



HUMPHREY PUBLIC SCHOOL

Home of the Bulldogs

From the Superintendent's desk:

As I begin my February newsletter, I want to start by congratulating Mrs. Beebe, FCCLA advisor and the FCCLA students who qualified for the state FCCLA conference this spring. Our FCCLA chapter had 19 students competing in various events and qualified all 19 students for state. Good luck to Mrs. Beebe and all of the students as they compete at state!



I also want to take time to congratulate the girls and boys bowling teams on their district championship and qualifying for the state bowling tournament. There were also six that qualified on the individual side. Those qualifying were Noah, Ashley, Schuyler, Bella, Colter, and Miciah. We wish them all the best of luck as they compete next week in Lincoln.

Humphrey Public Schools is nearing the end of their five year school improvement cycle. The Nebraska Department of Education requires school districts to complete a school improvement external visit within the fifth year of the district's five year cycle. Our external visit will take place on March 18 & 19. We will have a team of five individuals in our building on those days conducting interviews, reviewing district data, and completing classroom observations. The intent of the visit is to provide feedback on the things that we are doing well and some possible recommendations to guide our next five year school improvement cycle.



As I end my letter, I will continue to do my very best to model the importance of respect for self and others, promote Bulldog pride in our school, provide a safe and productive environment and provide educational opportunities for our students and staff. It is my goal that every student has a positive and rewarding experience here at Humphrey Public School. If you ever have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call or schedule a time to meet. My door is always open. Have a great February & GO BULLDOGS!!!

Mr. King



THE BULLDOG

NEWS FROM THE JH/HS PRINCIPAL

February 2024

Well, I hope everyone had a great extended winter break and have enjoyed the two weeks of school we have had in January. It's crazy how this month went, but as the farmers always tell me "We need the moisture." So, as we head into February there are a few things...

- Srs, remember that your FASFA will need to be filled out this semester for your first year in college. Please see Ms. O for questions and issues with this process.
- Reminder that on Fridays I will send out a warning message to parents about students whose grades are low. This message will be in the form of a connect5. Please look at PowerSchool for your child's grades. If you have multiple children in school, please check all grades.
- On Thursdays I will send out a Lunch Balance warning to parents. We are trying to work with PowerSchool so that you may see your student's balance at any time. This task has been a lot harder on PowerSchool's side then we had anticipated, but know we are working on it.
- Jrs, start looking into our Diversified Occupation program if you are interested for your Sr year. I would start this process now and not wait until this summer. Positions may fill-up quick around town and paper work also needs to be completed.
- Basketball districts are her in the next few weeks. Please keep an eye out for the schedule and try to make all the games you can.
- Humphrey Speech team is hard at work going to meets. Take the time to make a meet or two and see what our kids can do. Our home meet is scheduled for February 10th.
- Track practice will start later this month, make sure if your child would like to participate that they have a sports physical completed and on file with the office.
- Last, please speak with your students about safe driving practices. The roads have been ok around town, but there is still ice and other issues from time to time.

Thank you
Mr. Kirby



February

Elementary News

From the Desk of Mr. Rathje:

Welcome to February! I hope this letter finds you and your family doing well. It is hard to believe that our elementary students celebrated the 100th day of school on February 1st. The lower elementary grades were able to do a variety of 100th day activities to represent our 100th day of school.

I would like to remind all parents that Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Monday, February 5th. Sign-up sheets were sent home with students in January. I highly encourage you to attend and discuss your students' progress with their teacher. Conferences will run from 1:45pm - 8:00pm. If you are not able to attend, please reach out to your students' teacher and schedule another time to meet. Our teachers enjoy getting the chance to meet with you in person to discuss the great things your student is learning.

With the nice weather that we have been having, please remember to send your child to school with a warm jacket, hat, and gloves. You may also send them with snow gear. We are having recess outside as much as possible but we want to ensure students are able to stay warm while they enjoy the fresh air.

Each year the elementary classes celebrate Valentine's Day within their classrooms. Be on the lookout for information from your students' teacher regarding any planned activities. I also wanted to highlight a fundraiser the JH/HS is putting on. The Humphrey FFA chapter is selling Valentine's Day flowers. If you have any questions or would like to place an order, please contact the school office.

In closing, HAPPY FEBRUARY! It is an exciting time of year for the students as they are showing growth in their educational accomplishments. We will continue to strive to be our Bulldog BEST everyday! If you ever have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

*Educationally yours,
Mr. Rathje*



Greetings from the Counselor,

I hope everyone has had a safe winter and continues to push through to spring. Remember, students, that if any time during the long winter months you are not feeling like yourself and need someone to talk to about anything, I am here to chat. Parents, if you notice your child has been down lately, please don't hesitate to reach out. Sometimes one conversation can make all of the difference.

Elementary Guidance: The past month we have got back into the swing of school with all of the snow days. There has been quite a bit of illness going around. We continue to talk about ways to keep our bodies healthy. We have been discussing self-concept frequently, and the importance of eating healthy and exercising to improve our self-concept. Further, being kind and thinking kind thoughts result in more positive thinking about ourselves. In the future, we will continue to work on social skills, coping skills, avoiding peer pressure, college/career readiness, and how to be better students and people.

Junior High:

1. Remember that your grades matter, effort matters, and how you act within a classroom matters. The teachers you have now, will likely be a part of your lives for some time. You may even rely on one of them for a recommendation at some point in time.
2. Continue to talk with your parents at home about future career plans.
3. Many of you have been involved in extra curricular activities during the fall and winter, which is awesome. February has limited school-related activities or events for junior high. Continue to still stay active so that it is easier to remain healthy. Remember, it is good to be involved and support others who are involved in activities. Let me know if you need help with anything.

Freshmen and Sophomores:

1. Understand that your grades matter now. I know that I mention it all the time, but it is important. If you have hopes to be Valedictorian or Salutatorian of your class, which I hope many of you do, the grades you make now will determine that just as much as your junior and senior year.
2. Colleges and employers also ask for Cumulative GPAs, which means your GPA for your entire high school career. This can be the difference in getting accepted into a college versus not. It can also be the difference in thousands of dollars offered through scholarships. Many colleges, specifically Peru State, UNL, UNO, UNK, Northeast, and CCC, are using high school GPA as the largest indicator for scholarships as it is the best indicator for success in college. Parents sometimes receive discounts on insurance for

high GPA. Students hoping to enter the work force also need a high GPA and good attendance as companies oftentimes ask for that. GPA is THAT important. Work hard at it. All of you have the potential to earn many high grades, which in turn paves the way for future success.

3. Continue to stay involved with extra curricular activities. We have had a lot of success and I hope this pattern continues as you all put time, effort, and hard work into all that you do.

Juniors:

1. The ACT is getting near. During Careers, we will focus on test preparation for the big day. www.ontocollege.com is always a resource for prep that exceeds what we do in class.
2. As with the younger classmen, make sure you are diligently trying on your coursework and staying involved when possible. It truly helps create well-rounded young adults.
3. I also encourage you all to continue to visit colleges. The best way to know if a fit is right for you is to see it first-hand. Before visiting the college, make sure that it would have the degree for the career you are hoping to have. While on campus, make sure you are attending with questions and take advantage of what the tour guides have to share with you. If you need help getting set up with one, please let me know.
4. Scheduling a job shadow is also a great activity to do while you are still in high school. I have almost all of you in Careers and it is a requirement, so the sooner you can get it done, the less stress you'll have. If there is anything else I can help you with, I am happy to help.

Seniors:

1. The changes with FAFSA have been extra trying this year. You should receive results by mid-March. More information will be communicated as I receive information.
2. As an FYI, you all have until May 1st to accept scholarships given directly from a University. This is set forth by the National Association for College Admission Counseling, which means that colleges will not be lenient. May 1st is the absolute last day to accept them.
3. These scholarships are different than the scholarships that I will share with you. As I receive notice of scholarships, I will send them to each of you through email. Each scholarship will have its own deadline. Pay close attention to those dates so that you do not miss submitting them. Remember that ScholarshipQuest, EducationQuest, FastWeb and College Board are all good resources for you as you continue searching for and filling out scholarships. If you have issues with scholarships or need someone to look over final drafts, please let me know. I am here to help in whatever way possible.



As always, please see me if there is anything that I can help with. I am available in person, by phone, or by email. Stay warm and stay safe.

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HUMPHREY PUBLIC SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



2024

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
<p>Activities are subject to change due to unforeseen scheduling conflicts, etc. Please watch the daily bulletin for the most up to date information. Check out the website & watch for the most up to date information at www.humphreybulldogs.org</p>				<p>1 *FFA District Career Day @ CCC *HS G BB EHC @ TBD</p>	<p>2 *HS B BB EHC @ TBD</p>	<p>3 *Speech @ Schuyler *HS G/B BB EHC Finals @ CCC</p>
<p>4 *Booster Club/Post Prom Meeting</p>	<p>5 NO SCHOOL For Students Parent/Teacher Conferences 1:45-8:00pm *EHC Honor Band @ Wayne State *State Bowling</p>	<p>6 *State Bowling *HS G/B BB @ Crofton *JH B BB @ Leigh</p>	<p>7 *Banking in School</p>	<p>8 *HS G/B BB vs Twin River @ LHF *JH B BB @ Plainview</p>	<p>9 NO SCHOOL For Staff & Students *Speech Team Bonding *JH B BB vs Twin River @ HHS</p>	<p>10 *Speech @ HHS</p>
<p>11</p>	<p>12 *FCCLA Week *HS G BB Sub-District Start *School Board Meeting</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 *Speech @ Howells-Dodge *JH Scholastic Contest @ Palmer</p> 	<p>15</p>	<p>16 *JH B BB @ Plainview</p>	<p>17 *Speech @ Wisner-Pilger</p>
<p>18</p>	<p>19 *FFA Week *HS B BB Sub-Districts Start</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 *Banking in School *EHC Speech @ Clarkson</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23 *HS G BB Districts</p>	<p>24 *Speech @ LCC *HS B BB Districts</p>
<p>25</p>	<p>26 *NHS Induction Ceremony</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 *Girls State Basketball</p>	<p>29 *Girls State Basketball</p>		

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MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
<p>Menus subject to change.</p> <p>Choice of hot breakfast sandwich, cold cereal, milk, water and juice offered daily for breakfast. Choice of cold sandwich, milk, and water offered daily for lunch. Lunch alternate must be requested by 9:00 am. USDA is an equal opportunity provider & employer</p>			<p>1 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Corn Dog Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>	<p>2 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Hamburger on a Bun Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>
<p>5 NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>6 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Chicken Sandwich Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>	<p>7 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ BBQ Pork Sandwich Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>	<p>8 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Chicken Nuggets Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>	<p>9 NO SCHOOL</p>
<p>12 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Corn Dog Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>	<p>13 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Chicken Drumsticks Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>	<p>14 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Mac N Cheese/Popcorn Shrimp Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>	<p>15 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Chicken Fried Steak Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>	<p>16 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Cheese Pizza Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>
<p>19 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Soft Shell Tacos Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>	<p>20 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Soup/Chili Cinnamon Rolls Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar</p>	<p>21 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Pizza Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>	<p>22 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Meatball Subs Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>	<p>23 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Tuna Noodles/Mac N Cheese Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>
<p>26 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Chicken Alfredo Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>	<p>27 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Chinese over Rice Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>	<p>28 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Mini Corn Dogs Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>	<p>29 Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal ~~~~~ Hamburger on a Bun Vegetable Fruit/Salad Bar Bun</p>	