

Thursday, February 15th, 2024

## BROOKWOOD JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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If you are interested in seeing the Brookwood Morning announcements, please go to our website, [www.now.k12.wi.us](http://www.now.k12.wi.us), click on BHS Daily Announcements, or follow us on Facebook: [Norwalk-Ontario-Wilton School District](https://www.facebook.com/Norwalk-Ontario-Wilton-School-District).

School closings due to emergency conditions will be announced the following ways: Facebook, Email, Text, Voice Recording sent to families via SchoolMessenger; Announcements on the following radio & television stations: Radio-WCOW 97.1 FM, WBOG 94.5 FM, WVRO 102 FM; Television-WKBT La Crosse Channel 8, WXOW La Crosse Channel 19.

### Lunch Menu for February 19th - 23rd

All lunches are served with the option of fresh vegetables, fresh fruit, salad and milk.

Monday	Bacon Cheeseburger or Popcorn Chicken, Hashbrowns Patty
Tuesday	Mini Corn Dogs or Meatball Sub, Diced Potato Bites
Wednesday	Bacon Cheeseburger Pizza or Macaroni & Cheese, Fruit Salad
Thursday	Orange Chicken or Chicken Quesadilla, Rice, Steamed Broccoli
Friday	Hot Dog or Brat, Calico Beans, Chips

Please make sure your students have money in their lunch account as we cannot provide free breakfast & lunch this year. Free & Reduced Meal Applications are available in the office. Payments can be sent to school with your student or online through Skyward.

### Congratulations to the top academic achievers of the Class of 2024:

Valedictorian: *Amelia Muellenberg* & Salutatorian: *Kylie Powell*

### Student of the Week

**Ava DeWitt** is an excellent student who possesses a good work ethic and a positive personality. She is a good role model for fellow ninth graders, as she consistently produces quality work without complaints. Ava is always on task, and she is a helpful group member and an excellent teammate, as well.

### Upcoming Events

Friday, Feb. 15th	3rd Quarter Progress Reports
Friday, Mar. 1st	Snow Day Makeup #2 (students & staff will be in session)
Friday, Mar. 15th	<b>NO SCHOOL: Teacher Inservice</b>
Mar. 28th - Apr.1st	<b>NO SCHOOL: Holiday Break / Vacation</b>

### JANUARY ATHLETES OF THE MONTH

Girls Basketball	Boys Basketball	Wrestling
Reagan Muehlenkamp	Gavin Havlik	Katherine McElhose

**Thursday, February 15**

**HS Boys Basketball** @ Hillsboro: JVR 4:30; JV 5:45; Varsity 7:00 ( Mike L / BHS 3:35 )

**JH Wrestling** @ DeSoto: 5:00 ( Lee S / DISMISS 2:55; BHS 3:10 )

**Friday, February 16**

**JH Girls Basketball** @ Royall: 6:20 ( Dan H / BHS 5:10 )

**Saturday, February 17**

**Sectional Wrestling\*** @ Mineral Point: 9:45 ( Jim K / NOR 5:25; WIL 5:35; ONT 5:45 )

\*Tickets available online: <https://gofan.co/event/1399778?schoolId=WI13618>

**Monday, February 19**

**HS Boys Basketball** hosts New Lisbon: JV 5:45; Varsity 7:00

**JH Girls Basketball** @ New Lisbon: 6:20 ( Driver TBA / BHS 4:55 )

**Tuesday, February 20**

**Regional Girls Basketball** @ TBA: 7:00

**HS Girls Basketball** hosts Wonewoc Center ( WIAA REGIONALS ): 7:00 (**NOTE: NO PASSES!**)

**Thursday, February 22**

**STATE WRESTLING** @ UW-MADISON ( Kohl Center ): Times TBA

**Friday, February 23**

**STATE WRESTLING** @ UW-MADISON ( Kohl Center ): Times TBA

**HS Girls Basketball** @ C-FC ( WIAA REGIONALS ): 7:00 ( Driver TBA / BHS 4:15 )

**Saturday, February 24**

**STATE WRESTLING** @ UW-MADISON ( Kohl Center ): Times TBA

**HS Girls Basketball** @ TBA ( WIAA REGIONALS ): 7:00 ( Driver & Times TBA )

**Tuesday, February 27**

**HS Boys Basketball** @ TBA ( WIAA REGIONALS ): 7:00 ( Driver & Time TBA )

**SPRING SPORTS INFORMATION:**

Spring Sports will be here soon! Athletes who sign up for spring sports, and who have not participated in JH / HS athletics this school year will need to complete all their needed paperwork. Contact Mr. Clinton for further information.

**START DATES:**

**HS TRACK:** MARCH 4th

**BASEBALL\*\*:** MARCH 18th

**SOFTBALL:** MARCH 11th

**JH TRACK:** MARCH 25th

**\*\*PITCHING CONDITIONING:** MARCH 10th - 16th

**NOTES ABOUT ATTENDING ATHLETIC EVENTS:**

**SUPERVISE CHILDREN** Young children need to be supervised at all athletic events. We've had a couple of incidents where unsupervised kids were injured while running through the halls. Also, some unsupervised children are disrupting the work of the night custodians. Please show our custodians the respect they deserve.

**FAN CONDUCT** Fans are reminded that attendance at athletic contests carries responsibilities. The expectation is that fans support all of our teams and coaches in a positive manner. Yelling at officials, coaches, and players is not positive, reflects poorly on our school and our community, and embarrasses our student-athletes.

## *Artists of the Month!*

The Brookwood High School Artists of the Month for December/January are **Yoselin Gonzalez Lopez, Javier Bautista Gomez & Emma Baldwin**

## IN OTHER NEWS:

- **Wrestling Sectionals:** Good luck to Falcon wrestlers heading to Mineral Point for Sectionals this Saturday: Berulo Rodriguez, Caston Gosda, Henner Gomez-Calmo & Katherine McElhose.
- **Youth Volleyball:** Registration is now open for 3rd - 8th grade girls. (Practices will not interfere with JH Track.) Forms are due in the office by Friday, Feb. 16th.
- **Trap Shooting:** Sign-up is now open for the Trap Shooting Team. See Mr. Green with questions.
- **Forensics Sub-District:** Brookwood hosted the Sub-District Tournament. Speakers had to present the speech in three separate rounds and be critiqued by three different judges. Brookwood had 21 entries; ALL of which qualified to advance to the District Tournament on March 11th in DeForest.
- **State FCCLA:** Congratulations to the 11 students who are advancing to state for their FCCLA STAR project they presented last Friday!
- **All-State Honors Band:** Congratulations to Cooper Powell and Mason Rex for their audition for the All-State Honors Band, consisting of the top players from every school across the state.
- **ACT Exam Dates:** Practice exam will be Tuesday, Feb. 27th & Actual exam will be Tuesday, Mar. 12th
- **Juniors and Seniors interested in the Healthcare field** should let Mrs. Nemec know ASAP, to reserve spots at the Coulee Region Healthcare Career Festival at UW-LaCrosse in April.
- **Start College Now and Early College Credit Program Applications** are now available to all current freshmen, sophomores, and juniors that would like to take college classes this fall. Applications can be picked up in Mrs. Nemec's office and are due back by the end of the school day on Friday, Mar. 1st.
- **Technical Excellence Scholarship:** For a senior that will be attending a Technical College starting in the fall of 2024. Guaranteed money for one of Brookwood's graduates (\$2,250 per year for up to 3 years). Please log into Xello and complete the Google Form if you have been accepted to a Technical College.
- **2024 Brookwood Alumni Tournament:** Submit registration forms to John Hansen by March 1st.
  - Friday, March 22nd @ 7:00pm: Co-ed Volleyball Tournament
  - Saturday, March 23rd (all day): Men's Basketball & Women's Volleyball Tournament
- **Archery Club:** Meeting this Sunday, Feb. 18th at 4pm in the Classic Gym (next meeting will be March 10th). If you are not able to attend a meeting, please notify Rob Friske ( [friske2\\_98@yahoo.com](mailto:friske2_98@yahoo.com) ) or Kala Lindley-Duerwachter. If enough people are unable to attend on a given week, we will cancel.
- **FFA sponsored Red Cross Blood Drive** is Monday, Feb. 19th from 8am-2pm in the Varsity Gym. Students age 16 and older are able to donate. 16 year olds will need to have a signed parental consent form. Students should see Ms. Thieman in the high school office to schedule an appointment and pick up forms. Individuals who donate will receive a \$20 amazon gift card and first time donors are eligible for an additional \$20 gift card. Please help the FFA reach our goal of collecting 48 units!
- **Pre-School Playgroup:** Fridays from 10-12pm. Open to kids up to 4 years old for learning, fun & snacks!

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## ***News From Your Local Libraries:***

**Norwalk Public Library:** All events are free! Please register so that we know how many supplies to prepare.

- Take part in our Winter Reading Challenge – win prizes! The Snow Place Like Home winter reading challenge is underway! All ages are welcome to pick up a bingo card at the library. The challenge runs through March 15th and you can turn it in any time before the deadline. Adult prizes are a 71 Express gift certificate for each bingo (3 per card max, while supplies last), and a Snow Place Like Home tote, mug, and bookmark for a blackout. Our kids prize bin is filled and ready to go as well!
- Kids Crafts: Bring in the kids for a Valentine themed craft on Feb 15th from 4:30 – 5:30. Ages 6+
- Genealogy Group: If you are interested in ancestry and/or learning more about your genealogy, local enthusiast Richard Helgren will be available to help you research your history on ancestry websites and more. Feb 17th at 9:00 am. Limited library computers are available; bring your laptop if possible.
- STEM Club: In February, we'll take on the Build a rubber band car challenge! Teams will start building a car this month to be entered into the annual Science Buddies Engineering Challenge! Join us on Feb 17th at 10:00 am. Ages 8+
- LEGO CLUB: Feb 19th from 4:00 – 5:30 pm. Join our challenge of the day, or free build. All ages welcome (kids under 6 require an adult to be present).
- Noon Crafters – Craft and Chat Group: From Noon - 2:00 Feb 19th, join Theresa for some crafting fun! Bring your own project to work on alongside friends and community members, or if you don't have your own, grab one we have here at the library for your use.
- Teen Crafters: Give needle felting a try! Each person who attends gets their very own beginner felting kit to take home! Feb 22nd, 4:30 – 6:00 Limit of 15. Registration required.
- Preschool Storytime and playgroup! Mark your calendars for February 24th for preschool storytime and playgroup. Meetings will continue on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month. Ages birth – 5 years.
- Night Crafters – Adult Craft and Chat Group: On Feb 26th at 4:00 pm, Jesica will lead the group in a canvas painting project. Or you can join Theresa for some BYO crafting fun! Bring your own project to work on alongside friends and community members.
- Adult Book Club: Our next read, to be discussed in March, will be Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine.
- **\*\*New\*\*** Adult After Hours After Dark Book Club: In March, we will be meeting for a new adult book club that's filled with a little spice. The first book we will read is The Fourth Wing by Rebecca Yarros. Discussion date: March 19th, 6:30 pm. This is a popular title, but we have copies available in Norwalk that you can pick up to read. (Note: this is a date change from our previously published date due to the NOW spring concert on March 14th.)
- Grab our newsletter: Sign up for our email newsletter and stay up to date on all events by visiting <https://norwalklibrary.wrlsweb.org/norwalk-public-library-newsletters/>

### Ontario Public Library:

- February is Library Lover's Month! To celebrate your love for your library, find a heart in the library to decorate the Ontario Library Valentine Tree this February.
- Lego Club at Ontario Library next meets on Tuesday, February 27th. All ages are invited to come and build imaginatively from 3:30 to 5:30pm.
- Winter Reading Challenge 2024 at Ontario Public Library runs until March 1st. Turn in reviews to earn cozy prizes simply by reading this winter. After reading and reviewing 5 books, receive a lip naturals lip balm; after reading and reviewing 10 books, receive a Snow Place Like Home mug with hot cocoa packet and you will be entered in a drawing to win an Alder Creek gift basket!
- A Mediterranean Themed Travel Dinner fundraiser to benefit the Ontario Public Library will be held on Saturday, March 23rd from 6-8pm in the lower level of the library. Silent Auction & Hors d'oeuvres to proceed the dinner, beginning at 5:30pm. Come to experience a little of the Mediterranean in Ontario with travel presentations on Turkey and Greece, as well as a meal of Mediterranean cuisine! Tickets cost \$25 per person and must be purchased at the library by March 15th. Donations for the silent auction are being accepted now. Thank you for your support!
- Winter Storytime will be held on Wednesdays at 11:00 am through March 27th at Ontario Public Library. Come for stories and fun at the library!
- The Ontario Book Group is now reading the classic novel, "Silas Marner" by George Eliot, to be discussed on March 11 at 2:00p.m.

### Wilton Public Library: All upcoming events are free at your library. See you there!

- February 16 10:00 AM: Current events Discussion Group
- February 20 4:00 PM: Board Game Club
- February 21 10:30 AM: Preschool Story Hour
- February 23 10:00 AM: Current Events Discussion Group
- February 26 4:00 PM: Lego Club
- February 28 10:30 AM: Preschool Story Hour
- February 28 12:30 PM: Friends of the Wilton Library meeting
- February 28 3:30 PM: Crafting Hour: Snowmen. We are making snowmen as a winter craft idea. All necessary supplies are here for you.
- Wilton Public Library is excited to announce our 3rd Annual Writer's Contest. This contest is open to anyone who wants to write a short story, essay, poem, or anything else that is 500 words or less on any topic. If you need help with a topic, stop in the library and we'll be happy to help! So here are the rules:
  - All works must be 500 words or less and are open to any topic.
  - All works must be submitted to the library by April 1st. Judging will start on April 8th.
  - Submit 2 copies of your work. 1 copy must have your name and age on it and your second copy must not have any identifying information to keep judging as neutral as possible.
  - All works must be original and unique, and only one submission per person will be accepted.
  - Submissions can be in English or Spanish.
  - There will be 2 prizes per age group for prizes. 1st prize is a writer's package with \$25 cash prize. 2nd prize is a writer's package. Writer's packages consist of tools that a writer can use to hone their craft.