


Go Lead. Go Serve. Go Bengals!



January 11, 2024 - January 19, 2024

Events coming up this next week!

Thursday, January 11

- Beta Club Meeting in the Theater - 7:30 am
- BMS Basketball vs CSMS @ BMS - 6:00 pm 

Friday, January 12

- Half Day for Staff and Students - Dismiss at 12:05 pm
- Student vs Faculty Basketball Game


Saturday, January 13

- 7th Grade Boys Basketball vs LMS @ MGMS - 9:45 am
- 7th Grade Girls Basketball vs LMS @ GMS - 9:00 am
- Capital City Dance Team Classic @ Dutch Fork HS @ 10:57 am


Monday, January 15

- MLK Day Holiday - NO SCHOOL!

Tuesday, January 16

- [Home-Based Bengal Student Portfolio Conversations](#): Have your Bengal to share their digital portfolio with you at home!
- Special Olympics Fan Club meeting - 7:40 am - Room C110
- BMS Basketball vs WKMS @ WKMS - 5:30 pm 

Thursday, January 18

- [Home-Based Bengal Student Portfolio Conversations](#): Have your Bengal to share their digital portfolio with you at home!
- BMS Basketball vs LMS @ BMS - 5:30 pm 

Friday, January 19

- [Home-Based Bengal Student Portfolio Conversations](#): Have your Bengal to share their digital portfolio with you at home!

- ACDA Middle School Choral All-State (Florence) 🎵
- PTO Meeting - 8:45 AM

Saturday, January 20

- [Home-Based Bengal Student Portfolio Conversations](#): Have your Bengal to share their digital portfolio with you at home!
- 7th Grade Basketball vs LMS @ LMS

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.



Happy New Year, Bengals!

As we move into the New Year and the second semester, we remain committed to leading locally and serving globally.

We will all enjoy a long weekend, with the observation of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on Monday. Dr. King once said, "everybody can be great... because anybody can serve." Whether it's volunteering at a local shelter, participating in a community cleanup, or simply reaching out to a neighbor in need, every small effort adds up to create a ripple effect of positive change.

While service is a way of life at the Beech, we encourage you to find a way to serve others on Monday in honor of Dr. King.

Go Bengals!

Leah Sarantopoulos



▶▶ Q2/S1 Report Cards are Now in PowerSchool! ◀◀

Bengal Families,

As you know, report cards are now distributed digitally and are accessed through the Parent Portal in PowerSchool. Please see the directions provided by Lexington School District One to guide you through how to access your child's report card. In Lexington One, World Language classes are graded on a proficiency system. And, at the Beech, our Connections classes are as well. Please take a look at [this document](#) to better understand your child's performance in proficiency-based classes. We are so proud of our Bengals!

Bengals Are Balanced! Home-Based Portfolio Conversations Next Week!

Bengal Families!

Your Bengal has been working on a digital portfolio in which they have reflected upon the first semester and set goals for the second! Bengals will complete the first half of their portfolio in their Connections classes on Friday, 1/12. Next week, ALL Bengals will be challenged to [share their portfolio with YOU](#) at home! The best part? Bengals who complete this will be entered into a raffle for a gift card *and* you will know what they're proud of and what they want to accomplish in the second semester! #winning

▶▶ We need you! ◀◀

We need you! If you are willing to spend some time at one of our home basketball games, we'd really appreciate some volunteers to run our concessions! All proceeds go to our PTO - right here at the Beech! Please sign up for a time slot by [clicking here](#)! THANK YOU!

Dress Code reminder 🔊

Bengal Families -

As you purchase clothes for the Spring season, please be sure that - if the clothes will be worn at the Beech - they are dress code compliant. Particularly as we prepare for the warmer weather to return in the Spring, we want to be mindful of "growth spurts" to ensure that shorts and shirts are as indicated in the [district dress code](#).



Lexington High School

RISING 9TH GRADE MEETING



JANUARY

24

6:00 PM



The LHS Counseling Department will host an evening discussing graduation requirements and course scheduling as you prepare for your IGP meeting.



- ✓ Learn about graduation requirements
- ✓ Explore course opportunities
- ✓ Discuss important information

Join us in the LOPAC
(auditorium)



Fundraiser for the Polar Plunge 🧊

Special Olympics is selling hot cocoa for \$1.00 and donuts for \$2.00 every Wednesday through January. The money is being raised for The Polar Plunge.

POLAR PLUNGE 2/10/2024
OUR HEART WILL ALWAYS FLY TO A FRIEND THAT WE FIND

<https://www.classy.org/team/546312>

THE 4 TEACHERS WITH THE MOST DONATIONS UNDER THEIR NAME WILL TAKE THE PLUNGE!!!

Ms. Sarantopoulos	Ms. Risinger	Ms. Garcia	
Mr. Graham	Ms. Kruger	Mr. Kemerer	Ms. Munsch
Mr. Keiper	Ms. Graves	Ms. Peterson	Ms. Jordan

Hot Cocoa and doughnuts will be sold outside the cafeteria in support on Wednesday mornings leading up to the plunge

LHS Boys Golf Team 🏌️

Tryouts for the Boys Golf team will begin on Tuesday January 30th at 4:00 at the Country Club of Lexington. This is open to any 7th-12th grade students who have their paperwork/physicals completed and approved on Big Teams (formerly PlanetHS). Interested students must have a background in golf and have all the necessary clubs/equipment needed to play.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Coach Smith at cbsmith@lexington1.net.

LHS JV Boys Soccer Open Play Information

Open Play Dates: January 8th and January 16th

Location: Soccer Practice Field located beside LHS Softball Stadium

Time: 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM



** 7th and 8th Graders only!!

** Each player must have a completed physical form dated after April 1, 2023 to participate.

** Each player must complete all forms on Big Teams Website!

BIG TEAMS INSTRUCTIONS AND PHYSICAL FORMS ARE AVAILABLE IN COACH DECELL'S ROOM (B215)!

** Questions - Contact Coach Decell at gdecell@lexington1.net or stop by room B215!!

****OPEN PLAY DATES ARE OPTIONAL!! TRYOUTS WILL BE HELD Jan. 31st - February 2nd!!****

LHS JV Girls Soccer Tryouts Information

Tryout Dates: January 30th - February 1st

Location: Soccer Practice Field located behind LHS Football Stadium

Time: 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM



** Each player must have a completed physical form dated after April 1, 2023 to participate.

** Each player must complete all forms on the Big Teams Website!

BIG TEAMS INSTRUCTIONS AND PHYSICAL FORMS ARE IN THE FRONT OFFICE!

** Questions - Contact Coach Fryland at cfryland@lexington1.net

Math Homework Help Center

The Math Homework Help Center is still closed for the beginning of Semester 2. We will send out an announcement in the BMS Notes once we have an official start date.

Groundhog Job Shadow Day

Parents of 7th and 8th Grade students,

Our annual Groundhog Job Shadow Day will be on February 2, 2024. On this day we encourage your student to find a family or community member whose job they are interested in to shadow. If your child would like to participate in job shadow day, please submit the google form located below by January 31, 2024 so we are aware of their participation. You will find more detailed information about job shadowing and the expectations on this form. Your student must complete a Student Observation Google Form, on their district-issued device the day that they job shadow. Students will receive this google form link through their school email. The Student Observation Google Form must be completed and submitted no later than February 7th, 2024 or the job shadowing experience will be counted as an unexcused absence.



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2024

7th and 8th-grade students are invited to shadow a family member or community member.

Groundhog Job Shadow Day Permission Slip

[English Permission Form](#)

[Spanish Permission Form](#)

8th Grade Trip to Washington DC

On Thursday, November 16, we held a meeting for students and their parents who are interested in participating in the 8th Grade trip to Washington, D.C. We had a great turn out but understand that not all were able to attend. If you're 8th Grade Bengal is interested in going there is still time to register! Attached are the presentation and handouts that were given during the meeting. All forms should be read and completed by both student and parent and returned to Mrs. Garrick in Room C116.

[BMS 8th Grade Trip - Washington, D.C. \(1\).pdf](#)

[drive.google.com](#)

[8th Grade Trip Packet 2024.pdf](#)

[drive.google.com](#)

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

Dates:

Pre-season conditioning:

Jan. 8th - 11th 2:40 - 5:00pm

2024 Beechwood Middle Track & Field Information

[docs.google.com](#)

Important Information from our Front Office

Morning Arrival Information - IMPORTANT 🚗

Students are not able to enter BMS until 7:00 a.m. If students arrive after 8:05 a.m. they must be signed in by a parent/guardian and are considered tardy.

Beechwood Middle Library News

BMS LIBRARY

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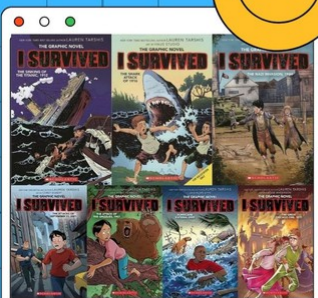
in 45 school days...

63
CLASSES

visited the library

4,428
CHECKOUTS

- averages a checkout every 4.25 minutes
- 349 more checkouts than first quarter



Most Borrowed:
I Survived Series



Spotlight:
Battle of the Beards

Overdue Library Books

Students and Parents,

Happy New Year! Please check for overdue library books. Students have access to their current library checkouts through the Follett Destiny Discover app on their launchpad and selecting "My Stuff". Email librarian Adina Wilson at awilson@lexington1.net with any questions.

Beechwood Middle PTO News

PTO News 🐾

- 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.



BEECHWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL
spirit store

Click here to get your BMS Gear! 🐾

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

Office Max and Office Depot

Support Beechwood Middle School when you shop at Office Max and Office Depot through the Give Back program! It is SO easy - simply provide the school's name when you check out in store or enter ID number 70245636 when you check out online.

GIVEBACK to schools
Office Depot OfficeMax

SCHOOL NAME: Beechwood Middle School
SCHOOL ID: 70245636

We'll give 5% back in credit to your school on qualifying purchases when you present this card at checkout.

Exclusions apply. Program limited to Pre-K thru 12th grade. See reverse or visit officedepot.com/giveback for program terms and conditions.

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Sign in and go to Account >My profile>My Publix Partner, choose Beechwood Middle School.

Enter your registered Club Publix phone number each time you shop and support BMS!

****Already registered? Please double check that Beechwood Middle is still selected as your Partner!**



Before you shop at Lowe's Foods, sign up (Free!) for Fresh Rewards and support Beechwood Middle School! Visit

[https://rewards.lowesfoods.com/Account/SelectCard?](https://rewards.lowesfoods.com/Account/SelectCard?mode=CartToClass)

[mode=CartToClass](https://rewards.lowesfoods.com/Account/SelectCard?mode=CartToClass) to enroll your Fresh Rewards account. Don't know your Fresh Rewards number? It's okay! You can look up your account with just your phone number (click under the Continue button).



Already registered? Please check to be sure Beechwood Middle is still selected!

Beechwood Middle School PTO Grant Winners! 🎉

Beechwood Middle School PTO awarded 7 grants to our teachers before Winter Break! From technology to a storage building, their generosity has helped support our teachers and students in so many ways! Congratulations to Anne Peterson, Leona Ransdell, Shannon Boatwright, Angie Kruger, Janel Lane, Robert Maxwell and Lisa Risinger!



Congrats!

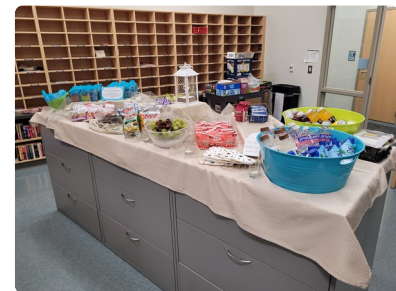


Beechwood Middle PTO Grant Award Winners



"New Year, New You" Snacks and Treats 🍷

We are so thankful for our AMAZING PTO!! They set up a "New Year, New You" treat table for the Bengal family today! We appreciate our wonderful families so much! Thank you for all you do!!! 💖 📧



BMS Resources 🐅

2023-2024 BMS Student Handbook

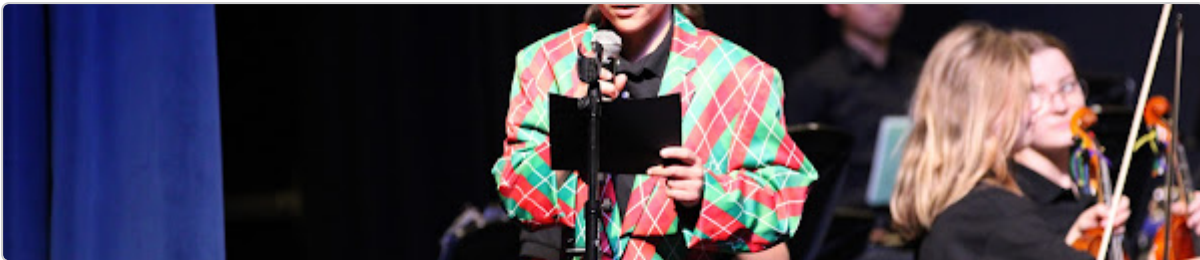
Check out our BMS Webpage

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 Event Photos! 📸



Holiday Orchestra Performance 2023

131 new items added to shared album

[🔗 photos.app.goo.gl](https://photos.app.goo.gl)



Winter Chorus Concert

64 new items added to shared album

[🔗 photos.app.goo.gl](https://photos.app.goo.gl)



23/24 BMS Volleyball

156 new items added to shared album

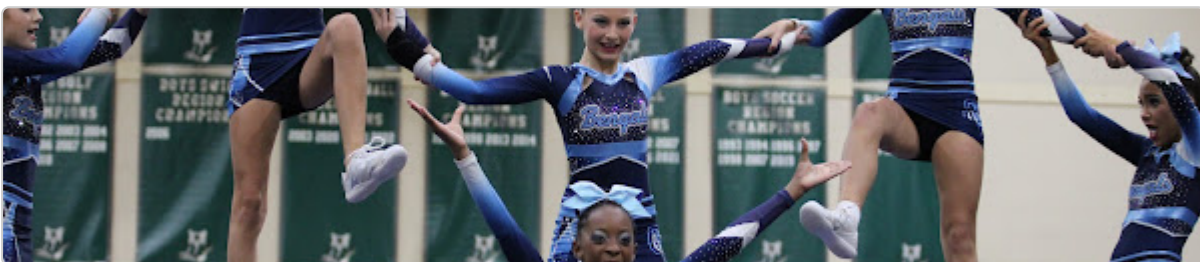
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23/24 BMS Football

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