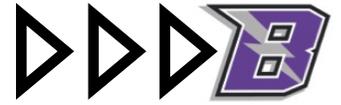


The Baxter

February-March 2022



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**2021-2022
Boys and
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DISTRICT NEWS



SAVE THE DATE!

STEM Night

Tuesday, March 1
5:30pm-7:30pm

Join us in the cafeteria to enjoy student work and fun, interactive activities for all ages!



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saturday, february 19
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A Message from Dr. Clapper

I hope that 2022 is off to a fantastic start for your students and your family! As I write this article, we are coming back from winter break, but as you read it, we are looking forward to the end of winter and the beginning of spring. Winter is my least favorite season. Everyone is stuck inside and unfortunately and if you are like me, you might be going a little stir crazy. I am very much looking forward to warmer temperatures. I hope all of you have a chance to get outside soon and spend some time enjoying the spring weather. In education, it can sometimes feel like the year starts when students return in August. But changing the calendar gives us another opportunity to reflect and look at what's ahead.

I love living and working in Baxter for many reasons and I know many of you do as well. We wanted to share the story of Baxter Community schools with as many people as possible so we had some videos created. Please enjoy them and share them with anyone you think might be interested in learning more about our district. You can visit our [website](#) or simply click on [this link](#). As many of you know, Baxter CSD has been slowly increasing our enrollment over the last few years. I think it's wonderful to see the new houses being built and the new families moving into the district. In my neighborhood there were about five school age students when we moved there and now, ten years later, we have tons of little kids. It's just so nice to see this kind of growth in our community.

Growth and increasing enrollment are vital to small towns and small schools. Not only do we depend on increasing the enrollment of our students who live in the district, but we also depend on the many students who open enroll in our district as well. This is the time of year when people can apply for open enrollment. If you or anyone you know is interested in open enrolling to Baxter, please contact our office or [click on the link](#) to for more information.

We've been fortunate to avoid very many school cancellations this year, but that doesn't mean it won't happen. (This is Iowa, after all!) So, it's still important for families to ensure the school has the most current contact information. The District uses JMC to notify families of any closings. Emails and texts are sent to email addresses and phone numbers that guardians have registered. If there is a delay or closing, information will also be posted on our district Facebook page and local television stations. When school is in session, parents should send students in clothing appropriate to wear outside. Students will continue to have recess outside as the weather allows.

Here are a few important dates to remember in the next couple months that might impact your family schedule. I hope you have a chance to enjoy some time together and hopefully the weather will be warm enough to get outside.

February 19 8:00-12:00 High School Conferences
February 22& 24 K-12 Parent-Teacher Conferences
February 25 NO SCHOOL
March 14-18 NO SCHOOL Spring Break

I hope you all have a wonderful February and March. I am looking forward to the next few months of school as we take our final assessments of the year, finish the spring activities seasons, attend concerts, and prepare for graduation. It's amazing to see how much our students grow over the course of a year, not only physically, but also academically and socially as well.

Take care,
Dr. Clapper

STUDENT NEWS



Supplies Needed!

The Big Bolt Little Bolt program is in need of games and activities for our elementary students and their high school mentors to do together.

Ideas could include:

Playdough and tools

Coloring books or other art supplies

Legos or blocks

Uno, Spot it, or other card games

Board games

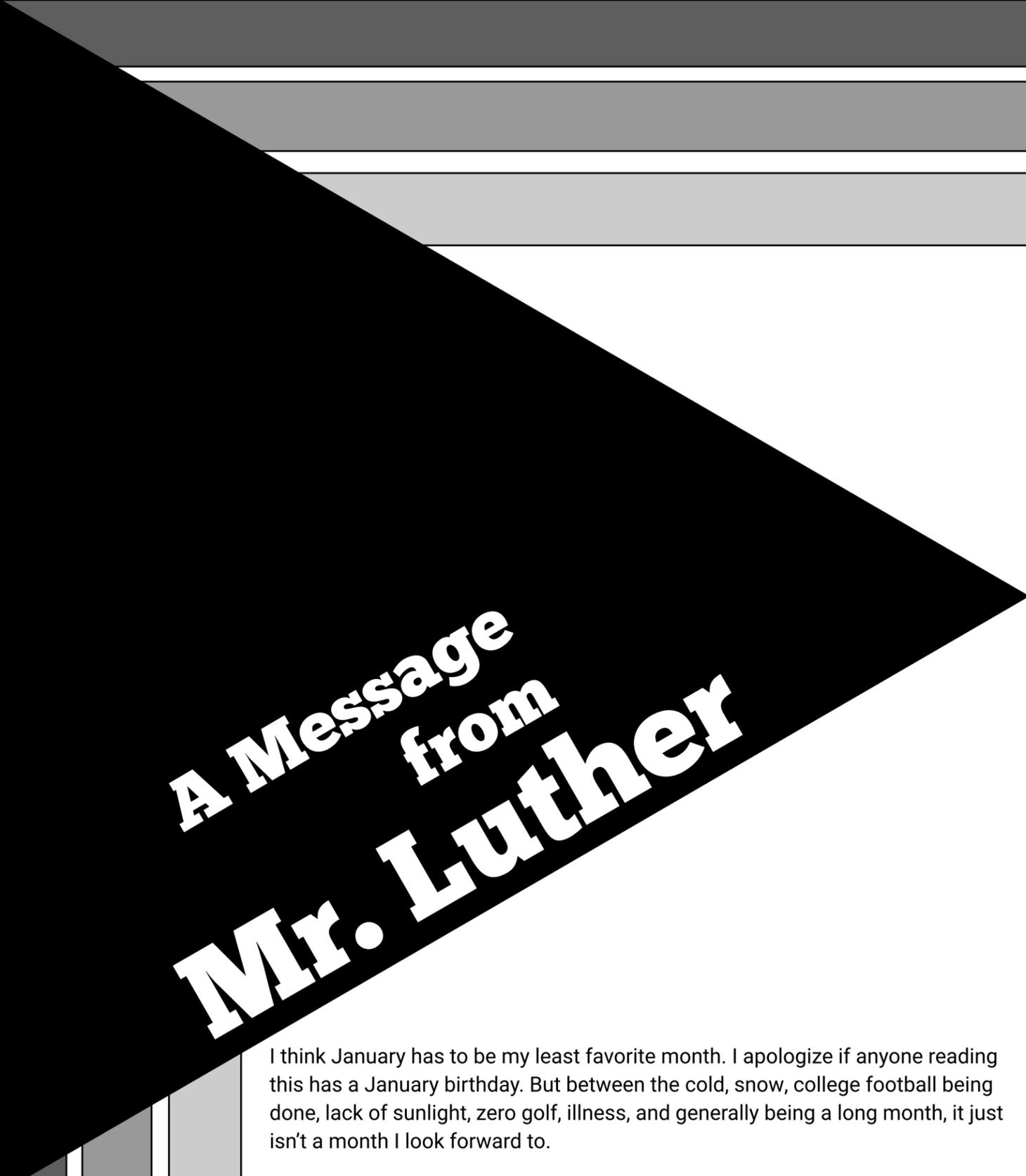
Chess/Checkers

Bracelet making supplies

Hotwheels & track

Toy sets that would fit in a large shoe box
(barbies, animals, ponies, tractors, action
figures)

New or used donations can be dropped off with Janet Damman in the elementary office or given to Anna Travis atravis@baxter.k12.ia.us.



A Message from Mr. Luther

I think January has to be my least favorite month. I apologize if anyone reading this has a January birthday. But between the cold, snow, college football being done, lack of sunlight, zero golf, illness, and generally being a long month, it just isn't a month I look forward to.

So I decided for my article this month, I would try to find all of the amazing things happening right now with our students. After making this list, I would tell you January has been a great month and may no longer be at the bottom of my list.

Both our boys and girls basketball teams have won the Iowa Star Conference basketball championships. This has never happened during our time as Bolts or even as Raiders. This is an outstanding accomplishment. Our girls are currently undefeated as I type this. I believe this will make for some great post-season basketball as both teams make their run for the Well. Also in January, Lilie Vansice broke our Baxter Bolt scoring record in a game. On the same night she turned around and danced with the Baxter Dance Team. This is what makes small schools and especially our small school, great!

Our Baxter Speech team is having another fantastic year. We have 3 large groups moving on to state. We qualified in Radio Broadcasting, Improvisation, and Ensemble Acting. Congratulations to Maggie Schabiliuon, Braeden Kelly, Nick Nelson, Morgan Ratliff, Ash England, Paige Ewing, Bri Winfield and Corryn Padgett for their hard work and talents.

It has been great hosting a couple wrestling meets in Baxter this year. It has been a great opportunity for our guys to wrestle in front of a home crowd. Our program is on the rise and there is a lot of excitement around this sport for both our boys and our girls. Coach Amadeo, Coach Gliem and Coach Smith have worked extremely hard to coach our guys to be competitive. Best of luck in their postseason as well.

Our 5th and 6th graders, led by Mr. Brummell , Mr. Eide, and Ms. Bucklin, took our classes to JA Biztown. This is a real world opportunity for our students to see how a town and business community actually run for a day. The students assumed all the roles and ran a fictional town for a day. Also thanks to all the parent volunteers who helped make this a great experience.

It has been great to have our pep band back playing at basketball games. We have had both MS and HS dance teams performing at halftime of those games as well. The art that is happening in our school is incredible. It will be on display this spring at our fine arts night.

We also have Baxter students doing some amazing things outside our building and in their own areas of interest. Dalton Shanks took a market steer to a national show in Denver, Colorado. He did fantastic! Camryn Russell is currently in Dallas, Texas competing in a national gymnastics competition. Zach Backus is in flight school and has logged numerous hours in the sky. Kamdyn Krampe hit a game winner last week to win the championship for her club team. We have numerous students we have helped place in jobs or interest areas to further their career paths after high school.

I say this all the time, but it truly is a great day to be a BOLT!

A Message from **Mr. Aker**

This is the newsletter month where as I write I have conflicting feelings. I am not looking forward to the thought of bundling up in all my winter gear with all the kids to head out to recess for what looks to be another very cold day. On the other hand, it is February, the days are getting longer and the thoughts of spring weather are creeping into all of our minds. Although we have had a great winter here at the school, spring will definitely be welcomed by us all.

Last week we “celebrated” the 100th Day of School. To be fully transparent with everyone, this is not something as a longtime high school teacher that I know much about and that is even in my mind as something to do. After the fact I felt that I needed to understand why we celebrate that day so that in the future I am more prepared for the celebration. I found on Worldbook.com that the 100th Day of School “is a milestone that represents progress, growth, and achievement. For educators, this is likely a moment for reflection: What has been working well? What has not? What are your goals for the rest of the school year?” After reading that, I have already “saved the date” on my calendar for next year.

Reflecting on the progress, growth, and achievement of our students is part of our instructional practice. Although having a “milestone” is an exciting thing to do, we have made a commitment to do this on a much more regular basis. We have just wrapped up our Winter FAST Screener that gives us information about the progress of our students in reading and math. We use this screening data with all the classroom achievement data we collect to not only celebrate the achievement of our students but also to develop individualized plans to

help each student grow. We also use all of this information to reflect on our instruction and make necessary adjustments to better support our students' learning.

The second trimester will be wrapping up on February 18th and we will be holding our Spring Parent Teacher Conferences on February 22 and February 24. We feel it is important that we get all of our teachers and parents together to talk about the progress of our students in the standards and skills they are learning. We will be sending out our “Sign-Up Genius” in the next couple of weeks so you can schedule that time to meet with your teachers. Of course we value the opportunity to meet face to face, but if you prefer to meet virtually just let your students' teacher know.

I just heard that Punxsutawney Phil just saw his shadow and we have 6 more weeks of Winter! Well, that’s unfortunate. However, spring break is coming and I guess we should embrace the cold weather as well as the warm! Have a great couple of months!

Counselor's Corner

Mr. Travis Dee

Secondary School
Counselor

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Plan Your Adventure - Spring 2022

This spring Baxter students in grades 8-12 will continue their work on college and career planning by using a tool created by Iowa State University known as My Academic Plan (MAP). MAP is a career exploration and decision making system that guides students through a series of steps which allow students to:

1. Identify their own unique interests, work values, and skills through simple online inventories.
2. Explore career options that best match their interests, work values, and skills.
3. Plan their high school course schedule with your career goals in mind.
4. Explore college majors or training programs which prepare them for their intended career, and then identify a college or training program which best fits their goals.

MAP will be used this spring in the eighth grade guidance class. This class will begin working on developing their high school four-year plan as students identify areas of interests and abilities. Eighth grade students will be creating a presentation over their future career options and sharing it with their parents this spring. MAP will be revisited each year in high school to allow students to reassess their interests, values, and skills; to re-explore career options; and to update their academic information. (www.planyouradventure.net)

College News

College representatives are setting up times to visit our school this spring. I encourage interested sophomores, juniors, and seniors who would like to visit with these representatives to pay attention to their school email for updates.

2022 Freshman Orientation

The freshmen orientation will be held on **Wednesday, April 20 at 6:30 p.m.** in the West Commons for current eighth grade students and their parents. This orientation will give students and parents an opportunity to ask questions about issues related to the high school experience and review students' four-year plan. Please discuss with your child information concerning high school classes. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Mr. Dee

2022 Middle School Orientation

Please mark your calendars for middle school orientation on **Wednesday, May 4 at 6:30 p.m.** in the West Commons for current fifth grade students and their parents. We will discuss the middle school concept, extra curricular activities, and answer questions about middle school.

Baxter Community Educational Scholarships

The Baxter Community Educational Scholarship application is available on the Baxter website – Counselor's Corner. Mr. Dee will be visiting with seniors about the scholarships in late March. Please do not turn in any of these applications until Mr. Dee visits with the class and gives a final deadline.

Other Scholarships

Please check the Counselor's Corner webpage for other scholarship opportunities. Also remember to visit www.ICANSucceed.org for more scholarship information.

2022 ACT Test Dates

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline	Standby Deadline
		Late Fee Applies	Photo Upload Deadline
April 2, 2022	February 25	March 11	March 25
June 11, 2022	May 6	May 20	June 3
July 16, 2022	June 17	June 24	July 8

Baxter Community School

2021-22 1st Semester Honor Roll

A Honor Roll

6th Grade

Hayden Burdess
Colten Damman
Kaitlyn Engle
Myah Johnston
Owen Parrie
Robert Richardson
Derek Rominger
Grayson Scroggins
Joshua Warden

7th Grade

Kendall Brummel
Luci Kucera
Gwen Tichy
Avery Wonders

8th Grade

Grace Anderegg
Alivia Boike
Callie Cross
Harleigh Cross
Eli Dee
Bree Hopkins
Camryn Russell
Cody Spurgeon
Callie Van Beek
Stadan Vansice

A/B Honor Roll

6th Grade

Hank Bethards
Ashlee Herr
Kamdyn Krampe
Kaylyn Krampe
Breason Oliphant
Brienna Oliphant

Piper Redman

Liam Trent

Maddux Tuhn

Ivy Whitacre

Emily Winfield

7th Grade

Mallory Bottorff
Maxxon Handorf
Tayler Iverson
Journey Kampman

Briah Mortenson

Denver Sulzle

8th Grade

Katie Bell
Kash Brummel
Austin England
Addisyn Odem
Klaire Shanks
Jacob Warden

MS Semester Award Winners

6th Grade Student of the Semester – Hayden Burdess

7th Grade Student of the Semester – Journey Kampman

8th Grade Student of the Semester – Caydence Sulzle

HS Semester Award Winners

Bolt of the Semester – Fri Winfield

9th Grade Student of the Semester – Perrin Sulzle

10th Grade Student of the Semester – Jo Harder

11th Grade Student of the Semester – Brian Lust

12th Grade Student of the Semester – Lilie Vansice

Gold Honor Roll (4.0 GPA)

9th Grade

Hudson Bethards

Adison Bonney

Nicole Bunse

James Esqueda

Hannah Huffaker

Karlee Koehler

Jaci McMinamen

Abigail Meyer

Logan Rainsbarger

Matthew Richardson

Cade Robinson

Cadence Spurgeon

Perrin Sulzle

Cainan Travis

Josslynn Travis

Emersen Tuhn

Rylee Van Beek

10th Grade

William Brown

Julie Damman

Madison Greimann

Jocelyn Harder

Samantha Irwin

Morgan Ratliff

Regan Russell

Brianna Winfield

11th Grade

Cody Damman

Grace Gruis

Bailey Littell

Brian Lust

Ethan Rainsbarger

Carson Scroggins

Mandee Selover

Kelcie Shedd

Cael Shepley

12th Grade

Zachary Backus

Allison Colyn

Rory Heer

Maggie Schabilion

John Scroggins

Elie Tuhn

Lilie Vansice

Silver Honor Roll (3.5-3.99 GPA)

9th Grade

Grant Anderegg

Jace Bottorff

Alexander Dille

Carter Smith

10th Grade

Evelyn Boothroyd

Beau Brummel

Trenton Colyn

Zachary Damman

Morgan Hansen

Reyna Heer

Logan Jones

Lydia Pierce

Leah Shanks

Treyton Travis

11th Grade

Bree Buswell

Abigail England

Paige Ewing

Luella Gruis

Abby McReynolds

Corryn Padget

Dalton Shanks

Jada Yoakum

Jesse Zeimen

Emma Ziesman

12th Grade

Kaitlynn Allan

Kinley Bethards

Hunter Hicks

Blake Hopkins

Braeden Kelly

Hailey Lively

Nathan McMinamen

Allyson Padget

Thomas Yoakum

Bronze Honor Roll (3.0-3.499 GPA)

9th Grade

Jacob Damman

Gavin Kampman

Addison Kerwin

Zachary Steingrabe

Janay Stone

10th Grade

Brashton Butler

Payge Cripps

Hope Good

Jack Irwin

Ben Richardson

Cody Samson

Payton Vander Heiden

Keenan Varner

11th Grade

Mark Butler

Trice Clapper

Samuel Cross

Calleah Frink

Lilyan Headlee

Jacob Travis

Brighton Vansice

Treytyn Wesselink

12th Grade

Grant Borts

Coleten Maige

Austin Roush

Carter Samson

ATHLETICS



Hall of Fame 2022



Baxter HS Boys Track 2022

Date	Meet	Site	Time
March 4	Pekin	Pella	4:30
March 22	Colfax-Mingo	Indoor Grinnell College	4:30
March 29	DMC (Colfax Early Bird)	DMC	4:30
April 5	PCM Invitational	Monroe	4:30
April 8	Bolt Relays	Baxter	4:30
April 11	Bolt Invitational	Baxter	4:30
April 15	Colo-Nesco	Nevada	5:00
April 19	Montezuma	Montezuma	4:30
April 21	South Hamilton	Jewell	4:30
April 25	Des Moines Christian	Des Moines	4:30
April 20-23	Drake Relays	Des Moines	TBA
April 28	West Marshall	State Center	4:30
May 2	Meskwaki	Meskwaki	4:30
May 5	ISC Meet	Baxter	4:30
May 12	State-Qualifying	TBA	TBA

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April 5	PCM Invitational	Monroe	4:30
April 7	Eddyville-Blakesburg	Eddyville	4:30
April 11	Bolt Invitational	Baxter	4:30
April 15	Colo-Nesco	Nevada	5:00
April 19	Montezuma	Montezuma	4:30
April 21	Lady Bolt Relays	Baxter	4:30
April 25	Des Moines Christian	Des Moines	4:30
April 20-23	Drake Relays	Des Moines	TBA
April 28	West Marshall	State Center	4:30
May 2	Meskwaki	Meskwaki	4:30
May 5	ISC Meet	Baxter	4:30
May 12	State-Qualifying	TBA	TBA

Baxter JH Track 2022

Date	Meet	Site	Time
April 14	Lil Bolt Relays	Baxter	4:30
April 18	Warrior Relay	Meskwaki	4:15
April 22	Mustang Relays	Monroe	4:30
April 25	Eddyville-Blakesburg	Eddyville	4:30
April 28	Gilbert	Gilbert	4:30
May 2	South Hamilton	Jewell	4:30
May 6	ISC Meet	Meskwaki	4:30

Baxter HS Golf 2022

Date	Gender	Opponent	Location	Time
April 4	Boy/Girl	Saydel	Woodland Hills	4:15
April 5	Boy/Girl	WM	State Center Lincoln Valley Golf	4:15
April 12	Boy/Girl	Iowa Falls-Alden Colo-NESCO	Iowa Falls Boys- Highland Country Club Girls- Meadow Hills Golf Course	4:15
April 14	Boy/Girl	BCLUW, NT	Conrad Boys- Oakwood Golf Course- Conrad Girls- SH Recreation Area- Union	4:15
April 19	Boy/Girl	Colfax-Mingo	Colfax Colfax Country Club	4:30
April 26	Boy/Girl	GMG	Conrad Boys- Oakwood Golf Course- Conrad Girls- Oakwood Golf Course- Conrad	4:15
April 28	Boy/Girl	WM, BCLUW	State Center Lincoln Valley Golf	4:15
May 2	Boy/Girl	Colo-NESCO	Colo Twin Anchors Golf Course	4:15
May 4	Boy	Conference	Clarksville C.A.R.D Golf Course	9:00a
May 9	Girl	Conference	Colo Twin Anchors Golf Course	9:00a
May 13	Boy	Sectionals		
May 16	Girl	Regionals		

BAXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT --- PARENT/GUARDIAN NOTICE SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 prohibits discrimination against persons with a disability in any program receiving federal financial assistance. In order to fulfill obligations under Section 504, the Baxter Community School District has the responsibility to avoid discrimination in policies and practices regarding its personnel and students. No discrimination against any person with a disability should knowingly be permitted in any of the programs and practices of the school system.

The Baxter Community School District has the responsibilities under Section 504, which included the obligations to identify, evaluate, and, if the student is determined to be eligible under Section 504, to afford access to appropriate educational services.

If the parent/guardian disagrees with the determination made by the professional staff of the school district, he/she has a right to file a grievance and to a hearing with an impartial hearing officer.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) also specifies rights related to educational records. This Act gives the parent or guardian the right to:

- 1) Inspect and review his/her child's educational records;
- 2) Make copies of these records;
- 3) Receive a list of the individuals having access to those records;
- 4) Ask for an explanation of any item in the records;
- 5) Ask for an amendment to any report on the grounds that it is inaccurate, misleading, or violates the child's rights; and
- 6) A hearing on the issue if the school refuses to make the amendment.

If there are questions, please feel free to contact the Equity/Section 504/ADA Coordinator for the State St., Baxter, IA 50028, (641) 227-3103.

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