



THE VIRTUAL TIMES



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

C.W Baker High Students, Staff, and Families,

This week marked the start of our 2nd semester and the final semester of high school for the Class of 2024! First semester grades are posted in Schooltool and I want to encourage families to review grades and comments with your students and celebrate the successes, as well as discuss the struggles. Students who are experiencing difficulties in one or more classes will receive letters at home regarding additional supports that are available here at Baker and once you review Schooltool, don't hesitate to reach out to your student's teachers, counselor, or grade level principals for assistance.

The Baker PTSA met this week and will begin planning for the "Keep the Ball Rolling" (KBR) event for the Class of 2024. Each year the PTSA plans and sponsors an after-ball party for the Seniors to provide a safe and fun way for the entire class to celebrate together. The Senior Ball will be on the evening of Saturday, June 1st at the Oncenter in Syracuse and KBR is held at C.W. Baker High following Ball. The PTSA will hold their first virtual planning meeting on Monday, February 12th at 7pm. This will be a Google Meeting and this link will take you to the meeting. The PTSA will be asking parents who plan to volunteer for KBR to also sign up to be members of the PTSA. Our PTSA does so much to provide supports to students and staff here at Baker and this year has committed to supporting the Bee Full Pantry, the Bee-autiful Boutique, staff appreciation, and KBR, just to name a few! So please see the PTSA page in this edition of the Virtual Times to get signed up. Your membership is appreciated!

I want to congratulate art students and our Art Department for their outstanding showing with this year's Scholastic Art Awards. Thirty-three Durgee Junior High and Baker High students received 62 awards! Congratulations to all students and staff! This weekend, there are athletic competitions and performances to see, so enjoy cheering and supporting our amazing kids. I may see some of you at Ithaca College for the All-County Concert tomorrow, as my daughter will also be performing. Thank you for your continued support, reach out if you need anything, and GO BEES!

Gratefully,

Kris

Kris H. Denton, Principal

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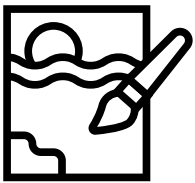
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IMPORTANT UPDATES



Second semester has started and students are getting used to any schedule changes they may have. **Today is report card day!** Take a few moments and review your student's grades on SchoolTool. Counselors and administrators will be meeting to discuss student support needs over the next two weeks. Please reach out if there are any concerns you have about your student's progress.



The **2024 Scholastic Art Awards** results are in. 33 Students at Baker and Durgee won a total of 62 awards. Congratulations to all of our students who submitted their work for consideration. Recipient names and their artwork can be seen [here](#) and will be celebrated in upcoming editions of the virtual times.



Members Wanted: Check out the QR code [on the PTSA page to become a member.](#)



The Baker High School **daily announcements** can be viewed at any time by students and parents by [clicking here](#). This link can also be found at the bville.org website > schools > Baker High School > Daily Announcements.



Check it out: This edition also includes information from our counseling team, the rollout of the [Baldwinsville Community Scholarship Foundation applications for this year](#), and lots of student activities and fundraising.



Upcoming Events

- Feb 5 - Combined chorus concert with Westhill
- Feb 6 - Samira Ahmed author visit (select classes)
- Feb 7 - Baker HS Band and Orchestra Concert
- Feb 19-23 - Break
- March 7-10 Spring Musical - BTAP Presents Matilda



THE STUDENT SECTION



Congratulations to our first ever Girls Wrestling team on a successful season!



Check out these great choice projects from Mr. Malecki's Materials class. This was their last project of the semester. Nice work!



Wrestler Aaron Fredenburg has been named News Channel 9 Student Athlete of the week. See the story [here](#). Congrats Aaron!



Marching Band Director Casey Vanderstouw was presented last week with the WCNY Classic FM Music Educator Award. Congrats Mr. V!

February Break Spirit Week

February 12 - 16

- Monday:** Neon Day
- Tuesday:** Country vs. Country Club
- Wednesday:** Adam Sandler Day
- Thursday:** Despicable Me Theme
- Friday:** Color Wars
(Seniors - Pink, Juniors - Purple, Sophomores - Red)



Congratulations to Evan Stack-Couture for qualifying to represent Team Onondaga at the New York State Math League meet in April. Evan was one of the top 35 scorers in the country this year, which earned him this honor. Great job Evan!

CLASS OF 2024

CAPS AND GOWNS AVAILABLE NOW
DISCOUNTED GROUP RATE IS GUARANTEED UNTIL JANUARY 1ST

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INCLUDES CAP & GOWN

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QUESTIONS?
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Do you know a student who had a major accomplishment outside of school? Share with Mrs. Medwid - jmedwid@bville.org. We would love to feature it here on the page.

STUDENT PARKING

If you are interested in parking on campus and still need to take driver's ed, we will accept *Road Trip* course certificates. (<https://www.roadtripclass.com>)

The next **free class** will be offered via **Zoom** on **Monday, Feb. 19** at **9:00 AM**. Sign up by Friday, Feb. 16. Stop by the Main Office to receive the Zoom meeting registration link.



Student Parking Application



2nd ANNUAL DRESS GIVEAWAY



In early January 2019, 23-year-old Lucy Reff was about to start her final semester at Upstate Medical University, where she was training as a respiratory therapist. She was looking forward to several exciting milestones ahead. She was engaged to her long-time boyfriend, Skyler, and they were in the midst of planning their wedding. She had just chosen her wedding dress. Four days later, on January 12, 2019, Lucy passed away and became an organ donor. Just prior to surgery at 2:50 am on January 15, 2019, Lucy was escorted to the elevator through one of the hospital's first honor walks. At 9:00 am, the family had learned that Lucy was able to donate her heart, liver, and both kidneys, saving the lives of four people. **We Love Lucy and you will too!**

**Join us for a Dress Giveaway in Lucy's Honor.
Come say "Reff" to The Dress"**

We have hundreds of new—tags on dresses for this event. Wedding gowns, prom dresses, military ball dresses, etc...

Make an affordable donation to the

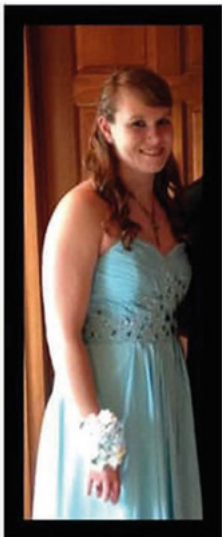
Donor Family Network/Team Finger Lakes

and take home a beautiful dress or two!

Dress Giveaway!!

Saturday March 9, 2024

**9:00AM-4:00 PM! Howlett Hill! Fire Station
3384 Howlett Hill! Rd Syracuse NY 13215**



We need you!

Volunteer At Elden Elementary
Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:30-4:30pm
March-May

Email bcavaleri@bville.org if interested



Junior Coach

Serving as a Junior Coach is a fun and rewarding way to get involved with Girls on the Run! This volunteer position is for high school girls aged 16-18 years old who want to grow their leadership skills. Paired with a Mentor Coach, Junior Coaches receive support to develop their own skills while serving as role models to program participants.

Requirements

- ★ Be 16-18 years of age (in high school)
- ★ Identify as female
- ★ Return completed reference
- ★ Return signed waiver (signed by parent/guardian if under 18)
- ★ Complete background check (if 18 years old)
- ★ Complete Junior Coach application
- ★ Complete online and in-person training
- ★ Consistently attend practice (minimum of once per week)
- ★ Commit 1.5-3 hours of time each week for 10 weeks

JUNIOR COUNCIL KRISPY KREME

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\$2/SINGLE

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COUNSELING OFFICE UPDATES

CAREER ASSESSMENTS

All Baker students have access to two free career assessments through their [Scoir](#) account. Students can login into Scoir with their google ID and password or through Clever. The first is a Career Interest Assessment Match. This one is very brief and basic. However, it is a great starting point for students. The other available assessment is, Principles You. This one takes about 30-60 minutes to complete. Principles You will provide a detailed report about characteristic traits that help pair students with careers. At the end, both of these assessments will provide career information based on individual results. If appropriate, it can also provide colleges that may have their potential majors. If you have any questions, please reach out to your child's school counselor.

SAT PREP SCAM

Be aware that there is a common phone scam where the caller is posing as an SAT prep course provider and needs payment for the class your child signed up for. If you get a call and have questions, please reach out to the counseling office.



2024-25 Student Schedules

Counselors are currently meeting students to schedule them for next year. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to review the course catalog. Students are expected to select 6.5 credits. Please contact your student's school counselor with any questions.

CLICK HERE FOR ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL AID UPDATES

INFORMATION FROM HESC FOR THE TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND OTHER FASFA NEWS

FASFA INFORMATION:

The FAFSA will be available for students/parents to fill out before December 31, 2023. You can get your FSA ID NOW so you are ready to go when the site is active.

[CLICK HERE](#)



IMPORTANT!

*DO NOT USE BVILLE.ORG EMAIL

*YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS AND MOBIL PHONE NUMBER CAN ONLY BE ASSOCIATED WITH 1 ID. THE STUDENT MUST MAKE THEIR OWN FSA ID

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

Scholarship notifications are posted outside of the CRC and updated on google classroom. Mrs. Marra in the CRC can help you find scholarships that you qualify for. Anything from the Virtual Times is [archived here](#).

PERMIT TEST

Thinking about taking your permit test? It's free in the CRC! Stop in or email the CRC to schedule an appointment and pick up a study booklet.

CONTACT US:

Counseling Office
[Webpage](#)
315-638-6028/6027



**120 SCHOLARSHIPS
OVER \$1000 EACH**

GRADUATING IN 2024?

APPLY NOW



Application will be open from Feb 1 until March 31, 2024.

New application and new website - easy to apply!

Applicants can be going to college, vocational, or trade school.

Application is here or you can use the QR Code below



ADDITIONAL COUNSELING OFFICE UPDATES



Yes, you can afford college!



Join Us for Financial Aid Day.

Saturday, February 3, 2024

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; sessions held hourly

Hosted by Monroe Community College

1000 East Henrietta Road, Rochester, NY 14623

- Discover important information about what financial aid is available for college.
- Receive hands-on expert help to complete your financial aid application (FAFSA).
To finish the FAFSA application:
 - The student and parent/guardian should both attend Financial Aid Day.
 - The FSA ID will need to be completed by the student and parent/guardian before February 1st. Instructions can be found on the registration page.
- Campus tours and admissions information sessions will also be offered.

Free Parking in Lot M, located at the back of MCC's Brighton Campus. Check-in at the R. Thomas Flynn Campus Center (Building 3).

Register for the event at www.monroecc.edu/go/faday or by scanning the QR code at right.



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SESSION 1: JUNE 01-07 SESSION 2: JUNE 08-14

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FOR MORE INFORMATION

✉ SLE@westpoint.edu ☎ (845) 938-5760

www.westpoint.edu/admissions/summer-program

EMERGENCY SERVICES CAREER FAIR

WHEN

**Wednesday, March 6th, 2024
3pm - 7pm**

WHERE

**Cicero Fire Department
Station 1**

8377 Brewerton Road
Cicero, NY 13039

This recruiting event will bring together agencies at Local, State and Federal levels. These member agencies are from the public and private sectors, who are dedicated to public service and safety.

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AGENCIES ATTENDING:

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Native American Community Services
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NYS Park Rangers
NYS Park Police
NYS Troopers
NAVAC (Northern Area Volunteer Ambulance Corp)
Onondaga County Office of Children and Family Services
Onondaga County Sheriff's Office
Syracuse University Department of Public Safety
Syracuse Police
US Army
AND MORE!



Rotary



1 slice from
each of
8 local
pizzerias!



SCAN ME



PIZZA ROUNDUP

Date:

Feb. 9

When:

5:30-7:30 PM

Where:

**Van Buren
Elementary
Bus Loop**

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PURCHASES**



**What's our
mission?**

**A feast with
a purpose!
Proceeds
to support
local
food
pantries.**



**Baldwinsville
NY**



Help the PTSA help Baker!

What do we do?

- Support and recognize the staff throughout the year
- Support all students to make it the most successful year

What do we support?

- Beeful Pantry
- Beeyoutiful Boutique
- Wellness Day
- Baker Staff
- KBR party after the ball for our seniors

What can you do?

- Become a member and receive 10% discount on all MemberHub fundraisers
- Support our fundraisers
- Attend a meeting and share your ideas
- Volunteer your time



Got questions? Email us at cwbptsa@gmail.com



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SAVE THE DATE:

KEY EVENTS ON OUR CALENDAR

2024

JAN 23-26 - REGENTS EXAMS
FEB 1 - JUNIOR PARENT NIGHT
MAY 6-17 - AP EXAMS
MAY 7 - CULTURAL FEST
MAY 18 - JUNIOR PROM
JUNE 1 - SENIOR BALL + KBR
JUNE 4, 14, 17-26 - REGENTS EXAMS
JUNE 22 - GRADUATION



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ParentSquare



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