



ALMOND-BANCROFT SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER
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September 2008

Welcome New Staff Members

Back row (L to R): Jeffery Martens- High School Special Education, Ronald Scott- Middle School Alternative Education, Benjamin Corcoran- 1st grade. Front row: Candi Hinton- Middle School Math, Nicole Ambrose- 1st grade, Trina Warzynski- Administrative Assistant



The Year Before Us and Beyond

As we begin another school year we would like to welcome our students back to school. We have some new students that will be attending the Almond-Bancroft School District and would like to extend a warm welcome to them and their families. In addition to our new students, we also have some new staff members in our district. We are excited to have such knowledgeable and capable teachers join our staff.

Many challenges face education as we journey into the 21st century. We face substantial fiscal limitations, state mandates, increased demand for accountability and a need for more diverse education to meet the needs of our students. In an age of open enrollment, virtual programs, web-based computer programs and youth options, Almond-Bancroft needs to stay competitive. Some of the goals we will be working on this school year include:

- Increased communication between school and home.
- Introducing a new reading and math curriculum in our elementary grades.
- Making certain our schools exhibit a friendly and warm atmosphere.
- Continue to listen to community members about our schools and programs. We will be offering a listening session shortly after school starts.
- Review and revise course offerings at the high school level to include advanced placement courses for the 2009-2010 school year.

As I have stated before, we cannot accomplish these tasks without you as our partner. It is about the future of our children and keeping a quality program available for them.

In the very near future you will be receiving the annual report for the Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting that is scheduled for Monday, September 22, 2008. We encourage you to attend the meeting and learn more about our district.

Thank you,

Dan Boxx

Eagle Booster Club

TAILGATE PARTY

Hamburgers
Hotdogs
Brats
Chips
Soda



**Friday, September 5,
2008**

Food begins at 6pm

Varsity Football Game
vs
Montello-Princeton
Begins at 7pm



Presentation of
Project to the
School Board
&
Almond-Bancroft
Youth Football
Teams introduced



The sprinklers are in
and the
bleachers are up!

Everyone is welcome
to the celebration!



Homecoming 2008 "Soar With Eagle Pride"



Almond-Bancroft will celebrate Homecoming in a new format this year

Homecoming celebrations will start on Friday, September 26th, 2008
With Spirit Day held during school hours, followed by the
Homecoming Parade at 3:00 P.M.,
5:00 P.M. Senior Tailgate and
7:00 P.M. Football game Home vs. Marion.
Homecoming Volleyball game,
Thursday, October 2nd, Home vs. Rosholt at 6:00 P.M.

2008-09

Open Gym Hours

Sunday evenings starting at 7 p.m.
in the west gym.

All ages are welcome!

If you have any questions contact Scott Kollock at
335-6631.

Booster Club News By Renee Hunkins

A year ago, the Booster Club had a dream – to put in underground sprinklers at the Sports Complex and to install bleachers at the football field. In January, Matt Bickford, Andrew Bradley and Spence Bunders convinced all of us this could be more than a dream it could be a reality. In February, we began to organize flyers, newspaper articles, and an alumni database. By March, we were ready to send out flyers to all of our alumni and to put articles in the school newsletter. In a very short time, the donations began to come our way. This is when we knew that this could really happen.

In April we held our first fundraiser, a Chicken Dinner, to be followed by helping the Almond Lions serve dinner to the bikers who were on their way to the Memorial in Wood County during Tater Toot, then the Golf Outing with Doug Berry in August and to be completed with the Tailgate Party on September 5th.

Mid-July we began to install the sprinklers with the guidance of Gene Timm. We were fortunate enough to have a number of volunteers who came in to help dig trenches, lay hose, and then fill in all of those trenches. We could not have done this without all of your help. It was a hot, dirty, job but we did it with smiles on our faces and a great deal of good-natured teasing!!

The bleachers were delivered in mid-July as well, but we were not able to start putting them up until mid-August. Burt from Miron Construction and several of his employees donated time to help us with this phase of the project. The first step, the frame, went up in just a couple of hours but we are finding that the seats and walkways are the real meat and potatoes of the bleachers. You would be amazed at the number of nuts and bolts that need to be tightened!!

When you see Matt, Andrew and Spence, thank them and their families for all they have given up to see this project through to completion. They have invested a great deal of time in this project, taking them away from their families and keeping them from having a normal life these past few months.

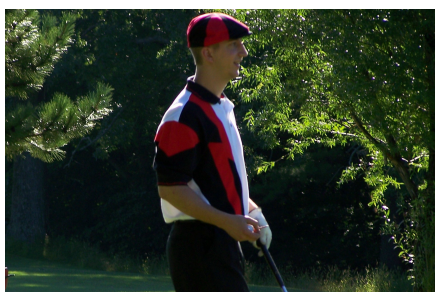
This phase of our project will be ending with the Tailgate Party on September 5th. We are still in need of just a few thousand dollars to have this project paid in full. So, please, come out, see the work that has been completed, and support our cookout – we appreciate all of your generosity.

BUD BERRY MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

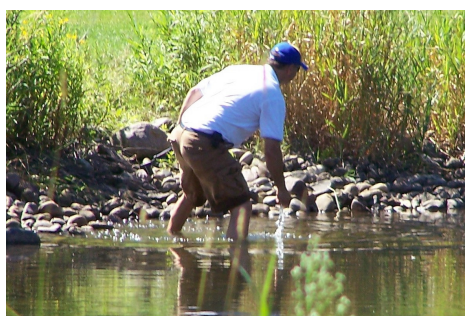
The Booster Club would like to thank Doug Berry and his family for allowing us to be a part of their First Annual Memorial Golf Outing.



The proceeds from the outing will go toward a Memorial Scholarship in Bud Berry's name at the Almond-Bancroft Schools.



The money raised at the outing by the Booster Club went to our Sports Complex Improvement Project. We would like to thank everyone for their support!





P.I.E NEWS

Our school can earn up to \$60,000 every year through Box Tops. Last year Almond-Bancroft students helped our school earn approximately \$500.00. Partners In Education would love to see that amount increased.

Starting in September of 2008, each grade (Pre K -5th) that collects 1000 or more Box Tops during the '08-09 school year will be able to participate in an ice cream party held by P.I.E. There will be a collection container in each child's classroom for clipped Box Tops to be placed in. The amount of Box Tops collected will be tallied on a bulletin board in the Elementary school entrance.

Start collecting Box Tops; ask grandparents, aunts and uncles, family friends and others to help you collect Box Tops. Look for the 10 cent Box Tops coupon on hundreds of products. You can find BoxTops on brands such as Cheerios, Betty Crocker, Pillsbury, Ziploc, Kleenex, Hefty and more. To see all participating products containing the Box Tops coupon go to www.boxtops4education.com.

Thank you for doing your part to help support Almond-Bancroft Schools.

Partners In Education

Fall Pictures

Mark your calendars! Lifetouch will again be taking school pictures. Middle School and High School students will be photographed on Wednesday, September 17th, 2008.

PK – 6th grade students will be photographed on Monday, September 22nd, 2008.

Look for further information coming home with your child.



HELP US EARN PLAY EQUIPMENT FOR THE BANCROFT SCHOOL

The Bancroft School is collecting Campbell soup labels to be redeemed for equipment for the school: computer games, play ground toys and/or manipulatives.

However, the rules for turning them in have changed. They no longer want the whole front of the label. They only want to UPC symbol. In fact, we will only be able to submit the UPC symbols from now on.

Thank you,
The Bancroft Staff

ALMOND/BANCROFT FAMILY RESOURCE CTR. NEWSLETTER

Room S325 Almond High School
(Enter through Almond Elementary)
715.366.2882 or 715.421.4635
September 2008

Happy Early Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas!! What do you say? Well, these holidays will all be gone before you know it! AND the Almond Bancroft Family Resource Center will be celebrating ALL of them. Either at our weekly Play Group or Family Fun Events held at the Bancroft Cafeteria.

PLAY GROUP Wednesdays from 10:00 – 11:30 A.M. Almond Elementary (We will be trying one at Bancroft School)
PLAY GROUP has continued to bring in new families. We will be getting to know each other after the summer. We will try to have a 'special' Play Group, once per month (if not more). SEPTEMBER BRINGS 'MESSY ART DAY' on September 24th. Bring your paint shirts and plan to get dirty. REMEMBER.... we always serve snacks and events are free of charge. Feel free to bring older siblings. Babies, toddlers, and even school age children are welcome. Grandmothers and Grandfathers.... don't forget to bring those grandchildren.
PLAY GROUP, OCT. 1st, WILL BE CANCELLED AND HELD ON OCT. 3rd, AT BANCROFT SCHOOL. Come and make some **spooky spiders**.

Look for the flyers in your children's school bags about upcoming events that will be offered by the Family Resource Center in the future.

Office hours: Before Play Group on Wednesdays. If you cannot find me I might be running around the school. Stop in and check out our lending library including "adult learning" books as well as children's books.

WORKSHOP ON BULLYING:

Monday, Sept. 29th: Almond School from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Come to this very important workshop and find out who is the 'bully' and who is being 'bullied'. What can you do as a parent and how can you help. This class will be presented by Susan Katner, substitute teacher at Plover/Whiting school and FRC Coordinator for Stevens Point. Having experienced bullying in her classroom, she can answer your important questions.

PLEASE PRE REGISTER BY FRIDAY SEPT. 26th (715) 366-2882 or & (715) 421-4635.

I look forward to meeting many of you at Project Fresh Start on August 28th, at Almond Elementary. Let's hope for a great fall.

Jan Roth, your Almond/Bancroft Family Resource Center Coordinator

Team up with your child's teacher for a success in school this year

Research shows that parent involvement in education is connected to student success at school. It's powerful when teachers, parents and kids work together! But the family-school relationship is like any other—it requires good communication.

Make a point to:

Set the tone. It's natural to have questions and concerns when the school year begins. To build a strong parent-teacher foundation, let the teacher know that you appreciate her work. Ask key questions respectfully. Show support for your child and the class, and encourage the teacher to keep in touch.

Be positive. When you talk with the teacher, enjoy hearing about your child's strengths. But prepare to hear about weaknesses or misbehavior, too. Remember to react helpfully. You and the teacher both want your child to do well. Addressing struggles is the way to find solutions.

Role-play. Some parents are shy about talking with the teacher. If this describes you, imagine meeting with her. What would you say? How would you respond to questions? Practice with someone else you trust. Take turns presenting both points of view. Still worried? Using email may put you at ease.

Choose words carefully. Make polite requests rather than demands. A helpful tip is to use "we" instead of "you." ("How can we stay in touch to help Adam?") Rather than "You should tell me if Adam is falling behind.") The teacher isn't your opponent; she's your teammate.

Source: Toni KlymMcLellan, "How to talk to Your Child's Teacher," DisneyFamily.com, <http://family.go.com/parenting/ms-learning/atide-196485-how-to-talk-to-your-childs-teacher-t/>.

Recycle Your Printer Cartridges



We are participating in an educational and environmental partnership which will help raise money for our school, while also helping to protect the environment.

We are collecting empty laser and inkjet cartridges from the school, community and businesses. Just like aluminum cans, empty laser and inkjet cartridges have value. For each cartridge collected, our school will earn money. It's simple cash for trash dollars that's good for the environment too, since most of the cartridges collected can be recycled.

Just send your empty cartridges to school, either in the box they came in or wrapped in newspaper or paper towel to protect them and prevent leakage of leftover ink. There is a collection box located in the Dean of Students office. We will send them to Recycle Rewards, Inc. and they will give us money for each cartridge collected.

Please tell your friends, relatives, and coworkers to save their empty cartridges and send them in to school!

Help your child get organized for the school year

It's the beginning of a new school year—the perfect time to set the stage for learning success. Help your child get off to a good start with these simple steps:

Get a head start. Many families find that organizing at night prevents morning “rush hour.” You can review school papers, pack and refrigerate lunches, set backpacks by the door and agree on outfits.

Establish sleep routines. Choose reasonable bedtimes so everyone is rested when the alarm clock goes off. Do your best to stick with them.

Develop morning habits. If your child does the same things (in the same order) each morning, it's less likely that she will forget a step. For example, make bed, get dressed, eat breakfast, brush teeth and put on shoes.

Choose a homework time. With your child, pick a time when she will have the most energy and motivation to do assignments. Create a quiet study spot (complete with necessary supplies) where she can work at the same time each day.

Use organizational tools. What will help your child stay organized? She might use calendars, to-do lists or a folder system.

Set priorities. Schedule things like schoolwork, family meals and even free time on a calendar. Treat them like appointments. If there are openings, she can add activities.

Source: Elementary School Parents make the difference! September 2008 Vol. 20, No.1.

SINGING BIRTHDAY GRAMS

A-B High School will deliver singing Happy Birthday Telegrams to your favorite Student/Staff member on their birthday! There are packages you may select from:

Option 1: (\$5.00) Happy Birthday balloon on party stick decorated with ribbons, birthday hat/noisemaker, card, and your choice of a chocolate rose or 4 tootsie pops.

Option 2: (\$10.00) Same as #1, but with addition of New Stuffed Eagle.

Option 3: (\$15.00) Decorated balloon, hat, noisemaker, card, rose or pops, beads and our new bobblehead Eagle or new Eagle hat.

Bonus Extra \$1.00—we will include 3 strands of Mardi Gras beads in school colors.

Bonus Extra \$3.00—4x6 Photograph of birthday student on professional photo paper.

Student Name: _____ Birthday: _____ Grade/Teacher: _____

Special Message: _____

OPTION 1 \$5.00 Rose Pops OPTION 2 \$10.00 Rose Pops OPTION 3 \$15.00 Rose Pops

Bonus Extra \$1.00 Bonus Extra \$3.00

ALMOND-BANCROFT SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNUAL NOTICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION REFERRAL AND EVALUATION PROCEDURES

Upon request the Almond-Bancroft School District is required to evaluate a child for eligibility for special education services. A request for evaluation is known as a referral. When the district receives a referral, the district will appoint an Individual Education Program (IEP) team to determine if the child has a disability, and if the child needs special education services. The district locates, identifies, and evaluates all children with disabilities who are enrolled by their parents in private (including religious) schools, elementary schools and secondary schools located in the district.

A physician, nurse, psychologist, social worker, or administrator of a social agency who reasonably believes a child brought to him or her for services is a child with a disability has a legal duty to refer the child, including a homeless child, to the school district in which the child resides. Before referring the child, the person making the referral must inform the child's parent that the referral will be made.

Others, including parents, who reasonably believe a child is a child with a disability, may also refer the child, including a homeless child, to the school district in which the child resides.

Referral must be in writing and include the reason why the person believes the child is a child with a disability. A referral may be made by contacting Angie Meilahn, School Psychologist, Almond Bancroft School District, at 715-366-2941 x-123 or by writing her at 1336 Elm Street, Almond WI. 54909

CONFIDENTIALITY OF PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION OBTAINED THROUGH CHILD FIND ACTIVITIES

Almond-Bancroft School District is required to locate, identify, and evaluate all children, with disabilities, including children with disabilities attending private schools in the school district, and homeless children. The process of locating, identifying, and evaluating children with disabilities is known as child find. This agency conducts the following child find activities each year, preschool screening for 3, 4, and 5 year old children that have not been screened in the past. This notice informs parents of the records the school district will develop and maintain as part of its child find activities. This notice also informs parents of their rights regarding any records developed.

The school district gathers personally identifiable information on any child who participates in child find activities. Parents, teachers, and other professionals provide information to the school related to the child's academic performance, behavior, and health. This information is used to determine whether the child needs special education services. Personally identifiable information directly related to a child and maintained by the school is a pupil record. Pupil records include records maintained in any way including, but not limited to, computer storage media, video and audiotape, film, microfilm, and microfiche. Records maintained for personal use by a teacher and not available to others and records available only to persons involved in the psychological treatment of a child are **not** pupil records.

The school district maintains several classes of pupil records.

- "Progress records" include grades, courses the child has taken, the child's attendance record, immunization records, required lead screening records, and records of school extra-curricular activities. Progress records must be maintained for at least five years after the child ceases to be enrolled.
- "Behavioral records" include such records as psychological tests, personality evaluations, records of conversations, written statements relating specifically to the pupil's behavior, tests relating specifically to achievement or measurement of ability, physical health records other than immunization and lead screening records, law enforcement officers' records, and other pupil records that are not "progress records." Law enforcement officers' records are maintained separately from other pupil records. Behavioral records may be maintained for no longer than one year after the child graduates or otherwise ceases to be enrolled, unless the parent specifies in writing that the records may be maintained for a longer period of time. The school district informs parents when pupil records are no longer needed to provide special education. At the request of the child's parents, the school district destroys the information that is no longer needed.
- "Directory Data" includes the student's name, address, telephone listing, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, photographs, degrees and awards received, and the name of the school most recently previously attended by the student.

"Pupil physical health records" include basic health information about a pupil, including the pupil's immunization records, an emergency medical card, a log of first aid and medicine administered to the pupil, an athletic permit card, a record concerning the pupil's ability to participate in an education program, any required lead screening records, the result of any routine screening test, such as for hearing, vision, or scoliosis, and any follow-up to the test, and any other basic health information, as determined by the state superintendent. Any pupil record relating to a pupil's physical health that is not a pupil physical health record is treated as a patient health care record under sections 146.81 to 146.84, Wisconsin Statutes. Any pupil record concerning HIV testing is treated as provided under section 252.1, Wisconsin Statutes.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), the Individuals with Disabilities Education ACT (IDEA), and section 118.125, Wisconsin Statutes, afford parents and students over 18 years of age (“eligible students”) the following rights with respect to education records:

- **The right to inspect and review the student’s education records within 45 days of receipt of the request.** Parents or eligible students should submit to the school principal a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The principal will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected. The school district will comply with the request without unnecessary delay and before any meeting about an individualized education program, or any due process hearing, and in no case more than 45 days after the request has been made. If any record includes information on more than one child, the parents of those children have the right to inspect and review only the information about their child or to be informed of that specific information. Upon request, the school district will give a parent or eligible student a copy of the progress records and a copy of the behavioral records. Upon request, the school district will give the parent or eligible student a list of the types and locations of education records collected, maintained, or used by the district for special education. The school district will respond to reasonable requests for explanations and interpretations of the records. A representative of the parent may inspect and review the records.
- **The right to request the amendment of the student’s education records that the parent or eligible student believes is inaccurate or misleading.** Parents or eligible students may ask Almond-Bancroft School District to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate or misleading. They should write the school principal, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate or misleading. If the district decides not to amend the record, the district will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and the right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.
- **The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information in the student’s education records, except to the extent that federal and state law authorize disclosure without consent.** The exceptions are stated in 34 CFR 99.31, Family Education Rights and Privacy Act regulations; Sec. 9528, PL107-110, No Child Left Behind Act of 2001; and section 118.125 (2)(a) to (m) and sub. (2m), Wisconsin Statutes. One exception that permits the disclosure without consent is disclosures to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is a person employed by the district as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving on the school board; a person or company with whom the district has contracted to perform a special task (such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist); or a parent or student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility. Upon the request, the district discloses education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll. Also the district discloses “directory data” without consent, unless the parent notifies the district that it may not be released without prior parental consent.
- **The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the district to comply with the requirements of FERPA.** The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA is: Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20202-4605.

SCING Update

Almond-Bancroft is a member of SCING (South Central Instructional Network Group). This group is a regional distance-learning network, which is made up of 18 high schools and 2 technical colleges. It is a means of connecting classrooms with audio and video that provides real-time interactivity so that teachers and students, literally separated by hundreds of miles, can interact as if they are in the same room.

Through SCING, Almond-Bancroft is able to connect to the other schools within the network and students are able to take different courses they offer. These courses are usually ones that we are unable to offer, including AP courses. Students can also take courses taught from a technical school and receive technical college credit for their work. It is a great way for students to receive post-secondary credit while still in high school. There are career exploration programs available where technical colleges talk about different career programs offered at their campus. And finally, our elementary school can even participate in SCING by participating in the enrichment programs. These programs include the popular SCING story times, which are held 5 times a year for grades K-2 and focuses on reading and creating simple make-and-take projects. Other enrichment programs are targeted at older students and they include ‘virtual fieldtrips’ where the students tour a zoo or museum, for example.

This past school year, Almond-Bancroft received the following services from SCING:

- Business Law was taught by Almond-Bancroft to other schools
- 3 of our HS students took the Mid-State Technical College course Medical Terminology
- Our 1st and 2nd graders participated in all 5 story times
- Middle school students had a question and answer session with Senator Herb Kohl
- HS students saw Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College’s presentation on their Wood Technics and Criminal Justice programs
- Middle school students learned about Whooping Cranes and different types of rocks
- Elementary students participated in 14 various enrichment programs ranging from bats to winter to why leaves change color
- A community member was able to take university classes from UW-La Crosse

Almond-Bancroft School District
1336 Elm St., Almond, WI 54909
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Meeting held at the Bancroft School
July 16, 2008 6:30 pm
OPEN MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

1) Call Meeting to Order by President

Roy Danforth called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

2) Roll Call-Establishment of Quorum

__Bradley __Danforth __Dernbach __Ellie __Guth __Wilson __Smith

All board members were present. Administrators present were Dan Boxx and Jeff Rykal. Michele Warzynski, District Bookkeeper, was present. Members of the audience included Matthew Bickford, Spence Bunders, Wendy Bickford, and SuAnn Pagel-Rast.

3) Proof of Posting of Meeting Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.84

Dan Boxx reported that the meeting was posted according to statute.

4) Approval of Agenda

Motion by Jerry Dernbach, second by Cathy Guth to approve the agenda. Motion carried 6-0.

5) Public Appearances Before the Board of Education

There were no public appearances before the board.

6) Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

6A June 18, 2008 Regular meeting of the Board Open and Close Session

Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Jerry Dernbach to approve open session minutes. Motion carried 6-0.

6B July 7, 2008 Co-Curricular Committee meeting Open and Closed Session

Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Jerry Dernbach to approve open session minutes. Motion carried 6-0.

6C July 14, 2008 Policy Committee meeting Open Session

Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Jerry Dernbach to approve open session minutes. Motion carried 6-0.

7) Approval of Current Expenses and Vouchers Payable

Motion by Carol Ellie, second by Gary Smith to approve the current expenses and vouchers. Motion carried 6-0.

8) Announcements/Reports/Updates/Consent Items/Correspondence

8A District Administrator Report

Summer school is going well.

State aid will increase around \$55,000 based on the July 1 state estimate.

Interest in the debt service account is around \$70,000 and will most likely be used for the 09-10 school year.

The levy will increase around \$29,000. Mill rate is projected to decrease by .68. Sparsity aid will be around \$32,000 because Almond- Bancroft Schools meet the criteria.

8B PK-12 Principal Report

The MS Math, HS Special Education, and First Grade applicants have been interviewed. We have three acceptances.

Curriculum for Reading and Math programs is here. Our curriculum will be revised into something more usable with a shorter rotation than 7 years.

9) Policy Development and Review

9A Second Reading of Bullying & Harassment Policy, Locker Room Privacy Policy

Motion by Jeanette Wilson, second by Cathy Guth to approve the Bullying & Harassment Policy. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Cathy Guth, second by Carol Ellie to approve the Locker Room Privacy Policy. Motion carried 6-0.

9B First reading of Fundraising, Student Activity Funds Management, Student Activity Funds Management Guidelines, Fundraising Application Form

Discussion was held.

10) Possible Action Items with Respect to:

10A Booster Club project

Concrete has been poured for bleachers and sidewalk. Hopefully will start on bleachers next Tuesday. Sprinklers will be started next week as well. The well is in and electrical is there and set up. By the next board meeting everything should be finished.

10B Handbook revisions

Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Gary Smith to approve the handbook revisions for the Curriculum Handbook, High School & Middle School Handbooks, Elementary Handbook, Co-Curricular Code Handbook, Substitute Teacher Handbook, and Staff Handbook. Motion carried 6-0.

10C Approval of temporary expenditures

Motion by Cathy Guth, second by Jeanette Wilson to approve temporary Fund 10, Fund 27, and Fund 50 expenditures for

Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Carol Ellie to table approval of milk, bread, and meal prices until the next board meeting. About \$25,000 was transferred from Fund 10 to Fund 50 for 07-08. Motion carried 6-0.

10E Insurance

Our property insurance bill is \$12,826 with \$1,000 deductible and is with the Local Government Property Insurance Fund.

Motion by Carol Ellie, second by Cathy Guth to approve insurance for all students PK-12 through Student Assurance Services. Motion carried 6-0.

10F Resignations of Pat Dwyer (High School Spec. Ed) and Mike Gerlach (Athletic Director)

Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Jerry Dernbach to approve resignations from Pat Dwyer (High School Spec. Ed) and Mike Gerlach (Athletic Director). Motion carried 6-0.

10G Goals for the 2008-09 school year.

Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Cathy Guth to table the approval of 2008-2009 school year goals until the next board meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

10H Auditor Bid

Motion by Gary Smith, second by Jeanette Wilson to approve the auditor bid from Accounting Workshop for \$5,000 for 08-09, \$5,100 for 09-10, and \$5,200 for 10-11. Motion carried 6-0.

10I Approval of Spring Coaches and guidelines for number of coaches

Motion by Gary Smith, second by Carol Ellie to approve Randy Yonke as Softball coach, Sheena Weis as Assistant Softball coach, Andrew Bradley as Baseball coach, Taylor Dernbach as Assistant Baseball coach, and Kip Gutke as Assistant Track coach. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Cathy Guth to table the guidelines for number of coaches until the next meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

11) Items for Signatures

11A Signatures for meeting minutes

12) Dates for Upcoming Committee Meetings and Board Meetings

12A Regular Board of Education meeting Wednesday, August 20, 2008 at 6:30pm

13) Roll Call-Adjournment to Closed Session

Approve closed session minutes from June 18, 2008 and July 7, 2008.

Consideration for movement into closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Possible discussion of coaching and school staff (e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. AAEA contract update.

Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Jerry Dernbach to adjourn to closed session at 7:28 p.m. Roll call vote 7-0.

14) Roll Call-Return to Open Session

Motion by Cathy Guth, second by Jerry Dernbach to return to open session at 7:55. Roll call vote 7-0.

15) Adjournment

Motion by Gary Smith, second by Jeanette Wilson to adjourn. Motion carried 6-0 at 7:57 p.m.

The School District of Almond-Bancroft does not discriminate against any person on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability or handicap in its educational programs or activities.



Almond-Bancroft Staff Contact Numbers

<u>Name (Last, First)</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Extension</u>	<u>Name (Last, First)</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Extension</u>
Ambrose, Nicole	1st Grade	101	Mather, Karin	LMC	412
Ammel, Lorrie	Bancroft Aide	335-4411	McLarnan, Linda	Title 1 Aide	117
Barber, Dawn	ES Guidance	121	Meddaugh, Shirley	Speech	102
Barden, Sandy	ES,MS,HS Secretary	329	Meilahn, Angie	Psychologist	123
Baumgartner, Brad	Middle School	206	Negro, Amanda	2nd Grade	116
Blokhuis, Sara	2nd Grade	114	Operator	Operator	0
Boxx, Dan	District Admin.	418	Pagel-Rast, SuAnn	ES Sp. Ed.	106
Brandt, Nicole	HS English	312	Plaisance, Kathie	MS Science	200
Chapa, Eli	Title 1 Aide	119	Ramczyk, Brenda	1st Grade	118
Chapa, Maria	MS/HS Aide	311	Ritter, Sara	ES Art	122
Ciula, Sandy	Dean, HS Math	108	Rock, Toni	HS English	302
Corcoran, Ben	1st Grade	120	Rykal, Jeff	K-12 Principal	416
Dernbach, Lynne	MS/HS Art	324	Scott, Ron	MS At-Risk	310
Dethlefsen, Marilyn	Nurse	125	Seymour, Michael	Comp. Sci. & Tech	328
Doede, Peg	3rd Grade	110	Smith, Gina	4K Aide	335-4411
Frank, Crystal	Choir	124	Spencer, Sarah	MS/HS Guidance	414
Gardener, Dorine	Kindergarten	335-4411	Sutliff, Donna	HS Math	331
Gerlach, Mike	HS Soc. St.	300	Thompson, Chris	Kindergarten	335-4411
Gingery, Royal	Band	326	Upton, Denise	ES Aide	336
Henske, Melissa	2nd Grade	100	VanderLaan, Kevin	MS/HS PE	327
Hinton, Candi	MS Math	202	VanErt, Mickey	LMC Aide	415
Huebner, Allison	HS Alt. Ed.	308	Vann, Lisa	Spanish	320
Kaehn, Connie	Food Service	410	Van Stralen, Dan	MS Sp. Ed.	203
Karch, Carrie	4th Grade	113	Wagner, Bill	Tech. Ed.	333
Karpen, Sandy	Bus. Ed.	314	Warzynski, Diana	ES Sp. Ed. Aide	126
Kehring, Greg	4th Grade	111	Warzynski, Ed	Maintenance	344
Kehring, Karen	Title 1	104	Warzynski, Michele	Dist. Bookkeeper	419
Klinger, Debra	4K	335-4411	Warzynski, Trina	PT. District Secretary	422
Knepfel, Todd	FACE	319	Weis, Sheena	MS English	201
Krueger, Pat	HS Science	330	Weiss, Kim	5th Grade	109
Kujawa, Jeff	Middle School	204	Whitman, Esther	MS/HS Aide	305
Leary, Pat	Food Srv. Bookkeeper	421	Wills, Cindy	5th Grade	107
Lehman, Marcey	Bancroft Aide	335-4411	Wimme, Lisa	3rd Grade	112
Martens, Jeff	HS Sp. Ed.	304	Young, Roger	ES PE	402

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS

If your child is absent from school,
please call the Attendance Office at 366-2941
extension 108 or use the #1 phone prompt,
before 9:00 a.m.

Almond-Bancroft September 2008

Breakfast Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 No School	2 Cereal, Muffin, Juice	3 Cereal, Muffin, Juice	4 French Toast, Applesauce	5 Bagel, Juice
8 Cereal, Muffin, Juice	9 Scrambled Eggs, Toast, Juice	10 Oatmeal, Toast, ½ Orange	11 Cereal, Muffin, Juice	12 Cinnamon Roll, Juice
15 Cereal, Muffin, Juice	16 French Toast, Applesauce	17 Cereal, Muffin, Juice	18 Scrambled Eggs, Toast, ½ Orange	19 Bagel, Juice
22 Cereal, Muffin, Juice	23 Oatmeal, Toast, ½ Orange	24 Cereal, Muffin, Juice	25 Cereal, Toast, Juice	26 Cinnamon Roll, Juice

Breakfast Prices:
 Reduced - FREE
 Normal - 21 days @ 1.00 = \$21.00

Morning Milk
 \$11.25 Per
 Quarter

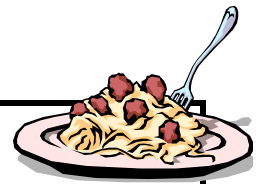


Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 No School	2 Beefy Nachos, Corn, Pineapple	3 Chicken Nuggets, French Fries, Peas, Peaches	4 BBQ On Bun, Potato Wedges, Green Beans, Pears	5 Hot Dogs, Tator Barrels, Baked Beans, Applesauce
8 Pizza, Salad Bar, Mixed Fruit, Bread	9 Chicken & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Peaches, Bread	10 Tacos, Corn, Pears	11 Chili, Crackers, Pineapple, Bread	12 Corn Dogs, Ravioli, Carrots, Applesauce
15 Cheese Fries, Salad Bar, Peaches	16 Chicken Patty On Bun, French Fries, Baked Beans, Pears	17 Hamburger On Bun, Potato Wedges, Peas, Pineapple	18 Beef & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Applesauce, Bread	19 Beefy Nachos, Corn, Mixed Fruit
22 Hot Dogs, Tator Barrels, Baked Beans, Pears	23 Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Pineapple, Bread	24 Chicken Nuggets, French Fries, Carrots, Applesauce	25 Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup, Mixed Fruit	26 Beefy Nachos, Corn, Mixed Fruit

Lunch Prices:
 Reduced - 21 days @ .40 = \$8.40
 K-5th grade - 21 days @ 1.60 = \$33.60
 6th - 12th grade - 21 days @ 1.85 = \$38.85

Hi Everyone,



Yes, summer is about over and it is almost the beginning of the new school year 2008-2009. There will be new experiences and new adventures for all children this fall.

With inflation the way it is, please, take a look at the federal guidelines for free and reduced meals. If you are ever laid-off, have a reduction in work hours or lose your job, please do not hesitate to call me at 715-366-2941 Ext. 421. I will help you immediately in any way I can.

There have been some changes in the Breakfast and Hot Lunch program. A hot breakfast will be served one day a week at the Bancroft school. Dessert will be served with lunch twice a week. We are always looking into future changes to improve our food service program.

Please, remember it is the policy of the Board of Education "NOT TO CHARGE" any meals or ala carte without the money in your account. I will try to the best of my ability to notify you when your account has a balance of \$5.00 - \$10.00 to prevent this.

Can't wait to see everyone in the fall, how they have grown and matured. It is so enjoyable.

Respectfully,
Pat Leary
Food Service Director



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