

BATH COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

AGENDA ITEM: INFORMATION { X } ACTION { } CLOSED MEETING { }

SUBJECT: **GOOD NEWS IN BATH COUNTY SCHOOLS**

1. Dominion Educational Partnership Grant Award, \$1,500.00, "Bath County Weather Information Project"
Mr. Emmett Toms, Dominion-State & Local Affairs will be in attendance to present the check.
2. BCHS Good News (see attached page)
3. VSBA Bullying Prevention Month, October, 2015
4. VSBA Take Your Legislator to School Month, November, 2015



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“The Best Small High School in Virginia”

TO: Sue Hirsh, Superintendent
BCPS

FROM: Sarah Rowe, Principal
BCHS

DATE: August 27, 2015

RE: Good News

1. Our KidWind team will be at the BARC Energy Fair on Saturday Sept 19th and at the Bath County Fair on the following Saturday.
2. The BCHS Band Boosters have just started a uniform campaign. The last uniforms were purchased in 2001 and though they have been very durable, 15 years has taken its toll and we are in need of a new set! We are in the design process and are awaiting a final price. We are selecting a uniform construction similar to our current uniforms in the hope that they will take us another 15 years! We know the price will be high, but it will be worth it in the end! Our first donation was delivered this past week and we are so excited and appreciative! St. Luke's Episcopal Church donated \$2,500.00 from the Wayne Alexander Memorial fund to start our campaign! Their generosity is so very much appreciated! In 2001, our uniforms cost us \$27,000.00 and we will need more uniforms this time and are sure the price has gone up. We are so excited to get started!!



PROCLAMATION
VSBA BULLYING PREVENTION MONTH
OCTOBER, 2015

WHEREAS, school bullying has become an increasingly significant problem in the United States and Virginia; and

WHEREAS, almost thirty percent of the youth in the United States are estimated to be involved in bullying each year, either as a bully or as a victim; and

WHEREAS, an estimated one hundred sixty thousand students in kindergarten through twelfth grade miss school every day due to a fear of being bullied; and

WHEREAS, bullying can take many forms, including verbal, physical, and most recently in cyberspace, and can happen in many places on and off school grounds; and

WHEREAS, it is important for Virginia parents, students, teachers, and school administrators to be aware of bullying, and to encourage discussion of the problem as a school community; and

WHEREAS, the VSBA has developed a model policy on anti-bullying to encourage positive behaviors and to eliminate bullying behaviors;

Now, THEREFORE; the Virginia School Boards Association recognizes the month of October 2015, as the VSBA Bullying Prevention Month, with the intention that the issue of bullying and its prevention be discussed in Virginia schools and classrooms during that time.

PROCLAMATION
VSBA
TAKE YOUR LEGISLATOR TO SCHOOL MONTH
NOVEMBER, 2015

WHEREAS, it is of paramount importance that all young people in Virginia are afforded the opportunity to receive a quality education in Virginia's public schools; and

WHEREAS, Virginia's continued student success requires an excellent understanding of what is required for excellence in the 21st century; and

WHEREAS, school board and legislators must work together, to promote high academic standards and excellent facilities that help all of Virginia's students become productive, contributing citizens; and

WHEREAS, Virginia's school boards have been at the forefront of these endeavors to foster close relationships between schools and communities to strengthen and improve Virginia's public education system; and

WHEREAS, it is paramount to acknowledge the work and support of our state legislators and the necessary partnership between our state legislators and local school boards as we strive to make Virginia's public schools optimal learning institutions, now therefore, be it

Resolved that Now, the Virginia School Boards Association Board of Directors hereby recognizes the month of November in perpetuity as “**VSBA Take Your Legislator to School Month**” in the Commonwealth of Virginia. We call this observance to the attention of our citizens and state legislators, and encourage community-wide calls for state legislators to visit at least one school in each of the school divisions within their legislative jurisdictions during this special month.