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BEAVER HIGH STAP

NEWSLETTER

STAP PRESIDENT - Eleni Avdellas

This 2025-26 school year the STAP board is proud to say the new president of STAP is Eleni Avdellas! When asked about herself and her role as the upcoming president this is what she said:
“Hello everyone! My name is Eleni Avdellas and I am a senior this year. Outside of school, I’m a competitive dancer, cheerleading, captain, and class president. In STAP I am both the president and part of the admin team. As president, I organize and lead monthly board meetings with our STAP board. We use these meetings to talk about logistics within the program, ensure everyone is doing their job, put on student of the month, and so much more. I am truly so luckyto be surrounded by such great people within the board. I also help Mr. Shay with the minions program. Within the admin team, I graded some of the department heads and got to organize the presentations we got to do. I am very excited for this year and the service president for my final year with both the program and as a bobcat.”

NEWSLETTER DEPARTMENT

The Newsletter Team is proud to announce that we have officially become our own department within STAP! What began as a small group of just three students has now expanded into a team of seven dedicated members. As the newly formed department, we—Grace, Kaylee, Helaina, Amelia, Magnolia, Gracyn, and Madison—are committed to producing high-quality content that celebrates the achievements and voices of our fellow students. Each month we spotlight notable accomplishments by interviewing students and learning from them what their own experiences have contributed to our program.

Not only does this newsletter allow us to showcase our peers to our school but also surrounding schools and families. We’re excited for what lies ahead and look forward to publishing each month to uplift and unify our students. With every newsletter, our goal is to inform, inspire, and involve. As a new department, we’re just getting started—and we can’t wait to continue growing, learning, and sharing the stories that make our school community so special.

SUMMER IPAD ROLLOUT

During the summer, the STAP team worked on making sure that the members of Beaver Area High school could switch out their old iPads for new ones successfully. From June to August, students were able to sign up to come in and switch out their iPads with the help of various STAP members who had volunteered their time. In order to make this process go as smoothly as possible, Alaina Hutter, Isabella Morgan, Samantha Opalinsky, and Sophia Thomas spent extra time working behind the scenes.

Alaina shares that at first, figuring out how to set stuff up and creating a strong system could get confusing and hard sometimes due to there only being four of them, but they quickly got the hang of it. The ladies' tasks included unboxing iPads, logging into each iPad, transferring serial numbers into a website called "Jamf," then, eventually assigning an iPad to each student. This process was long and tedious, but in the end it was accomplished by these hard working girls and helped ensure that every student would be able to use their new iPads by the time the first day of school rolled around.

STAP AT DUTCH RIDGE

As the STAP program grows, some of our goals are to continually innovate, create new opportunities for our members, and reach the community. Combining these goals, STAP is creating a new department that will be going to our elementary school, Dutch Ridge, which contains grades three through six, to work with the younger kids.

This program, headed by Chloe Saunders, could serve a variety of purposes, all benefiting the younger students. For example, current STAP members could visit Dutch Ridge and inform students entering middle school about the program and spark excitement in all the opportunities that come with being a part of STAP. Additionally, students in this new department could help with technology issues that come up at Dutch Ridge, aiming to solve these problems as quickly as possible so learning can continue without interruption.

The final purpose for this department will likely be the most important: STAP would love to create a "big brother, big sister" program to mentor the younger students attending Dutch Ridge. This department would prioritize connections and foster a bigger community amongst all grades in our school district, hence starting interest early in Beaver's unique technology program. Overall, STAP is excited to launch this exciting new program in partnership with our elementary counterparts

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