

October 2023

1. _____ is one of only eight schools in North Carolina and 353 in the United States to be chosen as a 2023 National Blue Ribbon School. The official Blue Ribbon Schools awards ceremony on November 16-17 in Washington, D.C.
2. _____ held a groundbreaking ceremony on October 3 to celebrate the start of construction on the new _____ campus. School representatives, elected officials, and others participated in the program. The school is expected to be ready for the 2025-2026 academic year.
3. _____ had the opportunity to show off its classic 1950-model school bus at the Touch-A-

8. Last year, _____ art teacher _____ eighth-grade students learned about photography from Bea Hart at the Gaston County Museum of Art and History and created a mural with disposable cameras to capture portraits of the special people in their lives. _____ Kitchen in downtown Belmont.

9. _____ was crowned the _____ homecoming queen for 2023. Members of the court included _____, _____, _____, and _____. As part of the homecoming festivities, which included a parade through downtown Cherryville, the five members of the homecoming court had the opportunity to honor their favorite teacher, and they unanimously selected business teacher and assistant football coach _____ for the recognition.

10. The _____ marching band won the following awards at the Enka Land of the Sky Marching Band Festival: first place, drum major; first place, percussion; second place, colorguard, and second place overall 1AA. _____ band director.

11. _____ collected more than 900 non-perishable items for the _____

12. _____ recognized its incredible custodial staff with a gratitude bulletin board filled with sticky notes of appreciation to show how much the students and staff value the custodial staff.

13. The _____ marching band competed in the Blue Devil Pride Tournament of Bands at Maiden High School and received the following awards: first place overall in marching for class A/AA, second place in all other categories, second in Class 2A, and a superior rating.

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Violence Awareness Club. They will work with other students to develop outreach programming with the ultimate goal of educating other Gaston County students about teen dating violence and healthy/unhealthy relationships. The school is partnering with Hope United and Rose Planer (therapist) to launch the club.

28. _____ kindergarten teacher _____ is
nominee for the North Carolina Center for the Advancement of Teaching (NCCAT)
Beginning Teacher of the Year Award.
29. The _____ girls golf team donated \$1,480 to the Cramer Mountain
_____ event, which was held on September 16.
30. _____ and _____
fundraiser and collected more than \$4,000 for breast cancer awareness and research.
31. Twenty _____ marching band members joined the Western Carolina
University Pride of the Mountains Marching Band for a pregame performance during the
Western Carolina-Samford University football game. The performance featured more
than 300 high school students. Additionally, 12 _____ band members
participated in the halftime show with the N.C. State University Marching Band during
the recent N.C. State-VMI football game. The students were able to enjoy a full game
_____.
32. The _____ marching band participated in the 2023 Jaguar Classic
Marching Band Competition and received the following awards and recognitions in Class
AA competition: first place colorguard with an excellent rating; first place drum major
with a superior rating; second place percussion with a superior rating; first place
marching and maneuvering with an excellent rating; first place general effect with an
excellent rating; second place music with an excellent rating; first place band in Class 2A,
and grand champion in 1A-2A bands. _____.
33. Six students were recognized by the Belmont American Legion Post 144 for their

participants included _____, _____, _____, and _____
while _____ represents _____.
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