

# Eagle

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## BCS Senior Receives National Recognition



A Bolton Central School Senior has been named a *National Merit Scholarship* winner. This national recognition is an honor that has been bestowed on Molly Showers this spring. Initially Molly's PSAT score, ranking in the top one percent of the nation's seniors, helped her achieve the semi-finalist status. The next phase of the application process judged candidates having the strongest combination of academic skills and achievements, extracurricular accomplishments, and potential for success in rigorous college studies.

Although there is a financial award, the honor of such a prestigious recognition at a national level is outstanding. Congratulations Molly Showers! Her academic excellence, positive contributions to our community and leadership skills are such a fine example of just one of our Bolton Central School students!



From left to right: Kirsten Gollhofer, Molly Showers, Liana Grosser and Max Gollhofer present a bill that was signed into law by the Youth Governor.

## Democracy Must Be Learned By Each Generation - BCS Students are Well on Their Way!

This spring thirty Bolton Central School students traveled to the Capitol as part of the YMCA Youth & Government Program to present, debate and lobby for Legislative Bills.

Some of the issues that were presented included environmental concerns in regards to food waste from restaurants and grocery stores and reducing the tax rates for small businesses. Other issues that were addressed were giving consideration to children 14 years or older to have a say in Family Court regarding which parent they live with, giving lottery winners in New York the

option to stay anonymous, protecting defendants financially during a trial of frivolous lawsuit, and requiring all New York State schools to purchase trauma kits for classrooms.

YMCA Youth & Government is a national program that involves thousands of teens nationwide in state-organized, model-government programs. Students have the opportunity to immerse themselves in experiential civic engagement and to literally practice democracy. The program culminates with teens serving as delegates at their state conference and debating bills on the floor of the legislature.

Every BCS student involved in the program has a specific responsibility. The Press Corp was hard at work making a slide show, writing articles and taking pictures. Michael Dougherty, Bolton's only attorney, worked hard at defending his case review. Billy Morehouse was elected Co-Editor in Chief for next year. Kiara Mantz, our Head Lobbyist, was awarded a Service Leader Award for having the second highest community service hours out of over 600 students.



Graduating Senior/Head Lobbyist Kiara Mantz accepts a Service Leader Award.

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Jayden Mignot and Kiara Mantz have been selected to attend CONA (Conference on National Affairs) in North Carolina this summer. Billy Morehouse is an Alternate. Molly Showers, Max Gollhofer, Liana Grosser and Kirsten Gollhofer's bill was nominated for Most Outstanding Bill in the Senate and was signed into law by the Youth Governor. Morgan Miller was nominated as Outstanding Lobbyist in the Senate.

This educational experience is a great opportunity for our students to be active participants in the democratic process.



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Head Lobbyist Kiara Mantz, sharing her perspective, had this to say; *"It's truly an amazing feat that we can get everyone together and so organized. Some of the debate I've heard from high schoolers is better than the debates I have heard in actual Congress. They are all just so passionate and so educated on the topics that they're talking about- it's very impressive."*



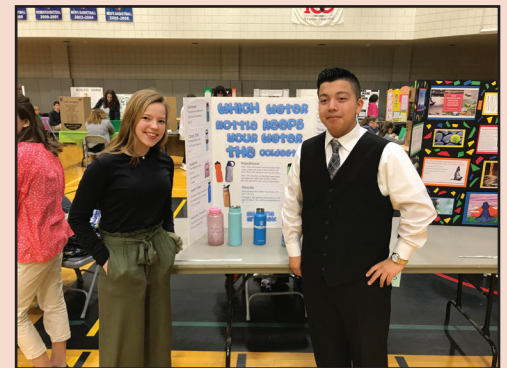
Michael Dougherty, Bolton Central School's only member of the legal team, defends his case.

**BCS Science Students Attend Champlain Valley Regional Science Fair**

Recently select BCS Science students traveled to Clinton Community College to compete in the Annual Champlain Valley Regional Science Fair. Congratulations to Max Gollhofer for winning the silver medal. Max's project, Raspberry Pie/Retro Pie, involved him assembling his own computer to emulate a classic arcade game and then building a console to play the game.



The participating students included: Erin Corr, Mary LaBrecque, Max Gollhofer, Daniel Cooper, Andrew Hull, Tyler Trowbridge, Jane Trowbridge and Alexander Sorensen.



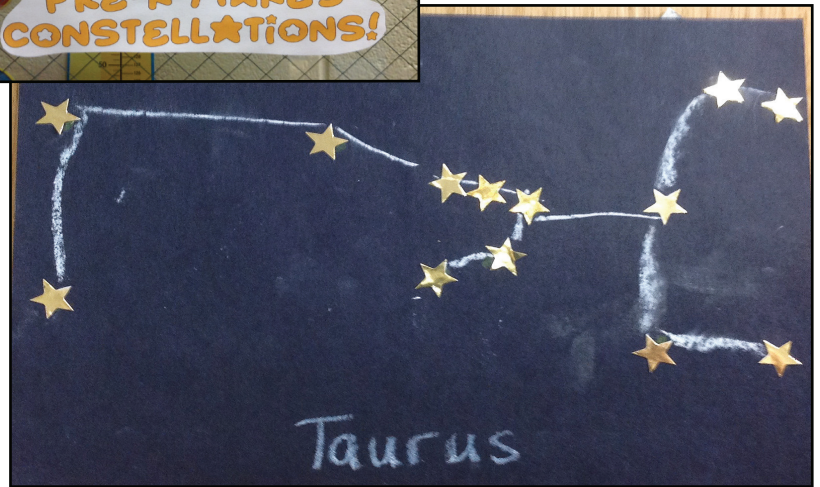


## Elementary Students Are Reaching For The Stars

Each year many BCS elementary students visit the Starlab, a portable planetarium at Up Yonda Farm. There they learn to identify some of the constellations in the winter sky and hear about the mythology behind them.

This year, students created constellation pieces as part of the Elementary Art Program. Both 1st graders and our Pre-Kindergarten students demonstrated what they had learned. Using their trip as inspiration, 1st graders used watercolor with salt to recreate the night sky using colors they felt they may find in a night sky. Salt reacts with the watercolor giving the artwork a starry feel. They then chose from several constellations they could find in a winter sky, including Orion, Canis Major and Ursa Major, to copy onto their pieces. Pre-K students used chalk on black paper and foil stars to recreate the star patterns.

Once students have been in the StarLab, we hope they will go out on their own and look up at the night sky.



## Kindergarteners Learn to "Leave No Trace"

Dan Carusone from the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Warren County paid our Kindergarteners a visit to talk to them about how to "leave no trace" while enjoying the outdoors. "Leave No Trace" is a wilderness ethics approach to lessen one's impact on wild places. Students are asked to follow some simple rules: 1) Plan ahead and prepare. 2) Travel and camp on durable surfaces. 3) Dispose of waste properly. 4) Leave what you find. 5) Minimize campfire impacts. 6) Respect wildlife. 7) Be considerate of other visitors. Stewardship and a respect for our environment are important lessons and our Kindergarteners know what it takes!



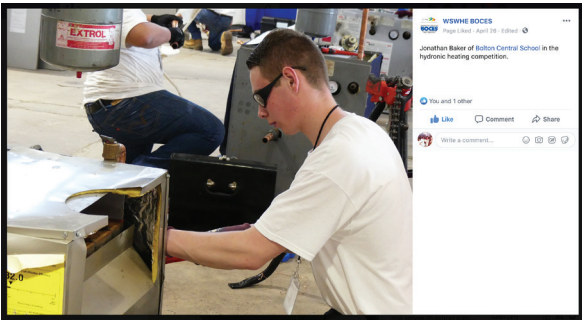


# The Future of Career Success Starts With Work-Based Learning



*ABOVE: Jon Baker working on a weld for his hydronic heating system while participating in the state SkillsUSA Competition.*

*BELOW: Jon's work was highlighted on WSWHE BOCES' Facebook page.*



Bolton Central School students have many opportunities when thinking about their future beyond graduation. Many consider college but there are those that want to jump right into the workforce. Career and Technical Education (CTE) at our WSWHE BOCES facility is a great option for any student wishing to add professional proficiencies to their skill set.

Bolton Central School also offers a two-year certificate program in the field of Hospitality and Tourism within our building. This program offers students hands on hospitality and tourism experiences right in their own backyard; one of the perks of living in a popular tourist destination. Once students have this certification in hand, they can start at any one of a variety of hospitality and tourism positions to start building a career right out of high school.

Our students are also able to benefit from all the professionals right here in our region. Internships within the community are developed on a case by case basis. These relationships are built on student interest and local professionals being willing and able to make the commitment. Such was the case with our student Dustin Reiter, who is participating in an internship at Sawmill Wooden

Boatworks with owner Paul Jordon. Mr. Jordon has been restoring and reconditioning wooden boats in the region for over 25 years and maintaining his own shop for nearly a decade. As part of Dustin's training, Mr. Jordon encouraged him to bring in his grandfather's boat for restoration. Under Mr. Jordon's guidance, the vessel has been fully restored and set the foundation for skills Dustin will use throughout his career. This opportunity has resulted in a full-time job offer with Sawmill Wooden Boatworks once Dustin graduates.

These kinds of opportunities prepare our work-ready students for their next step and benefits our community as an investment in the future.



*Hospitality & Tourism students met with the Queensbury Hotel Food and Beverage Director, Jerid McKinney. He discussed various aspects of the hospitality and restaurant business, banquet, and hotel operations. Students also had the opportunity to take a tour of the restaurants, banquet halls, front desk, and kitchen.*



*Under the guidance of Paul Jordon, Dustin is gaining skills on boat restoration; with his first task being the restoration of his grandfather's wooden boat.*



*Dustin met Paul Jordon through a connection at Water's Edge Marina. This opportunity has provided Dustin with a full-time job after graduation.*



## “Coming Together is a Beginning, Staying Together is Progress, and Working Together is Success.” - Henry Ford

The 9th grade class spent a full day at Silver Bay YMCA focused on team building, communication, and peaceful conflict resolution. The YMCA program uses a mix of direct workshop and interactive



*Working together to figure out the journey's best route.*

games to get students to recognize for themselves where opportunities for improvement exist and what strategies they can use for achieving those improvements. It was a fun-filled day that left the class with clear objectives and useful strategies for becoming the best they can be, together.



*Helping one another navigate the difficult parts of the journey.*



*The entire group happily arrives at Ryan's Ridge.*



Congratulations to Michael Dougherty on placing first at the WSWHE BOCES SkillsUSA Regional Competition! This top placement was granted in the Action Skills competition for the Conservation Program. The focus area was in chainsaw operation, safety and maintenance.

The Environmental Conservation & Forestry program aligns with the Society of American Forest Programs and is just one part of our BOCES Career and Technical Education (CTE) options available to students. The curriculum emphasizes forest ecology and silviculture, forest management, woods safety, forest land usage, forest protection, fish and wildlife management, forest recreation, trends in urban forestry, and current and emerging environmental conservation issues.

SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. SkillsUSA helps each student excel and empowers its members to become world-class workers, leaders and responsible American citizens.

SkillsUSA improves the quality of our nation's future workforce through the development of proficiencies that include personal, workplace and technical skills grounded in academics.





# I AM BOLTON CSD | GABRIELLE MOWERY



Name: Gabrielle Mowery

Age: 15

Grade: Freshman

*What's your favorite thing about school?*

I love learning new things. I am really enjoying Science this year in Mr. Sheridan's Living Environment class. The hands on activities and Mr. Sheridan's way of teaching makes it all very interesting.

*What do you like about living in your community? Living in Bolton?*

I have lived here my whole life and am comfortable in a small town.

*Do you participate in sports or extra-curricular activities?*

I usually play all the sports but did not play basketball this year. I am also in Youth & Government and Band. I am a year-round soccer player and play center midfielder but enjoy moving around the field.

*Do you have a favorite book, movie or TV show?*

I like the Pitch Perfect movies and watching episodes of Friends on Netflix. I don't watch a lot of television.

*Who is someone you idolize or would like to meet one day?*

It would be great to meet Carli Lloyd, a player on the Women's National Soccer team. She works very hard and never gives up. I admire her being able to get past challenges.

*Tell us about your most memorable moment at BCS so far?*

When I was in 7th grade I was lucky enough to be called up to the varsity girls soccer team. During a season sectional game I scored a goal.

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***Gabrielle Mowery, 9th Grader***

It felt great to make the goal. Being in 7th grade I was proud to prove I was ready for the Varsity team and make positive contributions.

*Do you know what you want to do when you get older?*

I am interested in criminal psychology and learning how to figure out what happens in people's lives that throws them off track and how to help them.

This is a change from a few years ago when Gabby attended the Junior National Young Leaders Conference and wanted to be a lawyer.

No matter what Gabby decides, we can expect great things from this soon to be sophomore.

# I AM BOLTON CSD | OLIVIA BENNETT



Name: Olivia Bennett

Age: 8

Grade: Second Grade

*Describe your family.*

I live with my Mom and my dog Bella.

*What's your favorite thing about school?*

I like playing with my friends and I love recess. During recess my friend Maelyn and I play a game we made up. My favorite lunch in the cafeteria is Brunch for Lunch. I really like the syrup with my pancakes and chocolate milk.

*What do you like about living in your community?*

I like that all my friends live nearby. I really like going to camp at Veteran's Park in the summer and swimming in the lake.

*Do you participate in sports or extra-curricular activities?*

I play baseball, soccer, gymnastics and basketball. I really like to ski and swim at the YMCA.

*Do you have a favorite book, movie or TV show?*

I really like the Harry Potter movies and don't think they are scary at all.

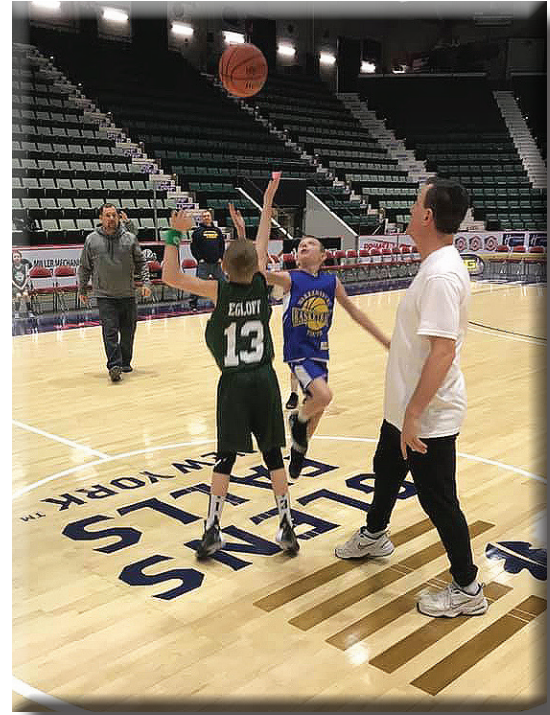
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I would like to be a Kindergarten teacher and be in the same class as Maelyn just like Mrs. Egloff and Mrs. Persons.

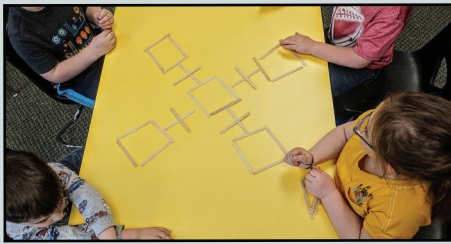


## 3rd and 4th Grade Elementary Basketball Players Had a Great Day!

It's one thing to be able to watch the Slam North South Basketball Classic at Glens Falls Cool Insuring Arena. Imagine being a BCS 3rd or 4th Grader and being able to PLAY on the same court as the big leagues? That was exactly what happened this year! Students were able to watch all the games and play during one of the half-time games with their peers from Warrensburg. Thanks to Coach Egloff for helping create this memorable opportunity for our student-athletes!



## Students Learn the Art and Skills of Bookmaking



This spring, students in Pre-K through seventh grade worked on bookmaking projects in collaboration with our artist in residence, Mrs. Paula Krieg. Mrs. Krieg spent six days working with our students primarily during library time and also in their classrooms.

The work done in these sessions is very creative and the outcome is always something our students can be proud of. The really exciting part is that bookmaking is more than just creating art.

Pre - K students learned about symmetry by creating designs while working in pairs. Kindergarten students explored spatial relationships and use of fine motor skills. They made decisions on their own by filling the outlines of letters with natural materials. With the older elementary students, the bookmaking projects were approached in a way that supports teachers' math goals. There is so much in the paper and book arts that can support the math that students need to learn and can apply to other lessons.



Seventh graders are given a large piece of paper (23" x 35"), which they folded and tore to make a pamphlet. The symmetry of the folding and the sequence of the folds and tears all resulted in a scaled down version of the original sheet.

Each year students and teachers look forward to her visit. Many of the students have made books with Mrs. Krieg since they were in Pre-K. It is a fantastic experience for the students and we are very fortunate to have this ongoing partnership with Mrs. Krieg.





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# June Upcoming Events

### **Thursday, June 6**

Grades 6-8 Awards Ceremony  
BCS Gym  
9:30 a.m.

### **Thursday, June 6**

Grades 9-12 Awards Ceremony  
BCS Gym  
6:30 p.m.

### **Friday, June 7**

Key Club Grandparents' Breakfast  
BCS Gym  
9:15 a.m.

### **Sunday, June 9**

Booster Club Sports Banquet  
The Sagamore Resort  
5:00 p.m.

### **Monday, June 17**

Last Day of Classes  
Grades 6 - 12

### **Sun. - Wed. June 16 - 19**

Class of 2019 Senior Trip  
Washington D.C.

### **Tuesday, June 18**

Bike Rodeo Day  
(Rain Date Fri. June 21)

### **Tues. - Wed. June 18 - 26**

Testing Begins (Regents and Finals)  
Grades 6 - 12

### **Wednesday, June 19**

Beach Day  
Grades PK - 5  
(Rain Date Thurs. June 20)

### **Fri. - Wed. June 21 - 26**

Early Dismissal at 11:00 a.m.  
Grades PK - 5

### **Tuesday, June 25**

Pre-K End of Year Celebration  
BCS Cafeteria  
9:15 a.m.

### **Tuesday, June 25**

Kindergarten Graduation  
BCS Gym  
11:30 a.m.

### **Thursday, June 27**

Class of 2019 Baccalaureate  
Blessed Sacrament Church  
7:00 p.m.

### **Friday, June 28**

Class of 2019 Commencement  
BCS Gym  
7:00 p.m.