

# **Berlin Brothersvalley High School**

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## **Happy Holidays!**

I would like to wish everyone in the Mountaineer Community a happy and healthy holiday season!

The 2018-19 school year has been filled with a lot of excitement, success, and much appreciated community support! The students and staff at BBHS are very grateful for the pride and support that has been showered upon our students, programs, and school! Berlin is a special place and we are fortunate that our school is able to serve as the centerpiece of our wonderful community!

Best wishes to all during this exciting time of year! I wish you all a very happy and safe holiday season! We are looking forward to an exciting and successful 2019!

Brian Thompson, BBHS Principal

Winter Chorus Concert Sunday, December 16 at 2:30 p.m.

**Early Dismissal** There will be a 1:00 p.m. dismissal for students on **Friday**, **December 21**.

Holiday Break December 22-January 2. School will resume on Thursday, January 3, 2019.

Winter Band Concert The BBSD Winter Band Concert will be held on Friday, January 11 at 7:30 p.m.

End of 2nd Marking Period Friday, January 18

Snow Make-up Day Monday, February 18

Be sure to like BBHS on Facebook and download the "Berlin Brothersvalley Schools" App on your favorite device!

#### Lady Mountaineers Earn PIAA Silver

The Lady Mountaineer Volleyball team capped off a historic season with a trip to the PIAA State Championship match on November 17th. The team became the first team from BBHS to compete in a state championship contest.

Along the way, the Lady Mountaineers dominated competition on their way to their 2nd consecutive

W e s t P A C C o n f e r e n c e Championship and 3rd consecutive District 5 title. The team continued their domination in PIAA state playoffs with



convincing victories over Fort Cherry High



School and Covenant Christian. In the PIAA state semi-finals, the Lady Mountaineers traveled to Big Spring High School to take on District 11 champion, Nativity from Pottsville, PA. In

what was arguably the most exciting match of the season, the Lady Mountaineers clinched a spot in the state championship game with a 3-1 victory over Nativity.

School and community spirit were at an all-time



high throughout the week of the state semif i n a l s a n d championship. Members of the team spent time volunteering in 1st and 2nd grade classrooms



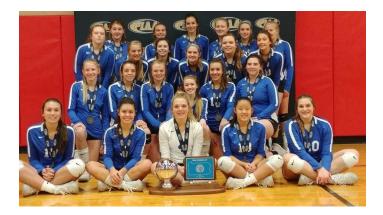
where they were received like heroes! Prior to the team's departure to Mechanicsburg on

November 16, the entire school district and members of the community gave the team a pep rally and send off that demonstrated the pride that our community has in our school.



Ultimately, the Lady Mountaineers fell short of PIAA gold medals by dropping a highly-contested 3-1 match to Northern Cambria.

BBHS would like to express our sincere gratitude to all those who made our team's journey a special one for the players and coaches of the 2018 Lady Mountaineer Volleyball team.



#### **Future Ready PA Index Released to the Public**

The Pennsylvania Department of Education recently unveiled their new system of school accountability, The Future Ready PA Index.



According to the PDE Web site, "the Future Ready PA Index will serve as Pennsylvania's one-stop location for comprehensive information about school success, and will use a dashboard model to

highlight how schools are performing and making progress on multiple indicators."

Schools across the commonwealth are rated on indicators that include achievement on state exams, student academic growth, career awareness measures, graduation rates, student attendance, post-secondary success, AP/College Credit/CTE programming, and students acquiring industry-recognized certifications in high school.

The Future Ready PA Index is now available to the public and can be viewed by visiting <u>www.futurereadypa.org</u>.

### **BBHS Winter Concerts**

The BBHS Performing Arts program will be on stage for their annual winter concerts.

The BBHS Chorus Concert will take place on Sunday, December 16 at 2:30 p.m. The BBHS Band Concert is scheduled for Friday, January 11 at 7:30 p.m.

# **BBHS Students of the Month!**





