

ZION-BENTON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL



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PRINCIPAL REPORT - APRIL 2025

Instructional Updates

April was a busy and productive month as we prepared our 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students for the PreACT and ACT. This transition required an "all hands on deck" approach, with every department working collaboratively to create a safe, motivating, and well-organized testing environment.

Beyond the classroom, our staff remained committed to providing engaging, hands-on learning experiences. Fine arts continued to shine throughout the month, with Band students participating in the Chicagoland Invitational Concert Band Festival, as well as preparation for a fantastic production of Shrek the Musical to debut on April 24-26th.

Teachers across multiple departments also continued to find creative ways to connect learning to real-world experiences. For example, Sports and Entertainment Marketing students had the opportunity to visit Wrigley Field, where they met with Chicago Cubs marketing executives before taking in a game at the historic ballpark.

Other Trips or Experiences

- Key Club Members served families at the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast
- ASL PenPal Trip
- Spring Food Pantry Community Service at The Point Food Pantry

Operational Updates

Operations continue to run smooth as we begin the fourth-and final quarter of the 204-25 school year. The principal and assistant principal's office continue to plan and finalize signature end of the year events such as the Senior Honor's Program, Community Scholarship Program and graduation.

Advisory planning for next year is underway, as activities are being examined to ensure an effective program aligned to the goals of the district strategic plan are in place. This months advisory activities included, The Countdown to ACT activities with goal-setting and test prep and visits from the Attendance Matters Outreach staff delivering positive messages regarding finishing the year with strong attendance.

In preparation for operational changes at ZBTHS for next school year, the board approved student handbook changes were shared with all staff at the April faculty meeting and shared out to parents in the April Parent Bulletin. These new policies will help foster a welcoming, safe school environment while reducing distractions to learning in the classroom.

Celebrations

