



COUNSELORS' CORNER

Updates from the BJHS Guidance Office

APNA SURVEY

Letters will be sent home in 8th grade social studies classes this week. All 8th graders will take the APNA Survey online during social studies on Tuesday, November 19. Thank you Coach Dorsey, Coach Fishburn, Mrs. Hilson, and Coach Parker for allowing the students to take these surveys during your classes.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Progress Reports were due yesterday. If you did not turn your reports in to the Counselors' Office, please get them in ASAP. Remember, we only mail Ds and Fs. Lenae will mail the progress reports no later than tomorrow. Thank you for helping us make our Benton Junior High students successful!

6TH ANNUAL BENTON COUNSELORS CHILI COOK-OFF

We are so excited about the 6th Annual Chili Cook-Off. The Chili Cook-Off will be January 23, 2020 at the Benton Event Center. Last year we raised just over \$3,400. We have been able to do so much with this money. Our goal is to reach at least \$4,000 this year. With your help, we will be able to meet and exceed this goal. If your club or organization would like to help, we could use silent auction items. Any item or basket will go far to help us raise money for our Benton Students. Also, get your teams together, chili recipes prepared, booths planned, and costumes made because the awards are better than ever. Mrs. Jenna White at BHS is making our spoon awards and Mr. Jones, also at BHS, is designing and building our trophies for the

3rd year in a row. We have also added two new awards, Best of the Worst and Most Interactive. If you would like to go ahead and sign your team up to compete, simply click [here](#) and fill in the boxes. Remember, only put your number of chilis in the # of Chilis column. Don't include your side items. These items are judged separately. We need to know types of chili because we number the entries based on traditional or nontraditional. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask!





VIP

Very Impressive Panthers



Mrs. Brewer's Advisory class won the Red Ribbon Week Door Decorating Contest. Mrs. Shelnut's Advisory class won 2nd place.

Mr. Johnson's choirs had 87 students qualify for the Region 3 West All-Region Choirs. This includes 5 first chairs from our school.

Abigail Iagemann, 9th grade, was named to the All Arkansas Preps Team in volleyball in the Under Classmen Division.

Mrs. Miller's Quiz Bowl team won their first invitational tournament at CenterPoint.

RED RIBBON WEEK

Even though Red Ribbon Week is over, we will finish the kickball tournament. The weather has not been very accommodating this year. So far, we only have a 9th grade champion. Victory Royale Chapter 2. We hope to get back on track this week! Thank you for your willingness to monitor and adjust.



XELLO

Xello is a new program acquired through the state department. This program is designed to optimize college and career plans for our students. The program is used extensively in Career Development, thank you Ms. Collins and Coach White, but can be utilized in multiple other areas in our building. This program is also part of students' Student Success Plans. If you have any questions or want more information, please don't hesitate to ask!



"We weren't born to 'just teach.' We were born to inspire others, to change people, and to never give up; even when faced with challenges that seem impossible."



HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY

Abbey Lusinger 11/8
Christine Pope 11/8
April Reisma 11/8
Melissa Thomas 11/14
Delton Brown 11/17
Haley Hunt 11/20

As always, we are still collecting My Coke Rewards. Every time you purchase Coca-Cola products, just save the codes and bring them to our office. For information or to enter codes, you can visit coke.com/give/schools. Mrs. Gass is constantly entering codes, and we couldn't be happier. Thank you to everyone collecting for our program. Let's keep up the great work!



If you would like to sponsor a Christmas Angel, please let us know ASAP! Also, let us know if you know a student who may need Christmas help. We will need the gifts turned in by December 13. If you can wrap the presents, please do so, but if you can't, we will be happy to help. So far, we have about 15 Christmas Angels. There is one family of five, one family of four, and the rest are single students. Please let us know how many Angels you would like to sponsor. Thank you for supporting our BJH students!

It is time again for the 5 Days of Christmas! We will celebrate the week of December 16 - 20. We will give a gift to our Secret Santas once a day for the whole week. These gifts will be based on the information sheet your Santa completes. These sheets should be as detailed as possible. If you want to participate or you need more information, please let us know. We can't wait to celebrate Christmas with our Benton Junior High School Family!

