Byron Center Public Schools
MARSHALL ELEMENTARY

November 20, 2026



A BIG Thank you to all of our Marshall families who donated to our food drive. We had a great turn out this year and were able to make a very large donation to our Thanksgiving Baskets and Buist Community Ministries.

Thanksgiving week we will not be sending out a school newsletter.

Thanksgiving Break

School will be **closed** in observance of Thanksgiving on Wednesday, November 25 through Friday, November 27. We hope you enjoy your time with friends and family! The Marshall Staff would like to wish everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving!

MAPS Events

Marshall Giving Tree

The holidays are fast approaching! Please consider helping a Marshall family in need this holiday season through our Marshall Giving Tree. Sign up: Giving Tree.

Marshall Holiday Shop

The Marshall Holiday Shop will take place December 8–10! We are still looking for volunteers to help students shop and wrap gifts for their loved ones. Click here: Holiday Shop Volunteer! More information about Holiday Shop will be sent home after Thanksgiving break.

Boys' and Girls' Nights – Committees Needed!

MAPS is looking for volunteers to help plan and organize our upcoming Boys' and Girls' Nights! Committee members will help plan and run these fun evenings for Marshall students. Please consider joining us to make these events special! Boys' & Girls' Night Committee.

Attendance

If your child will be absent, please email the school office meattendance@bcpsk12.net. You may also call Marshall's attendance line (616) 878-6304 before 8:30am, or call the main school line (616) 878-6300 during school hours. It is important that the office is informed regarding all student absences. Thank you.

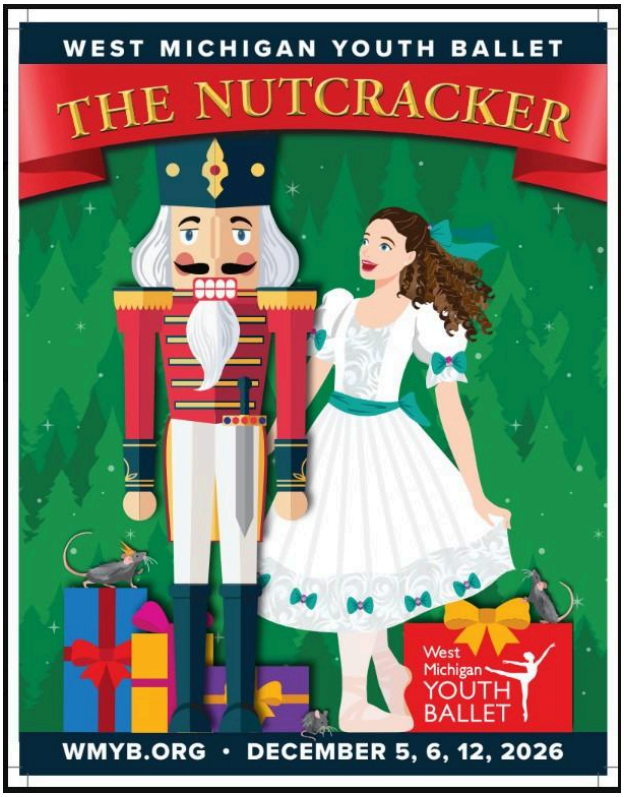
Early Morning Choir Christmas Concert

Marshall's Choir students will be presenting a Christmas Concert on **Thursday, December 10** at VSFAC. The third grade students will perform at 6:30pm and the 4th grade students will perform at 7:30pm. Mrs. Furney will be sending home complete details soon.

Winter Gear & Sledding

DK/Kindergarten - 2nd: Students will be wearing the gear they were sent with. Please send boots, hats, mittens, gloves and snow pants. We would like them to stay dry and warm.

3rd & 4th Grades: We will ENCOURAGE that they wear what they were sent with. We will ENCOURAGE that they make good choices and choices that their parents would be proud of. We will allow natural consequences and they will likely be cold and/or wet. The exception will be if they want to sled - students must be all geared up to enjoy sledding. We do ask that students bring their winter gear just in case they need it. Thank you!



Toys for Tots Fundraiser

Toys for Tots Fundraiser starts Monday, November 30th and ends Thursday, December 10th. If you would like to donate, please bring your unwrapped item to the Marshall office during normal school hours.

Nutcracker

BCPS students will be performing in the West Michigan Youth Ballet of *The Nutcracker*. Please visit WMYB.org for more information.

WatchDOGS

WatchDOGS sign-up link is ready to go! Use the WatchDOG Link and choose a day to visit during our lunch/recess time with your student(s). The office will provide a schedule with your student lunch/recess times. If you have any questions, please contact: Marshall Office. You MUST have a completed/approved ICHAT 2-weeks before your chosen date.

Paper Gator

Don't forget that Marshall has a Paper Gator bin located on the west side of the building. Not only is this an environmentally friendly bin, but it also serves as a fundraiser for the school. Items you can put in the bin include newsprint, catalogs/magazines, junk mail, phone books, cardboard cut into 12x12 pieces, paper, hard and soft cover books. Please DO NOT put any plastic, metal, glass, in the bin.

H2H Auction

Hand2Hand Online Sports Auction from November 30–December 6, turn your love of sports into an opportunity to make a difference for local kids! The Game Changers Auction features sports memorabilia, tickets and one-of-a-kind experiences, with every winning bid helping provide nutritious food to students across West Michigan.

Proceeds support Hand2Hand's mission to ensure local children have access to food over weekends and extended school breaks when school meals are unavailable. Explore the auction and place your bids:H2H Game Changers Auction

VCFAC

COME SEE PUFFS! Get ready for a whole lot of laughs, unexpected friendships, and magical mayhem! PUFFS follows seven years at a school of magic through the eyes of the students who aren't exactly the chosen ones. It's hilarious, heartfelt, and full of surprises!

Performance Dates:

- Friday, November 20 at 7:00pm
- Saturday, November 21 at 2:00pm and 7:00pm
- Tickets: vsfac.com/puffs

Check out the trailer: HERE Come enjoy the show and take home a little extra magic! Stay in the Spotlight! Be the first to hear about upcoming shows, special events, and everything happening at the Van Singel Fine Arts Center. Sign up at vsfac.com/patron.

Varsity Dance Team Clinic

Come dance with the Byron Center Varsity Dance Team! We are hosting a SPIRIT CLINIC on Saturday, December 19 at 9:00am. It will be held at the Brown Elementary gymnasium and the Byron Center Varsity Dancers will be running it! Sign up by December 1 to guarantee a free shirt! You can sign up by clicking HERE. Please reach out to bchsdanceteam1@gmail.com with any questions.





[2027-2028 District Calendar]

Marshall Calendar

Nov. 23 - Kinder Dental Screening
Nov. 25-27 - Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 7-9 - Vision/Hearing Rescreening
Dec. 8-10 - Holiday Shop
Dec. 10 - Early AM Choir Concert 6:30/7:30
Dec. 18 - Classroom Christmas Parties
Dec. 18 - 4th Grade Ice Skating
Dec. 21-Jan. 3 - Christmas/New Years
Jan. 4 - School Resumes
Jan. 13 - **Half Day - Dismissal 12:00pm**
Jan. 14 - **Half Day - Dismissal 12:00pm**
Jan. 15 - **Half Day - Dismissal 12:00pm**
Jan. 18 - **NO School**
Jan. 29 - Girls' Night Event
Feb. 4 - 2nd grade Dental Presentation
Feb. 10 - Count Day
Feb. 12 - **Half Day - Dismissal 12:00pm**
Feb. 15 - **NO School - Mid Winter Break**
Feb. 16-17 - Kids have Rights
Feb. 26 - Boys' Night Event

