

Byron Center

West Middle School

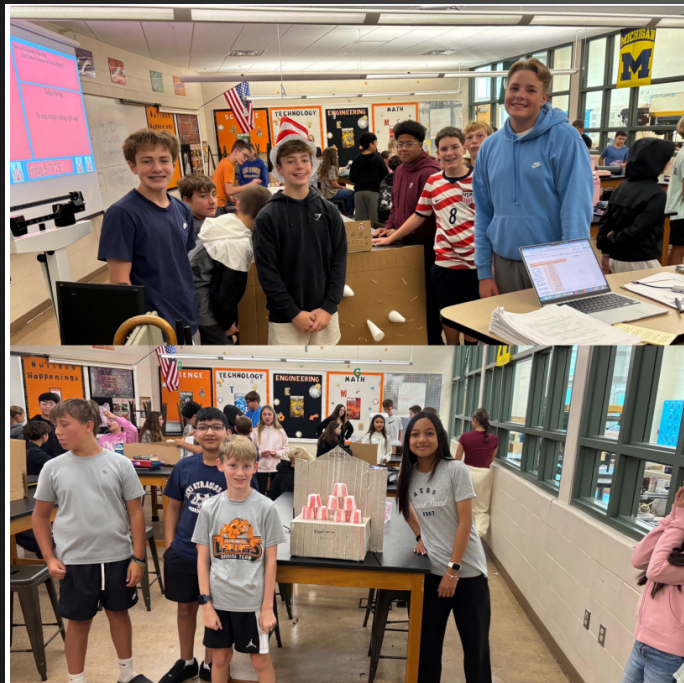
Newsletter



A Note from Mr. Vydareny

This Week's Top Three:

1. Students engaged in NWEA-MAP testing in English, Math, and Science this week. This is an assessment given at the start and end of the year to help measure student academic growth in these subject areas.
2. Please mark your calendars for Tuesday, September 22nd, as we will be hosting our 7th Grade and New Parent information night starting at 6:00 pm. Please look for more information early next week.
3. Our STEM students have been building "Carnival Games" as part of a project they are working on. They hosted students on Friday to test out their games!



Things to Know

Attendance

Please remember to notify the school if your child will be absent, arriving late, or leaving early.

- Attendance Line - 616-878-6511
- Attendance Email - westattendance@bcpsk12.net

Student Cell Phones

Students are to leave their cellphones in their lockers at all times. If your student needs to use his/her cellphone during the school day, he/she may do so in the main office.

Dress Code

Please help us by reviewing the dress code with your child ([Student Handbook](#)). Students will be asked to change or call home if they are out of dress code.

Required Forms

Thank you to all that have completed the back-to-school forms, including the Technology and Handbook Agreements, FERPA Consent For Immunizations (7th grade and students new to the district only), and PAW donation in lieu of fundraiser option. If you have not, please take 3 minutes to complete all three right now:

[WMS Registration Forms Link](#)

Technology Insurance Fee

In order for your child to bring their Chromebook back and forth from school to home, you must purchase the Technology Insurance. This may be paid via E-Funds or by sending a check to school, made payable to BCPS. The cost for insurance is \$40. Families qualifying for Free/Reduce lunch pay a reduced rate, if you think you qualify, please feel free to reach out to the office to verify your cost.

[E-Funds Link](#)

PAW Update (Parents at West)

PAW is West Middle's parent board. They support the school, staff, and students through many different projects and events throughout the course of the year. For more information: BCParentsAtWest@gmail.com.

Parent and Student Resources

Links to many middle school resources can be found at <https://www.bcpsk12.net/middle/parent--student-resources/>

Information can also be found under the Helpful Links tab on our website at <https://www.bcpsk12.net/middle/>

	Upcoming Dates		
	Monday September 14	● NJHS Meeting - 7:30 am ● MAP Testing - Math	
	Tuesday September 15	● No FLEX	
	Wednesday September 16	● Newspaper Meeting - 7:30 am	
	Thursday September 17	● No FLEX	
	Friday September 18	● Yearbook Club Meeting - 7:30am ● :	
	Tuesday September 22	● FLEX Begins ● 7th Grade & New Parent Night 6:00 pm	
	Friday September 25	● Homecoming Game	
	Tuesday October 6	● Parent Teacher Conferences 4-7 pm	
	Thursday October 8	● Parent Teacher Conferences 4-7 pm	



**Byron Center Parents At West (PAW)
2026-2027 School Year**

WELCOME!

Welcome to West Middle School! We are looking forward to a great school year.

What is PAW? PAW is West Middle School's Parent Board. We support the school, staff, and students through many different projects and events throughout the course of the year.

Where can I find information on the upcoming events? Follow us on Facebook (PAW – Parents at West) and look for our information in the weekly updates from the school to keep up with the latest information.

Please feel free to email us with any questions!

Email Contact: BCParentsAtWest@gmail.com

PAW Officers

President:

Karen Schwedler

Vice President:

Jill Janczewski

Treasurer:

Stacie Middleton

**Fund Raiser
Chair:**

Jessica Nay

Secretary:

Stephanie Villalta

Event Coordinators:

Kylee Clausen &
Leigha DeMaagd

Upcoming Events:

August 26:
First Day of School

WHAT WE DO

- Periodically stock the teachers lounge with snacks
- Provide three meals for Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Donate Supplies for Lewis & Clark Project
- Donate Supplies for 7th Grade Kite Project
- Donate baskets for National Junior Honors Society
- Provide Holiday gift for staff and decorate the school
- Teacher Appreciation Week
- Assist in 8th Grade Celebration





BCSAN DINING FUNDRAISER



Join us on Tuesday September 22 from 5 to 8 PM at Culver's (near Tanger Outlets). They will donate a percentage of sales during that time to our Senior All Night Event!



**TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 22, 2026
5 PM - 8 PM**

 www.culvers.com
 500 84th St SW Byron Center
  (616) 583-8262

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LET'S RAISE SOME DOUGH!

Wednesday, September 23, 2026

Join us on September 23 to support the Byron Center Sports Boosters. No flyer or code needed. A percentage of all pick-up and carry-out orders will be donated to the Sports Boosters.



8233 Byron Center Ave.
(616) 878-4748



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