



Maple Run Unified School District

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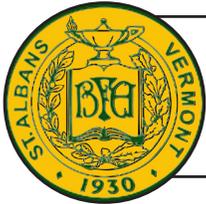
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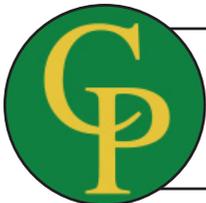
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The MRUSD Board of Directors has approved a bond proposal in the amount of \$5,722,153 to address the issue of school safety and security at BFA. This project will consist of renovations to the 1889 Hospital Building, a new sprinkler system in the South Building, and the construction of a new connector between the two buildings.

PROJECT FEATURES

Connector

- The new connector will link our North and South Buildings. It will feature a reception area, a conference room, and a restroom.
- A secured vestibule will ensure guests are identified and signed in before allowing them to enter the school.
- Students will be shielded from hazardous weather conditions when crossing between buildings. Our maintenance staff and contractors will no longer have to continually clear the walkway whenever snow and ice are present.
- The connector will reduce the frequency of unauthorized persons passing through the BFA campus.
- A centralized conference room will allow visitors and faculty to conduct meetings in a confidential space away from classrooms.
- Relocation of our bus circle will create approximately 22 parking spaces on our campus.

1889 Hospital Building

- The 1889 Hospital Building is in a state of disrepair. The project will include new decking, brick repair, windows, doors, selective replacement of existing roofs, replacement of rotted trim, and reinforcement of the cafeteria floor.
- The damaged and broken sidewalks around the buildings will be repaired and replaced to conform to the new traffic and parking configuration.

South Building

- A sprinkler system will be installed throughout the South Building, as required by the Division of Fire Safety.
- Three single-phase transformers will be removed from the existing electrical room and replaced with a new exterior transformer and electrical service to the school.
- New fire doors will be installed in select areas to maintain and improve exits in all three buildings.



An aerial view of BFA's exposed walkway.



Exterior view of the 1889 Hospital Building.

IMPORTANT DATES

FEB 11 - MRUSD All Staff Information Session

BFA Library

3:30-4:30 PM

FEB 18 - BFA Facility Tours

FEB 19 - Community Information Sessions

BFA Performing Arts Center

3:00-4:00 PM: BFA NWTC Staff

4:30-5:30 PM: General Public

6:00-7:00 PM: General Public

FEB 20 - BFA Student Information Sessions

**FEB 27 - Budget Information Hearing
Mandatory Bond Hearing**

BFA Library

6:00 PM

MAR 5 - Town Meeting Day

More Information: maplerun.org/o/bfa

St. Albans Town Educational Center



District Music Festival:

Four SATEC middle school students (8th graders) auditioned for and were selected for the High School District Music Festival. Few middle school students are selected for this and we are extremely proud of our students. The District Music Festival took place in Milton on January 31st and February 1st.

Peyton Hunsicker - Trumpet

Nathan Early - Trumpet

Zach Zizza - Baritone Sax

Jakob Binecki - Trombone

Choral Concert Broadcast:

SATEC brought their choral concert to the community on January 24th, as they streamed their 7:00 PM show live on YouTube.

SATEC

St. Albans City School



St. Albans City School was featured in an article on eSchool News. The article, *5 ways to use makerspaces to support personalized learning*, noted the following:

“St. Albans City School has a dedicated makerspace open to all students from preK-8. In addition to class assignments in the space, open lab time is also available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Students use this time for school and personal projects where tech might not be required but could add value. Although they miss class for open lab, the teachers recognize the benefits of letting students explore technology to help them achieve their personal and educational goals,” (Stacey Pusey, eSchool News).

The article goes on to identify five strengths behind personalized learning with makerspaces. These include, developing digital portfolios for every student, guiding stewardship projects, supporting school activities, enhancing class assignments, and aiding community activism.

SACS

Northwest Technical Center



Career Exploration Day

Students and teachers at NWTC entertained students from surrounding middle schools to showcase current projects and their hands-on learning environment. They are currently preparing for Career Exploration Day, an annual event where 8th grade students are exposed to the vast number of career paths associated with each of our programs.

In January, the following students were acknowledged as Leaders of Tomorrow in the St. Albans Messenger:

Declan Couture, of the Digital Video Production program,
Kate Kelley, of the Digital Design program,
Victoria Wright, of the Cosmetology program,
and Sebastian Tatro, of the Culinary Arts program.



In Good Taste

Northwest Technical Center's Culinary Arts program held its annual In Good Taste event in St. Albans City Hall. More than a dozen local wineries, distilleries and food vendors exposed our community to their best products. Culinary Arts students were able to put their skills to the test outside of the classroom throughout the evening.

(Photo: Fox 44 WFFF)

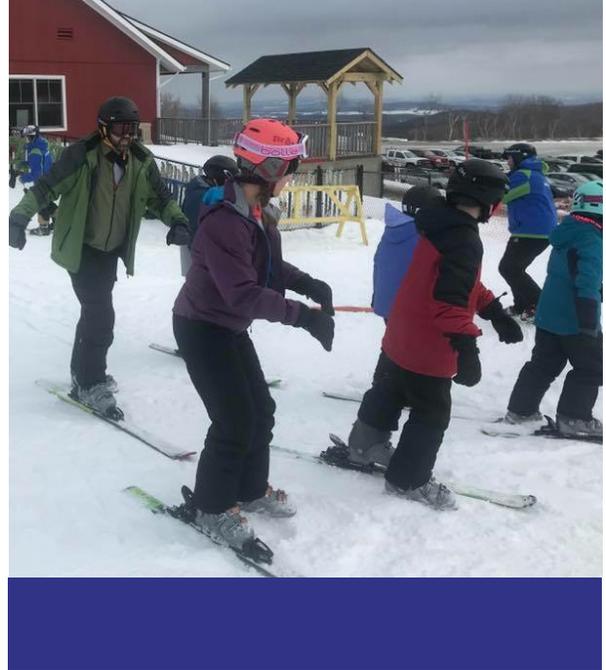
NWTC

Fairfield Center School



Fairfield Center School's girls basketball coach, Ryan Wells, and his athletes held a bottle drive to raise money for the local food shelf. The girls raised \$166, developed a shopping list, and went to the grocery store, as a team, to get as much food as they could manage with their budget. At the end of their trip, the team came in \$1.53 below budget. Coach Wells said, "In the end, this was a special experience for the girls because it wasn't only about basketball, win's/losses, help-side defense, and the dreaded boxing out." He said it was about growing confidence while teaching a close out and building self-esteem while teaching a crossover.

(Photo: Ryan Wells)



Nearly 90 Fairfield Center School students are part of the Jay Peak Foundations Program. This program helps children learn to ski, snowboard, and skate. Students enjoyed multiple trips to Jay Peak Resort throughout the month of January.

(Photo provided by Sean O'Dell)

FCS

Bellows Free Academy



300th Win for Comet Hockey!

An exciting milestone for BFA Comet Hockey was achieved on January 26th. The 2-0 victory over Rice Memorial High School marked the 300th win for the team since their first season on ice in the 2000-2001 school year. They are the first girl's hockey program in the state of Vermont to achieve this many victories. To celebrate, team members posed for a photo in shirts reading, "BFA COMETS 300th WIN." Coach Luke Cioffi and assistant coach Jeff Rouleau are very proud of their team, as are the BFA community.

(Photo: COMET HOCKEY Facebook)



Northwest District One Music Festival

The Northwest District One Music Festival is held annually, and serves as an opportunity for students in grades 9-12 to make new friends and perform music at a more advanced level. BFA's band and chorus programs had more than 50 students audition and perform at Milton High School. Eric Bushey (band) and Armand Messier (chorus) were both thrilled by the efforts of their students on January 31st and February 1st.

(Photos: Armand Messier, Eric Bushey)

BFA

BFA's Pat Thompson has been selected as Vermont NEA's 2019 Educational Support Person of the year! Pat was acknowledged as a very skilled paraprofessional who goes beyond the call of duty for students and colleagues. Pat will be honored at the Vermont NEA Representative Assembly in the Spring of 2019. BFA is proud of Pat's commitment to our students and school.

Collins Perley Sports & Fitness Center



Members of the UVM men's hockey team visited youth teams of the St. Albans Skating Association for a clinic and meet & greet presented by Handy Toyota.



Two famous Vermonters visited the kids at Collins Perley in January. Rally Cat brought the University of Vermont hockey teams to skate with children. A few days later, Champ stopped by to meet all of the Young Blades.