



December 2012

**December
Dates To
Remember**

- 12/6-Winter Band
Concert,
Auditorium,
7:00 pm
- 12/13-Winter Choir
Concert,
Auditorium,
7:30 pm
- 12/19-Board Of
Education Meeting,
6:30 pm
- 12/18-4K Winter
Program,
Bancroft School,
6:00 pm
- 12/20-Elementary
Winter Concert,
Auditorium,
2:00 pm
- 12/24-1/1-No School,
Winter Break



**Almond-Bancroft
School District
Vision Statement**

We are a collaborative community focused on continued growth in opportunities, choices, and expectations for all students. We prepare self-motivated and responsible students to become well-rounded and successful citizens.

2012 School Report Cards Available To The Public

The 2012 Wisconsin Department of Instruction School Report Cards are now available to the public. Within this edition of the Almond-Bancroft School Newsletter, you will find copies of the elementary report card, and the secondary report card (middle and high school combined).

The report cards are broken down into four primary areas:

The first is **student achievement**, which focuses on math and reading. The scores you see are derived from equations that are based on weighted averages from student performance on the Wisconsin Knowledge and Concepts Exam (WKCE). The scores you see in the report are based on student performance on the WKCE during the Fall of 2011, last school year.

The second area is **student growth**, which focuses on the number of students that grew in their knowledge of math and reading. Again, the scores you see are derived from equations that are based on weighted averages from student WKCE scores.

The third area is **closing gaps**, which looks at how particular student groups such as, students with disabilities, social economic status, English language learners, etc, performed on the WKCE. These various student groups WKCE performance is looked at and compared with each other. The difference between the groups scores is considered the "gap."

The fourth area is **on track and post-secondary readiness**. It focuses on graduation rates, attendance rates, third grade reading scores, eighth grade math scores, and ACT participation and performance. The individual school scores are compared to the state average.

You will see in the following school report cards that the elementary school did very well, with a combined score that placed the elementary school in the "**exceeds expectations**" category. The middle and high school combined report cards shows that we are in the "**meeting expectations**" category. Though the District is very pleased to be meeting and exceeding expectations, it is our goal to continuously improve from year to year. These report cards are being used to help us define our strengths and weaknesses so that we can more precisely plan how to improve the overall education for all our students.

At this time the District is primarily concentrating on the secondary school, since that is the area with the most need for improvement. We are working with the staff, particularly the math and reading staff, to align our curriculum to the Common CORE State Standards that have been recently adopted. Generally this is leading to increased rigor in the classrooms. The curriculum specialist will be working with the reading and math staff with a focus on assessment in the classroom, and how we need to adjust our assessment practices to better meet the learning needs of our students. Another area we are looking at to help improve student performance is in the use of our school day. The District will be looking at methods to maximize our schedule to provide students with the necessary reading and math instruction while still providing a wide array of elective courses for students to participate in, including the addition of Advanced Placement courses.

For more information, go to the following website, or call Principal Jeff Rykal with questions you may have concerning the school report cards.

<http://reportcards.dpi.wi.gov/>



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School Report Card | 2011-12 | Summary

Overall Accountability Score and Rating



Exceeds Expectations

Overall Accountability Ratings	Score
Significantly Exceeds Expectations	83-100
Exceeds Expectations	73-82.9
Meets Expectations	63-72.9
Meets Few Expectations	53-62.9
Fails to Meet Expectations	0-52.9

Priority Areas	School Score	Max Score	K-5 State	K-5 Max
Student Achievement	68.7/100		66.4/100	
Reading Achievement	30.1/50		28.5/50	
Mathematics Achievement	38.6/50		37.9/50	
Student Growth	72.2/100		67.4/100	
Reading Growth	35.2/50		34.2/50	
Mathematics Growth	37.0/50		33.2/50	
Closing Gaps	73.6/100		65.7/100	
Reading Achievement Gaps	34.1/50		32.6/50	
Mathematics Achievement Gaps	39.5/50		33.1/50	
Graduation Rate Gaps	NA/NA		NA/NA	
On-Track and Postsecondary Readiness	89.2/100		86.7/100	
Graduation Rate (when available)	NA/NA		NA/NA	
Attendance Rate (when graduation not available)	77.4/80		75.4/80	
3rd Grade Reading Achievement	11.8/20		11.3/20	
8th Grade Mathematics Achievement	NA/NA		NA/NA	
ACT Participation and Performance	NA/NA		NA/NA	

Student Engagement Indicators	Total Deductions: 0
Test Participation Lowest Group Rate (goal ≥95%)	Goal met: no deduction
Absenteeism Rate (goal <13%)	Goal met: no deduction
Dropout Rate (goal <6%)	Goal met: no deduction

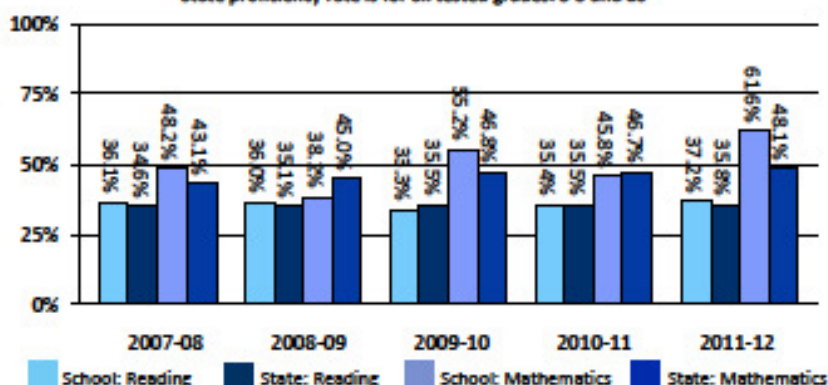
School Information

Grades	1-5
School Type	Elementary School
Enrollment	160
<i>Race/Ethnicity</i>	
American Indian or Alaska Native	0%
Asian or Pacific Islander	0%
Black not Hispanic	0%
Hispanic	24.4%
White not Hispanic	75.6%
<i>Student Groups</i>	
Students with Disabilities	15%
Economically Disadvantaged	57.5%
Limited English Proficient	18.8%

Wisconsin Student Assessment System Percent Proficient and Advanced

Includes Wisconsin Knowledge and Concepts Examination (WKCE) and Wisconsin Alternate Assessment for Students with Disabilities (WAA-SwD). WKCE college and career readiness benchmarks based on National Assessment of Educational Progress.

State proficiency rate is for all tested grades: 3-8 and 10

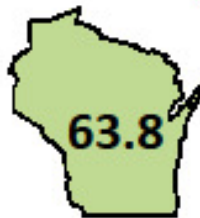


Notes: Overall Accountability Score is an average of Priority Area Scores, minus Student Engagement Indicator deductions. The average is weighted differently for schools that cannot be measured with all priority area scores, to ensure that Overall Accountability Score can be compared fairly for all schools. Accountability Ratings do not apply to Priority Area Scores. Details can be found at <http://dpi.wi.gov/oea/acct/accountability.html>.



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Priority Areas	School Score	Max Score	K-12 State	K-12 Max
Student Achievement	59.2/100		66.4/100	
Reading Achievement	26.7/50		29.8/50	
Mathematics Achievement	32.5/50		36.6/50	
Student Growth	50.5/100		62.3/100	
Reading Growth	26.1/50		31.2/50	
Mathematics Growth	24.4/50		31.1/50	
Closing Gaps	59.2/100		67.3/100	
Reading Achievement Gaps	26.1/50		16.5/25	
Mathematics Achievement Gaps	33.1/50		16.8/25	
Graduation Rate Gaps	NA/NA		34.0/50	
On-Track and Postsecondary Readiness	86.3/100		82.9/100	
Graduation Rate (when available)	75.2/80		70.9/80	
Attendance Rate (when graduation not available)	NA/NA		NA/NA	
3rd Grade Reading Achievement	NA/NA		2.8/5	
8th Grade Mathematics Achievement	7.6/10		3.5/5	
ACT Participation and Performance	3.5/10		5.7/10	

Student Engagement Indicators	Total Deductions: 0
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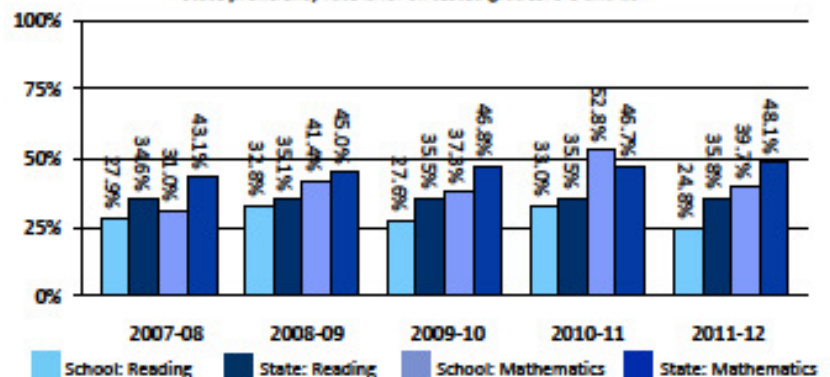
School Information

Grades	6-12
School Type	Public High School
Enrollment	234
<i>Race/Ethnicity</i>	
American Indian or Alaska Native	1.3%
Asian or Pacific Islander	0.9%
Black not Hispanic	0.4%
Hispanic	15.8%
White not Hispanic	81.6%
<i>Student Groups</i>	
Students with Disabilities	12.4%
Economically Disadvantaged	44.4%
Limited English Proficient	6.8%

Wisconsin Student Assessment System Percent Proficient and Advanced

Includes Wisconsin Knowledge and Concepts Examination (WKCE) and Wisconsin Alternate Assessment for Students with Disabilities (WAA-SwD). WKCE college and career readiness benchmarks based on National Assessment of Educational Progress.

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Middle School Students Of The Month



One student is honored for each grade within the Middle School for their overall excellence as a student. These students are selected based on their academic achievements and exceptional behavior during the school day. Achieving excellent performance for October, the Students of the Month include the following (R to L): Briana Borski, Forest Laska, and Catie Schmidt.

From the sixth grade we honored Briana Borski. Briana always does her best. She is quietly reflective and deeply intelligent and puts a lot of thought into everything she does. She is studious and has perfect penmanship. Briana is a polite, conscientious student and her effort and attitude make her a great role model for her peers. Brianna is a pleasure to have in the classroom and in gym.

From the seventh grade we honored Forest Laska. Forest is a polite and caring student who works very hard. He is always willing to help others. Forest is very conscious of his academic progress and strives to succeed in all of his classes. Forest is good natured and happy go lucky, making him a joy to have in the classroom. He brings his enthusiasm to class every day and it is a pleasure to see how much he gains from his positive attitude.

From the eighth grade we honored Catie Schmidt. Catie is a polite, bright student who cares about what she is learning. She is mature, intelligent, and always conducts herself as a positive leader and role model for other students when it comes to academics and extra-curricular activities. She is inspired to learn and challenges herself and others to grow intellectually. Catie and her witty personality are a pleasure to have in class.

Thank you for your hard work,
Congratulations!

High School Student Of The Week

November 5-9



My student of the week is Ramiro Luna. Ramiro is an excellent artist and a very conscientious student. He takes his assignments to a high level of accomplishment. He is always interested in learning or trying something new. It is enjoyable to have Ramiro as a student. He is not only an artist but a very nice young man.

~ Mrs. Dernbach

High School Student Of The Week

November 12-16



My student of the week is Maria Vann. Every day she comes to choir ready to sing and has a positive attitude. She comes to lessons frequently to learn her music and holds herself to a high standard of performance. Maria is a pleasure to have in choir and I enjoy working with her!

~ Mrs. Frank

ATTENTION

If your child is absent from school, please call the Attendance Office at 366-2941 extension 108 before 9:00 a.m.



AUSENCIAS

Si su hijo(a) esta ausente usted es responsable de llamar la Escuela de Almond-Bancroft antes de las 9:00 a.m. al 715-366-2941 Ext. 101

Almond-Bancroft Middle & High School 1st Quarter Honor Roll Students

“A” Honor Roll

Graduation Year: 2013
 MARISSA M. WARZYNSKI
 BAYLEE L. VOSS-
 PLUTSCHACK
 DESTINY DYKES
 KIARA I. TURZINSKI
 HAYLEY R. RISKE
 MARY K. ZAK
 JOHN C. WAGGONER
 AVERY J. FAEHLING
 JADE D. STUEBS
Graduation Year: 2014
 ANGELA IWANSKI
 HANNAH M. LANSING
 ANNA E. PERRIN
 CARISSA PERZINSKI
 ALEXIS A. SEITZ
 TISAN A. BAIRD
 CALEB A. OLSON
Graduation Year: 2015
 HAILEY M. WIERZBA
 MEGAN R. BURNS
 JACE J. STUEBS
 DEVON ANDERSON
 MCKENZIE M. MINER
 ASHLEY T. TAKACS
 HATTIE B. BERRY
 MARGARET M. SCOTT
 REBECCA KALLIO
Graduation Year: 2016
 EMILY E. DEMCHIK
 ARIEL PLASKI
 MACY M. BAIRD
 KAITLYNN LEHMAN
 JOHL TURZINSKI
 BLAKE P. VOSS-
 PLUTSCHACK
 JOSEPH J. CRAHAN
 AUSTIN BUNDERS
 DEANA M. CLARK
 ALISSA WILLIAMS
 ALLAN ZINDA

Graduation Year: 2017
 COLTON STANISLAWSKI
 DYLAN BUNDERS
 CATHERINE M. SCHMIDT
 MATTHEW E. HELMRICK
 EMMA WALLACE
 JOSEPH DORGAN JR.
 ALEXUS WILLIAMS
 CARTER H. NEWBY
 JACOB W. WIERZBA
Graduation Year: 2018
 CAMI RAE NEWBY
 ALYSON PLASKI
 FOREST LASKA
Graduation Year: 2019
 BRIANA M. BORSKI
 JOSEPHINE L. COLOMBE
 EMILY E. TAKACS
 EMALEAH R. MATKE
 MITCHELL C. TRZEBI-
 ATOWSKI
 ALEX ZINDA
 YULISSA BANDA
 ZACHARY A. CLARK
 CADE C. LAMB
 NOAH S. KOLLOCK
 MAXWELL F. TURZINSKI
 ANGELA M. ROGERS
 DAREN ANDERSON
 JOSEPH J. MARCHEL
 ANNIE R. WEISS
 ZACHARY BUNDERS
 EDWARD G. BURNS
 ZACHARY R. HELMRICK
 MARYAH COOK
 LUKE K. MANOCK
 MICHAELA M. STUCKER
 JAKE STUEBS
 SYDNEY A. OTTO

“B” Honor Roll

Graduation Year: 2013
 COLTER STUTESMAN
 KRISTEN HAFERMAN
 BRETT BEIGEL
 KAILYN R. KOEHLER
Graduation Year: 2014
 EVAN M. PAGEL
 AIDEN V. ROCK
 RAMIRO LUNA
 KAYLA SMITH
 ALEXANDER L. CRULL
 CODY MEDDAUGH
 SHELBY J. SWAN
 JACOB W. VALLERY
 JEWEL MATKE
 MEGHAN R. VARGA
 PAIGE M. SCOTT
 DEREK KEENLANCE
 LACEY M. WARZYNSKI
 ABBIGAIL N. KARPEN
 JOSEPH BEIGEL
Graduation Year: 2015
 NATALIE ROMO
 JESSE HUNKINS
 MEGAN WICZEK
 NICHOLAS P. FIGUEROA
 LESLY GUERRA-REYNA
Graduation Year: 2016
 GARETT YONKE
 HUNTER LASKA
 KYLE WARZYNSKI
 TAYLOR N. KIM
 CLAYTON C. SWAN
 COLE T. WARZYNSKI
 AVA ANDERSON
 NATHANIEL DISHER
 CHRISTIAN A. NOTH
 VICENTE VASQUEZ
 SHAYLA M. NEWBY
Graduation Year: 2017
 BENJAMIN H. LANSING
 ISAAC W. OLSON
 MICHAELA WALLACE

GAVIN M. HEINZ
 TAYLER SCHAFFER
 EDUARDO BANDA
 JAIME BANDA
 MEGAN N. GREEN
Graduation Year: 2018
 DEREK J. BAUMGARTNER
 MAIZIE L. BERRY
 CHLOE LEHMAN
 LAUREN DYKES
 EMMETT STANISLAWSKI
 ABIGAIL VASQUEZ
 ALEC WICZEK
 ABIGAIL R. CISEWSKI
 AURORA G. LARSEN
 CASSIDI L. HOGAN
 JADON SOLIS
 KARA F. CISEWSKI
 GARRETT STANISLAWSKI
 MEGAN MANSKE
 CHRISTOPHER THOMAS
 BRYN TURZINSKI
 YADIRA PUENTE
Graduation Year: 2019
 ZENAIDA BANDA
 AIDAN WHITMAN
 DEVIN J. FUEHRER
 OSVALDO BANDA
 KATHERINE DOBBE
 STAR A. RODRIGUEZ
 EUGENE S. GREEN III
 MONTANA L. THOMPSON
 MICKIE J. WIZA

**Congratulations
& Hats Off
To A-B
Honor Roll
Students!**



Help Your Child Succeed in School

School success goes hand in hand with good attendance.

Did you know that starting in kindergarten, too many absences can cause children to fall behind in school? Missing 18 days of school (whether excused or unexcused) can make it harder to learn to read. Students can still fall behind if they miss just a day or two every few weeks. And finally, absences can affect the whole classroom if the teacher has to slow down learning to help children catch up.

So what can you do? You can set a regular bedtime and morning routine. You or your child can lay out clothes and backpacks the night before. Don't let your child stay home unless they are truly sick. Keep in mind that complaints of a stomachache or headache can be signs of anxiety and not a reason to stay home." And please, "avoid medical appointments and extended trips when school is in session."

This information is brought to you by Reach Out and Read, Inc



Middle School News

Here are a few photos from the school forest trip we took to Carrie Frost on Friday, October 19. We studied forest diversity, looked at layers in the forest, took a hike, and did a cemetery study. Mrs. Plaisance and Mr. Steuerwald led the trip.

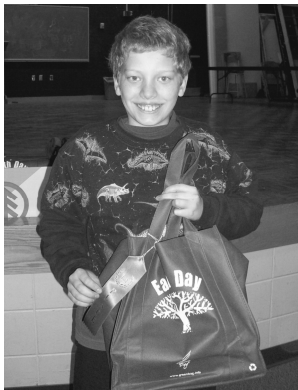


Coming Soon! Middle School Assignment Log

Would you like to know what assignments your middle school child has each night? Would you like to double check what they have written in their agenda? If so, you're in luck! The middle school staff is now going to post a daily assignment log with a list of homework from their core classes. It can be found under the **Middle School** tab on the school district's website. The assignment logs will be organized by grading period and week. Please help promote the success of your middle school student by utilizing this new tool!



Students Receive Awards for Soil to Spoon Poster Contest

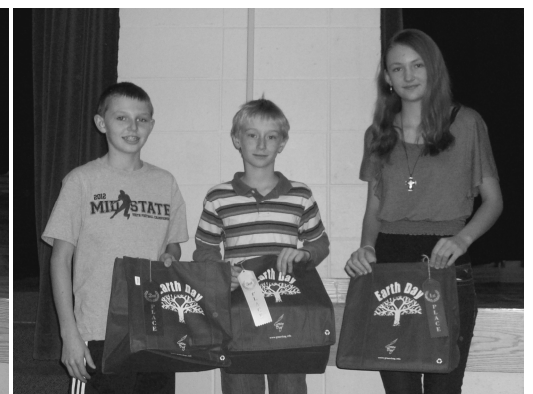


The winners (4-6th Grade Division)-1st Place at County and Area, and 2nd Place at State - Jake Stuebs (Big Congrats!) 1st Place (County) Emily Takacs; 2nd Place, Jon Perrin; 3rd Place Joseph Marchel

(7-9th Grade Division)-1st Place at County, Area, and State! Alexis Williams (Big Congrats!) 1st Place (County) Tayler Schafer; 2nd Place, Colton Stanislawski and Lauren Dykes; 3rd Place, Kayla DeLeon

Thanks also to the sponsors of the contest, Golden Sands RC&D, The Aldo Leopold Audubon Society, and the Portage County Land Conservation Division.

Pictures courtesy of Patty Benedict, Administrative Secretary Portage County Land Conservation Division.





Fox Valley Technical College Tour



Foodservice Operations students recently took a field trip to Appleton. Their agenda included a stop at the *Grand Meridian* to learn about the operation and management of a large banquet/catering facility from owner/operator Ken and Head Chef Joe. Afterward, students traveled to *HuHot Mongolian Grill* (photo) for a tour of the food preparation area and an introduction to the manager's workplace philosophy. Students then "built" their own lunch and watched chefs prepare it over a huge grill. "That was really cool."

Next the group traveled to Fox Valley Technical College for an introduction and explanation of the many culinary degree options available through the Culinary Arts Department by instructor Chef Craig. Then, Levi Milanowski, 2010 A-B alumnus and third-year FVTC Culinary Arts student, gave students a tour of the foodservice training kitchen and showed students a variety of learning opportunities available in the department.

"It was a busy day, but a great opportunity for students to get some real 'behind the scenes' foodservice experience and to learn about a great educational opportunity available at FVTC." exclaimed Mr. Knepfel, Foodservice Operations instructor.

HELP NEEDED!

The Almond-Bancroft Music Department is in dire need of help from the community! We are hosting the annual **WSMA District Solo & Ensemble Festival** this academic school year on **Saturday February 23, 2013**. In order for this festival to run smoothly we need many volunteers to help in the following ways:

- Door monitors, Runners, Set up (move pianos, set up performance sites, hang up signs etc.),
- Take down, Kitchen service, Hospitality room, Headquarters personnel

If you are interested in volunteering your time or have any questions please contact one of the following:

- Crystal Frank (715-366-2941 x 124) or cfrank@abschools.k12.wi.us
- Mary Nowinski (Schmidt) (715-366-2941 x326) or mschmidt@abschools.k12.wi.us



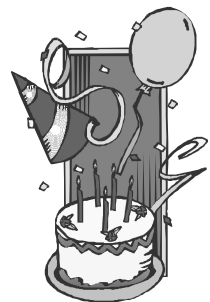
A huge **THANK YOU** goes out to the Quilters Guild for their \$125 donation to the Elementary Music Department. With this wonderful donation we were able to purchase an ORFF Exploration Mallet Kit (contains 7 top quality pairs of mallets with container), 4 pairs of rubber mallets, and a Sound Blocks Exploration box. Thank you so much for providing the Elementary Music program with new equipment!

SINGING BIRTHDAY GRAMS

A-B High School will deliver singing Happy Birthday Telegrams to your favorite Student/Staff member on their birthday! Please allow a 24 hour notice before delivery. Below are packages you may select from:

Standard: (\$5.00) Happy Birthday balloon on party stick decorated with ribbon, card, and a round lollipop

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| Extras | _____ Stuffed A-B Eagle (\$5.00) | _____ A-B Stocking Hat (\$5.00) |
| | _____ Green & White Pom-Pom (\$2.00 each) | _____ A-B Birthday Pen (\$2.00 each) |
| | _____ Birthday Tiara or Hat (\$1.00) | _____ Extra Lollipop (\$1.00 each) |
| | _____ Beads (\$1.00/ 3) | _____ Smencil (\$1.00 each) |



Student Name: _____ Birthday: _____ Grade: _____

Special Message: _____



ASVAB: Not Just for the Military

The ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) is the test a person must take to enter into the US Military. The ASVAB Career Exploration Program is a civilian-based program that can help students take steps toward finding a career that's right for them. Students do not need to be interested in the military to take the ASVAB. They can benefit from the Program whether they plan to pursue further education after high school or enter the workforce right away. The first step towards finding a career is to spend some time finding out about yourself. The ASVAB Career Exploration Program includes tests and activities that help students identify their interests and provide information about their Verbal Skills, Math Skills, and Science and Technical Skills. It lets them know how their interests and skills relate to the demands of more than 400 occupations to help students start making educational and career plans.

The ASVAB is being given this year on Tuesday, December 4 at 8:10 am. All Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors will be encouraged to sign up for this free career exploration tool closer to the testing date.

What **You** Need to Know **About** Registering with **Selective Service**

Q: What is Selective Service?

A: The Selective Service is a government agency whose job is to provide untrained manpower for the Armed Forces if there's a national emergency.

Q: What is Selective Service Registration?

A: By registering, you add your name to a list of all the men in the nation, ages 18 through 25. The list would be used to identify men for possible military service in case of a national emergency.

Q: What happens if there's a draft?

A: There hasn't been a draft since 1973. If there were an emergency sufficient for Congress to order another draft, Selective Service would conduct a birthdate lottery to decide the order in which to call men. Those who turn 20 during that calendar year would be called first in a sequence determined by the lottery. If more men were needed, those 21 to 25 would be called, youngest first.

Q: Who is required to register?

A: The law says that all 18-year-old men (including U.S. citizens living abroad and non-citizen immigrant males 18-25 residing in the U.S.) must register. The only young men exempt from registration are non-citizen males who are in the U.S. temporarily as tourists, diplomats and their family members or foreign exchange students; incarcerated or institutionalized men; men on active duty in the Armed Forces; and students at U.S. military academies.

Q: Why don't women have to register?

A: Our nation only registers men. This has always been the case. Selective Service law as it is presently written refers specifically to "male persons" in stating who must register and who could be subject to a draft. Therefore, Selective Service procedures do not apply to women. In order for women to be required to register with Selective Service, Congress would have to change the wording of the law.

Q: What if I don't register?

A: You are breaking the law. If prosecuted, you could be sent to prison for up to 5 years and may be fined up to \$250,000. In addition, if you fail to register, you cannot qualify for federal student grants or loans for college, job training benefits and many state and federal jobs.

Q: Is registration hard?

A: No. In fact it's never been easier. A young man can register with Selective Service in less than 2 minutes via the Internet at: **www.sss.gov**. You can also register by going to your local post office and completing a registration form. It's as simple as filling in your name, address, telephone number, date of birth and Social Security number. Registration forms should be available in your local recreation or social service center, school's guidance or registrar office, or you may receive a form in the mail. Simply complete it and mail the form to Selective Service.

Q: When should I register?

A: Within 30 days of your 18th birthday. If you cannot register on time because you are hospitalized or in prison, you have 30 days in which to register after you are released. If 30 days have already passed since your 18th birthday, **register** immediately, either **online** or at your post office. Although Selective Service will accept a late registration, the longer you wait, the longer you are breaking the law and jeopardizing your future benefits.

Q: How do I prove I registered?

A: When registering via the Internet, you will receive your Selective Service number immediately. That number is your proof of registration - for safe keeping, jot it down. You will receive a Selective Service card by mail within 2 weeks confirming that number. (Note: If you registered by mail, you will receive a card confirming your registration with 60-90 days.) **If you don't get your card within 90 days, write to:**

**Selective Service System
Registration Information Office
P.O. Box 94638
Palatine, IL 60094-4638**

Or call 1-847-688-6888



Register with Selective Service.

**Use the Internet:
www.sss.gov**

Class of 2012 Fruit Sale

The Senior class will once again be selling fruit for the holidays. Included in the sale are half or full boxes of oranges or grapefruit, 1 or 2 layers of apples or pears, large or small gift boxes, boxes of mixed fruits, and single pineapples.



Orders must be made by December 4th. Delivery December 20th.
Contact a senior class member or Mr. Andrew Bradley, 715-366-2941 extension 331 or abradley@abschools.k12.wi.us, if you would like to place an order.

**TAKEDOWN
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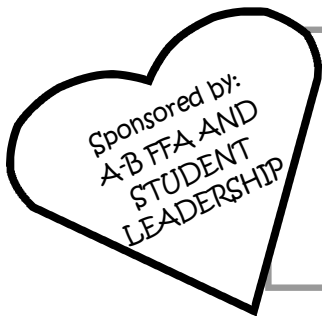
Collecting canned food items
for the Local Food Pantry
January 7- 10th
Drop off items in Ag room or at
the **home wrestling meet** on
January 10th at 7:00 pm!

Sponsored by:
A-B FFA AND STUDENT
LEADERSHIP

The Student Leadership class and
the A-B FFA are sponsoring a:
Teddy Bear Collection

Give a new or gently used stuffed
animal to children who are injured
or have a house fire.
We will be collecting the animals
& Donating to Local Fire, Rescue,
and Police Departments

Collection Dates:
January 4-11, 2013



“Books From the Heart”

Program Goal:

To collect books for Elementary Students to take home.

Please bring new or gently used books to the main office, **December 3rd-7th!**

Almond-Bancroft Student Council Holiday Candy Grams for Sale!

The ABHS Student Council will be selling candy grams again! Starting Monday, December 10th and continuing through Wednesday, December 19th. Elementary Students can buy them before school in the library and Middle School and High School Students can buy them during their lunch hour. Candy grams will be delivered at the end of the day on Friday, December 21st (if student is absent, they will be delivered the next school day).

Student items delivered to: _____ **Teacher/ Grade:** _____

Special Message: _____

Number of: _____ Cherry Candy Cane \$.50 each _____ Peppermint Candy Cane \$.50 each

_____ Plush Holiday Characters \$2.00 each _____ Candy Filled Stocking \$2.50 each

Please specify if you would like a specific item (Request will be attempted, but not guaranteed).



Total enclosed made out to AB Schools: \$ _____



EAGLES SPORTLIGHT

Almond-Bancroft Fall Sports Awards

December Eagles Athletic Events



- 12/1-HS Wrestling Tournament @ Necedah, TBD
- 12/4-HS Wrestling Home vs. Princeton, 7:00 pm
 - HS Boys BB Home vs. Port Edwards, 6:00 pm
 - HS Girls BB @ Port Edwards, 6:00 pm
- 12/6-HS Wrestling Home (Pacelli) vs. Wittenberg-Birnamwood, 7:00 pm
 - MS Boys BB Home @ Rosholt, 5:30 pm
- 12/7-HS Boys BB Home vs. Gresham, 6:00 pm
 - HS Girls BB @ Gresham, 6:00 pm
- 12/8-JV HS Wrestling Tournament @ DC Everest, 10:30 am
- 12/10-MS Boys BB Home vs. Wild Rose 5:30 pm
- 12/11-HS Girls BB Home vs. Tigerton, 6:00 pm
 - HS Boys BB @ Tigerton, 6:00 pm
 - MS Boys BB Home vs. Amherst, 5:00 pm
- 12/14-HS Boys BB Home vs. Menominee Indian, 6:00 pm
 - HS Girls BB @ Menominee Indian, 6:00 pm
- 12/15-HS Wrestling Tournament @ Appleton West, 9:00 am
- 12/17-HS Girls BB Home vs. Wild Rose 6:00 pm
- 12/18-HS Boys BB @ Wild Rose, 6:00 pm
- 12/20-HS Wrestling Home vs. Weyauwega-Fremont, 7:00 pm
- 12/27-28-HS Boys & Girls Holiday Tournament, TBD
- 12/28-29-HS Wrestling Tournament @ UW Oshkosh, TBD

**Dates and times are subject to change*



School Awards

Volleyball

Marissa Warzynski, Mckenzie Miner,
Destiny Dykes

Football

Colter Stutesman, Brett Beigel, Avery Faehling

CWC-10 All Conference Volleyball

Kiara Turzinski-Second Team
Hattie Berry-Honorable Mention
Kayla Smith-Honorable Mention

CWC-10 All Conference Football

Jesse Hunkins-Second Team Defense
Reegan Anderson-Second Team Defense &
Honorable Mention Offense
Ethan Yonke-First Team Offense & Defense
Evan Pagel-Second Team Offense
Cody Meddaugh-Second Team Offense
Brett Beigel- Honorable Mention Defense
Cole Warzynski-Honorable Mention Offense &
Defense
Joe Beigel Honorable Mention Offense & Defense
Colter Stutesman- Honorable Mention Offense



MS Volleyball News.....

Coach Winn and Coach Borgen would like to congratulate all the middle-school Volleyball athletes for their great 2012 Volleyball season. The girls worked incredibly hard and did an awesome job on the court. We'll truly miss all the 8th-graders and look forward to seeing all the 7th-graders again next year.

We had another successful Potluck/End of Season party. Thanks to all the parents for the wonderful food and the help setting up/cleaning up. A special shout-out to Coach Borgen and her family for providing the excellent chicken and to Shannon McClarnan for once again organizing the dinner. We hope everyone had a great time playing volleyball!!

We would also like to express gratitude to our score and clock keepers, referees, and custodial staff. Thanks to Stucker Bus Service and Ed Warzynski for getting us to all correct places and putting up with us! See you next season!!



Eagle Booster Club Holiday Invitational

Mark your calendars! On December 27th and 28th the Booster Club will be hosting our 4th Annual Holiday Invitational high school basketball tournament. Games will start at 2:45 pm each day with the final game beginning around 8:00 pm. We will be hosting teams from Wisconsin Valley Lutheran, Stratford, Princeton/Green Lake, Northland Lutheran, and Manawa. The tournament will have Boys and Girls JV games in the East Gym and Boys and Girls Varsity games in the West Gym. On Thursday the 27th, A-B Girls Varsity will play WVL and the JV Boys will play Manawa at 6:15 pm. That will be followed by the A-B Boys Varsity playing Manawa and the JV Girls taking on Princeton/Green Lake about 8:00 pm. A-B students will have free passes to the games. Otherwise, admission will be \$5 per adult and \$3 per student for an entire day. Kids 5 and under will get in free. There will be a 50/50 raffle each day and concessions will be available.

Youth Basketball Teams

The Eagle Booster Club, along with Roger Young, has already begun scheduling for 5th-8th grade boys and girls basketball teams. Coaches will be sending home information regarding the practice times and dates that have been scheduled for tournaments.

The tournaments in Almond will be as follows:

January 12, 2013 - 7th and 8th grade boys tournament

January 26, 2013 - 5th and 6th grade girls tournament

February 2, 2013 - 5th and 6th grade boys tournament

February 9, 2013 - 7th and 8th grade girls tournament

As we enter our busiest time of the year, we again invite everyone to join the Eagle Booster Club or volunteer to help with our tournaments. The proceeds from these youth basketball events are one of the primary reasons we can offer so many opportunities to our student-athletes and help to provide our kids with the best equipment, facilities and experiences possible at Almond-Bancroft Schools.

Thank You from the Eagle Booster Club and Happy Holidays!



Boys Basketball Featured at Just A Game Fieldhouse in Wisconsin Dells!

On Saturday, January 19th, the Boys' Varsity and JV basketball teams will be playing on center stage in Wisconsin Dells at the Just A Game Fieldhouse! Last year, the complex built a new court where college and high school teams can play and provides the players, coaches, and fans a "Primetime" atmosphere and experience. We will be playing a team from southern Wisconsin, Wauzeka-Stauben, where Coach Bunders attended high school. The JV game will start at 3:00PM and the varsity will follow. Please show your support and make the short journey down there and share in the excitement of this special event!

Thank you,
Boys' Basketball Program

January 4, 2013

Almond-Bancroft vs. Tri-County

Come and support both the Boys and Girls Basketball programs.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Game Times</u>
East Gym- JV Girls Basketball	4:40 pm
West Gym- JV Boys Basketball	4:40 pm
West Gym- Varsity Girls	6:15 pm
West Gym- Varsity Boys	8:00 pm



COMMUNITY NEWS!

More information can be found on the AB website - Family Resources

Volunteer Spotlight

Thank-you!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time, donated something, or just attended the Hope for Morgan Benefit. Everyone's effort lead to our huge success in raising over \$18,000 for Morgan Baar and her family. None of this would have been possible without your help.

Community Closet

The community closet is available again this year. It will be open on the 2nd Tuesday of every month from 5:30-7:00 pm in the Elementary Library starting in December. The community closet is an opportunity for Almond and Bancroft residents to select **free** clothing for all ages. Stop in to check it out!

Community Education Updates



We will be hosting a Weight Watchers meeting every Thursday in room S325 (by the band room); weigh -in starting 5:30 pm, meeting will begin at 6:00 pm. Receive advice, build a supporting network, and find the motivation you need to build a healthy lifestyle in each meeting. You can stop in during a meeting to see what it is all about before signing up for the program. Estimated cost will be \$156 for 3 months of weekly meetings.

Walkers Club: Need a place to walk and someone to walk with this winter? Become apart of the A-B Walker Club by walking any time before 6:30 pm Monday-Thursday in the Almond School. Please sign-in outside of the weight room before walking.

Fitness Class: Join free adult fitness class in the choir room! Monday's at 4:00 pm will be Zumba with Jamie Winn and Wednesday at 5:30 pm will be Tae Bo with Jen Grezenski. If you would like to host a fitness class or place a request for a specific class please contact Jen Grezenski.

Jen Grezenski, AmeriCorps Member for Almond-Bancroft: jgrezenski@abschools.k12.wi.us / 715-366-2941 ext. 323

Hope for Morgan Items

Almond-Bancroft Clubs and Organizations raised money to help the Baar/Hunkins family with medical costs for Morgan Baar, a 2012 graduate of Almond-Bancroft HS. **Currently there are extra t-shirts and wristbands available for a discount price.**

All proceeds will still go to help Morgan who is currently recovering from multiple injuries due to a car accident.

All t-shirts are \$6.00 and wristbands are \$1.00 – Limited sizes available.

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Amount You owe: \$ _____

\$6.00/ shirt	Youth M	Youth L	Adult S	Adult M	Adult L	Adult XL	Adult XXL	Adult XXXL	Total

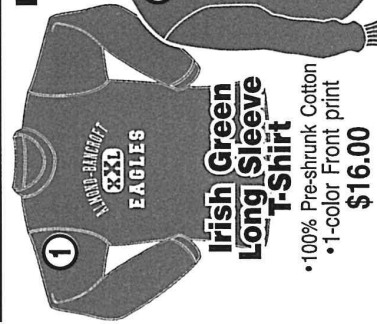
Please make checks payable to Almond-Bancroft Schools

For questions, please contact Jen Grezenski @ jgrezenski@abschools.k12.wi.us or 715-366-2941 ext. 323.

A "Thank You" to *Point Embroidery and Screen* of Stevens Point for printing and donating some of the t-shirt cost to help us benefit the family even more.

2012 A-B WINTER SPIRITWEAR APPAREL ORDER FORM

Mada
Custom Apparel & Goods
www.madacustom.com
"Let our team create your team"



1
Irish Green Long Sleeve T-Shirt

- 100% Pre-shrunk Cotton
- 1-color Front print

\$16.00



2
Irish Green or Black Hooded Sweatshirt

- 8oz. 50/50 Cotton/Poly
- 2-color Front print

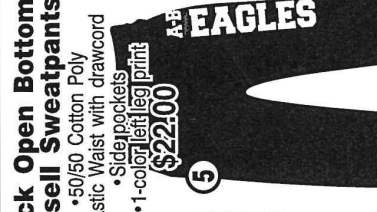
\$25.00



3
Black Full Zip Hoodie

- 9.3 oz., pre-shrunk 50/50 cotton/polyester
- Single-lined hood
- Split pouch pocket
- 2 color print

\$32.00



4
Black Open Bottom Russell Sweatpants

- 50/50 Cotton Poly
- Elastic Waist with drawcord
- Sidepockets
- 1-color left leg print

\$22.00



5
Midnight Heather Mens or Ladies Fleece Vest

- 13oz. anti pill fleece
- Contrast lycra trimmed armholes
- Side zippered pockets
- Left Crest Emb Logo

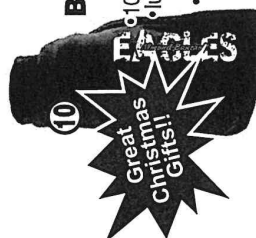
\$35.00



6
Mens or Ladies Black 1/4 Zip Pullover

- 6.8oz. 90% poly/10% spandex
- Soft brushed fleece lining
- Ladies-Gently contoured silhouette, Thumbholes to keep hands warm, front pouch pocket
- Left Crest Emb Logo

\$35.00



7
Black Tailgate Blanket

- 10.8oz. anti-pill (54"x80")
- luxurious tufted surface
- finished edges
- 2-color print on side

\$30.00



8
Graphite/Kelly Microfleece Beanie

- Soft fleece
- Volumized yarn for enhanced insulation & wind resistance
- Embroidered logo

\$14.00



9
Graphite/Kelly Microfleece Scarf

- Soft fleece
- Volumized yarn for enhanced insulation & wind resistance
- Embroidered logo

\$17.00

A-B WINTER SPIRITWEAR APPAREL ORDER FORM

PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY ORDER FORM - CHECKS PAYABLE TO AB SCHOOLS

NAME _____

PHONE _____

AMOUNT YOU OWE: \$ _____

LN.	STYLE DESCRIPTION	COLOR	ADD - \$5.00 NAME	ADD - \$4.00 NUMBER	YOUTH M	YOUTH L	ADULT S	ADULT M	ADULT L	ADULT XL	ADULT XXL	ADULT XXXL	TOTAL	EACH PRICE	TOTAL AMOUNT
1	Long Sleeve Tee	Irish Green	NAME ON BACK IN WHITE											\$16.00	
2	Hooded Sweatshirt	Irish Green	NAME ON BACK IN WHITE											\$25.00	
3	Hooded Sweatshirt	Black	NAME ON BACK IN WHITE											\$25.00	
4	Full Zip Hooded Sweatshirt	Black	NAME ON BACK IN WHITE											\$32.00	
5	Russell Open Bottom Sweatpants	Black	NAME ON RIGHT LEG IN WHITE											\$22.00	
6	Mens Fleece Vest	Midnight Heather	NAME EMB ON RIGHT CREST		N/A	N/A								\$35.00	
7	Ladies Fleece Vest	Midnight Heather	NAME EMB ON RIGHT CREST		N/A	N/A								\$35.00	
8	Mens 1/4 Zip Pullover	Black	NAME EMB ON RIGHT SLEEVE		N/A	N/A								\$35.00	
9	Ladies 1/4 Zip Pullover	Black	NAME EMB ON RIGHT SLEEVE		N/A	N/A								\$35.00	
10	Tailgate Blanket	Black	NAME EMB ON RIGHT SLEEVE											\$30.00	
11	Fleece Beanie	Graphite/Kelly	NAME EMB ON SIDE											\$14.00	
12	Fleece Scarf	Graphite/Kelly	NAME EMB WITH LOGO											\$17.00	

To view order form in color go to www.abschools.k12.wi.us, on left menu under Clubs & Groups, A-B Student Council.

***Orders are due by 1/21/13.**



10 tips
Nutrition
Education Series

be a healthy role model for children



10 tips for setting good examples

You are the most important influence on your child. You can do many things to help your children develop healthy eating habits for life. Offering a variety of foods helps children get the nutrients they need from every food group. They will also be more likely to try new foods and to like more foods. When children develop a taste for many types of foods, it's easier to plan family meals. Cook together, eat together, talk together, and make mealtime a family time!

1 show by example

Eat vegetables, fruits, and whole grains with meals or as snacks. Let your child see that you like to munch on raw vegetables.

2 go food shopping together



Grocery shopping can teach your child about food and nutrition. Discuss where vegetables, fruits, grains, dairy, and protein foods come from. Let your children make healthy choices.

3 get creative in the kitchen

Cut food into fun and easy shapes with cookie cutters. Name a food your child helps make. Serve "Janie's Salad" or "Jackie's Sweet Potatoes" for dinner. Encourage your child to invent new snacks. Make your own trail mixes from dry whole-grain, low-sugar cereal and dried fruit.

4 offer the same foods for everyone

Stop being a "short-order cook" by making different dishes to please children. It's easier to plan family meals when everyone eats the same foods.



5 reward with attention, not food

Show your love with hugs and kisses. Comfort with hugs and talks. Choose not to offer sweets as rewards. It lets your child think sweets or dessert foods are better than other foods. When meals are not eaten, kids do not need "extras"—such as candy or cookies—as replacement foods.

6 focus on each other at the table

Talk about fun and happy things at mealtime. Turn off the television. Take phone calls later. Try to make eating meals a stress-free time.



7 listen to your child

If your child says he or she is hungry, offer a small, healthy snack—even if it is not a scheduled time to eat. Offer choices. Ask "Which would you like for dinner: broccoli or cauliflower?" instead of "Do you want broccoli for dinner?"

8 limit screen time

Allow no more than 2 hours a day of screen time like TV and computer games. Get up and move during commercials to get some physical activity.

9 encourage physical activity

Make physical activity fun for the whole family. Involve your children in the planning. Walk, run, and play with your child—instead of sitting on the sidelines. Set an example by being physically active and using safety gear, like bike helmets.



10 be a good food role model

Try new foods yourself. Describe its taste, texture, and smell. Offer one new food at a time. Serve something your child likes along with the new food. Offer new foods at the beginning of a meal, when your child is very hungry. Avoid lecturing or forcing your child to eat.



Go to www.ChooseMyPlate.gov for more information.

DG TipSheet No. 12
June 2011
USDA is an equal opportunity
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Wishing you Happy Holidays,

Pat Leary, Connie Kaehn, Teresa Gutke, & Trina Warzynski
"This institution is an equal opportunity provider"

Almond-Bancroft Menus, December 2012

Breakfast Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Ham & Cheese Breakfast Bar	4 Pancakes, Sausage	5 Box Breakfast	6 Oatmeal, Toast	7 Bagel, Yogurt
10 Breakfast Bagel	11 Scrambled Eggs, Toast	12 Breakfast Sandwich	13 Box Breakfast	14 Cinnamon Roll, Yogurt
17 Pancake Wrapped Sausage	18 Oatmeal, Toast	19 Box Breakfast	20 Breakfast Pizza	21 Bagel, Yogurt
24 No School	25 No School	26 No School	27 No School	28 No School
31 No School				

Breakfast Prices:
 Reduced – No Charge
 4K (M-W) – 6 days@ 1.00=\$6.00
 4K (T-Th) – 6 days@ 1.00=\$6.00
 K-12th grade – 15 days @ 1.00 = \$15.00

Morning Milk

\$13.50 Per
Quarter

Juice or Fresh Fruit Served
Daily with Breakfast

Milk Served with Every
Meal

Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Corn Dog, Ravioli	4 Chicken Pot Pie	5 Sub Sandwich, Chicken Soup	6 Tater Tot Hot Dish	7 Fish Sandwich, Twice Baked Potatoes
10 Hamburger, French Fries, Baked Beans	11 Beef & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes	12 Chicken Stir Fry, Rice, Garden Bar	13 Mostaccioli, Garden Bar	14 Chicken Nuggets, Potato Wedges
17 Brats, Seasoned Rice	18 Pizza, Garden Bar	19 Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup	20 Beefy Nachos	21 Chicken Fajita
24 No School	25 No School	26 No School	27 No School	28 No School
31 No School				

Vegetable and Fruit Served with
Every Lunch

New for 2012-13 Fresh Fruit and
Salad Bar Served Most Days

Lunch Prices:
 Reduced 4K (M-W) – 6 days @ .40= \$2.40
 Reduced 4K (T-Th) – 6 days @ .40= \$2.40
 Reduced K-12 – 15 days @ .40 = \$6.00
 4K (M-W) – 6 days @ 1.70= \$10.20
 4K (T-Th) – 6 days @ 1.70= \$10.20
 K-5th grade – 15 days @ 1.70 = \$25.50
 6th – 12th grade – 15 days @ 1.95 = \$29.25

**NOTICE OF ELECTION OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS
ALMOND-BANCROFT SCHOOL DISTRICT
ON APRIL 3, 2012**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that an election is to be held in the School District of Almond-Bancroft on Tuesday, April 2, 2013. The following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed. The term of office for school board members is three years beginning on Monday, April 22, 2013.

OFFICE

INCUMBENT

Town of Pine Gove

Jeanette Wilson

Towns of Buena Vista & Lanark

Catherine Guth

Carol Ellie, Clerk

Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers for the Almond-Bancroft School Board term are to be filed no later than **5:00 P.M. on January 2, 2013.**

Papers can be filed in the district office.

Candidacy and Nomination Papers are located outside of the District office.

**BAD WEATHER..IS
THERE SCHOOL?**

This is a question that can be answered by turning on your TV's to channel 9 (WAOW) or channel 7 (WSAW). If you prefer to listen to the radio, it will be broadcast on Y106.5-FM, 96.7-FM, 107.9-FM, WGLX -103.3-FM, 109.7-FM , and WDUX -800-AM / 92.7-FM.

Also, Almond-Bancroft Schools has an **Emergency Alert Notification System** in place which will send an automated call, in the event of a school closing, to the phone numbers you provide. **To register log on to the school web-site, <http://www.abschools.k12.wi.us>** and follow the instructions **or call, 715-366-2941 x 422** and provide your name and up to four contact numbers.



**YEARBOOKS
NOW ON SALE!**

**Only \$42 for a year's
worth of memories!**

If you would like to purchase a 2012-13 yearbook, send a check written out to *A-B Schools* to Ms. Stiebs, yearbook advisor or order online by using the link on the school's homepage.

Your student will greatly appreciate this book upon delivery this August, and will appreciate it even more years from now.

If you would like to submit any pictures for this year's book, please do so by creating an account and submitting them to www.replayit.com

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