



COMMUNITY CONNECTION-DRAFT

SAVE THE DATE



Ben Bronz's 40th anniversary
celebration.

May 16th from 5-7 pm

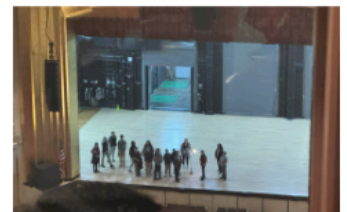
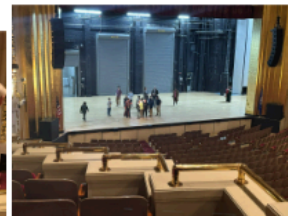
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Spotlight on Research Week:

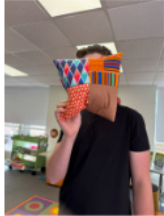
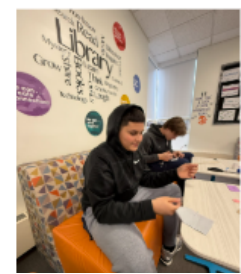
As the curtain rose on our research week, our students stepped into the spotlight to demonstrate their knowledge and talents during this week-long learning opportunity. From April 7th to 11th, students delved into their projects, culminating in a special performance for their families on **Friday, April 11th**.

During the week, students **toured the Bushnell**, took part in creative workshops by visiting artists, explored various topics, and created presentations that included readers' theater, posters, scripts, etc....

Enjoy our photos from the field experiences and workshops from the Bushnell and Research Week



Visiting Artist Workshops





Welcome, Jared Fellows!

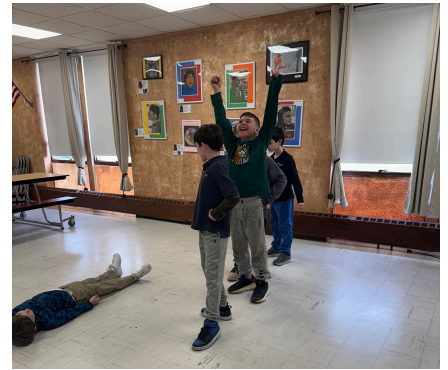
We're excited to welcome Jared Fellows to our team as a special education teacher with a focus on social studies. Jared brings valuable experience in both areas, having earned his degrees from Central Connecticut State University (2017) and the University of Hartford (2022). Prior to joining Ben Bronz, he taught at Hall High School and King Philip Middle School in West Hartford, as well as Har-Bur Middle School and Lewis S. Mills High School in his hometown of Burlington.

Outside the classroom, Jared enjoys attending concerts—he's been to over 100!—along with collecting historical artifacts, rowing, staying active, and spending quality time with family and friends. He's thrilled to begin this new chapter at Ben Bronz and looks forward to getting to know everyone and becoming part of the community.

Lower school "Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus" Pre-Show Workshop.

The Lower School recently participated in a pre-show workshop in preparation for their upcoming viewing of *Mo Willems' Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus*. During the workshop, students engaged in fun acting exercises and explored key elements of theater, including movement, voice, and stage levels, learning how stories come to life on stage.

A big thank you to Cecil from *Playhouse on Park* for sharing such incredible insight into the world of performance. We're all so excited to see the show!



Presentations



What a fantastic day with so many visitors! Thank you to all who attended, including some alumni; it was great to see you. We hope you enjoyed hearing about our research and seeing our performances. Our Students showed off their puppets, plays, poster boards, dioramas, and research to those who stopped by.



Lower School Reader's Theater

STONE SOUP

After much practice, our lower school gave two presentations to our families and visitors and did a great job, receiving rave reviews. Great job, Lower School.



Research week has sparked a Real-World Connection.

Just in time for our Research week, our very own Joe F. has auditioned for a real-life role in a film about a boy with autism and his relationship with his father. He is working on memorizing and performing a script. This has been an excellent experience for him. We all wish him luck and will be sure to watch for his rising star.

Lower School Earth Day Fun

“Preparing” edible “dirt”



Preparing for Staff Appreciation Week, May 5th-9th

Staff Appreciation Week is fast approaching, and we want to take the time to recognize and celebrate everything our incredible staff does for us! To make this week extra special, we're asking for donations to help provide treats and surprises during the May 5th–9th celebration.

The Home School Association (HSA) Committee has been brainstorming creative ideas and has gathered items to ensure a memorable experience. You can contribute by visiting our [Amazon Wish List](#) and donating whatever you can. Let's come together as a community to make this week truly unforgettable for the fantastic staff at BBA! We will also look for snacks and breakfast treats for May 5th, in case families would like to contribute.

SAVE THE DATE: *June 13, 2025, 5:30 p.m., is Graduation and Awards Night at North West Catholic Auditorium! Please plan to join us in celebrating our Graduates and Award Winners in various areas. We will celebrate the diligence and hard work of our students. It always proves to be an unforgettable evening.

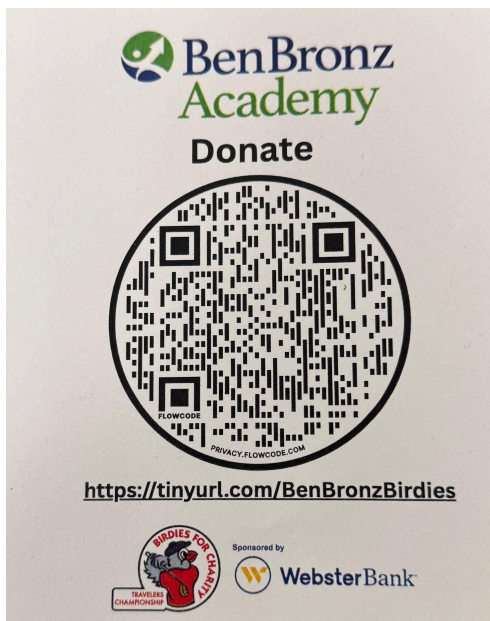


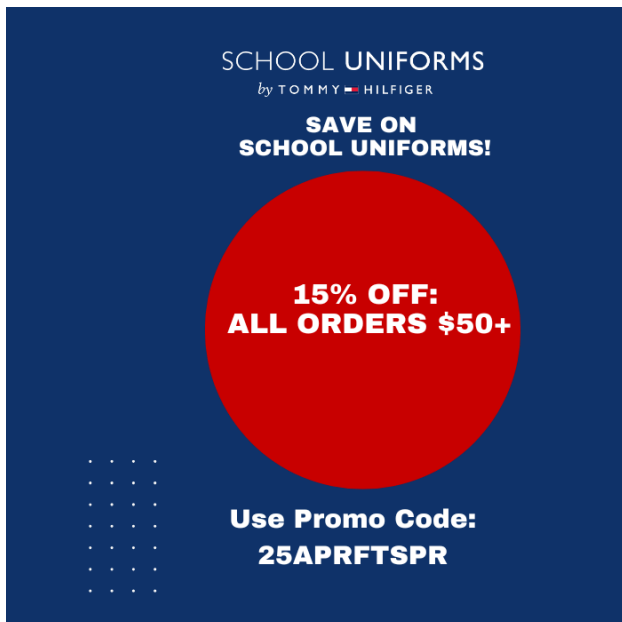
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We are Gearing up for our Fundraiser, Birdies for Charity

The Travelers Championship launched the Birdies for Charity program, adopting a national model that has seen great success in other markets. Today, the Birdies for Charity program continues to evolve and thrive, offering an easy and effective fundraising opportunity for every 501(c)(3) organization, such as the Ben Bronz Academy. Birdies for Charity is a giving platform that utilizes the excitement around the Travelers Championship to help nonprofits across the region raise awareness and funds to support their missions. Thanks to the support of Webster Bank, organizations have the opportunity to receive a **15% bonus** on every donation through the program.

It's easy - simply scan the QR code below or visit the BBA's URL to make your donation. Every Dollar makes a difference.





Never too soon to get ready for the Fall

PROMO CODE REQUIRED: 25APRFTSPR

Offer starts at 12 AM CT on 04/21/25 and ends 04/27/25 at 11:59 PM CT.

The Promotion Code is required during checkout.

Enter it in the Promo Code box of the shopping cart to apply the discount (discount does not apply to tax or shipping).

This offer is not valid on any previous orders, is not valid with other offers, and has no cash value. Excludes custom-sized items.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Ben Bronz is signed up for Box Tops for Education this school year. This program allows us to raise money for student activities while buying products we already buy.

Please download the Box Top for Education app to your phone. Register and select Ben Bronz Academy, then open the app and scan your receipts when shopping.

Email Jim -- jimw@benbronzacademy.org -- with any questions or technical issues.



[2024-2025 School Year Calendar Updated](#)

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****The last day of school for students is scheduled for June 16th.**

Upcoming events:

April 29, 2025,
May 13, 2024
May 16, 2025
May 19-30, 2025,
May 23, 2025
May 26, 2025
May 27, 2025,
June 9-12, 2025
June 12, 2025,
June 13, 2025,

June 16, 2025,

June 17, 2025

Next edition May 2, 2025

Parent Engagement 7:30 pm **Summer Program Options**
HSA 7:30 pm
BBA 40th Anniversary 5:00-7:00 pm
i-Ready Spring Assessment Window
No School/ Full Day Mediator Training
No School Memorial Day
Parent Engagement 7:30 pm, **iReady and Fall Planning**
Exams
End of Quarter
12:30 dismissal, I Graduation & Awards Ceremony
5:30 @ North West Catholic Auditorium.
12:30 dismissal for students
Mediator Workday