

**Burlington High School
Board Report
May 11th, 2026**

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Enrollment:

Cumulative	9th	10th	11th	12th	Total
Boys	34	29 (+3)	15	23	101
Girls	22 (+1)	19 (-1)	26	25	92
Total	56	48	41	48	193

Spec Ed	9	17	14	9	51
BHS Total	64	65	55	57	242

School News:

- Staffing- we are still in the process of hiring a Credit/Recovery Online position
- Completed all state testing.
- Completed the Spring Fling on May 6th.
- Completed Community Service at Wolf Creek on April 29th.
- Finalizing second semester finals opt outs for students.
- Highly successful activity and athletic spring season.

Administrative Report:

- Completed all state required emergency drills.
- Both admins will complete the first year of a two-year principal training requirement on May 15th. This experience has been invaluable for Coach A and me.
- Will complete
- Completed all certified and classified staff evaluations.
- Completed the fourth SITE Council meeting on May 6th.
- Finalizing second semester finals opt outs for students
- Worked with Mr. Spring on board proposal for grading scale changes for 26-27.

BHS Activity/Athletic Updates

Forensics Forensics has qualified 3 students to the National Tournament of Champions- a new record for our team! We have qualified one student to NSDA (National Speech and Debate Association) National Tournament. **Congratulations** to Sage Bell, Burlington's first two-time NSDA qualified student. Sage is also our first student to have qualified two years in a row to both NIETOC and NSDA.

Korryn Bolen has been nominated as an NSDA Academic All American- recognizing her competitive success, academic achievements, character, leadership and service. We will be notified of the status of her nomination within the next two weeks.

We are gearing up for our state tournament which will be held on May 2nd in Maize. Again, this year we are taking 16 entries (the maximum KSHSAA allowed entry size). We are looking forward to a great state tournament!

Steam Club The steam club competed at the KidWind State competition on April 11 in Salina. They had the top performing turbine of the day and broke a record with 155 joules. They punched our second team's ticket to KidWind Worlds in Madison, Wisconsin, May 17 through the 20th.

Band The bands and choir have been working tirelessly to give a great concert on May 8th, in the high school gym, from 6 pm- 8 pm.

Baseball Baseball is off to a great start. 14-2 is our record currently. Coach Mariani believes they have clinched the league title with 1 double header to go and a chance to go undefeated in league play this Tuesday.

Softball This past month has been a really good reflection of our team's toughness and commitment. The girls have continued to show up every day, put in the work, and stay positive even when things haven't been easy. I'm really proud of how they've stuck together, kept pushing, and continued to grow as a team.

Track Season track is off to a good start. Korryn Bolen broke the girls Discus record at the Eureka meet with a throw of 111' 11. Isaac Miller, Logan Ferrara, Brecken Pedersen, and Ian Dekat ran a Distance Medley at ESU Relays placing 5th. These boys continue to show growth and leadership week by week, coming home with medals and team points weekly. Mially Castle has been our standout Freshman on the girl's side. Throughout the team, we are seeing weekly improvements all around and should have an exciting rest of the season as they all continue improve.

Theater April 4th, 5th and 6th the Burlington High School hosted "The Play that Goes Wrong". It was hilarious and so well done!!

FBLA FBLA had 20 students compete at state FBLA in Topeka KS and many students had great success in their events this year! Here are the following results...

National Qualifiers:

1st Place—Graphic Design—Korryn Bolen, Arnes Williams, and Avery Zimmerman

1st Place—Parliamentary Procedure—Emma Bohannon, Kenzie Krueger, Alonna Rodgers, and Arnes Williams

1st Place— Public Service Announcement—Brinley Belcher and Jaycee Belcher

2nd Place—Introduction to Parliamentary Procedure—Arnes Williams

2nd Place—Career Portfolio—Jaycee Belcher

3rd Place—Community Service Project—Jaycee Belcher, Korryn Bolen, and Jackson Nuessen

3rd Place—Website Design—Korryn Bolen and Arnes Williams

4th Place—Accounting—Brandon Hazlett

4th Place—Securities and Investments—Brandon Hazlett

Advanced to Nationals:

5th Place—Advanced Accounting—Ally DiPaolo

8th Place—International Business—Bianca Bortolotti and Maycee Carlson

5th Place—Business Law—Brandon Hazlett

5th Place—Retail Management—Korryn Bolen

7th Place—Economics—Brandon Hazlett

7th Place—Job Interview—Jaycee Belcher

8th Place—Accounting—Ally DiPaolo

3—1st place, 2—2nd place, 2—3rd place, 2—4th place, 3—5th place, 2—7th place, 2—8th place

HUGE success!

FFA FFA has 76 members on their roster. All of which received an award or participated in a CDE, LDE, or completed an award application.