



# OCTOBER 2019



## **From the Superintendent's desk:**

This month I want to use part of my newsletter to recognize and thank our nine school board members for their outstanding leadership and dedication. They are very instrumental in providing our students a high-quality education, setting policies for our district, and helping set tax levies for the various school funds. I know there is not a lot of glory and fame in being a school board member, and they don't get the recognition they truly deserve. Generally speaking, the only time they hear from patrons is when they are upset about something or someone at school. The board members dedicate their time and efforts trying to provide the students at Humphrey Public School the best education possible. When I attend professional conferences, I am often asked about the difficulties in working with a nine-member board of education because most boards of education have only 6 members. My response has always been, I've never had problems or concerns working with nine different people because the board members that I've worked with in my 17 years, have not come in with hidden agendas. I also greatly appreciate their willingness to work together, listen and respect other's opinions and ideas. The one common theme with this board of nine is, they always base their decisions on what is best for our student's education which is commendable. I want to thank and recognize our school board members for their continued support for academics and activities at Humphrey Public School. Board members include: President Kevin Kallweit, Vice-President Ron Zach, Treasurer Tim Meyer, Secretary Julie Preister and board members Jenny Baumgart, Barry Tasa, Mike Brandl, Doug Beller and Alan Huettner.

On Friday, September 6, Humphrey Public School hosted "Grandparents Day," where our elementary and preschool students invited their grandpa's and grandma's to join them for breakfast and visit their respective classrooms. The breakfast was a huge success, we had 83 grandparents and 104 students sharing time together while having a nutritious breakfast. I had the opportunity to visit with many of the grandparents and want to personally thank them for coming to Humphrey Public School and spending some quality time with their grandchildren. The smiles by the kids and grandparents were awesome to see, thank you all very much!

This past summer, Humphrey Public School once again celebrated a class reunion to reunite graduates. Current student council members graciously gave of their summer time and provided tours of the school for the graduates. The alumni all had very positive things to say about our school as many of them have never been inside the current facility. The highlight of the reunion for a majority of the

alumni was the opportunity to visit with current Bulldog students during the tour. I had the opportunity to tag along with one tour and am very proud of our students because they did an awesome job sharing their educational and activity experiences while listening to the graduate's past experiences. I know the alumni who attended thoroughly enjoyed being back at HHS and shared their pride with our students as Humphrey Bulldog graduates. Currently, Lori Classen, Jeannie Gronenthal, Kelli Ganskow, and I work together to plan and carryout the reunion. We are always looking for new ideas to enhance the reunion as well as people to join the committee. If you are interested, please let me know.

One last item, if you are ever looking for information on your child's activities in grades 7-12, go to the school website, and click on the HLHF Bulldog link located under the Quicklinks section. This schedule will provide you with timely information to keep you informed on your child's activities. As always, if you ever have any questions, please call and get the answers. This will help curb misinformation and eliminate rumors that are greatly appreciated by the teachers and me. Have a great October and Go Bulldogs!

Mr. Sjuts





From the Principal's Desk:

Welcome to October! I can't believe how fast the first quarter has flown by. It seems to go faster and faster each year. With the new year underway, all activities are in full swing. It has been great to watch all of our students compete in their receptive activities. I know that nights can be filled with many activities and events, but I encourage everyone to attend our activities to show our school spirit and support for our students. I know the students really appreciate the support whether it is a home or away event.

On Friday, September 6th we held our Grandparents Breakfast. This is always a great time as the students are excited to share breakfast with their grandparent or family member at school. Students are excited to show off where they go to school and how things work. We had a larger turn out for this event and there were many compliments regarding the event. Many grandparents were very appreciative of this opportunity.

In September, the elementary students who participated in the summer reading challenge celebrated their hard work. We had 44 students participate and turn in their summer reading logs. Overall, our students read over 75,000 pages. Students who participated also received a certificate and a goodie bag. Each year we have a generous community member who donates money for the students goodie bags. We want to thank them for their generosity and promoting lifelong readers.

Students are wrapping up our Fall testing window for MAP testing. Students in grades 2-11 complete this district assessment two times during the school year. This assessment adapts to students and their knowledge of the content area in Language, Reading, Math, and Science. This assessment provides our teachers with valuable data to help determine areas of strength and areas of focus moving forward through the year. When all students are complete, reports will be sent home to parents. If you have any questions after you receive them, please don't hesitate to contact their teacher or myself. We would be glad to help any questions you may have.

On Monday, September 23, 2019 a representative with Education Quest gave a financial aid presentation to our junior and senior parents. If you were unable to attend, please give the school a call and we would be happy to assist you in getting materials from the presentation. If you ever have any questions regarding financial aid for college, please contact Ms. Oelsigle.

As we continue through the year and we have different events happening, please remember to check our website for up-to-date information. We want our website to be the place to go to find information pertaining to events. Looking for information regarding Co-op activities, Mrs. Hanzel has created a great document for information and is very useful with leave times and times of events. She also keeps this document updated on a regular basis.

As I wrap up my letter, please remember that my door is always open if you ever feel the need to talk about any concerns that you may have. If you ever have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Until my next letter, have a great October!

**MR KING**



Greetings from the Counselor,

I can't believe we are in the month of October already. I hope that everyone's year is off to a wonderful start. Always remember, if there is anything I can ever do to assist you, please, let me know. As the year continues, students, please speak with your parents/guardians, and parents/guardians, please speak with your students about what goes on at school and what major events are coming up. If you ever have any questions, please, reach out to me. I am happy to help.



**Elementary:** The first few weeks of school we focused on reintroducing ourselves and reflecting on our summer. We moved on to discussing the school-wide movement of #BeKind. Students were busy understanding what kindness is and how it looks. We have also begun discussing the importance of teamwork, respect and listening in the classroom and in the community. We will continue to talk about these areas and other ways to be a great student. We will move in to proper treatment of our classmates to also address bullying. Continue to encourage your students to think about their future and excite them for it. Help them explore and fulfill their curiosity!



**7-9<sup>th</sup> grades:** I would like to share a couple of tips and tricks to find success in the future.

1. Take school seriously. Make sure we are giving our best efforts. Study, work hard, and ask questions. Your grades do matter now. GPA is beginning to matter, especially 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade year. The grades you earn now will be on your transcript and play a huge role in gaining college admission.
2. Think about different career options and start exploring the possibilities.

3. Attend school events to help build Bulldog Pride!
4. Saving money now will help in the long run.
5. Create and keep a list of all accomplishments, awards, and activities that you have earned so far. You will want this information to place on your future resume. If you write it down now, you will save time in the future.
6. You all have access to an *On to College* account where you have access to test prep already. For those of you motivated and ready to start preparing for the ACT now, this is a huge resource. [www.ontocollege.com](http://www.ontocollege.com) You all would have received an email with log in instructions, but if you are struggling, please reach out to me.

### 10<sup>th</sup> Grade



1. Consider taking the ACT. If you have decided to, start preparing for it. [www.act.org](http://www.act.org) is the magic website. If you qualify for free or reduced lunches, let me know and I can provide you with a fee waiver.
2. You all also have access to a personalized *On to College* account to help you prepare for all levels of testing. I strongly suggest taking advantage of this earlier as opposed to later.
3. Think about career options and research colleges that have the major you are interested in.
4. Work hard, ask questions, and study. Grades matter when getting into college.

### 11<sup>th</sup> Grade



1. Those that requested a test for the PSAT, it will be on October 16<sup>th</sup>. Refresh your knowledge on English, reading, math, and science concepts. Best of luck!
2. For additional prep work, you all are in a “PSAT/SAT” prep course on *On to College*. The PSAT can qualify you for a major scholarship. I highly encourage you to take advantage of the prep courses as they have proven successful in the previous years.
3. Research colleges. Ask questions and go on college visits. Find a career that you are interested in and want to pursue.
4. Register and take the ACT. It is best to take the ACT at least two times by the end of your junior year. Visit [www.act.org](http://www.act.org) for test dates and registration information. If you qualify for free or reduced lunches, let me know and I can provide you with a fee waiver.

### 12<sup>th</sup> Grade



1. Retake the ACT if you are not satisfied with your current score. The last two tests accepted by most colleges are October 26 and December 14; however, some colleges will accept scores past these deadlines. Visit [www.act.org](http://www.act.org) to get registered.
2. Create an FSA ID for yourself and one for a parent. This is needed in order to complete your FAFSA. The FAFSA is available on October 1, much sooner than years before. We will be planning a FAFSA night event here at Humphrey to assist with filling out the FAFSA. Please, watch the mail for more details. This is planned to help parents and students with

questions you all may have. We will also begin filling out the FAFSA to assist as much as possible. Visit [www.fsaidth.gov](http://www.fsaidth.gov) to create an FSA ID.

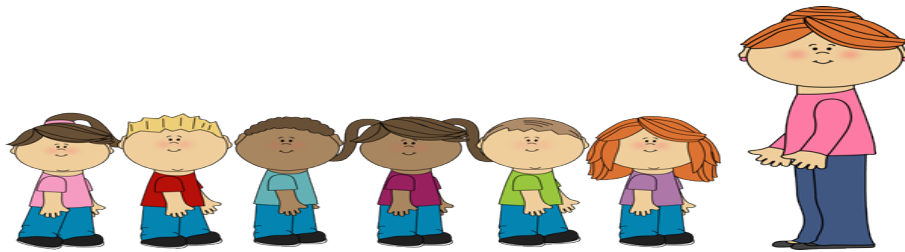
3. Apply for Scholarships. I continue to share with all seniors about scholarships that I have been notified of through their school email. I will continue to do so as more become available. Visit [www.educationquest.org](http://www.educationquest.org) to find even more state and local scholarships under *Scholarship Quest*.
4. Go on college visits and ask questions.
5. Attend the school visits when colleges are here at Humphrey High. They provide a lot of helpful information, plus free stuff! ☺

Once again, please see me if there are any questions. I am here to help. If I do not know the answer, I will help to find the answer for you.

It is a great day to be a Bulldog!







## 2nd Grade News

### Reading

We have worked really hard in our reading series this year. The students have really been enjoying the stories and learning about all the different genres there are available to read.

We have also been working on story elements. The students have identified characters, setting, and events. We have become good reading detectives by looking for key details and finding text evidence to prove our answers are correct.

We are also working on phonics skills through our VoWac and spelling. Our main focus right now is identifying long and short vowels, finding vowel teams, and dividing words into syllables.

### Science/ Social Studies

\*Cultures around the world.

\*Animal groups and their different habitats and needs.

### Math

In math, we have been working very hard on our basic facts, learning our doubles, and using make ten strategies. The students have also had to solve many story problems. They are becoming great problem solvers!

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## THE NEXT GENERATION OF BOX TOPS IS HERE.

Box Tops is changing to fit today's families. The new and improved Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online.



**MORE CONVENIENT**  
Redeem anywhere, anytime within 14 days of purchase



**EASY TO USE**  
No more clipping or sending Box Tops to school



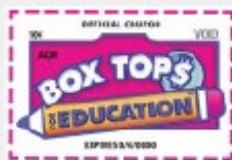
**REAL TIME**  
Your school's earnings are automatically updated online



**EXTRA CASH**  
Access special bonus offers on top of your Box Tops earnings



### THE OLD BOX TOPS CLIPS



Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production, but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store. You can still clip and send them to school.

Every valid Box Tops clip is worth 10¢ for your school. Make sure each one has a clearly visible product acronym and expiration date.

\* All valid Box Tops clips submitted per the Program Rules by a Contributor(s) of (an) eligible enrolled school(s) will be honored.

### THE NEW BOX TOPS LABELS



Eventually the Box Tops program will become digital-only. Participating brands are starting to change their packaging from a traditional Box Tops clip to the new Box Tops label.

If you see this label, use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt. Box Tops are still worth 10¢ each for your school. The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online.



# HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS



*Choose a costume that is made of flame-retardant material.*

*Add reflective tape to the costume or bag your child is using to carry candy.*

*Always make sure children are accompanied by an adult when trick-or-treating.*

*Stick to trick-or-treating in well-lit homes in familiar neighborhoods.*

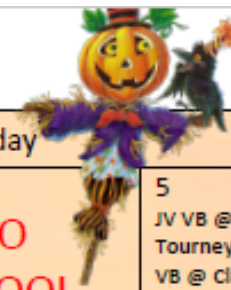
*Tell children not to accept anything that isn't commercially-wrapped.*

*Children should wear well-fitting, sturdy shoes.*

*Make sure masks fit securely and provide adequate vision and ventilation.*

*Keep candles and jack-o-lanterns away from landings and doorsteps where costumes could brush against the flame.*

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| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday   |
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|  |  | 1<br>FCCLA Officer Mtg<br>Dance Practice 7:15am<br>SB vs Tekamah-Herman<br>VB @ Pender (C/JV/V)          | 2<br>Bookmobile<br>FFA Safety Academy 2:30-3:25<br>FCCLA Chapter Mtg<br>4yr PK to Pumpkin Patch<br>JH VB @ EPPJ               | 3<br>3yr PK to Pumpkin Patch<br>SB @ Hwy 91 Tourney<br>JH/HS CC @ Stanton<br>VB vs Omaha Concordia (J/V/JV) @ HHS                            | 4<br><b>NO SCHOOL</b><br><br>FFA Feed a Farmer 11a-2p<br>FB @ Walthill  | 5<br>JV VB @ West Point Tourney<br>VB @ Clarkson Tourney                               |
| 6  | 7<br>SB Triangular @ Twin River<br>One Act Practice 6-8:30pm   | 8<br>Dance Practice 7:15am<br>FFA Land Judging in Leigh  | 9<br>Banking at School<br><br><div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">District Softball</div> | 10<br>CC EHC @ Logan View  | 11<br>Cheer Practice 7:15am<br>FB @ Elba  | 12<br>JH VB @ West Point Tourney<br>VB 4 Team Tourney @ HHS<br>JH CC State @ Papillion |
| 13   | 14<br>JH VB vs Howells Dodge @ LHF<br>JV FB vs Sterling @ Dwight<br>One Act Practice 6-8:30pm<br>FCCLA District Leadership<br>School Board Mtg | 15<br>Dance Practice 7:15am<br>JH VB vs Twin River @ LHF<br>Staff Flu Shots 3:45-4:5pm<br>NHS Mtg 7:00pm | 16<br>FFA Mtg 7:30am<br>Bookmobile<br>Young Women's Quiz Bowl   | 17<br>CC Districts - TBD<br>VB EHC - TBD<br><br><div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">State Softball</div> | 18<br>Cheer Practice 7:15am<br>FFA Feed a Farmer 11a-2p<br>End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter<br>FB vs St. Edward @ LHF   | 19<br>VB EHC @ Logan View  |
| 20   | 21<br>Start of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter<br>JV FB vs McCool Junction @ HHS<br>JH VB vs Wisner @ HHS<br>One Act Practice 6-8:30pm                 | 22<br>Dance Practice 7:15am<br>VB @ Central City Public (NE Christian Triangular)                        | 23<br>Banking at School<br><b>1:00pm Dismissal for Students</b><br>No Preschool<br>Teacher In-Service                         | 24<br><b>PICTURE RETAKES</b>   | 25<br>Cheer Practice 7:15am<br>CC State @ Kearney<br>FB vs Santee @ HHS<br>JH Dance 7pm   | 26   |
| 27   | 28<br>VB Sub Districts @ Boone Central<br>One Act Practice 6-8:30pm  | 29<br>Dance Practice 7:15am<br>VB Sub Districts @ Boone Central<br><br><b>Student Health Screenings</b>  | 30<br>Bookmobile<br><br><b>Student Health Screenings</b>  | 31<br><br>Happy Halloween                               | Check out the website & watch for the most up to date information at <a href="http://www.humphreybulldogs.org">www.humphreybulldogs.org</a> !<br>Activities are subject to change due to unforeseen scheduling conflicts, etc. Please watch the daily bulletin for the most up to date information. |  |

# Humphrey Public School

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| Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  |
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| <p><b>NO SCHOOL</b></p>                     | <p>1<br/>Pancake on a Stick</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Popcorn Chicken<br/>Green Beans<br/>Pears<br/>Breadstick</p>      | <p>2<br/>Egg Wrap</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Goulash<br/>Corn<br/>½ Orange<br/>Dinner Bun</p>                                      | <p>3<br/>Long John</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Beef N Bean Burrito<br/>(PK-2) Chicken Nuggets<br/>Rice<br/>Pineapple</p> | <p><b>NO SCHOOL</b></p>    |
| <p>7<br/>Biscuit &amp; Gravy</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Beef Quesadilla<br/>California Blend<br/>Mixed Fruit</p>                    | <p>8<br/>Pancake</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Tator Tot Casserole<br/>Green Beans<br/>Pears<br/>Dinner Bun</p>             | <p>9<br/>Scrambled Eggs</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Hot Ham &amp; Cheese<br/>on a Bun<br/>Steamed Carrots<br/>Star Apple</p>        | <p>10<br/>Muffin</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Lasagna<br/>Corn<br/>Banana<br/>Garlic Stick</p>                            | <p>11<br/>Breakfast Pizza</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Hamburger on a<br/>Bun<br/>French Fries<br/>Peaches</p>   |
| <p>14<br/>French Toast Sticks</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Chicken Patty on a<br/>Bun<br/>Broccoli &amp; Cheese<br/>Orange Slices</p> | <p>15<br/>Yogurt</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Soup &amp; Cinnamon<br/>Roll<br/>Orange Smiles</p>                           | <p>16<br/>Mini Donuts</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Walking Taco<br/>Corn<br/>Mandarin Oranges</p>                                    | <p>17<br/>Burrito</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Chicken Teriyaki<br/>Tornado<br/>Green Beans<br/>Applesauce</p>            | <p>18<br/>Egg Wrap</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Mini Corn Dogs<br/>Baked Beans<br/>Banana<br/>Dinner Bun</p>   |
| <p>21<br/>Donut</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Meatball Sub<br/>Green Beans<br/>Pineapple</p>   | <p>22<br/>Breakfast Pizza</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Chicken Fried Steak<br/>Mashed Potatoes<br/>Peas<br/>Applesauce</p> | <p>23<br/>Scrambled Eggs &amp;<br/>Sausage</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Sloppy Jo on a Bun<br/>Baked Beans<br/>Chips<br/>Peaches</p> | <p>24<br/>Biscuit &amp; Gravy</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Flying Saucer<br/>Potatoes<br/>Corn<br/>Mandarin Oranges</p>   | <p>25<br/>Mini Donuts</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Pizza<br/>Lettuce<br/>Pears</p>   |
| <p>28<br/>Long John</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Chinese Over Rice<br/>Broccoli<br/>Pears<br/>Fortune Cookie</p>                      | <p>29<br/>Pancake</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Soft Shell Taco<br/>Corn<br/>Applesauce</p>                                 | <p>30<br/>Egg Wrap</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Breakfast Sandwich<br/>Hash Browns<br/>Peaches</p>                                   | <p>31<br/>Pancake on a Stick</p> <p>~~~~~</p>  | <p>Menus subject to change.<br/>Choice of hot breakfast sandwich, cold cereal, fruit, toast, warm oatmeal, milk, water and juice offered daily for breakfast. Choice of cold sandwich, milk, water and salad bar offered daily for lunch. Lunch alternate must be requested by 9:00 am.<br/>USDA is an equal opportunity provider &amp; employer.</p> |