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2019 RAM 1500 BIG HORN CREW CAB 4X4

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2024 Fall Sports **BANGOR VIKINGS**

Boys & Girls Viking Cross Country

Teams compete in Portage fo MHSAA LP

From Coach Muñoz • Oct. 28, 2024

The Varsity Cross Country teams were in Portage for the MHSAA LP Region 22-3 races on Saturday. Overall the boys placed 6th, while the ladies finished in 8th place.



Boys results: Tyler Caruso (19th), Carson Pullins (35th), Wes Summerhill (40th), Trap Abbott (43rd), Carter Brouwer (44th), Jack Loomis (50th), and Ismael Reyna (68th).



Girls results: Sariah Labostrie (24th), Jaelynn Little (33rd), Cielo Maldonado (43rd), Paloma Martinez-Cortez (55th), Claire Heimsath (61st), Vianet Hernandez (62nd), and Isabella Macedo (79th).

Julian Pullins competed in the open division, wrapping up his xc season with a personal record. Congratulations to Tyler Caruso as he advanced to the MHSAA LP Division 3 Finals. He will run at the Michigan International Speedway on Saturday, November 2nd at 10:10am.

Viking Middle School Football

Vikings play tough, but drop final game

From Coach Windiate • Oct. 24, 2024

The Middle School football team wrapped up the season last night at New Buffalo, against the combined team from New Buffalo and River Valley. It was a hard-fought game, but unfortunately, the Vikings came up short 34-14. The Raiders scored two late touchdowns to pull away in the 4th quarter. Leading the way for Bangor was Aaron Dominguez with 189 yards rushing and 2 touchdowns, Jaxson Valentine at quarterback, and Josiah Jones with 8 tackles and a great catch on offense.

We have improved greatly throughout the season and would like to wish our 8th graders success as they move on to High School.

Boys Varsity Basketball Schedule

Tuesday	11/26/24	New Buffalo High School	Away	7:30 PM
Friday	12/06/24	Cassopolis High School	Away	7:30 PM
Tuesday	12/10/24	Hartford Public Schools	Home	7:30 PM
Thursday	12/12/24	Decatur High School	Home	7:30 PM
Tuesday	12/17/24	Lawrence Jr.-Sr. High School	Away	7:30 PM
Thursday	12/19/24	Centreville	Away	7:30 PM
Friday	12/27/24	Bangor Holiday Shootout	Home	TBA
Tuesday	01/07/25	Comstock	Home	7:30 PM
Friday	01/10/25	Marcellus High School	Home	7:30 PM
Monday	01/13/25	Gobles MS/HS School	Home	7:30 PM
Tuesday	01/14/25	Bloomington High School	Home	7:30 PM
Friday	01/17/25	White Pigeon Jr/Sr HS	Home	7:30 PM
Friday	01/24/25	Cassopolis High School	Home	7:30 PM
Tuesday	01/28/25	Hartford Public Schools	Away	7:30 PM
Thursday	01/30/25	Decatur High School	Away	7:30 PM
Tuesday	02/04/25	Lawrence Jr.-Sr. High School	Home	7:30 PM
Friday	02/07/25	Centreville	Home	7:30 PM
Friday	02/11/25	Comstock	Away	7:30 PM
Friday	02/14/25	Marcellus High School	Away	7:30 PM
Tuesday	02/18/25	Bloomington High School	Away	7:30 PM
Friday	02/21/25	White Pigeon Jr/Sr HS	Away	7:30 PM
Monday	02/24/25	OPEN (MHSAA DISTRICT)	Away	TBA
Wednesday	02/26/25	OPEN (MHSAA District Semifinal)	Away	TBA
Friday	02/28/25	OPEN (MHSAA DISTRICT FINAL)	Away	TBA

Girls Varsity Basketball Schedule

Tuesday	12/03/24	Eau Claire High School	Away	7:30 PM
Tuesday	12/10/24	Maple Valley High School	Away	7:00 PM
Friday	12/13/24	Decatur High School	Away	7:30 PM
Tuesday	12/17/24	Lawrence Jr.-Sr. High School	Home	7:30 PM
Thursday	12/19/24	Centreville	Home	7:30 PM
Friday	01/03/25	Bangor Holiday Shootout	Home	TBA
Tuesday	01/07/25	Comstock	Away	7:30 PM
Friday	01/10/25	Marcellus High School	Home	6:00 PM
Tuesday	01/14/25	Bloomington High School	Away	7:30 PM
Thursday	01/16/25	White Pigeon Jr/Sr HS	Away	7:30 PM
Tuesday	01/21/25	Lee High School	Away	6:00 PM
Thursday	01/23/25	Cassopolis High School	Away	7:30 PM
Tuesday	01/28/25	Hartford Public Schools	Home	7:30 PM
Friday	01/31/25	Decatur High School	Home	7:30 PM
Tuesday	02/04/25	Lawrence Jr.-Sr. High School	Away	7:30 PM
Thursday	02/06/25	Centreville	Away	7:30 PM
Tuesday	02/11/25	Comstock	Home	7:30 PM
Friday	02/14/25	Marcellus High School	Away	6:00 PM
Tuesday	02/18/25	Bloomington High School	Home	7:30 PM
Thursday	02/20/25	White Pigeon Jr/Sr HS	Home	7:30 PM
Tuesday	02/25/25	Cassopolis High School	Home	7:30 PM
Thursday	02/27/25	Hartford Public Schools	Away	7:30 PM

Boys Varsity Wrestling Schedule

Friday	12/06/24	Bangor Girls Invitational	Home	5:00 PM
Saturday	12/07/24	Bangor Varsity Wrestling Invitational	Home	10:00 AM
Wednesday	12/11/24	Buchanan HS (w/RV/MB Coop)	Away	6:00 PM
Saturday	12/14/24	South Haven High School (South Haven Invitational)	Away	8:00 AM
Wednesday	12/18/24	Bloomington High School (SW10 Tri w/Mendon)	Away	6:00 PM
Saturday	12/28/24	Comstock (Comstock Individual Invitational)	Away	9:30 AM
Saturday	01/04/25	Marshall High School (Marshall Invitational)	Away	9:00 AM
Wednesday	01/08/25	Hartford Public Schools (SW10 Quad w/Comstock)	Away	6:00 PM
Saturday	01/11/25	Buchanan Super Dual	Away	9:00 AM
Wednesday	01/15/25	Lawrence Jr.-Sr. High School (w/Decatur)	Away	6:00 PM
Saturday	01/18/25	Kalamazoo Central HS (Ron Russo Invitational)	Away	9:00 AM
Wednesday	01/22/25	Marcellus High School (SW10 Quad w/Cassopolis)	Home	6:00 PM
Saturday	01/25/25	Fennville High School (Fennville Invitational)	Away	9:00 AM
Wednesday	01/29/25	White Pigeon Jr/Sr HS (SW10 Quad w/Centreville)	Away	6:00 PM
Friday	01/31/25	Cassopolis High School (SW10 JV & Girls Tournament)	Away	5:30 PM
Saturday	02/01/25	Cassopolis High School (SW10 Tournament)	Away	9:00 AM
Wednesday	02/05/25	OPEN (MHSAA Team District)	Away	TBA
Saturday	02/08/25	OPEN (MHSAA Individual District)	Away	TBA

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(updated 2/03/24)

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The township provides a variety of other services including notary, copies/faxes, hall rental, end of life cemetery arrangements, and other services as needed and appropriate.

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Apple Crunch Day Fun Awesome Bulldogs in Action



The Michigan Apple Crunch is an annual event that encourages people to eat Michigan-grown apples to celebrate the state's apples and promote National Farm to School Month. On Thursday, October 17, Covert students and staff observed the day with various apple-spirited fun activities. From kindergarten to 12th grades, students participated in the donut hole spoon relay, apple pie eating contest, an apple a day keeps the doctor away race, and elementary tug-o-war. Finally, students and staff wrapped up the celebration by taking the first bite of their delicious Michigan-grown apple together.



Having Fun at Verhage Cider Mill



Let's hear it for all things APPLES! On Wednesday, October 23, our 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students boarded buses with some of our staff members and parent chaperones for a fun day of apple picking, tractor riding, and enjoying the beautiful autumn day at Verhage Cider Mill. There were plenty of smiles and apples to go around as students learned about how apples get turned into cider!



For two years now Covert Public Schools has teamed up with the Covert Township Lions to provide food to our community through Feed America. Students volunteer to help work the event please join us at one of our future events: October 31st, November 12th and December 11th all starting at noon.

Breakfast with Books and Games, Another Great Success!

On Wednesday, October 9th, many families joined us to learn more about how they can support younger learners by making it a family activity. Mr. Beck and Mrs. Wright were on hand to present important research and different strategies that our families can use during family time to help their children build literacy in math and reading. Many of the activities involved elements of play and fun. Our instructional support staff members were also on hand to help with hands-on activities, and families created 'make and take' games and chose from a variety of books to take home and enjoy with their children. Thank you to all the families who attended the Breakfast with Books and Games Math and Literacy Event!

We hope that you enjoyed the event and found it valuable. Your presence and engagement helped to make it a success. We look forward to seeing you at our next Family Math and Literacy Event.



Career Pathways Day at LMC

Every year Berrien County hosts a Career Pathways Day at Lake Michigan College. Over 50 programs and businesses take part in sharing information about their fields or professions and bringing hands-on activities for students to participate in. This year, Covert's 9th graders and Jobs for Michigan's Graduates students attended on October 18 to learn more about the potential career pathways that they may choose to pursue. We are always excited to provide our students with valuable experiences that help them to look toward their future prospects!



Past Grads Visit

As part of our observance of Michigan College Month, we welcomed five graduates back to speak about their experiences after graduating from Covert High School. Nelson Zarco 2022, Camila Perez-Negron 2022, Cynthia Sanchez 2017, Jennifer Fabian 2018, and Gloria Gallegos 2023 graciously shared their college and work choices and many lessons they have learned about life after high school. After their presentations, middle and high school students had the opportunity to participate in a Q & A panel discussion. It was a fabulous opportunity for our secondary students to consider the different career pathways that they could choose from as they prepared for life after high school.



College Month

Every October is College Month in Michigan. This October Covert High School held numerous events to get students thinking about their plans. It started with decorating the main hallway in College paraphernalia. On October 1, staff wore shirts from their favorite college and a daily trivia competition began. Each day students have the opportunity to win a prize for correctly answering the question and emailing it to Ms. Owen. On October 8, a representative from Western Michigan University came to talk to the 11th and 12th-grade students. All 9th-grade and Jobs for Michigan Graduates attended Career Pathways Day at Lake Michigan College. While there they learned about the different pathways and engaged with local employers. On Tuesday, October 22, all 12th-grade students participated in College Application Day. Students created their FSA ID for their upcoming FAFSA Night on December 4. Also, they all applied to at least one college or university. On Friday, October 25, all secondary students were able to enjoy the Pixar movie Monster's University to celebrate College Month. Also, three students attended Southwestern Michigan College's Sawdust Day where they learned more about their construction program. In the last week of the month, Jobs for Michigan's Graduates students will host a recruiter from the National Guard. On October 30, 11th and 12th-grade students will listen to a Ferris State University representative in the morning and meet with a Lake Michigan College representative during lunch.



Homecoming 2024



Walk Against Hate



On Sunday, September 29, 15 Covert students, Superintendent Brunt, Mrs. Johnson, and Mrs. Baker went to Southfield, Michigan, to join many others in the Walk Against Hate. The Covert students led the March carrying the banner and were treated like celebrities by everyone. It was very endearing. Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Johnson received the Path to Education Award. We ended the day with lunch at Coney Island.



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Girls & Boy's Cross Country



Gobles Cross Country Regional Success

Coach Marc Kline • Oct. 30, 2024

The regular season ended October 19 and the post season began with Regionals on Saturday, October 26 at Allendale High School.
The Tigers have had a great season and they capped it off on Saturday with an outstanding day of racing in Allendale. The boys team finished 8th place and the girls were Regional Champions.
For the boy's team had a great pack that was close together. David Sager finished 27th, Cole Ringel 28th, Cole Cannon 29th, Jose Boger 48th, and Cole Stapert 72nd. Cole Ringel (19:00.65), Cole Cannon (19:01.74), and Jose Boger (20:33.98) all set huge Personal Records making the most of their opportunity to compete.

If you have a chance, congratulate your girls cross country team for winning the program's 1st women's regional championship. Libby Smith 1st (meet champion), Lauren Shaffer 2nd (meet runner up), Madison Cooley 5th, Ava DeYoung 7th (Season Record at 21:34.75), Zoie Wood 12th (Personal Record at 22:09.45), Addison Tomsic 20th (Personal Record at 22:49.79), and Alyssa Sparks 36th (Personal Record at 26:13.35). They raced with grit and toughness on their way to victory.

November 2nd the ladies will travel to Michigan International Speedway to compete in the State Championships



L to R: Libby Smith, Addison Tomsic, Alyssa Sparks, Zoie Wood, Ava DeYoung, Lauren Shaffer, Madison Cooley, Martina Pucello

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Tigers go undefeated, focus moves to State Playoffs

Coach Greg Eichler • Oct. 26, 2024

It was senior night as Gobles defeated Twin City on Friday night by a final score of 58-8. The victory moved the Tigers to 9-0 on the season, which is the first undefeated regular season since 2006 for Gobles. With that said, the Tigers aren't celebrating anything as they move their focus to the first round of the playoffs. Gobles finished the game with 481 yards of total offense, and another great performance on the ground. Gobles was explosive on early downs, which kept Twin City on their heels and allowed the Tigers to build momentum throughout the game. The Tigers were stout defensively against an explosive offense that has been able to put up points against good teams. Overall, the team played a physical brand of football.

Mason Mansfield rushed for 246 yards on 8 carries for 4 touchdowns and 1 2 PT conversion. Mansfield was nearly unstoppable, although the credit goes to the offensive line and rest of the backfield for paving the way. Preston Misak played a balanced game as he rushed for 77 yards on 11 attempts and 1 2 PT conversion, along with 2 passing TDs. Nathan Ray added a big 19 yard touchdown and blocked exceptionally well. Alex Akers and Aiden Beams were on the receiving end of Misak's TD throws.

Defensively the Tigers were led by AJ Salinas who tallied 10 tackles (3 TFL), 3 QB pressures, and .5 sack. Ray continues his excellent linebacker play as he added 7 tackles (3 TFL) and 3 QB pressures. Also chipping in for the Gobles was defense was Carter Bell who had 7 tackles (3 TFL), 3 QB pressures, and 1.5 sack. The defense was particularly good on 3rd down as Twin City converted on only 1 of 9 attempts, and 4th down as Twin City converted on 2 of 8 attempts.

Thank you to the seniors below for their dedication and continued commitment to making Gobles Football stronger than they found it. Their special journey continues next week as the state playoffs commence.

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Bloomingdale 2024 Fall Sports CARDINALS



Football

Seniors Honored for the Season

The high school football team's season concluded last week. At halftime of the game, the school honored the seniors from football, cheer and band. Senior Troy Zuck led the way for the Cardinals, who rushed for 136 yards and 3 touchdowns in the final game of his career.



Clay Target Team

The Clay Target Team wrapped up their first fall season on Saturday afternoon.

The team performed well in their first season, and there is a lot of excitement around this new sport throughout the community. We want to thank the Bloomingdale Conservation Club for being gracious enough to allow our team to use their facilities this season. We also want to thank Coach Scott Billings for taking on the task of starting a new program for our students. The team will be back in April to begin their spring season.



Cross Country



CC Teams Compete at the MHSAA Regional

The varsity cross country team competed at the MHSAA Regional meet on Saturday at Portage. The boys finished 9th out of 17 teams. They were led by Reed Remington who finished 42nd and notched another sub 19 minute time. Alejandro Marquez saved his best for the last race, running a PR time and placing 51st. Zach Danes capped off a great year with a 52nd place finish. James Odell closed strong to finish 57th and Kelsey Simms was close behind in 60th. Josh Odell ran tough to place 70th and Josh Dowd enjoyed his final race on his way to a 85th place finish. Great job boys!

The girls placed 13th out of 17 teams. They were led by Maria Ramirez, who closed out a strong season with a 63rd place finish. Alyssa Garcia capped off her career with a 86th place finish and a season best time. Nayla Sustaita was 91st in her final race. Briana Marin and Yahairi Perales pushed each other to the finish in 96th and 97th respectively. Great season girls!



Winter Sports Start Dates

- High School Wrestling: 11/11/2024
- High School Competitive Cheer: 11/11/2024
- High School Boys Basketball: 11/11/2024
- High School Girls Basketball: 11/18/2024
- Middle School Girls Basketball: 1/6/2024
- Middle School Wrestling: 1/6/2024

FALL SPORTS AWARDS NIGHT
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