

Go Lead. Go Serve. Go Bengals!



November 2, 2023 - November 11, 2023

Events coming up this next week! 📅

Friday, November 3

- BMS Girls and Boys Basketball Tryouts 🏀

Saturday, November 4

- BMS Cheer - Debbie Rogers Invitational @ Colonial Life Arena

Monday, November 6

- PTO Chili Cook-off - Staff Appreciation lunch 🍴

Tuesday, November 7

- SIC Meeting - 1:15 PM

Friday, November 10

- FCA Meeting - 7:30 AM in Theater
- Veteran's Day Ceremony - Parade - 8:45 am - Ceremony - 9:00 am 🇺🇸

Saturday, November 11

- Basketball Jamboree at Dutch Fork - Girls @ 10 AM - Boys @10:40 AM 🏀

SUBMIT PARENT OR MEDICAL EXCUSES [HERE](#)

[2023-2024 BMS Student Handbook](#)

Early Pick Up Cutoff Time is 3:00 PM. Please pick up your student prior to that time for appointments, etc.



5th Annual Hand Turkey Drawing Competition 🐾

Ladies and Gentleman, You are invited to participate in the 5th Annual Hand Turkey Drawing Competition at BMS beginning November 1st. The competition ends Thursday November 15th. Below you will find instructions that may help you get started. We have also printed out instructions and provided paper outside our classroom. If you have a Hand Turkey drawing you would like to submit please make sure to give your drawing to either Mr. Keiper or Mr. Lafaye in room F134 or F136 by November 15th. We will select grade level winners and an overall school winner on Nov 16th. If you have any questions please feel free to contact either Mr. Keiper or Mr. Lafaye.

5th Annual Hand Turkey Drawing Competition

- Step 1: Trace **Hand**. Firmly place one **hand**, palm down and fingers spread apart, on a sheet of paper. If you need paper, we will have some outside the art room.
 - Step 2: Finish Body in any style you would like, building on your favorite characters, patterns, or designs. You can relate it to sports, anime, books or use your imagination to create your own.
 - Use your phone or IPAD to look up reference images but please come up with original ideas.
 - Step 3: Start out by drawing lightly and try to blend the colors if using colored pencils. Students can use colored pencils, markers, and pens. Any materials they would like to create their work.
 - Take your time and add lots of details. Think of the head, feathers, body, and legs. Give it a personality.
 - Step 4: For your background and surroundings make sure you use foreground, middle ground, and background. Focus on relating the background to the Hand Turkey.
 - We will have grade level awards as well as 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners
 - All completed Hand Turkeys will be displayed in the hall on Nov 16th.
 - We will have some past Hand Turkeys out in the hall leading up to this year's participating work being on display.
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BMS PTO

Chili Cook-Off Contest

Hello Bengal Families!

As we move into this beautiful fall season, the BMS PTO has decided to try something new for our November Staff and Faculty Appreciation event! We will be hosting our first **CHILI COOK-OFF CONTEST** as an appreciation lunch on Monday, 6 November, and we need your help! Do you think you have the BEST chili recipe? Is it spicy or mild, chili con carne or vegetarian, or maybe even a white bean or chicken chili? If you have a recipe that you love and would like to share it with us, please consider donating a pot of chili and entering our Chili Cook-Off Contest! Not only will our wonderful staff and faculty feel the love and support of our great Bengal families, they will have the pleasure of enjoying your delicious creations. Of course they will be voting on their favorite chili. It wouldn't be a true Cook-Off without that! A prize will be awarded to the winner!

We are requesting that you provide warm chilli in a slow cooker on the morning of November 6th. Chilli can be dropped off at the school's front office when you bring in your child, or anytime before 9:30am. Please label your slow cookers and lids with your full name. **We can only allow for 12 entries, so get your submission in before it's too late!**

If you would like to show the BMS teachers and staff how much you appreciate them but do not want to provide a pot of chili, please consider signing up to bring in your favorite cornbread or corn muffins.

The BMS PTO will provide all the chili toppings to include, but not limited to shredded cheese, sour cream, crackers, hot sauce and similar accompaniments.

If you are unable to contribute chili or cornbread, you are not alone! Totally fine! You can show your support using the link below to make a monetary donation to the Staff Appreciation fund. The PTO will use these donations to purchase all of the accompaniments or to use in future events.

[Chili Cook-Off Sign-Up](#) 🍴

SIC Meeting

Our School Improvement Council meeting will take place on November 7th at 1:15 p.m. Click [here](#) for details and the agenda.

BMS celebrates our Veterans! 🪖

A poster for a Veterans Day ceremony. The top section is white with a blue border and features a banner of red, white, and blue pennants. The text reads: "WE WOULD BE HONORED FOR YOU TO JOIN US AS WE RECOGNIZE OUR VETERANS". Below this, the date "10 NOV" and time "09:00 AM" are displayed in large blue and red fonts. The central image shows a silhouette of a soldier in a red field, holding an American flag, surrounded by a shower of gold stars. The bottom section is a solid red banner with white text: "★ VETERANS DAY ★", "★★★ CEREMONY ★★★", "★ Beechwood Middle School ★", "1340 HIGHWAY 378, LEXINGTON, SC 29072", and "PLEASE CLICK HERE TO RSVP".

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World Kindness Day - Wear your cardigan! 🧥

November 13th is World Kindness Day! Join us in celebrating by wearing a cardigan on this day in the spirit of Fred Rogers! #LeadLocallyServeGlobally

2024 Beechwood Middle Track & Field Information

Head Track Coach: Coach Gause: rgause@lexington1.net

Dates:

Pre-season conditioning:

Jan. 8th - 11th 3:40 - 5:00pm

Jan. 16th - 18th 3:40 - 5:00pm

Jan. 22nd - 25th 3:40 - 5:00pm

Jan. 30th - 31st 3:40 - 5:00pm

Time Trials (Tryouts)

Feb 1st - 400m and 800m

Feb 5th- 100m and 200m

Feb 6th- 1600m

Feb 7th- Make-up Time Trials



Pre-Season Conditioning:

Athletes **MUST HAVE A PHYSICAL** to participate in pre-season conditioning. A hard copy can be given to a coach, or it can be uploaded to Planet High School. **Athletes and Parents MUST HAVE A PLANET HIGH SCHOOL.**

Athletes will meet on the Track at 3:40pm with proper running gear on. Parents should be prepared to pick-up their child at **5:00pm**

Swing by Room A203 to sign the sign-up sheet.

Beechwood Middle
Library News



Author Kwame Alexander GIVEAWAY winner



REAGAN RAY

BMS seventh and eighth grade students participated in a virtual author visit with Kwame Alexander on October 24. Participants were entered into a raffle for a grand prize. Congratulations to our winner!

Important Information from our Front Office

Parents - We need your help....

1) **Forgotten Items** - we have had an overwhelming amount of forgotten items being dropped off in the Front Office. The best way you can help us is making sure that your Bengal has everything that they need for a successful school day when they arrive in the morning. We appreciate your help with this!



2) **Lost and Found Items** - Please add your student's names to their lunch boxes, jackets or other personal items so that we can get them returned to your student as soon as possible. We have had several lunch boxes and jackets found with no names, so we are unable to reunite these items with their owners. Thank you so much for your help with this!

Morning Arrival Information - IMPORTANT 🚗

BMS Families:

Please know that students are not able to enter BMS until 7:00 a.m.

Students who are dropped off on the side of the building before 7:30 a.m. should walk around to enter our main entrance as side doors are locked until 7:30 a.m. Students who arrive at the main entrance before 7:30 a.m. will walk through the main office to gain entry into the building. This keeps all building entrances secure until a faculty or staff member is present to monitor arrivals.

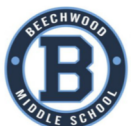
Late Arrivals -

If your student arrives after 8:05 AM, you must come in with your student to the Front Office to sign them in. They are considered a late arrival (tardy) after this time and must be accompanied by their parent/guardian to be signed in. Thank you!

Beechwood Middle PTO News

PTO News 🐾

- Please support BMS through the FREE Lowes Foods Cart 2 Class program. Sign up today with your Lowes Fresh Rewards number (or phone number associated with your account) and choose Beechwood Middle School.
<https://rewards.lowesfoods.com/Account/SelectCard?mode=CartToClass>
- We have several positions to fill on our PTO Board. Check them out here and sign up! [PTO Board Positions](#) We would love to have you on Board!!
- Staff Appreciation: Show our BMS Staff your appreciation by donating to the [Staff Appreciation Fund](#). All donations received through this fund will be used towards our staff appreciation events throughout the year.



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<https://beechwood-middle-school-pto.square.site/>



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BMS Resources

[2023-2024 BMS Student Handbook](#)

[Check out our BMS Webpage](#)

[Financial Assistance](#)

[Need ParentSquare Help?](#)

If you need support in using ParentSquare, this resource may be helpful to you as we transition to this communication platform.

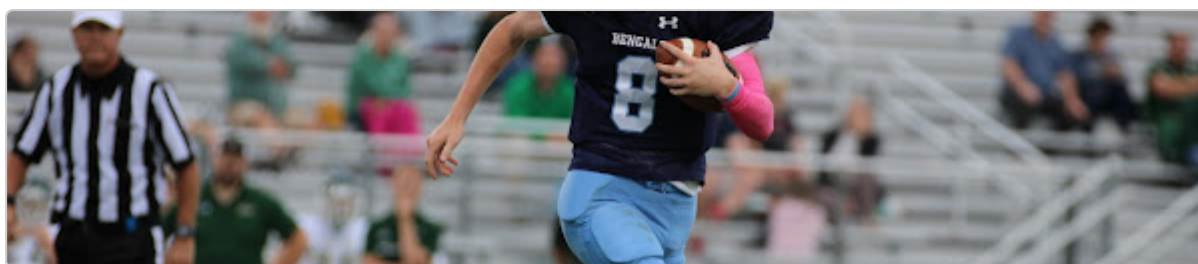
BMS Athletics - Go Bengals! 🐾📣



23/24 BMS Volleyball

156 new items added to shared album

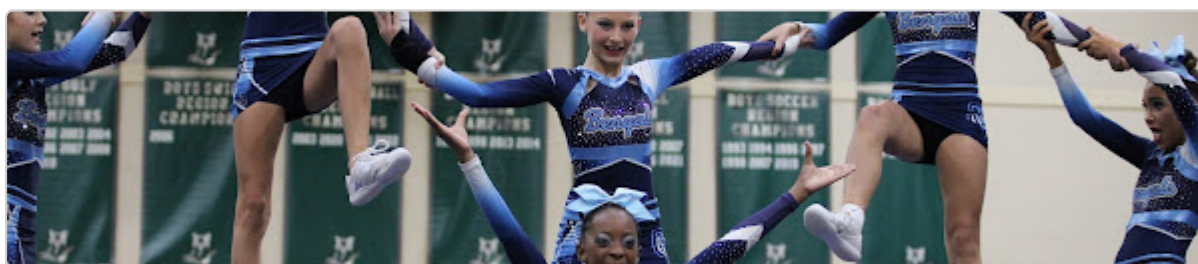
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23/24 BMS Football

447 new items added to shared album

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23/24 Cheer

211 new items added to shared album

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23/24 8th grade Football, Cheer, Dance Football Recognition

119 new items added to shared album

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Beechwood Middle School

Beechwood is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters