

Taylor Honors Self-Directed Learners



Bracken County Schools are focusing on Portrait of a Learner skills for all students. Taylor Elementary's Self-Directed Learners for this month were chosen by their teachers as leaders in this area. Students pictured left to right are Annaliese Martin, Garrett Sutton, Ross Moford, Maci Combs, Sarah Bond and Everleigh Wright. Well done, everyone!

submitted

Taylor Elementary Students Learn About Possible Jobs on Career Day

Parents and community members answered the call for Taylor Elementary's Career Exploration Day on Friday, March 20. Bracken County Community Schools selected people in various professions who were willing to talk or bring hands-on activities about their career, interest, and/or hobbies. The adults met with around forty students in each of two 20-minute sessions during the day. Many of the Kinder-

garten - 5th grade students were unaware of the opportunities available to them when they become an adult, but now they understand the wide range of interests that can provide a career and the skills they need to learn to pursue a future job.

Bracken County Community Schools Director Samantha Wilson appreciates everyone of the speakers who stepped forward to make an impact on the students' future.



Billy Riley, wearing a hat, directs a student sawing wood.



Bracken County Health Department nurse Gena King, who also serves at Meadowview Regional Hospital, demonstrates the use of a blood pressure cuff.

photos submitted

Bracken Board of Education

March 9, 2026

Present: Board Members: Josh Jones, TJ Burton, Tracy Florer, and Samantha Jones; Superintendent: Clayton King; Treasurer: Brittany Mullikin; Staff and guest: Brad Riley, Chris Yelton, Kevin Courtney, Andy Bisotti, Beth Botkin, Jason Botkin, Isaac Botkin, Deayna Woodruff, Wyatt Woodruff, Brandy Wilson, Cayden Williams, Colt Woodruff, Carter Norris, Brandy Norris, Rick Staviski, Bridget Yelton, Lucas Hanks, Adam Tucker, Christina Tucker, Hannah Woods, Laurie Woods, Tracey Florer, and Tricia Routt.

The March 9, 2026 Bracken County Board of Education Meeting was called to order by Chairman, Joshua Jones.

Items Approved by the Board were: •Minutes of February 9, 2026 regular board meeting; •February 2026 Treasurer's Report; •February 2026 Monthly Financial Report; •Payment of all Bills and Claims; •March 1 allocations; •Superintendent Travel; •HS Smile Club to Perfect North Slopes 3/6/26 (Mr. King pre-approved); Misty Ginandt, Cheyanne Gray, and Trish Conley's classes to the Cincinnati Zoo on 4/22/26; 4th grade to Urban Air in Cincinnati, OH 5/18/26; 8th grade to Kings Island on 5/18/26; •Brooksville Christian Church to use the MS Grounds for a Community Easter Egg Hunt on March 29, 2026; Tiger Football to use Taylor's Picnic Area March 21, 2026 from 12-2 p.m. and May 16, 2026 12-3 p.m. for signups; HS Cafeteria for a Quarter Auction

fundraiser on 8/1/26 – a cafeteria worker must be present and will be reimbursed by Tiger Football. Football field on Saturdays in September and October 2026 for games. MS Field behind softball field for football and cheer practice. •BG5 completing the close out process of the HS Concession stand; •Purchase 3 additional buses before price increase.

Items Reviewed by the Board with No Action Taken were:

•Students of the Month – Adalyn Ruf, Lilliana Brown, Laurie Woods, Landon Starrett, Mason Goebel, and Alayna Caudill; •Related Art Student of the Month – Mason Freeman, Isaac Botkin, and Hailey Reckers; •Cross Country Recog-

Have You Heard? Bracken County Animal Shelter is Hosting a Spring Fling!

Bracken County Animal Shelter, in conjunction with Bracken County Animals in Need, would like to announce their Spring Fling! On Saturday, April 25, from 10 am to 1 pm, they will be set up on the Bracken County Courthouse lawn, offering a variety of services and products.

Dr. Williams from Colonial Heights in Maysville will be administering rabies vaccines and the Animal Control Officers will be inserting microchips.

In addition, many other products and services will be offered, including:

- Grooms by Maranda
- Dood's Doggyums treats
- Cat toys, blankets and bandanas for the pups
- Low cost spay/neuter info
- And more!



Let's not forget, there will also be music, thanks to Hillbilly Mike! They are also trying to get a couple food trucks to set up.

During the event, they will also be collecting new or gently used shoes for their fundraiser. More info to come soon.

If you would like to set up a table or volunteer in any way, please reach out to the shelter at 606-735-3475 or by sending a message via the Bracken County Animal Shelter Facebook site.

•Attendance Report – Mr. Johnson; •SBDM Report – Mr. Riley; •Facility Update – Mr. King.

Personnel: The following individuals were hired pending meeting all board requirements:

Hired – Dave Stephenson (HS Custodian), Amber Smith (Cook), Tonya Hughes (Certified Sub), Amanda Truesdell (Certified Sub); Separations/Resignations/Retirements – Tanya Riley (Retirement 3/31/26); Other – 1 FMLA request.

The Board opened the floor for public com-

ment – no comment.

The Board went into and out of executive session to discuss Potential Litigation KRS 61.810(1)(c) with no action taken.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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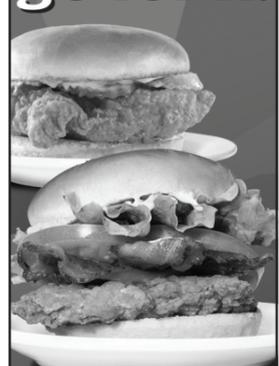
Academic Student of the Month

Jasmine Roseberry

Grade: 12
Parent: Jason Roseberry
Hobbies: Youth group
Extra Curricular: Beta Club
Favorite Subject: Math
Nominated by: Brandi Thayer

Jasmine is an outstanding student who always puts 110% into everything she does. She has a strong work ethic and works hard to make sure she completes all her work on time. She is a standout student in the Culinary Lab as well. She is a strong leader, a true team player, and never backs down from a challenge. Her creativity and culinary skill shine through every recipe. I am so proud of her and all her hard work.

If it makes you want to chicken dance, go for it.



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