

APRIL NEWSLETTER

Alumni Spotlight

Our schools are proud of the students who once walked our halls—and the many paths they have taken since. Each month, in this newsletter, we will highlight two past graduates whose stories reflect the values, opportunities, and experiences that help shape success beyond graduation. Additional highlights may be included in other projects as well.

The Alumni Spotlight celebrates former students who are making a positive impact through their careers, service, leadership, or contributions to their communities. We invite families, alumni, staff, and community members to help us recognize these stories by submitting a nomination. Together, we can honor our past while inspiring our current students.

April 2026 Alumni is Dr. Jenna Benton!!

Class of 2006

Current Location: Sugar Grove, PA

Current Occupation: Pharmacist

Recognized for: Career and Professional Accomplishments

Dr. Benton graduated in 2006 and went to school at Duquesne University. She moved to Virginia Beach for 5 years where she gained invaluable experience to help shape the Pharmacy Manager she is today at the local Wal-Mart Pharmacy.

Her school experience helped shape who she is today due to the rigorous class load and extracurricular activities and helped her gain confidence in being able to handle the course load in college to earn her PharmD.

**Alumni
Recognition
Submission
Form – Fill
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Foster Collaborative Partnerships to Strengthen School, Family, and Community Engagement

- Wizard of Oz All-County Musical Recognition
- Warren County Girls Wrestling Team Recognition
- Athletics ArbiterSports Subscription Renewal
- ESSA Foster Care Transportation Plan with Erie County CYS
- EF High School Exchange Year Agreement
- Remake Learning Days Event (Future Ready Quest)



From the February 9, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

Strengthen Staffing and Stability

- New position request for a School Social Worker
- Volunteer and bus driver approvals
- Certificated and Support Staff approvals

Ensure Effective Instruction

- BWMS Gifted Support Presentation – Minecraft Design Challenge
- Beaty-Warren Middle School Youth Leadership Club
- EF High School Exchange Year Agreement

Improve Academic Achievement, Positive Behavior, and Social-Emotional Well-Being

- Hearing Officer Report
- 26–29 WCSD Comprehensive Plan Affirmation
- Statement McGrawHill Algebra I Textbook Purchase
- SAVVAS Middle School Mathematics Textbook
- Purchase Agreement with Riverside Counseling LLC (student mental health services)

Ensure Fiscal Responsibility and Sustainability

- Open-Ended Electrical Agreement
- YEMS / SAEMS / WAHS Paving Project
- Siemens DXR HVAC Upgrades – WAEC
- Bucket Van Purchase (COSTARS)
- Sale of 2012 Ford Bucket Van
- Public School Facility Improvement Grant Application
- Vimeo Essentials Subscription
- Meraki Enterprise License Renewal (5-Year)
- ClassLink Annual License Renewal
- PA Leadership Charter School Settlement
- Competitive Equipment Grant – Trauma HAL Simulator
- PASR Stock the Classroom Grant
- Remake Learning Across PA Grant (Future Ready Quest)
- Fast Signs Quote – Career Center Banners & WAHS Window Tint

UPCOMING DATES

- PSSA Testing
 - ELA April 21-23
grades 3-8
 - Math April 28-29
grades 3-8
 - Science April 30-May 1
grades 5 and 8
- Keystone Testing
 - Literature May 12-13
 - Algebra 1 May 14-15
 - Biology May 19-20

Teacher – Mrs. Wendy Carrington (BWMS)

Mrs. Carrington has the willingness to help in any way throughout the building. It is an honor to recognize Mrs. Carrington for her dedication, leadership, and positive impact on our school community. She's consistently working to create a positive and engaging environment for all students. She enjoys being bossy, and meeting new great groups of kids every year! She's proud of the fact that she's been teaching long enough to have seen many of them choose great careers, get married, and start sweet families! She was also voted for the Warren County Guides 2025 Best Teacher this past Fall. She organizes meaningful activities, and her willingness to go above and beyond into everything she does truly sets her apart. Her variety of potential life choices include opening a bookstore/coffee shop/ice cream parlor...or work at one to avoid paperwork. She says, "Don't 'crash out' when things don't go your way! Life is full of challenges. Learn to take them in stride."

Administrator – Mr. Joshua Vincent (WAHS)

Josh shows genuine care for his students and staff. He routinely attends sporting events and encourages the students. Josh goes above and beyond to support and encourage his staff and students to succeed! He originally started studying Pre-Med Chemistry with the dream of becoming an Anesthesiologist. Later, he switched into Pre-Pharmacy. While studying at Edinboro University, he began tutoring in the Chemistry Department and fell in love with it. Professionally, he's especially proud of having the opportunity to be the Head Principal at Warren Area High School after graduating from there in 2004. Personally, Josh is most proud of his family, Jackie and Peyton, for the people they are and have helped him become. He's also proud of his siblings, Meagan, a Radiation Therapist, and Cathie, a fellow educator, as they've dedicated their lives to helping other people.

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Teacher – Ms. Jennifer Check (SAEMS)

Some people say Mrs. Check is a magician or has a clone because of how involved she is with so many activities. She's always known she wanted to be a teacher early in life. Her mom used to bring home extra worksheets, and she would play school with her younger brother. She's always thought teaching and directing looked like the best jobs ever! Mrs. Check said the accomplishment she is the MOST proud of is her 4 daughters! Alongside her children, she is also proud of the All-County Musical program. One piece of advice she would give people she works with is that the only thing you can count on is change! Everything changes, sometimes for the better, sometimes for the worse, but no matter which, it will change. If she hadn't been in education, Mrs. Check would have chosen to be an eye doctor because of the cool looking machine they use and it looks like a lot of fun to move all those lenses and controls.

Support – Mrs. Wendy Lindell (EES)

Mrs. Lindell plays many roles at Eisenhower Elementary School. She always has a smile on her face, willing to help wherever there is a need and has great strong relationships with the students and staff. She is part nurse, part teacher aide, and rides vans. She is willing to step in to the Nurse's office as needed, is flexible in her schedule for "surprise" coverages. Mrs. Lindell is always smiling and is positive with the students and staff! She is always willing to fill the gap at the school when needed! She also has a sense of humor that will make anyone giggle. She is reliable and caring. She is flexible and cooperative with both staff and students. I'm not sure what we would do without her!

As we move into April, there are many exciting and important things happening across the Warren County School District.

We are officially entering the fourth marking period, and this is a critical time for students to stay focused and finish the school year strong. We encourage all parents and guardians to regularly check student grades and communicate with teachers as needed to ensure students remain on track for success.

State testing season is quickly approaching. These assessments are an important measure of student growth and school performance. We ask for your support in helping students be prepared by:

- Ensuring they get plenty of rest each night
- Encouraging consistent attendance, especially on testing days
- Providing a healthy breakfast and positive encouragement
- Reinforcing the importance of doing their best

Behind the scenes, district administration continues to work diligently on the 2026–2027 budget. Our goal remains to present a responsible plan that includes a zero-tax increase while minimizing the use of the district's fund balance. We remain committed to maintaining financial stability while continuing to provide high-quality educational opportunities for our students.

In addition, spring sports are now in full swing, and it's great to see our students representing our schools with pride. As is typical for this time of year, weather can impact schedules. Please be aware that game dates and times may change, and we encourage families to stay up to date by monitoring school and district social media platforms for the latest information.

The district will be changing the platform that we use for board information. We currently use BoardDocs. This will be changing to a new platform called Board Book in July. This is a change being made at the state level and requires the district to update to the new site. There will be some additional features and functionality that will come with the new site.

Thank you for your continued support of the Warren County School District. Together, we will finish the school year strong.

CURRENT LEGISLATION

House Appropriations Committee

AEDs at Interscholastic Athletic Events, [Senate Bill 375](#), Sen. Rosemary Brown (R-Lackawanna, Monroe, Wayne) – This legislation requires school entities and non-public schools to have an AED at all PIAA interscholastic athletic events. It also requires schools to establish or integrate a sudden cardiac event emergency action plan into existing emergency plans.

Senate Education Committee

Curriculum Transparency in K-12, [Senate Bill 128](#), Sen. Doug Mastriano (R-Adams and Franklin) – This legislation would require schools to post, on a publicly accessible website, a link or title of textbooks used by the school entity, a course summary or syllabi for every instructional course, and state academic standards for every instructional course.

Student Data Privacy, [Senate Bill 378](#), Sen. Kristin Phillips-Hill (R-York) – This legislation requires PDE to designate a chief data privacy officer and requires school entities to designate a student data manager, create a data governance plan and submit an annual report to PDE.

Volunteer Training for Emergency Seizure Treatment, [Senate Bill 402](#), Sen. Dave Argall (R-Carbon, Luzerne, Schuylkill) – This legislation would establish a voluntary program allowing school employees to undergo training to administer emergency antiseizure medication when a school nurse is unavailable. If a school participates, the trained school employees would be required to provide medical assistance, and parents would be able to request that the school secure a volunteer to administer emergency seizure medication.

Displaying POW/MIA Flags in School, Sen. Tracy Pennycuik (R-Montgomery) – This legislation would require the Prison of War/Missing in Action (POW/MIA) flag to be displayed at any public school in the commonwealth that already displays the American flag when it can be reasonably accommodated.

House Education Committee

Parental Notification of Bullying, [House Bill 830](#), Rep. Jennifer O'Mara (D-Delaware) – This legislation would require that school entities notify parents or legal guardians when their child is found, after an investigation, to be the victim or perpetrator of bullying.

Keystone Exam Alternative Feasibility Study, [House Bill 1752](#), Rep. Gina Curry (D-Delaware) – This legislation directs the secretary of PDE to commission an independent study evaluating whether the ACT or SAT could be used as alternatives to the Keystone Exams in literature, Algebra I and biology for high school students.

School Counselor Support, [House Bill 2218](#), Rep. Mandy Steele (D-Allegheny) – This legislation would require schools to establish comprehensive counseling services through plans developed and implemented by certified counselors, addressing academics, career readiness, social-emotional learning and interventions for at-risk students. The bill would also regulate a school's use of counselors' work time.

Health Services and School Nurse Staffing Ratios, [House Bill 2285](#), Rep. Lisa Borowski (D-Delaware) – This legislation would reduce the school nurse to student ratio from 1:1,500 to 1:750, but would increase the state reimbursement for school health services from \$9.70 per average daily membership to \$12.61 per average daily membership.