

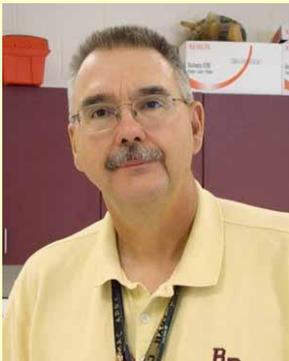


# Broad Run Newsletter



## From the Desk of Mr. Anderson

Beijing 22 was here all last week. Thanks to all of you who invited them into your classrooms and made their trip a great experience. Principal Gao and I met and discussed the importance of the continued relationship between our schools. This spring we hope to send a contingent of BRHS students over to Beijing. If the trip goes off as planned, the students will visit Beijing (Middle School 22, Great Wall, Forbidden City), Xian (Terracotta Warriors), and Shanghai. It is a whirlwind trip, but is such a great experience. This week,



Mike Williams

students from Bessel Gymnasium will visit us. This is another chance for our students to be exposed to other cultures right here in the school. In addition, DECA will launch its "Pink'd" campaign to raise money for Breast Cancer awareness. If you watched the Today Show Sunday morning, you would have seen BRHS students interviewed on air about their project.

## Spartan Birthdays

- \*Laura Breese - October 3
- \*Janet Lyle - October 4
- \*Tom Sakole - October 6



- \*Leona Chalmers - October 7
- \*Megan Murphy - October 7
- \*Renee Tayal - October 7

## Spartan Spotlight

Our Spartan Spotlight falls on Mike Williams. Mike teaches in our Science department working exclusively with our 9<sup>th</sup> graders in Earth Science. If you look for Mike after school, you will have to outside the building. In the fall, Mike coaches Cross Country and in the spring, he coaches Track.

According to Mike, the best part of his summer vacation was meeting up and socializing with old friends. In his spare time, he enjoys studying fossils, geology, anything having to do with the Civil War. One interesting fact about Mike Williams is that he has five grandchildren. When asked what he likes best about BRHS, he responds "the people."

## Interact

Interact is a service club for young people in high school and middle school. The BRHS Interact Club began in January 2011 with about 35 members. By June 2012, we more than tripled our membership. We've helped feed the homeless in Washington D.C., sponsored a shoe collection for Jamaica's youth, volunteered at local shelters and school functions, sponsored blood drives for the American Red Cross, bought over 800 water purification kits for people living in Sub-Saharan Africa, rang bells for the Salvation Army, and helped make our school more beautiful.

To learn more about Interact:

- Come to our interest meeting on October 4
- Talk with or email Mr. Newman or Mrs. Rector
- Visit BRHS Interact Club's Website  
<http://www.loudoun.k12.va.us/site/Default.aspx?PageID=6270>

## Instructional Focus of the Week

I will highlight each of the seven standards in the newsletter. This week, I am focusing on standard one: professional knowledge. The new evaluation process involves obtaining information through data collection and observations. When observing a classroom, we will look for the following:

1. Demonstrates a comprehensive understanding of subject content and curriculum standards.
2. Demonstrates knowledge of best practices.
3. Knows how to differentiate to make subject content relevant, challenging, and meaningful for all students.
4. Establishes instructional goals that demonstrate an accurate knowledge of students and assigned subject content.

Some of the data that you can collect and share with your respective administrator is:

1. Transcripts of coursework
  2. Professional development certificates
  3. Annotated lists of instructional activities
  4. Lesson/intervention plans
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## Reminders to Staff

- Be present in the hallways before school and during class changes-just your presence for those few minutes helps head off many issues that can disrupt our learning environment.
- Take attendance daily using clarity-all periods.
- Update your grade book every two weeks and make sure it can be understood by your audience (students/parents).

## This Week's Highlights

### Monday

Guests from Deutsche Schule Arrive!

### Tuesday

Partners for Safe Teen Driving @ 7 pm in Auditorium

### Wednesday

Faculty Meeting at 8 am and 4 pm

### Thursday

Interims and PSAT Information distributed during homeroom

### Friday

IC/SIT Meeting

## Upcoming Events

**\*STS Training on October 9 @ 9:45 and 10:45**

**\*STS Mentors Meet with Mentees on October 10 and 11 during study halls**

**\*National Cupcake Decorating Day – Come by the Main Office during Your Lunch Shift to Decorate a Cupcake**

**\*Hispanic Heritage Potluck on October 12 @ 6:30**

**\*Parents Night Out on October 13**

**\*Depression Awareness during PE Classes on October 11 and 12**

PSAT Day on October 17, 2012

