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**Downeast School
Walking School Bus**

Dr. Betsy Webb Superintendent



Dear Parents, Students, and Community Members:

The Bangor School Department is excited about the upcoming 2016-2017 school year and has been hard at work preparing for our opening on September 1st. We feel great responsibility to make students' school experiences the best they can be and are honored to have the opportunity to educate Bangor children and work with their families.

Over the summer, teams of teachers have been busy designing new curriculum and creating top-quality lessons. Custodians and maintenance crew have been renovating and cleaning the facilities. Secretaries and administrators are organizing schools for a successful start to school. Everyone is looking forward to the students' return.

There are some new educators, administrators, and support staff joining our school team. I am pleased to share they come with considerable talents and experiences to add to our top-notch staff. Classroom lists are being prepared and schedules are being devised so students will be able to take the classes they need and desire.

The closer we get to the opening date, the pace of preparation quickens and in the days right before school starts, there is a sense of expectancy. The entire system is filled with anticipation - buses, classrooms, hallways, ball fields, and playgrounds are literally waiting to be filled by the energy and spirit of our students and staff.

During these next few weeks, we encourage each family to think about how to get the most out of the school experience. What goals will you set for academic achievement? Which clubs and activities will you select? What ways might parents volunteer their time and expertise? These are questions the Bangor School Department is committed to help each student and family answer.

Throughout this edition of the *Communiqué*, you will find numerous articles about our efforts to help all students achieve their potential and ways for you to become involved. Please contact the schools, if you have questions.

As always, the Bangor School Department stands ready to provide another quality year!

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

The Bangor School Department kindergarten program is a full day program. Children eligible for this program must be Bangor residents and five years old on or before October 15, 2016.

Downeast School	100 Moosehead Blvd	941-6240
Fourteenth Street School	224 Fourteenth Street	941-6350
Fruit Street School	175 Fruit Street	941-6270
Abraham Lincoln School	45 Forest Avenue	941-6280
Vine Street School	66 Vine Street	941-6300

Please bring the child's original birth certificate, proof of residency, and up-to-date immunization record when registering.

STUDENT REGISTRATION

All Bangor public schools will be open beginning Friday, August 19, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. for registering new students. Student's original birth certificate, proof of residency, and up-to-date immunization record are required to complete registration. The most recent report card would be helpful.

BUS SCHEDULE 2016-2017

The bus schedule is available online at www.bangorschools.net or you may pick up a copy at any school during business hours.

SCHOOL HOURS

Classes for all students begin on Thursday, September 1, 2016

Pre-K	(morning session)	8:30 - 11:30
Pre-K	(afternoon session)	12:00 - 3:00
Elementary	(K-Grade 5)	9:00 - 3:00
Middle School	(Grades 6-8)	8:15 - 2:30
High School	(Grades 9-12)	8:00 - 2:00

Bangor School Committee

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School Committee Meetings 2016-2017

Meetings are scheduled on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month except during school vacations, and special meetings may be called as needed. All meetings will be held at Bangor City Hall, Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. A complete list of school committee meeting dates is available at bangorschools.net.

Paige Brown '16 Wins Intel Science Talent Search

Paige Brown traveled to the final round of the nation's most prestigious pre-college science competition in Washington, D.C. on March 15 and left the 2016 Intel Science Talent Search awards ceremony with the First Place Medal of Distinction in Global Good– and a \$150,000 cash award from Intel.

The Global Good category rewards finalists who demonstrate great scientific potential through their passion to make a difference. Page's project, Identifying and Remediating the Sources of Pollution in Impaired Bangor Streams, is the result of research she has conducted as part of the BHS STEM Academy under the direction of Science and Technology Department Chair Cary James.

“We knew Paige was seeking a very challenging high school program when she was in 8th grade,” says her mother, Heather Brown. “We are most impressed with the level of education she has received through the BHS STEM Academy.”

Paige was the 2015 and 2016 winner of the Maine Stockholm Junior Water Prize, and graduated from BHS STEM Academy in June. Paige will be attending Stanford University in the fall.



Heather Brown (Paige's mother), Paige Brown, and BHS Science Department Chair Cary James at the Intel STS awards ceremony in Washington, D.C.

Academic Excellence



Congratulations to Tyler DeFroschia '16 on winning the 2016 Student Recognition Award from the Foreign Language Association of Maine (FLAME) for his achievement in French. Tyler is receiving his award from the President of FLAME, Eunice Loredo.



Kudos to Isaac Bushway (JFDS 8th Grader) for winning the Maine Middle School Science Fair for his project, entitled "Dog-Odorant." Isaac also won Honorable Mention at the Maine State Invention Convention.



Congratulations to Emma Payne '17, Sydney McDonald '17 (pictured with their winning wind blade design), and Morgan Jones '17 (not pictured) for winning the 8th Annual Maine Wind Blade Challenge. Visit our YouTube channel to watch an interview with our winners.

Alumni Spotlight:

Kristan Strout, Class of 2000

BA, Stonehill College 2004

Master of Sports Leadership,
Northeastern Univ 2008

MBA, Husson Univ 2013

"I didn't realize until later how well Bangor High School prepared me for college. I was really challenged in my AP and Honors classes, and the valuable time management and organizational skills I acquired while juggling academics, athletics, and activities have been an asset even into graduate school and my career."



Ms. Strout is Assistant Director of the Harvard Varsity Club. She participated in soccer, basketball, softball, class council, student council, yearbook, and Key Club while attending BHS.

Acadia Day Hands-On Learning



Fairmount students pet pelts brought by the Acadia Park Rangers (left); Students examine lobsters and other crustaceans (right). Other activities included presentations from a fire warden, a presentation about Native American artifacts, water quality testing, and a visit from author James Kaiser (see below). In addition, every student received a free copy of James' guide book.

Alumni Spotlight: James Kaiser

When James Kaiser, author of the best-selling guide to Acadia National Park, presented to Fairmount students during Acadia Day, he revealed that he was a former Fairmount student! James attended Bangor schools through freshman year before moving to Connecticut. *"I had a phenomenal experience in the Bangor schools,"* he says. *"It wasn't until after I left that I realized the high quality of teaching in the Bangor school system."* After graduating from Dartmouth in 1999, he had an idea to write a guidebook to Acadia. He self-published the book in 2000 and it quickly became the best selling guide to Acadia. *"The unexpected success of the book led me out west, to write guide books for Joshua Tree, Grand Canyon, and Yosemite,"* he says. James then moved to Costa Rica to write a guide book for Costa Rica. For the National Park centennial, he's been back in the states working on new editions of his guidebooks. *"During my presentations to schools, I show photos of some of the presidents instrumental in forming our national park system. Whenever I show Ulysses S. Grant, and ask students to identify him, no one guesses it right. I was so impressed that 3 different students from 3 classes at Fairmount knew the correct answer. Fairmount students are incredible!"*

Visit www.jameskaiser.com for more info.



6 By the Numbers

- 4th Consecutive U.S. News Silver Award for America's Top High Schools
- 4th Consecutive Washington Post Most Challenging High Schools
- 8th Consecutive State Champion: Maine Stockholm Jr Water Prize
- 2nd Consecutive Maine Regional Science Bowl Champions
- 2nd Consecutive Winner - Foreign Language Association of Maine Student Recognition Award
- 2nd Consecutive National Forensics League 5-year Commendations
- 82.5% of Students Score 3 or Higher on AP Exams (Maine State Average 62%)
- 19 Admissions to Ivy League Schools (2016)
- 2 Gold Medals at Class A Swimming and Diving Championships (2016)
- 5 National Merit Commended Scholars (2016)
- 13 All-State Jazz Musicians (2016) 2016 US Presidential Scholar
- 9 All-State Musicians (2016)
- 2016 Debate Team State Champions
- 2016 State Champion Novice Poetry
- 2 Gold Medalists 2015-2016 SkillsUSA Competition
- 100th State Athletic Championship
- 2016 Girls Soccer State Champions
- 3rd Consecutive MPA Baseball State Champions
- 2016 Maine Maine Gatorade Baseball Player of the Year
- 2016 Graduates were awarded 68 scholarships totaling \$49,400
- \$151,687 from grants supported student learning in 2015-2016

No Child Left Behind: Teacher Professional Qualifications

Under the provisions of the No Child Left Behind Act, the parents or guardians of children in schools receiving Title I funds have the right to request the Highly Qualified status of their child's teacher from their child's school principal. As of August 2006, teachers are required to reach and maintain Highly Qualified Teacher status which is a federal term denoting instructional capability in the major content areas and is determined by the teacher's professional development.

Notification of Rights Under the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA)

PPRA affords parents of elementary and secondary students certain rights regarding the conduct of surveys, collection and use of information for marketing purposes, and certain physical examinations. Complaints regarding school department compliance with PPRA can be made with the Superintendent of Schools or the Family Policy Compliance Office in Washington, D.C. A complete copy of the PPRA Notice can be found at www.bangorschools.net and the full PPRA notice will be sent home with students during the first week of school.

CLASS OF 2016 FUTURE PLANS

National Universities

Harvard University
Yale University
Stanford University
Johns Hopkins University
Brown University
Emory University
Northeastern University
Clemson University
University of Vermont
University of New Hampshire
The Catholic University of America
University of Rhode Island
University of Maine
University of North Texas
Lynn University

Culinary Schools

Culinary Institute of America

International Universities

Dalhousie University (Canada)
Kingswood University (Canada)
McGill University (Canada)
St. Francis Xavier University (Canada)

United States Armed Services

Army
Marine Corps
Air Force

Technical Schools

Aveda Institute of Maine
Douglas Education Center
Ohio Technical College
Wyoming Technical Institute

National Liberal Arts Colleges

Middlebury College
Colby College
Colorado College
Marlboro College
Eastern Nazarene College

Regional Universities/Colleges

Bentley University
Maine Maritime Academy
Champlain College
Simmons College
Unity College
Thomas College
St. Thomas University
Norwich University
University of New England
University of New Haven
University of Maine – Farmington
University of Maine - Fort Kent
University of Maine – Presque Isle
University of Maine at Augusta
University of Southern Maine
St. Joseph's College
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy
California University of Pennsylvania
Husson University
Beal College
Penn Foster University

Community Colleges

Eastern Maine Community College
Northern Maine Community College
Orange Coast College
Southern Maine Community College
Valencia Community College

Bangor Science Teacher Selected as Teacher Ambassador at the 2016 US Patent and Trademark Office Summer Institute

Tracy Vassiliev, a middle school science teacher at the James F. Doughty School, was invited to serve as a Teacher Ambassador at the third annual United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) National Summer Teacher Institute on Innovation, STEM, and Intellectual Property on July 17-22, 2016 at Michigan State University.



Tracy Vassiliev

Mrs. Vassiliev was selected to attend the inaugural USPTO in 2014 in Santa Clara, California, and is honored to be asked back to co-host two sessions at this year's conference. One of the sessions is on origami engineering. Origami engineering focuses on designing deployable structures that can fold into compact shapes and then unfold to

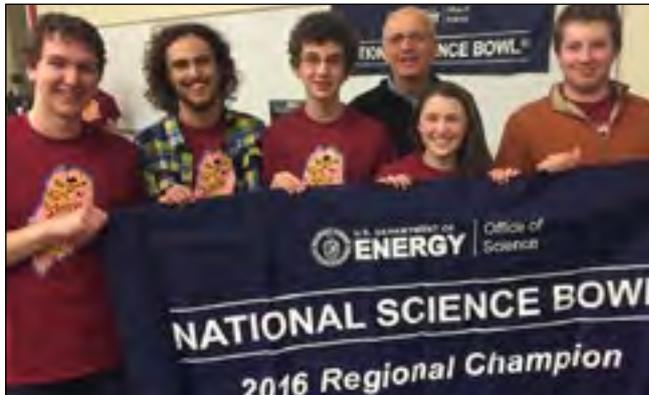
perform a task. Examples of these origami inventions include solar panels NASA designed to deploy in space, foldable microscopes, and even surgical tools that are initially compact when inserted but then deploy to perform a particular chore. Teachers from all over the United States apply and then are selected to attend these conferences, supporting teachers in motivating their students to actively pursue, make, invent, innovate, and to enter STEM fields of studies and careers. Mrs. Vassiliev is the coordinator of James F. Doughty School's Invention Convention. You can hear from Mrs. Vassiliev about Invention Convention on our YouTube channel.

Bangor Wins Maine Regional Science Bowl 2nd Year in a Row

The BHS Science Bowl Team earned the 2016 Maine Regional High School Science Bowl held at USM on Saturday, February 28, a feat they also accomplished in 2015. Team coach Cary James led a veteran squad composed of seniors

Tyler DeFroschia, Isaac Robinson, Paige Brown

and Conor Thompson and sophomore David Rubin. Since 1991, the National



Tyler DeFroschia '16, Isaac Robinson '16, David Rubin '18, Coach Cary James, Paige Brown '16, and Conor Thompson '16.

Science Bowl® (NSB) has been a highly competitive science education and academic

event among teams of high school and middle school students who compete in a fast-paced verbal forum to solve technical problems and answer questions in all branches of science and math. Each team is composed of four students, one alternate student, and a coach.

Tank to Table at Vine Street School

The Vine Street School received a grant from Maine EPSCoR at the University of Maine to fund a Tank to Table project. This grant enabled the school to purchase a system that will allow students to have a hands-on introduction to Maine aquaponics and aquaculture.



Guest Speaker Aquaculture Specialist Sebastian Bell, Students Linus Weatherbee and Annika Noblet, Parent Volunteer and Economist Dr. Caroline Noblet and Parent Volunteer and Marine Biologist Dr. Jessica Muhlins.



Check out our YouTube channel, BangorMaineSchools, for informative and inspiring videos. You can even subscribe to the channel and get email notifications when new videos are posted.

Did you graduate from BHS?

We would love to hear about what you're doing now.

Join our Alumni Network at bangorschools.net or call 992-4167.

What in the World is a Walking School Bus?

Downeast School was selected as a recipient of a grant from a partnership between the Bicycle Coalition of Maine, the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the Maine Safe Routes to School Program, and the Maine Department of Transportation to implement a Walking School Bus.

A Walking School Bus is a healthy addition to a school transportation system in which groups of local elementary school students join trained adult volunteers to walk as a group along a designated route to school.

The Walking School Bus is a model program that operates across the country, and the Downeast School is one of only five schools in the state selected for a grant to implement the program. The Walking School Bus has documented success in improving student learning and behavior, providing regular physical activity, improving traffic congestion, fostering community connections, and reducing absenteeism.

Downeast School's Walking School Bus began after students returned from spring break, and 20-25 students walked each school day. Teachers, students, and volunteers love the WSB. A kindergarten student was so excited as he turned in his permission slip to join the WSB that he exclaimed, "My mom said I could go on the

magic school bus!" Grade Two Teacher Liz Hennessy says, "the Walking School Bus is the best thing to happen to Downeast School."

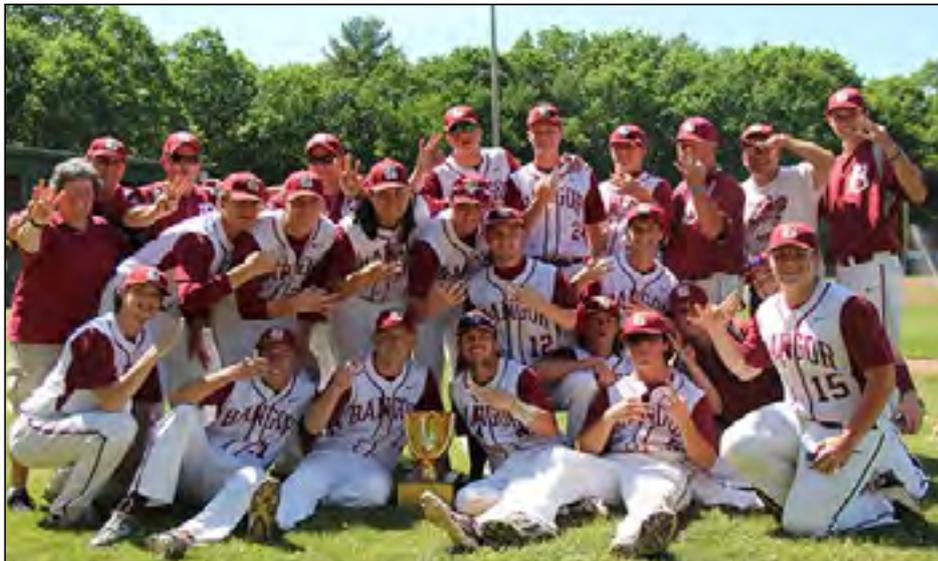


"The Walking School Bus is a healthy and safe way for students to get to school," says Principal Al Mooers. "Students arrive to school on time, get some morning exercise, and meet new friends. The program has helped build positive relationships with families in our community."

The Downeast WSB has 14 regular volunteers and a few substitutes, but there's room on the "bus" for more! To find out how to become a WSB volunteer, call the Downeast School at 941-6240 or visit the website at www.downeast.bangorschools.net.

Rams Baseball Three-peat!

“This was a bunch of hard-working student-athletes who were driven to extend our state championship winning streak to three years. What we accomplished individually was impressive, but what we did as a team may be unmatched in Maine baseball history. We gave up just 20 runs in 20 games, we had 10 shutouts including three in the playoffs and compiled a 55-5 record in the past three years. The varsity and the JV are a combined 115-11 over the past three seasons. Kudos to the players and our coaching staff.” - Coach Jeff Fahey



Prouty '18 & Adams '16 Earn Swim and Dive Golds

Bangor High Boys Swim and Diving team, under the leadership of first year head coach Dave Barnett and head diving coach Tim Smith, continues to achieve excellence at the State Class A Swim Meet. “Coach Barnett is a strong technical swim coach,” said Athletic Director Stephen Vanidestine, “and sophomore Colby Prouty was able to secure the coveted Outstanding Performer of the Meet award.” Colby’s award included setting a new state record in the 100 yard breaststroke with a time of 57:31 in addition to earning gold medals in the 200 yard individual medley and for breaststroke on the 200 yard medley relay. Congratulations to Colby Prouty for an outstanding state meet.

Congratulations to senior diver Kyle Adams and first year diving coach Tim Smith for an outstanding season and State Class A Diving Championship gold medal in 1 meter diving. Kyle scored 449 points, 98 points ahead of the nearest competitor.

Watch interviews with Colby Prouty and Kyle Adams on our YouTube channel.

Alumni Spotlight: Eric Vogell '98

Eric Vogell, President/Owner of ACE Corporation, started one of the largest specialty contracting companies in the Northeast with an ingenious business plan and \$200.

"I was a junior at UMaine, and two friends and I were trying to figure out what to do for summer jobs," explains Vogell. "We decided to work for ourselves and paint houses. We were all business majors, so our business plan was to use our meager \$200 startup money wisely. We didn't have a lot for marketing, so we drove around Bangor and mailed flyers to the addresses of houses that needed painting. Before we knew it, we had more work than we knew what to do with."

Fifteen years later, Eric has brought ACE Corporation, headquartered in South Portland, to the forefront of the commercial painting and coating industry in New England.

"I attribute a lot of my success in business and in life to playing football at Bangor High School. At the time I didn't understand everything I was being taught on the field and off. I know now



that I wouldn't be in the position I am today if it wasn't for my coaches impressing upon us that academics come first, hard work and perseverance are not optional, and honesty and integrity are of utmost importance."

His advice for current students at BHS?

"You're graduating from one of the best high schools in the country. You have a set of skills most people don't have and with that you can accomplish anything you set your mind to, so don't underachieve."

¹² Math Team Wins Again!

Congratulations to the Red Math Team for winning the State Championship over 145 other teams. Bangor Red defeated the Maine School of Science and Mathematics (1820 to 1803). The next closest team scored 1697.

Conor Thompson '16 tied for first in Maine and Dan O'Brien '16, Isaac Robinson '16, David Rubin '18, Abram Karam '16, Bill Drakon '16 (formally Reynolds), Joe Perry '16, Lily Waddell '18, and Paige Brown '16 finished in the top 61 out of 3000+ team members in Maine. Other Red Team scorers who were indispensable in winning the championship are Charlie Budd '18, Tyler DeFroscia '16, and Tessa Condon '16.

Our other math teams also placed well out of 145 total teams: Platinum (25th), Anaranjado (40th), Silver (50th), Gold (51st), Black (59th), and White (80th).

Trevor DeLaite '16 **Gatorade Player of the Year**

The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with USA TODAY High School Sports, announced Trevor DeLaite of Bangor High School as its 2015-16 Gatorade Maine Baseball Player of the Year. DeLaite is the second Gatorade Maine Baseball Player of the Year to be chosen from Bangor High School.

The award, which recognizes not only outstanding athletic excellence, but also high standards of academic achievement and exemplary character demonstrated on and off the field, distinguishes DeLaite as Maine's best high school baseball player.

DeLaite has maintained a 3.11 GPA in the classroom. He has volunteered locally on behalf of the Special Olympics.

DeLaite has signed a National Letter of Intent to play baseball on scholarship at the University of Maine this fall.

Trevor is featured in the "Why Bangor?" video on our YouTube channel.



Foreign Language Students Excel at World Language Day ¹³



2016 AP French and AP Spanish Students

On April 8, 2016, the Bangor High School World Language Advanced Placement classes won three of six contests at the University of Maine's World Language Day event. Throughout the day, students had the opportunity to learn traditional dances from France and Latin America; recite a short poem in French or Spanish; and take part in a campus scavenger hunt and bag skit, an impromptu performance incorporating items drawn from a bag. AP French won

first place for both the French skit and francophone culture competitions. AP Spanish won the Spanish skit competition.

This fall, the Humanities Academy joins the Bangor High School STEM Academy, the Visual and Performing Arts Academy, and the Business Academy as an option for students to concentrate study in an area of interest. Humanities Academy pathway options are English/World Languages, World Languages/History, or History/English.

Abraham Lincoln Students Celebrated Arbor Day

On a chilly but sunny Friday morning in April, Abraham Lincoln third grade students lined up around the new tree on school property. It's an annual tradition for a new tree to be planted on a school property on Arbor Day. Students were



invited to the City Council meeting prior to the event to accept the framed proclamation that now hangs in the school. This year, students planted an 8-10 year old sugar maple that was grown in the city nursery.

City Arborist David Rice and his crew dug the hole, and every student had a turn with the shovel to plant the tree.

Mr. Rice told students: "When I was in third grade at Fourteenth Street School, I helped plant a tree and it's still there today!"



Celebrating the Arts!

Thanks to a grant from the Leonard and Renee Minsky Fund for Arts Education and matching funds from our elementary school PTO's, Kindergarten through Grade 3 students were able to work with a visiting clay artist.

“It was such a valuable experience for our students to be exposed to working in three dimensions with clay,” said Art Teacher Jenna Caler (pictured with Kindergarten students). “It was a hands-on activity that they’ll remember for years to come.”

Juniper Quartet Visits Fairmount and Mary Snow Schools



Mary Snow strings students had the opportunity to play on stage with professional musicians!

The Bangor Symphony Orchestra's Juniper Quartet visited Fairmount and Mary Snow Schools for a strings workshop, thanks to funding from the Leonard and Renee Minsky Fund for Arts Education. "It was a great opportunity for students to be exposed to a live performance of classical music," said music teacher Kelly Ellis.

"This workshop gave students a better awareness of the stringed instrument family and how stringed instruments are played. It also allowed students to practice their concert manners. It was a unique and memorable experience for the strings students who were able to play on stage with the quartet!"



Why Bangor? Ansley Bernier '18

"There's a great art program at BHS, with National Art Honor Society and the Visual and Performing Arts Academy. Coming from a smaller school, I found BHS very welcoming. It was easy to make friends here because the teachers and students are friendly."

Outstanding Musicians

All-State Chorus

Zach Alley '17
Lydia Caron '18
Danielle Grover '16
Mathew Hoelzer '19
Taylor Thurston '17

All-State Orchestra

Ian Nagle '17
Margo Roberts '17
Byron DeGraves '16

All-State Band

Sadie Thomas '18

Jazz All-State

Robert Brangwynne '17
Lydia Caron '18
Zach Alley '17
Cat Stewart '17

Semper Fidelis Award

Anna Townsend '16

Irvin C. Elmer II Memorial Scholarship

Byron DeGrave '16

Dick Cutless Scholarship

Kirk Willett '16

National Choral Award

Kirk Willett '16
Paige Worcester '16

John Philip Sousa Band Award

Anna Townsend '16

National Orchestra Award

Margo Roberts '17

Louis Armstrong Jazz Award

Jakob Grey-Purvis '16

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Fourteenth Street (K-3).....	Daniel Chadbourne.....	941-6350
Fruit Street (K-3).....	Richard Fournier.....	941-6270
Abraham Lincoln (K-3).....	John Tennett.....	941-6280
Vine Street (K-3).....	Lynn Silk.....	941-6300
Fairmount (4-5).....	Ryan Enman.....	941-6260
Mary Snow (4-5).....	Brian Bannen.....	941-6290
Cohen School (6-8).....	Michael Missbrenner.....	941-6230
Doughty School (6-8).....	Edward Hackett.....	941-6220
Bangor High (9-12).....	Paul Butler.....	992-5500
Bangor Regional Program.....	Christina Babin.....	992-4741
Bangor Adult Education.....	Gregory Leavitt.....	992-5523

Notification of Rights Under the Family Education Right to Privacy Act (FERPA)

Parents and eligible students have the right to inspect and review education records, seek amendment of a record that is believed to be inaccurate and the right to be notified of amendment procedures. Parents and eligible students have the right to consent to disclosures of education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent and to file a complaint with the Superintendent of Schools or Family Policy Compliance Office in Washington, D.C. concerning potential violations. A full copy of the FERPA Notice can be found at www.bangorschools.net and the full FERPA notice will be sent home with students during the first week of school.

Parental Notice Regarding Child Find for Special Education and Related Services

The Bangor School Committee has adopted Policy IGBAB Child Find for Special Education and Related Services which addresses the school department's responsibility for identifying, locating and evaluating school age eligible children who reside or attend private schools within the City of Bangor and who may be in need of special education and related special services. The policy and regulation can be accessed on Bangor School Department's website at www.bangorschools.net or you may obtain a copy of the policy from your child's school principal. Any parent with questions about the policy or regulation should contact their child's building principal, the Director of Pupil Services at 207-992-4173 or the Superintendent of Schools at 207-992-4152.

Annual Notification of Building Occupants

The Bangor School Department has been inspected for the presence of asbestos containing materials (ACM). Additionally, the required six-month surveillance for ACM condition has been completed. A written plan for the management of these materials, which includes all subsequent inspection and response actions, has been developed. This plan is available for inspection at the Bangor School Department's Maintenance Office located at Bangor High School and at each school's administration office during regular office hours.
Alan Kochis, Director of Business Services.

Parental Notice Regarding Physical Restraint and Seclusion

The Bangor School Committee has adopted Policy JGF Use of Physical Restraint & Seclusion and Regulation JGF Procedures on Physical Restraint & Seclusion which address the use of Restraint and Seclusion of Students in the school setting. The policy and regulation can be accessed on Bangor School Department's website at www.bangorschools.net or you may obtain a copy of the policy from your child's school principal. Any parent with questions about the policy or regulation should contact their child's building principal, the Director of Pupil Services at 207-992-4173 or the Superintendent of Schools at 207-992-4152.

Bangor School Department 2016-2017 Pest Control

Dear Parent, Guardian, or Staff Member,
Please be informed of the Bangor School Department's procedures for pest control, pesticide use, and your right to know.

Pest Control

Because pesticides pose risks, the school uses an alternative approach to merely applying pesticides. Control of insects, rodents, and weeds in our schools focuses on making the school building and grounds an unfavorable place for pests to live and breed. Through maintenance and cleaning, we will reduce or eliminate available food and water sources and hiding places for the pests. We will also routinely monitor the school area to detect pest problems and prevent the pests from becoming established. Some techniques we will use include pest monitoring, sanitation, pest exclusion, proper food storage, pest removal and - as a last resort - pesticides. This holistic approach is often called Integrated Pest Management (IPM).

Pesticide Use

Sometimes pesticide use may be necessary to control a pest problem. When that happens, the school will use the lowest risk products available. If higher risk pesticides must be used, notices will be posted at application sites and parents, guardians, and staff have a right to know.

Your Right to Know

Parents, legal guardians, and school staff will be notified of specific pesticide applications made at the school. Notification need not be given for pesticide applications recognized by law to pose little or no risk of exposure to children or staff.

The school also keeps records of prior pesticide applications and information about these pesticides used. You may review these records as well as a copy of the Pesticides in Schools regulations (CMR 01-026 Chapter 27) by contacting the Bangor School Department IPM coordinator, Alan Kochis at 992-4160.

For further information about pests, pesticides and your right to know, call the board of Pesticides Control at 207-287-2731 or visit the Maine School IPM web site at www.thinkfirstspraylast.org/schoolipm.
Alan Kochis, Director of Business Services