

Barks 'n' Growls

BALLARD R-II SCHOOL
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From the Superintendent's Desk....

Happy Spring!!!

We are now well into the 4th quarter of the school year, which means MAP/EOC testing is almost here. Please make sure that students are completing all assignments, studying for tests, and getting a sufficient amount of sleep at night. Positive parental involvement is the biggest predictor of student academic success. Some studies have even concluded that simply having books in a home increases the probability of success. Simple things like requiring 15 minutes of reading every night, going over multiplication facts, or just asking a child how his or her day went can make a huge difference. Of course, students taking responsibility for their learning helps a great deal, too.

Currently the FFA teams are competing in contest. The softball team is scheduled to begin play on March 22nd. The high school and junior high quiz bowl teams have been competing throughout the school year and both teams will be competing in the conference tournament on April 4th.

Many activities will be taking place from now to the end of the school year. Yes, there were many taking place before now as well. But, we are now in the fourth quarter of the 2018-2019 school year and we are busier than ever. Be sure to put education first and take part in as many activities as you can.

As most of you may have heard the Ballard R-2 School District will be going to a 4 day school week for the 2019-2020 school year. This trend is going through the Missouri schools. Being that school districts will now be required to attend 1044 hours during the school year now instead of a required number of days many school districts have now implemented this 4 day week school calendar.

I hope that everyone enjoys this wonderful weather. While doing so also enjoy family, life and education.

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Principal's Corner

Dear Ballard Families,

Spring is here and excitement is in the air as we continue to have a wonderful year of learning. As always, we greatly appreciate the combined efforts of all as we support our students in successfully meeting the highest of standards set before them!

As we enter the month of April, our teachers and staff continue to introduce and review rigorous academic skills and content across all grade levels. With state testing beginning on April 29th, it is imperative that our students are present each day and eager to actively participate in applying the purposeful teaching and learning taking place. In regards to testing timelines, this year testing will include: Monday-Thursday. A detailed schedule will be sent home closer to testing time. During this testing window, please be sure to support your students by having them at school on time each morning, having had a good, nutritious breakfast, and well-rested from the night before. We thank you in advance for your continued support as our students excel during testing!

In addition to testing, there are a few additional dates and events to highlight. Early Childhood and Kindergarten screening for the 2019-2020 school year will take place on Wednesday, April 3 from 11:00 to 7:00 pm in the gym, Conference Junior High and High School Scholar Bowl Meet will be hosted at Miami on Thursday, April 4, and the FFA Car Show is scheduled for Saturday, April 6 from 12:00 to 4:00 pm. The Junior/Senior Prom will take place on Saturday, April 13, at the Ballard Gym. FFA State Convention will be from Thursday, April 25 - Saturday, April 27.

With the end of the school year quickly approaching, we want to thank each of you for your ongoing support of our students, our teachers and staff, and our mission here at Ballard. This year has been, and continues to be, a success due to the collective efforts of all in providing opportunities for our students to succeed and grow.

With Great Appreciation,
Mr. Dustin Bridges, Principal





New Faces



What is your name? Michael Lezer
What grade are you in? Junior
What is your favorite:
Movie: Smallville
Food: Cheesecake
Color: Baby Blue
Holiday: My Birthday
Sport: Mixed Martial Arts
What would you like to be when you grow up? Anything to support my family



By: Amanda Teagarden

March

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April

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Student of the Month

FEBRUARY

The Ballard R-II School District is pleased to be working in conjunction with the Adrian Optimist Club to honor a Student of the Month for the 2018-2019 school year.

Student of the Month is selected by the staff of the Ballard R-II School District using the following criteria: attendance, attitude towards others and school, behavior, leadership, and improvement in or maintenance of good grades.

The Student of the Month for February is Junior Garrett Oerke, son of Neale and Tina Oerke. PE teacher, Jim Hillman states, "Garrett is hardworking and dedicated on the basketball floor and in the classroom. He makes other young people around him better. He always comes to school with a smile and keeps it there all day. He is really fun to teach and coach. Garrett is well deserving of this honor." Ag teacher, Stacy LeRosen states, "Garrett is always willing to help out when asked and he has been a great leader for our FFA Chapter this year!! This title is very much deserved!" Garrett is a member of the FFA, Trap Team, and basketball team.

For Garrett's hard work in school, he is receiving a certificate of recognition from the Adrian Optimist Club and \$20.00 in Adrian Chamber of Commerce "Chamber Bucks."

Pictured: Principal Dustin Bridges, Garrett Oerke, and Optimist Member Mike Peterson.



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The Student of the Month for January is senior Jailynn Wheeler, daughter of JR and Rocky Wheeler. Volleyball Coach Tina Eidson states, "Jailynn always has a smile on her face and ready to face a challenge head on. During volleyball, she was put into a new position and made sure she worked hard to be the best she could be for her team." According to technology teacher, Cheryl Murchie, "Jailynn is a very hard worker. She is always willing to volunteer to do an assignment. She is willing to help her classmates if they need help." Coach Hillman states, "Jailynn is smart, has a good sense of humor and is always willing to lend a hand to anyone who needs it."

Jailynn also participates in FFA, Volleyball, Basketball, Softball, and Pep Club.

For Jailynn's hard work in school, she is receiving a certificate of recognition from the Adrian Optimist Club and \$20.00 in Adrian Chamber of Commerce "Chamber Bucks." Pictured: Principal Dustin Bridges, Jailynn Wheeler, and Optimist Member Jack Wag-



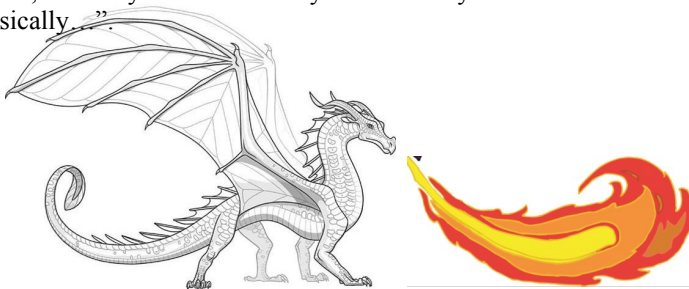
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Senior Spotlight

Kayla Waincott

Kayla Rose Waincott, 18, is the daughter of Paul and Cindy Waincott and the sister of Tony Cummings and Taylor Heffernon. Some of her favorites include her 3-D Art and World History classes, the color blue, pasta, the restaurant Olive Garden and the song "Electric" by Blush. Kayla's dream car is a blue Jeep. Her hobbies are drawing and making costumes. One of Kayla's extracurricular activities is Drama. Kayla's biggest pet peeve is when you give someone a compliment and they don't say thank you.

Kayla's plans after graduation are to go to Central Methodist University for performing arts. When asked where do you see yourself in 15 years, her response was "hopefully on the big screen or in a Broadway show in New York, and maybe with a family as well. Kayla's famous last words are "so basically..."



By: Amanda Teagarden

Senior Spotlight

CAMERON MARTIN

Cameron Martin, 18, is the son of Katy, and step-dad Dallas, and the brother of Katlin Martin. Some of Cameron's favorites include being a T.A. for Ms. Eidson, the color black, popcorn chicken, the restaurant Hooters, and the song "The Climb" by Miley Cyrus. Some of Cameron's hobbies include riding 4-wheelers and laying in bed. One of Cameron's extracurricular activities is FFA. Cameron's biggest pet peeve is when people smack their food.

Cameron's plans after graduation are to get a good job. When asked where he sees himself in 15 years his reply is "working". Cameron's famous last word is "Dang".



Senior Spotlight

Amanda Teagarden

Amanda Shay Teagarden, 18, is the daughter of Keith and Joni Teagarden and the sister of Kyle Teagarden. Some of her favorites include her publications and TA classes, the color light purple, Chinese, the restaurant Olive Garden, and the song "The Feels" by Maren Morris. Amanda's dream car is a 2018 black Camaro. Some of her hobbies include playing softball, hunting with her dad, and shopping with her mom. Some of Amanda's extracurricular activities are volleyball and softball. Her biggest pet peeve is when people post pictures of themselves on social media degrading their looks, and waiting for a compliment.

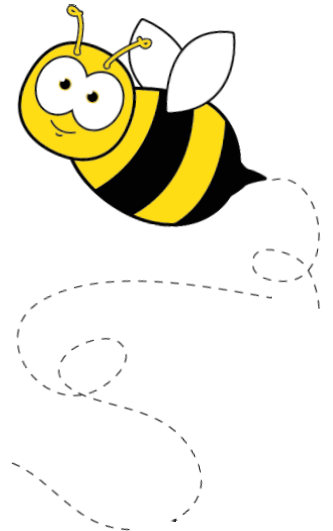
Amanda's plans after graduation are to go to college to be a NICU nurse. When asked where she sees herself in 15 years her reply was "living in the country with a wonderful family and a well paying job. Amanda's famous last words are "That's a fact!"



Spelling Bee Winners



On Friday, March 1, Ballard hosted our annual spelling bee contest. All grades, Kindergarten through Sixth, participated in the Spelling Bee. Congratulations to the students who placed, and great job to the other participants. Students pictured to the left, in order of placement.



1st Grade

1st - Ian Bergman
2nd - Vivian Greer
3rd - Callan Rotert

3rd Grade

1st - Owen Meade
2nd - Jacob Eidson
3rd - Addilynn Engelhardt

5th Grade

1st - Tory Snyder
2nd - Celia Campbell
3rd - Cash Anderson

2nd Grade

1st - Zayden Miller
2nd - Lily Bergen
3rd- Aspyn Eidson

4th Grade

1st - Maribel Arredondo
2nd - Macie Wainscott
3rd - Bradley Bergschneider

6th Grade

1st - Nate Evans
2nd - Brenden Card
3rd - Jon Setzer

Conference Spelling Bee Winners

The following students went to the GVVC Conference Spelling Bee at Montrose, MO on Tuesday, March 5: 6th graders Zoie Wheeler, Jon Setzer, and Brenden Card; 5th grader Tory Snyder; 4th graders Bradley Bergschneider, Macie Wainscott, and Maribel Arredondo; 3rd graders Owen Meade, Jacob Eidson, and Addilynn Engelhardt; 2nd graders Lily Bergen, Zayden Miller, and Aspyn Eidson; 1st graders Ian Bergman and Callan Rotert.

Ian Bergman received 1st place in 1st grade, Lily Bergen received 1st place in 2nd grade, Zayden Miller received 2nd place in 2nd grade, and Jacob Eidson received 3rd place in 3rd grade. Overall Ballard Bulldog Spellers received 9 points and won the traveling trophy for the conference. It will reside in the trophy case by the North doors until March of next year. Congratulations to those who went to the Conference Bee! Mrs. Ordal stated, "We practiced after school several days and as you can see it paid off!"



By Kelsie Murray

preschool Pups

Miss Clark

Miss Clark is looking forward to warmer weather because the preschoolers have been locked inside for too long and are getting too crazy. The kids are almost through the entire alphabet and will start on phrases. Also, I think the preschoolers favorite thing is animal crackers.

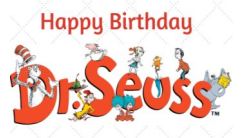


Written by Jackson Rotert

Crazy Kindergarten

Mrs. Hathcock

It is hard to believe March is already here. This month is already flying by and it seems there is so much more to do. On Friday, March 1, we celebrated Dr. Seuss's birthday with some fun activities such as rhyming activities, reading some of our favorite Dr. Seuss books and writing about what to do if the cat came to their house. We ended the day by watching *Horton Hears a Who*, which all the kids enjoyed. On March 15, we celebrated St. Patrick's Day by trying to catch a naughty leprechaun who destroyed the classroom. In Math, we are currently reviewing how to compose and decompose numbers to get ready for early addition. The school year is going by quickly and it is fun to watch the kindergarteners prepare to be first graders soon. I am very proud of how far each of them has come throughout the year and I look forward to seeing their progress at the end!



Typed by Amanda Teagarden

Freaky First

Mrs. Smith

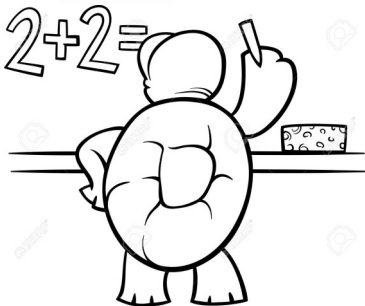


We have done lots of fun things in the past month. In Math, we have been talking about collecting data. So in honor of St. Patrick's Day we sorted and graphed Lucky Charms. We also made a leprechaun trap, using materials that we have in our classroom. In Writing, we wrote the steps we would take to make a leprechaun trap. A couple of weeks ago was Dr. Seuss birthday, so we did lots of fun activities to celebrate him. Their favorite was graphing our favorite Dr. Seuss books and getting to watch one of his movies. In Social Studies, we have been talking about goods and services. Hope everyone has had a great month.



Sweet Second

Mrs. West



March brings a flurry of activities in Second grade. We are busy learning about seeds and how they are dispersed. We are learning that our government has checks and balances, and we are really pushing hard to memorize our addition and subtraction facts. Our version of March Madness is every bit as exciting as the NCAA basketball tournament. I create a tournament bracket with the name of each student. We will compete in head to head competitions trying to answer the addition or subtraction fact the fastest. The student that gets the correct answer first must then make a basket. We use a trash can that looks like a basketball goal. When a basket is made, a point is scored. During this month we are really trying to memorize all of our facts. But, we also spend a considerable amount of time learning about sportsmanship. During the Spelling Bee, I overheard someone say "When one Bulldog wins, all bulldogs win." I have decided this will be our motto of

Second grade. Hopefully, we will learn a little math while we learn to compete with compassion and class!

Formatted By: Morgan Wheeler

Talented Third

Ms. Kabir

We are preparing for our wax museum. We have all finished our research and are getting ready to begin writing our speeches in the next few days. Our date has not yet been set but we hope to have it shortly after spring break. We will have a wax museum presentation during the day for the elementary to practice and we will have one again that evening for parents and the community.

This year we will be wax figures of:

Nathan Bales– George Washington Carver

Jacob Eidson– Mark Twain

Addilynn Engelhardt– Ulysses S. Grant

Zoe Frederick– Maya Angelou

Harry Greer– Harry S. Truman

Owen Meade– Charles Lindbergh

Gavin Schliem–Walt Disney



By: Jailynn Wheeler

Ferocious Fourth

I cannot honestly say we are all glad to be back after snow days, but we are glad to see our friends even if we have to do school work too.

We just finished fractions and we finished the quarter reviewing multiplication, division and place value stuff.

Science finds us ready for a test on conservation.

We've just finished the American documents in Social Studies and will work on states and capitals next.

In reading we've begun working on poetry and it's mostly learning the parts and vocabulary rather than just having fun reading poetry. At least Mrs. Moore thinks it's fun.

It's getting warmer outside, so we've gotten to play outside unless it's been raining.



Written by Fourth Grade class
Typed by Kelsie Murray

Fantastic Fifth

Mrs. Bergen



This month we have been doing the Iditarod and following our musher in the hallway as Social Studies. In Math, we have been doing order of operations and PEMDAS (Please Excuse My Dear Aunt Sally), and each letter stands for something in a math term. In Spelling and Grammar, we have been

doing packets. During Science, we have been watching Bill Nye, working on science fair projects, and doing mystery science. We have been doing a lot of math to catch up on all of our snow days.

Written by: Haley Pray
Formatted by: Kelsey Pray

Sassy Seventh

The last few months have gone by quickly! The science and the art fair have happened! After the beginning of the month we went to a conference math competition and the 7th grade team got 3rd place. On March 8th, Ballard hosted a scholar bowl meet. We can't wait until summer!!!



Written by: Aimee Cummings
Formatted by: Morgan Wheeler

Stubborn Sixth

Ms. Eidson

In Math, we started and ended a unit on Pre-Algebra. Did you know you can use letters for math? Now we have started Geometry, learning to find area of composite figures. Social Studies, we learned about ancient Arabia and the beginning of Islam region. Now we are studying Ancient Africa, learning about how gold and salt were trade tools. We also studied the Holocaust. In Reading, we watched "The Boy In The Striped Pajamas" and "Schindler's List" and wrote an essay to compare and contrast it. In Science, we learned about tectonic plates, volcanoes and their parts. We created volcano models and got to erupt them. Now we have started studying rocks and minerals.

Written By: Sixth Grade
Formatted By: Jailynn Wheeler

THE GREAT 8TH GRADE



During February, we didn't go to school for a full week so we didn't do much. In Science, we are finishing and setting up the Science Fair. For Math, we are starting geometry. We are reading articles and doing an instructional writing project that involves food that we get to eat. Most of us are excited about the eating part. Mr. Dunkin is teaching us about unity. Eighth grade math competition contestants got third in the group test. In Keyboarding, we started typing letters. We are glad we have finally had a full week of school and are ready for spring break.

Written by Eighth Grade
Typed by: Michael Lezer

Jolly Juniors

This past month we have been cracking down on prom decorations and figuring out our menu. Invitations will be passed out in a couple of weeks.



Written by: Brianna Pray
Formatted by: Jailynn Wheeler

Spunky Seniors

The past few months the seniors have been finalizing senior trip. We have gotten our tickets for Universal Studios and have also been working out our individual budgets. We are searching for a parasailing boat that will hold all 13 of us. Only a little over two months!

By Kelsie Murray



It's All History

Mr. Dunkin

In World History, we are talking about the Age of Exploration. In U.S. History, we are looking at FDR and the New Deal. In Seventh grade Geography we are studying Europe. In Eighth grade U.S. History, we are looking at Andrew Jackson's presidency. In Government, we are learning about the Federal Bureaucracy. In Current Events, we are discussing news of the day.



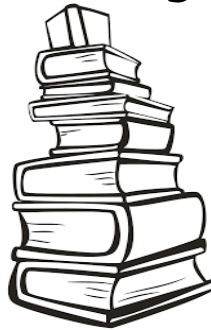
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Everything English

Mrs. Gregory

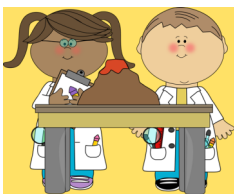
Creative writing class is continuing their novellas and are writing a suspenseful story. Dramatics is finishing "Hamlet" and starting "The Importance of Being Earnest". The sophomores are reading "Julius Caesar". College Prep is finishing "The Princess Bride" and are starting "Taming of the Shrew". The Freshmen are reading "Romeo and Juliet". Advanced ELA is finishing "Beowulf" and are starting to read "To Kill a Mockingbird".

Written by: Kelsey Pray



Spectacular Science

Mrs. Chambers



This year has been a crazy year so far and we have been doing some very educating activities. The Seventh graders have started working on cells and are trying to memorize the cell song. The Eighth graders are working on weather and weather patterns around the Ballard area. Biology is learning about genetics and how they work. Forensics is solving cases and looking over various crime scenes such as the stolen dog, Hollywood, etc. Ninth graders are reviewing energy and learning how it works. Chemistry is learning about weather and weather patterns on a global outlook.

On Thursday, February 14, the Seventh through Tenth graders participated in the science fair. Everyone made a fun project that they entered in the science fair. Everyone's project was great and they did a marvelous job creating them. The winners for the Junior High science fair are, First place: Seventh grader Aimee Cummings, Second place: Seventh grader Lily Rotert, Third place: Eighth grader Alexis Hastings. High School winners are First place: Sophomore Dylan Tippie, Second place: Sophomore Sudie Callahan, Third place: Sophomore Serenity Morris. Congratulations to all who participated in the science fair.

Written by: Brianna Pray

Outstanding Art

Mrs. Larcom



Kindergarten and First grade are learning about ROY G BIV and the colors in the rainbow. Next, we will make Leprechauns to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

Second and Third grades are reviewing the primary and secondary colors and the order of the rainbow. We painted a rainbow and added a big smiling sun! Next, we will be learning about weaving.

Fourth grade finally had a chance to finish their hot chocolate mugs and are now drawing initials to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

Fifth and Sixth grade made dragon eyes using origami. We are now doing a Bulldog drawing and will paint it in the style of the artist Dean Russo.

Seventh grade just finished creating 3D artwork using one point perspective drawings and collage. Now we are studying the art element values and how to shade a 2D picture to make it look 3D.

Art I is finishing their unit on color with a city scape painted with the color scheme of their choice.

Advanced art is working with clay and they're creating mugs, vases and boxes using the slab method.

3D art has been working on several projects including a Bulldog out of recycled computer parts, an inflatable sculpture and clay projects.

Painting class just finished their color unit with an OP art acrylic painting and are now working on a water color landscape.

Written by: Mrs. Larcom
Typed by: Kelsey Pray

Art Show

On Thursday, March 14, all of the art classes' art work was displayed in the gym and on the stage for parents to see during parent teacher conferences. Each class got awards, these are the winners:

Kindergarten

1st: Ellee Scott
2nd: Ellee Scott
3rd: Tucker Newkirk
HM: Jennifer Carpenter

First Grade

1st: Chandler Borland
2nd: Delainey Ferguson
3rd: Ian Bergman
HM: Vivian Greer

Second Grade

1st: Braydon Siebeneck
2nd: Aspyr Eidson
3rd: Aspyr Eidson
HM: Emmalee Scott

Third Grade

1st: Addilyn Engelhardt
2nd: Gavin Schliem
3rd: Jacob Eidson
HM: Nathan Bales



Fourth Grade

1st: Kennedy Borland
2nd: Payson Hill
3rd: Ashton Siebeneck
HM: Maribel Arredondo

Fifth Grade

1st: Autumn Hastings
2nd: Valencia Landeros
3rd: Lucas Crump
HM: Valencia Landeros

Sixth Grade

1st: Audrey Foster
2nd: Zoie Wheeler
3rd: Zoie Wheeler
HM: Samuel Setzer

Seventh Grade

1st: Aimee Cummings
2nd: Valentina Landeros
3rd: Lilly Rotert
HM: Jada Gains

Eighth Grade

1st: Avery Bales
2nd: Lexie Ward
3rd: Tucker Roach
HM: Macie Morris

Art 1

1st: Sudie Callahan
2nd: Wyatt Blair
3rd: Rachel Evans
HM: Kailee Smith

Advanced Art

1st: Kelsey Pray
2nd: Kelsey Pray
3rd: Mikayla Pray
HM: Morgan Wheeler

3D Art

1st: Kelsie Murray
2nd: Dale Dowse
3rd: Kayla Wainscott
HM: Jailynn Wheeler

Drawing/ Painting

1st: Rachel Evans
2nd: Donovan Hinrichs
3rd: Payton Inglis
HM: Cameron Martin

Best of Show

Kelsey Pray

Written by: Kelsey Pray

AG/FFA

Miss LeRosen



Ag classes have been working hard studying for their career development events. The Ag Powers class is currently building a trailer. Ag One is learning about animal reproduction. Exploratory Ag is talking about animal production systems. The Greenhouse class will begin to plant seeds in the coming weeks.

National FFA week was February 17-24. For FFA week we did Ag in the classroom with elementary students. For this activity each ag class planned a lesson to teach students about the agriculture industry. During this week students also visited the Kansas City Farm Show. Coming up this month we will be attending Career Development events at Adrian, Lathrop, and Savannah. Our FFA chapter will be serving Chili Dogs at parent-teacher conferences to thank parents, teachers, and community members for all of their support.

Typed By: Destiny Bramell

Math Relays



On Wednesday, March 6, a group of students traveled to NEVC to compete in the annual Math Conference Relay.

It was a good day and several students brought home some hardware. Aimee Cummings placed First in seventh grade math, Jackson Rotert tied for Third in Advanced Math and Donovan Hinrichs got Third in Algebra 2. For the groups category, the seventh grade team, Aimee Cummings, Lilly Rotert, Zach Carpenter, and Jada Gains got Third place. The eighth grade team, Alexis Hastings, Macie Morris, Tucker Roach, and Lexie Ward also

got Third place. Algebra 1 tied for Third and their team consisted of Briana Arredondo, Katlin Martin, Kale Oerke, and Keith Schmitt. In Algebra 2, Jake Light, Donovan Hinrichs, and Garrett Oerke got Third place. Finally, Advanced Math got Third place and that team consisted of Jackson Rotert, Jaeden Schliem, and Mikayla Pray. Overall, Ballard placed Third at this years' Math relays.

By Kelsie Murray

Volleyball Academic All-State Award

Three members of the Ballard volleyball team received the Academic All-State award for the 2018 volleyball season. They are: Senior Kelsey Pray, Sophomore Sudie Callahan, and Sophomore Serenity Morris. The requirements for Academic All-State are a 3.6 cumulative GPA from the athletes' entire season (include 2018 1st Semester) and played in 75% of the varsity matches. Congratulations ladies!



Pictured to the right (L-R): Kelsey Pray, Sudie Callahan, Serenity Morris

By: Brianna Pray

Ballard Competes at Lakeland Tournament

On Tuesday, January 8, the Ballard Lady Bulldogs played the Leeton Bulldogs. It was a hard game to play but played very well. They didn't make quite enough points to beat the Leeton Bulldogs but they played their best. The score ended up being 14-47 Leeton. The next day we played Hermitage in a match to find out who was going on to play for consolation and who was going home with last place. They managed to pull a win and beat the Hornets by 8 points. It was a great game and they played very well, they definitely deserved the win. The score at the end of the game was 28-20 Ballard. It was a great game and good sportsmanship all around. Congratulations to the Lady Bulldogs for an awesome win.

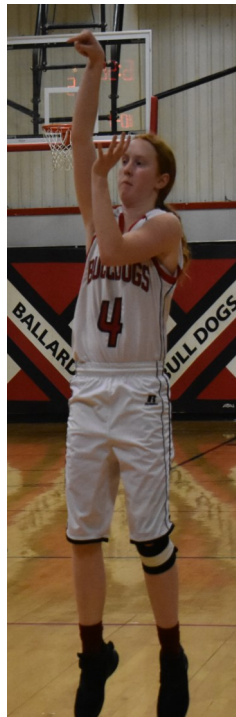
On Wednesday, January 9, the Ballard Bulldogs played the Lakeland Vikings. It was a great game and the boys fought very hard. The final score for the game was 49 to 83 Lakeland. The next day they played the Sheldon Panthers. Both teams had very good sportsmanship and played very well but at the end of the game Ballard was ahead with the score being 56 to 48. Congratulations Ballard Boys for the great performances during these games.

Ballard vs. Calhoun

On Tuesday, February 12, the Ballard Lady Bulldogs played the Calhoun Lady Eagles. It was a great game and the girls played very well. The Lady Bulldogs had very good communication and were working together very well. It was a great night and all players managed to make it off the bench and into the game They fought very hard and definitely deserved the win. The final score was 34-15 Ballard.



Pictured to the right: Katlin Martin



By: Brianna Pray

Catching the Eagles

Ballard Lady Bulldogs vs. Calhoun Lady Eagles January 31	
Ballard	46
Eagles	33

Fighting the Indians



Ballard Lady Bulldogs vs. Chilhowee Lady Indians February 1	
Ballard	36
Indians	20

Ballard Bulldogs vs. Chilhowee Indians February 1	
Ballard	57
Indians	54

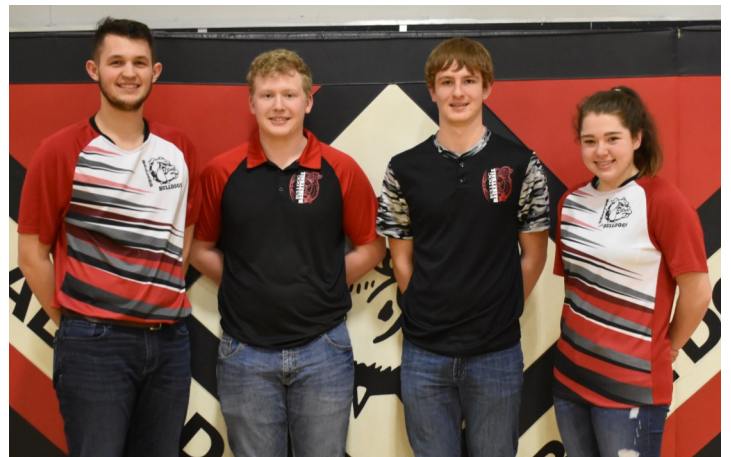


Basketball Awards

Four students from Ballard received basketball awards during the 2018-2019 basketball season. For the boys basketball season, Senior Jackson Rotert received First Team All-District, First Team All-Conference, and GVVC Player of the Year. Junior Garrett Oerke received Second Team All-District and Second Team All-Conference. Freshman Kale Oerke received Honorable Mention All-Conference.

For the girls basketball season, Sophomore Sudie Callahan received Honorable Mention All-Conference.

Congratulations to the four students for the deserved recognition and all the hard work.



Pictured above (L-R): Senior Jackson Rotert, Junior Garrett Oerke, Freshman Kale Oerke, Sophomore Sudie Callahan

By: Brianna Pray

Senior Night Ballard vs. Bronaugh



Pictured above: Morgan Wheeler

Wednesday, February 13, the Bronaugh Lady Wildcats came to Ballard Lady Bulldogs to play the courtwarming and senior night game. Being senior night, Bronaugh was kind enough to allow Morgan the opportunity to score a point. It was a super good game and the girls played incredibly hard. The girls pushed very hard and fought all night long. The score ended up being 14-45 Bronaugh.

The boys also played Bronaugh that night. It was a great game to watch and very exciting. They had good defense and extremely good offense and just had a great night all together. The boys played very well and worked together as a team and beat the Wildcats by 17. The final score was 47-30 Ballard. After the boys game, we had the 2019 Ballard courtwarming ceremony.



Pictured above: Jackson Rotert



On Wednesday, February 13, the Ballard senior basketball players were recognized for their dedication and hard work throughout their high school career. Jackson Rotert and Morgan Wheeler have played basketball all four years of high school and Jailynn Wheeler has played basketball her freshman, sophomore, and senior years of high school. Congratulations senior basketball players. Pictured to the left are the senior basketball players and their parents.

Pictured to the left: (L-R) Back row: JR Wheeler, Chris Rotert Jackson Rotert
Front row (L-R): Rocky Wheeler, Morgan Wheeler, Jailynn Wheeler, Michelle Rotert

GIRLS DISTRICT TOURNAMENT AT DREXEL



On Saturday, February 16, the Ballard Lady Bulldogs played Miami at Drexel for our first game of districts. The girls fought very hard and definitely deserved the win. It was a great game and was very fun to watch. The score at the end of the night was 40 to 20 Ballard. A few days later on Wednesday, February 20, the Ballard Lady Bulldogs played the Lakeland Lady Vikings. The whole team was very nervous to see how this game would turn out. This game determined if they would move on or end their season. It was an energetic game filled with many fouls and turnovers. They all went into the locker room with their heads low at the end of the first half. They came back out to score a few points in the second half but it was not quite enough. At the end of the night, the score was 18 to 68 Lakeland. It was a hard loss but they played their hardest. The Ballard Lady Bulldogs finished their season off with 7 wins and 15 losses. Congratulations Ballard on the long hard fight. It was a great season and you grew so much. Thank you all who came out and supported the girls team throughout their season.

Boys District Tournament At Drexel

On Monday, February 18, the Ballard Bulldogs played Appleton City at Drexel for their first game of districts. It was an exciting game to watch and the boys played very hard. It was a great win over Appleton City with the score being 61 to 38 Ballard. Because of their win over Appleton City the Ballard boys continued on to the next round in the tournament to play the Hume Hornets on Thursday, February 21. It was a tough game but the boys managed to come ahead and pull off a win, with the score being 52 to 37 Ballard. For the first time in forever the Ballard Bulldogs played for the championship in the district tournament. The next day, the Ballard Bulldogs played the Lakeland Vikings to see who would become district champions. It was a very tough game and was super exciting. The boys played their best and fought very hard but didn't manage to get quite enough points. The score at the end of the game was 45 to 65 Lakeland. Their final record was 16 wins and 5 losses, Congratulations Ballard Bulldogs for the amazing season. Thank you to all who came out and supported the Ballard Bulldogs.

Meet the Elementary Girls Basketball Players



Pictured to the left: (L-R) first row:
Keslyn Page,
Second row: Haley Pray,
Zoie Wheeler, Ashton Siebeneck, Macie
Wainscott
Third row: Manager Maggie Foster,
Maribel Arredondo,
Kennedy Borland, Audrey Foster, Va-
lencia Landeros, Olivia Porter



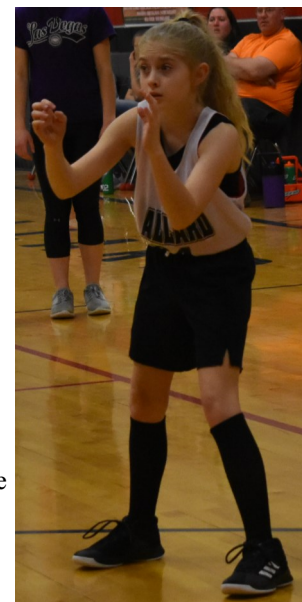
Ballard Elementary Basketball Plays Rich Hill

On Monday, March 11, the elementary girls and boys basketball teams played Rich Hills' elementary boys and girls basketball teams. The girls played first at 6 and then the boys played after the girls finished their game. They both played very well and tried their very best.

Pictured to the left: Daxtyn Greer



Pictured to the right: Keslyn Page



By: Brianna Pray

Meet the Elementary Boys Basketball Players



Pictured above (L-R) first row: Luke Meade
 Second row: Payson Hill, Samuel Setzer, Noah Bales, Daxtyn Greer
 Third row: Manager Ian Bergman, Dayne Greer, Jonathan Setzer, Cash Anderson, Lucas Crump, Bradley Bergschneider

MEET THE BALLARD SOFTBALL TEAM



Pictured above (L-R) First row: Morgan Wheeler, Amanda Teagarden, Jailynn Wheeler
 Second row: Briana Arredondo, Brianna Pray, Katlin Martin
 Third row: Destiny Bramell, Sudie Callahan, Kayla Schmitt, Sierra Ferguson
 Fourth row: Coach Larry Bergschneider

By: Brianna Pray

Fun Page

1. How excited was the gardener about spring?

A: So excited he wet his plants!

2. What do you call a rabbit with fleas?

A: Bugs Bunny

3. What bow cant be tied?

A: A rainbow

Spring Word Search

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FLOWERS
SUNSHINE
BUTTERFLY
GARDEN

PLANTS
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Spring Word Scramble

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