



FEBRUARY EVENTS

- Parent Co-Op @6pm on Zoom 2
- Progress Report Grades 5
- School Board Meeting 8
- Presidents' Day- No School 15
- Institute Day No School 23
- Virtual Family Meeting 24
- Pulaski Day No School 3/1

Return to In-Person Learning

We are excited to finally invite our students back home to Bloom Trail. Hybrid instruction will begin the week of March 8th with the freshmen only. All students returning to in-person instruction will return the week of March 15th. Our team has worked closely with the district administration to develop a transition plan that takes everyone's safety and the education of our students into account.

In the weeks to come we will be sending out our Hybrid Instruction Plan and additions to the stu-

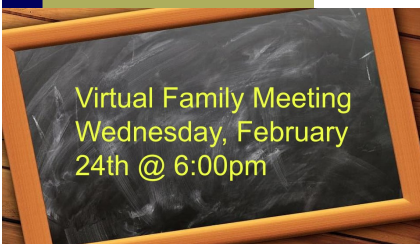


We begin in-person instruction with a freshman orientation week on March 8th

dent handbook. We are creating the groups for in-person instruction.

Families and students will receive information on which day of the week they will report to school.

For those of you who have elected to have your student(s) remain fully remote, instructional opportunities for them will not change. They will continue to have access to synchronous learning everyday except Wednesdays when all students are remote and asynchronous.

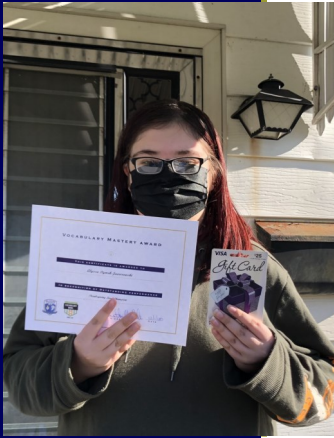


Virtual Family Meeting

We want our families to feel secure that they know what to expect when they send their student(s) to school next month. We will hold a virtual family night on **Wednesday, February 24th at 6:00pm**. The Zoom

link will be sent out and posted on the school website. We encourage you and your student(s) to participate in this Zoom event. The meeting will be recorded and made available afterwards. We will cover information on health and

safety procedures, educational expectations, and behavior expectations. Our aim is to provide our students and their families with the details you need to feel comfortable transitioning back to in-person instruction.



Alyssa Dymek-Jaworowski was a Vocabulary Bowl Champion

The latest issue of our literary magazine, *Lone Donut*, is available to view on our website— [Lone Donut](#)

Showcasing our Talented Students



Vocabulary Bowl Success

Bloom Trail has been promoting the use of Vocab.com to the student body throughout the school year, and our efforts are paying off. In the monthly Vocabulary Bowl, Bloom Trail has been the #1 high school in Illinois for November, December, and January. We also were the Illinois champions in the January 15th Halfway Day Challenge. Our goal is to ultimately win the 2020-2021 State Championship.

The Vocabulary Bowl is run through the online vocabulary-building resource, Vocab.com. Students answer questions in multiple formats to learn, reinforce, and master the use of new vocabulary words. The site promotes students learning multiple meanings and uses for different words. Vocabulary development is a critical component of building academic progress: improving reading comprehension and content knowledge across all subject areas.

All Bloom Trail students have a Vocab.com account and can access the website at any time.

Vocabulary Bowl - January 2

Illinois Schools

1	Bloom Trail High School Chicago HTS, Illinois	9,578
2	Sycamore Middle School Sycamore, Illinois	8,034
3	Evans Junior High Sch... Bloomington, Illinois	7,135
4	Maine South High Sch... Park Ridge, Illinois	5,251

[View Full Results](#)

Semester 1 Honor Roll

Bloom Trail is proud to announce the students who have earned honor roll status for 1st semester. Our honor roll criteria changed for the 2020-2021 school year to match our new honors designations that will be acknowledged at graduation. Bloom District 206 will no longer have a valedictorian and a salutatorian. In order to be more inclusive and recog-



nize the accomplishments of all high-achieving students, the following designations were created (based on unweighted GPA):

Honors— GPA 3.5-3.74

High Honors— GPA 3.75-3.99

Highest Honors— GPA 4.0

You can view the names of our honor roll students on our website— [Honor Roll](#)

BTHS YouTube Sensations

Our students were given several ways to showcase their talents this winter. One was through participating in our Virtual Talent Show sponsored by the Student Council. Students sub-

mitted videos of artwork, dancing, singing, and basketball moves to share with their classmates.

The Trail Theatre Troupe put together a set of 3 Old Time Radio Shows to entertain everyone. Our Tech Crew students developed sound effects, our Choir students added

musical interludes, and our Band Director wrote original scores for the three pieces. You can experience all the talent our students have put on display on YouTube.

[Talent Show Link](#)

[Radio Shows Link](#)



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Mrs. Laura Lauritsen— students A-G
Mrs. Marcia Jones— students H-O
Mrs. Amy Majewski— students P-Z
Mr. Tim Connolly— Special Education Counselor
Mrs. Amy Inka— Post-Secondary Counselor

Deans

Mrs. O’Letha Watson— students A-G
Mr. Tom Tong— students H-P
Mr. Timel Moore— students Q-Z

Student Spotlight— College Admissions

Every month we have more good news to share about the Class of 2021 and where they’ve been admitted to college. This month is no exception. Here’s where some of our seniors have recently earned admissions.

Estefania Arcos- SXU
Amauri Carter- Columbia Chgo, SXU, IL College, DePaul U
Maelee Greenwood- ISU
Yaire Deleon- GSU
Aaron Jones- ISU Ball State
Kaztenni Lopez- SIUC
Daisy Torres- U of IL @ Chgo
Stephen Terrell- Lewis U (\$16,000 per year scholarship) & NIU (\$2,000 per year scholarship)
James Jones- American Academy of

Dramatic Arts in LA!
Elexus Lopez— NYU (\$70,000 per year nursing scholarship)
Aaliyah Trabue- Purdue U Northwest & SXU (\$15,000 per year academic scholarship)!

Christian Garcia- U of IL @ Chgo & U of IL Springfield (\$7,000 per year scholarship)
Brielle McDougale- ISU
Trinity Smith- DePaul U (\$15,000 per yr scholarship)



Seniors, Don’t Forget- Completing the FAFSA is a graduation requirement in Illinois.

Anuoluwa Awolola- SIUC, JSU, WIU, & Hampton

Gabrielle Henderson- SIUE
Noel Woods- Indiana St. Univ & SIUE LeShe Chamblis- UIC
Bella Mensing- Michigan State U, U of IL @ Chgo
Delayna Hardimon- Howard University Nursing Program
Jalyn Carter- Lewis U, DePaul U, & SXU
Georkenvies Esco- U of Louisville, ISU, & Lewis U
Tania Gant- IL College