonable rate.
- The eighth annual Bendle Summer Camp Adventure took place at Friel with 34 students attending from Bendle Public Schools and throughout Genesee County. Student’s enjoyed academic 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.
- 42 school events and 249 non-school events were scheduled at the buildings throughout the district.
- K-5 students participated in a spring break camp week, which included a field trip to For Mar.
- Friel Early Childhood Center entered its fourth year offering preschool and childcare Monday-Friday, 6:30 am to 6:00 pm.
- Bendle Head Start and GSRP families were serviced by FECC through a wraparound preschool program.
- Friel Early Childhood Center was recognized for 100% compliance with immunization reporting.
- FECC serviced 16 preschoolers and was certified through Great Start to Quality with a 3 out of 5 star rating.