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A Recap of February 2024 at Bergen Catholic



The following are some notable news and events from February 2024:



BC Welcomes Class of 2028 at Registration Celebration

Bergen Catholic officially celebrated the arrival of the newest members of the BC Brotherhood on February 10th, as families in the Class of 2028 registered their sons and officially started their time in Crusader Country.

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BC Students Construct & Deliver Bicycle to Cancer Patient

Over the past few months, Bergen Catholic students in the *Crusaders for Social Responsibility Club* successfully fundraised to purchase a bicycle from Sussex Bike Shop, part of an overall initiative aimed to support small businesses and provide a source of joy for a child named Julian, a

6-year-old who is currently battling cancer. Additionally, the Crusaders purchased some items for Julian's siblings, as well as a gift card for his parents. Bergen Catholic worked in conjunction with the *Tom Coughlin Jay Fund* to help provide this gift for Jay Fund patient Julian and his entire family.

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Faculty Members Honored by BC Basketball Program

Members of our Bergen Catholic Basketball program presented customized t-shirts to members of our BC faculty as a way of honoring them for being mentors in their lives. Each teacher also received a personalized letter thanking them for being difference makers, and for helping put the student-athletes on a pathway to success for their futures.





Entrepreneurship Competition Held at Watros Business Center

Bergen Catholic hosted the finals of their Entrepreneurship Competition at the Watros Business Center on February 15th. The competition was open to all 65 Bergen Catholic seniors enrolled in Entrepreneur classes. Those students formed 17 teams that competed against one another for a spot in the finals. The final 7 teams pitched their ideas to an audience of judges and guests, and two teams were selected as winners in the Business Venture & Social Venture categories.

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BC Celebrates Lunar New Year & Black History Month

The Bergen Catholic community celebrated both the Chinese Lunar New Year & Black History Month this February. Mandarin students in Ms.

Zhagguyi Dong's class celebrated the Chinese Lunar New Year by helping create works of art using the Chinese ink blowing method, while also creating a paper dragon in celebration of 2024 being the year of the dragon. Students in all BC classes were also taught throughout the month about the incredible contributions made by Black men and women in the arts, science, mathematics, politics, religion, medicine, and athletic worlds.



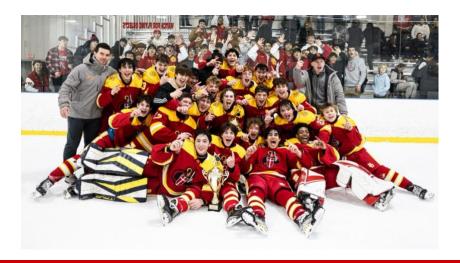


BC Swimming Wins Sectional Championship

The Bergen Catholic Swim team won the 2024 North Non-Public A sectional title, as the Crusaders swam past Seton Hall Prep (90-80) in the sectional final, winning 5 races on their way to the championship. This winter, BC swimmers have claimed league, county and now sectional championships!

Crusader Hockey Wins Bergen County Championship

The Bergen Catholic varsity hockey team won the 2024 Bergen County hockey championship after defeating Don Bosco Prep (3-0) in the championship game, giving BC their fifth county championship in program history.





BC Indoor Track Wins County & League Championships

The Bergen Catholic Indoor Track & Field program once again dominated their local competition this season, on their way to claiming their 7th consecutive Big North United Division title as well as winning the 2024 Bergen County Relay Championship.

Crusader Bowling Wins League Championship

The BC bowling team had an excellent winter season, finishing with yet another Big North United league championship. The Crusaders even saw senior Andy Lee '24 roll a perfect 300 game this season, as BC filled up their trophy case winning four different championships, while also advancing to the sectional semifinals.



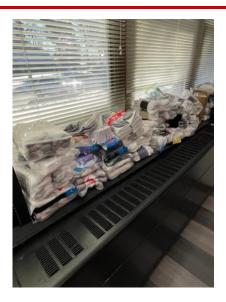


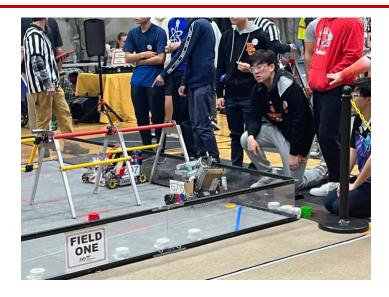
Ten Student-Athletes Honored in February Commitment Day

Ten Bergen Catholic senior student-athletes representing four different sports were honored as part of the 2024 Bergen Catholic February Commitment Day ceremony in Hoehl Gymnasium.

Biology Classes Donate 1,000 Pairs of Socks To Sisters of Charity

Bergen Catholic students in Mr. McCloskey's five biology classes helped run a successful sock drive, with generous donations reaching 1,000 pairs of socks, which will all be sent to the Sisters of Charity for use and distribution in all of their charitable endeavors.





Crusader Robotics Claim 3rd Place at Tournament

Congratulations to the Bergen Catholic Crusader Robotics team on winning 3rd place for the *Innovate Award* at their recent Northern League tournament.

BC Students Enjoy Rocky Mountain Ski & Snowboard Trip

Some members of the Bergen Catholic community got the chance to partake in a fun Rocky Mountain Ski & Snowboard trip over the Mid-Winter vacation in Crested Butte, Colorado.



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