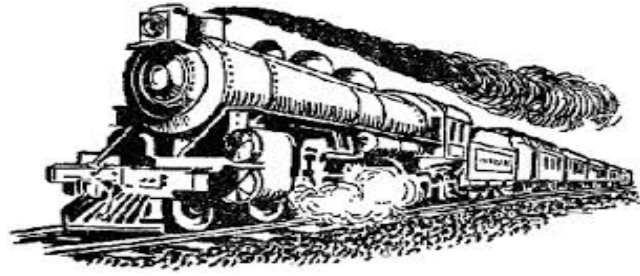


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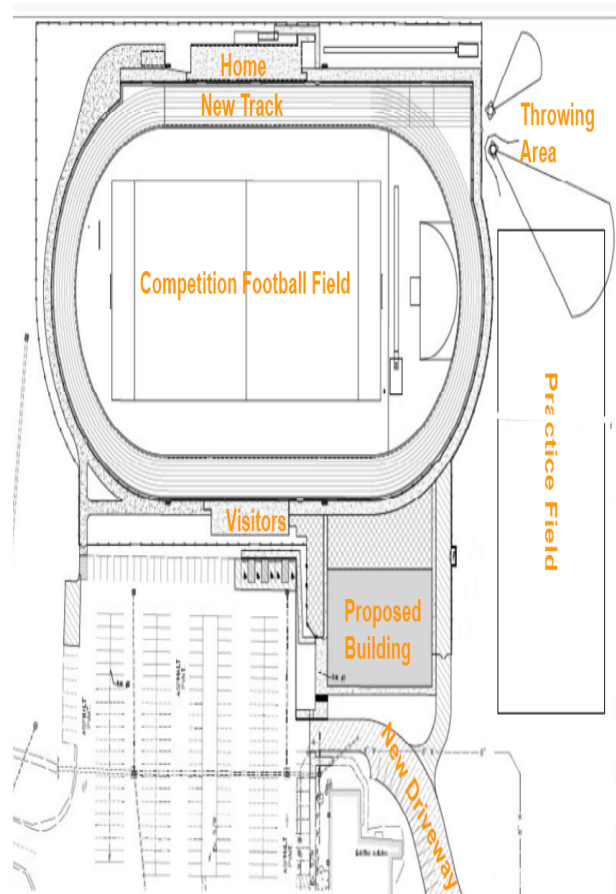
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**Welcome Back - Mr. Hurst,
Superintendent
By: Tucker Miller**



We are excited to welcome students and staff back to school for the 2022-2023 school year. We have a LOT of projects happening that should bring additional pride and activity to our district! Our bus barn is nearing completion. This will house all of our buses, give a space to repair buses if needed and allow for storage of the school van and other equipment. The track project is moving along nicely with an expected completion date of June 2023. This will be a showcase for the district with an all-weather 8-lane track and football field. We will utilize the existing bleachers for the visitors' side and build new (bigger) bleachers for the home fans. The new roadway around the north side of the building will remain unfinished until the project is complete. When done, the driveway will allow for parents to line up in a safe manner towards the end of school day to pick up their children from school.



Mr. Barr, Middle School/High School Principal

By: Dalton Reck

I've asked Mr. Barr multiple questions about this school year and his plans so far, this is what he said. "I think the start of the school year has gone well. The students have been great and seem excited to be back in a routine and seeing some friends that they haven't seen in a while. The teachers are excited to be working with students again and building those quality relationships with their students to make a difference in their lives. I really couldn't be happier with the start so far. I want to continue to work on school spirit here at Bradford. We have so many great things that happen on a daily basis that I would like to highlight in the hopes that our students realize how lucky they are to be Railroaders. I also want to continue to work on getting more students involved in school activities."



I then asked Mr. Barr how the new no phone policy is going and this is how he responded, "Anytime you make a change there will be some bumps but so far I feel like it has gone fairly well. I want to create rules/regulations that work for everyone and allow us to make the best use of each student's time while in school."

Lastly I asked him what he was excited about for this school year and some new goals, this is what he had to say. "There are so many things that I am excited about this school year it is hard to narrow it down. Last year, being new, I just wanted to learn about Bradford, get to know the staff, students, and community. This year having now had the opportunity to get to know everyone I feel more comfortable and can see things that I would like to improve for all stakeholders. I was able to see all the

great things we do and a few things that I think we can do better. I am very excited about the new writing platform we will be utilizing this school year that I think will benefit all of our students now and into the future. My goals don't typically change too much from one year to the next. I want to maintain a warm, friendly, and caring atmosphere where everyone from the students to the staff can be themselves and meet their potential. By doing so we can achieve so many great things."

Mrs. Lavey, Elementary Principal
By: Sarah Beckstedt



After a long and exciting summer, Mrs. Lavey is ready and excited to start another year of learning here at Bradford. She describes her time here as a

blessing, she always loves to "watch the young students grow and mature to young adults and leaders." This year her plans are to help the students focus on writing, building relationships, and helping them feel safe each and every day. She is also hoping to start a new activity called K-12 family meetings, where students will gather together for some bonding time while talking about modeling and implementing the 5 Rs.

New Staff
By: Isabella Hamilton

Shon Schaffer is new to the Bradford staff as a bus driver. I interviewed Mr. Schaffer and asked a few questions, and he responded as shown below:



How long have you been a bus driver?
-15 years

What "drove" you to be a bus driver?

-“To spend more time with my kids.”

What other jobs have you done in the past?

-“Made plastic bags at New Tech Plastics for 13 years, made pizzas at Mana Rosas for 2 years, and worked at Wendy’s for 2 years.”

Why'd you choose to drive for Bradford?

-“Close to my residence. It’s where I coach softball.”

What is your favorite thing about being a bus driver?

-“Responsibility. I like the fact it’s a stressful job at times. I like that parents put their trust in me. I really enjoy watching kids grow up over the years.”

Volley for the Cure

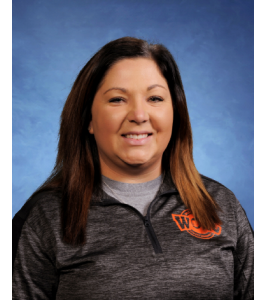
by: Molly Clark

During the Volley for the Cure, the volleyball players took on Newton. The high school volleyball team raised a total of \$1,500 and the junior high volleyball team raised \$500 for Leaha Hammaker while she battles leukemia. They made this money by hosting a bake sale, a raffle, and a ball drop. The family was greatly appreciative of the donation as they moved forward in her battle with cancer.



Athletics Update with A/D Chloe Thompson

By: Megan Wood



Here is an update on Bradford sports from our very own athletic director, Mrs. Thompson. I asked her a few questions about this season's teams as well as tournaments and the upcoming winter sports season.

"Volleyball is going well, we have a large group through Junior High and High School. Junior High looks to make a good run in the WOAC tournament.

Football is showing great strides in each contest. It was a tough decision to forego the varsity season, but I really think it was the correct one. We're able to slow down and focus on teaching skills and development as opposed to getting beat up each week. We also have a strong Junior High program with good numbers to feed into the varsity program again next year.

Cross Country is going well too. The coaches really switched some things up this year schedule wise and I think it has been a nice change of scenery for meets. We've got kids placing and PRing each week!

Golf has been improving all season, and we are hoping to have a good showing at the WOAC tourney on 9/22. Overall everyone is shooting.

I believe we will have a good chance at getting past the first round in tournament play, and running well in district cross country and golf.

Cheer and dance are competing many times throughout the fall. They opened the competition season up at the Fair and will continue to compete and be ready for the WOAC cheer competition in February.

This winter will be very exciting, I hope to walk away with quite a few winning records and growth in our programs.

Go Roaders :)