



HUMPHREY PUBLIC SCHOOL

Home of the Bulldogs

From the Superintendent's desk:

I can't believe that we are in the month of May already. Time has really flown by this year. As I start my last newsletter of the 2024-2025 school year, I want to salute the Class of 2025. Graduation is just around the corner and the time is ticking for our seniors as they prepare to leave their Bulldog Family and venture out into the world. This group of seniors were 4th graders when I started in Humphrey nine years ago. Along the way we have gained students who have really rounded out this group of young adults. It has been amazing to see the accomplishments each of them have achieved in their time as a student at HPS. Each of them will cherish the memories they have made for the rest of their lives. I can't wait to see what the future holds for each of them.

With graduation in mind, I want to remind and invite all parents, alumni, and students to our graduation ceremony on Saturday, May 3 at 2:00 p.m. The seniors will walk across the stage one final time as students of Humphrey Public School to receive their diplomas. I hope the seniors enjoy their graduation day and realize the sense of pride and accomplishment each of them has achieved. I want to thank each senior for their positive attitude and tremendous leadership throughout the 2024-2025 school year. Congratulations to the class of 2025! Your Bulldog Family is proud of you!

As we bring the 2024-2025 school year to an end, our Bulldog family says farewell to Carol Korth, Matt Bertand, and Lori Herchenbach who all will retire at the conclusion of the school year. We greatly appreciate their years of dedication to the field of education and the impact they have made on our students of Humphrey Public Schools. We also want to recognize and thank Shelby DeVilder for her years of service to Humphrey Public Schools as our Kindergarten teacher. We greatly appreciate all that Shelby has done for our students and we wish you the best of luck in your next adventure.

Recently advertised, the administration and board of education will be hosting two community meetings to provide an update on current school bond considerations. We are seeking feedback from district patrons before proceeding with any decisions. The first meeting was held on Wednesday, April 30, 2025 and the second meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 7, 2025 in Lindsay at Lindsay Academy. If you are not able to attend, that is okay. There is still an opportunity for you to weigh in with your feedback by completing a survey. The survey will be made available for the public after our first community meeting on April 30th.

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 May & hope that you all have an awesome summer! GO BULLDOGS!!!

Mr. King



THE BULLDOG

NEWS FROM THE JH/HS PRINCIPAL

May 2025

I want to thank everyone for another great school year. Let's have a great summer and recharge the batteries and have a great 2025-2026 school year. A few things before we jump into the summer

- Please be aware that lunch balances need to be taken care of before students leave for the summer.
- Keep an eye out for summer activities from the different organizations. There will be camps for football, volleyball, basketball, bowling, and speech.
- Encourage your student to finish the year strong and make sure that all assignments and projects are taken care of before the last day of school which is May 22nd.
- Students in grades 7-11 will be participating in the 3rd annual Humphrey Ultimate Kickball Tournament on May 22nd.
- Drivers ed will begin on May 27th in the HHS cafeteria. If you have questions or concerns, please get a hold of Mr. Bender. Also, please make sure that your child brings their own lunch as school will not be providing lunches that week.
- Make sure you tell the speech team and coaches good luck as they will be participating in the National Speech Meet on May 15th and 16th. Also, the FCCLA program will also be participating in nationals later on in the summer. We will have a pep rally for the two groups on May 14th at 12:40pm

Thank you.



MAY

Elementary News

From the Desk of Mr. Rathje:

WOW!!! HAPPY MAY!!! I can't believe that we are at the end of another school year! It has been a GREAT joy to have your student(s) this year. It is amazing to see the growth in every child that attends Humphrey Public as they worked hard to show progress in their academics.

During the month of April and into May, students in grades 3-6 have been completing the NSCAS State Assessment and MAP tests. NSCAS stands for Nebraska Student Centered Assessment System. Students in grades 3-6 have been taking the NSCAS English Language Arts assessment, math assessment, and science assessment. For the MAP assessment, students in grades 2-6 complete the reading, language usage, science, and math tests. I appreciate all of the students' hard work on these assessments. NSCAS assessment results will be finalized next fall and results will be sent home to parents when they become available. I also want to thank all of the parents for making sure their students were in school while completing these assessments. It really helps having students here on testing days so they don't miss out on other classroom work when having to make them up.

A few events that will be coming up in the elementary are as follows:

- Elementary music concert is Thursday, May 8, 2025 starting at 6:30pm.
- Elementary Awards / Track and Field Day is Monday, May 12, 2025.
 - 8:30am - 9:15am - Grades K-2 Awards in the gym.
 - 9:30am - 10:30am - Grades 3-6 Awards in the gym.
 - Students will eat lunch at school and then walk down to the track around 12:15pm
 - 12:30pm – Approx. 3:15pm - Track and Field Day: Please make sure your child has sunscreen and a water bottle. Please make sure they have tennis shoes. They may use their PE shoes. No flip/flops or sandals please.
- Elementary field trips:
 - 1st & 2nd Grade (Omaha Zoo) – Tuesday, May 20, 2025
 - 5th Grade (Stuhr Museum) - Friday, May 16, 2025

Even though the school year is coming to an end, it is still important to practice the skills you have learned over the summer. Humphrey Elementary students will again be participating in the summer reading program. Students will be asked to keep a record of the books they read and the amount of pages that were in the book. A reading log will be sent home with students before the end of the year. In the fall when students return, students will turn in their reading logs. Students who submit the logs will be recognized for their accomplishment and hard work over the summer. Additional details will follow with their reading logs.

As always, HAPPY MAY! It has been a GREAT school year and we will continue this through the rest of it. In closing, we will continue to strive to be our Bulldog BEST every day! If you ever have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Educationally yours,

Mr. Rathje

Greetings from the Counselor,

Talk about fast and furious! What a year! We made it! It is the last month of a great year. Thank you to the awesome staff, students, families, and community members who continuously make my career an enjoyable one. It is always a great day to be a Bulldog!

Elementary: It has been a fun year working with the elementary. We have worked on various social skills including, but not limited to, manners, bullying, friendship, sharing, listening courage, careers, and teamwork. We have also spent time looking at the importance of attending college or having a plan for a successful future. It is our goal to expose our students to talk about college and careers at a younger age so that our students become more comfortable with the concept and realize that college is very much a reality for all of our students, while also understanding that is not the path for everyone. We understand a 4-year college route is not for everyone, so we tried to look at all possibilities.

Our students are awesome, and so fun to work with. The social skills we have worked to instill within our students is extremely beneficial to our overall school environment. During the upcoming summer months, we ask that parents continue to have discussions about some social skills such as sharing, being kind, using our manners, and making friends. If ever you have concerns about topics you would like covered within our school counseling program, please feel free to contact me. Our parents and community are a large part of our school, and the input helps to make sure we are helping to prepare our students in every way possible.

Junior High: Whether it was your first year or your last in junior high, I hope you made the most of it. Remember your grades and GPA are now being considered for things like future scholarships, class rank, and some college opportunities. Did you know, many of the habits you have at this age would carry your way through high school and college? I hope you all are developing the best habits possible. Do your very best in everything you do and you will always be happy with your effort. Take the summer to refocus, have some fun, and continue to explore future career and college options. I encourage you to continue to read, practice math facts, and take part in other educational experiences over the summer. Overall, have fun and be safe!

9th-10th Grade: I hope all of you had an enjoyable school year. Continue to explore possible career and college options. Also, continue to work hard in future years so that it will pay off come time to start college. Take time this summer to enjoy yourselves, meet new people, and help out whenever you can. Try to pick up some reading materials or math facts so that you continue to learn even more over the summer. If you are able, a summer job can also be beneficial to start saving up for college. As with the junior high, have fun and be safe!

11th Grade: You all will be seniors very soon. I ask that you be good leaders for our underclassmen and take over from a great senior class. Over the summer, I encourage you to job shadow, research colleges and future careers. Try to come back to school in the fall with a good idea of possible colleges and a career path. Continue to update your Activities Resume on Education Quest or the one in which we've created during Careers so that if you ever need your resume, it is already updated. I also encourage you all to keep your eyes open for scholarships. There are tons out there that could apply specifically to you and your future. Also, a summer job can help save up money so that you are able to pay for future college expenses. ACT test dates are also available to take if you would like those opportunities as well. You all still have access to your ACT Prep at www.ontocollege.com. As with everyone else, have a wonderful and safe summer!

12th Grade: First off, I want to thank you for welcoming me in as your School Counselor. It has been an absolute pleasure getting to know you all with your future plans. You all are unique individuals who will contribute greatly to our world. I hope you never forget who you are, where you came from, and never, ever settle for less than you are capable of.

Many of you may begin taking out student loans. I recommend only taking out what money you will need to use for the loans. Avoid using loan money for personal reasons, but if necessary, it is available. You will be required to sign a Master Promissory Note as part of taking out the loan. The college you attend should send you necessary links to complete this, but if you need assistance, I am always here. You can always check your student loan debt throughout college at www.nslds.ed.gov. I also encourage you to ask for unused scholarships at the schools you are attending along with searching for more on your own. Each year you will also need to fill out your FAFSA in order to receive grant money. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me in any way.

I am so proud of all of our students at Humphrey Public School. We have such bright students that are hungry for success and ready to take on life's battles. I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer!

Have a great summer!

Cami Oelsigle
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“Color Our World” is the reading theme at the **Humphrey Public Library** this summer, and the **Library** has **9 weeks** of **fun-filled activities** for **EVERYONE** to enjoy.

For readers/listeners of all ages, the **Library** has the ***“Color Our World”*** summer reading program that runs from **Saturday, May 31 - Saturday, Aug, 2.** All readers will keep track of pages read and play the crayola-box themed ***“Color Our World”*** board game for **prizes!!**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!! :

WildLife Encounters will visit the **Community Center small room** on **Wednesday, June 4, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.** to kick off our summer activities. *Anyone* and *everyone* are invited to attend this free presentation.

The **Library** offers **StoryTime** for kids ages 3-7 years old on **Thursday mornings at 10:00** in June (June 12, 19, & 26) at the **Library** for a fun-filled half hour of reading, crafts, finger plays, and games.




On Wednesday mornings on **June 11, 18, & 25 and July 9**, the **Library** will host **CraftDays** for kids 7 yrs. & older at the **Community Center small room** at 10:00 a.m. Again, lots of fun to be enjoyed.

Any questions, contact Michele or Becky at the Humphrey Public Library for answers.

We hope to see you this summer!!

May 2025 Activities

Humphrey Public School

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Activities are subject to change due to unforeseen scheduling conflicts, etc. Please watch the daily bulletin and the NEW School website for the most up to date information. Thank You! www.humphreybulldogs.org				1 *Golf @ Humphrey *Norfolk Classic Track Meet *7-12 Academic Awards & Spring Music Concert	2 *6 th Grade GPS day in Columbus	3  *EHC Track @ Stanton *Graduation 2:00pm
4	5 *JH Track @ Wisner *National Speech Night	6 *Ag in the Park *Spirit Squat Tryouts	7 *HS Track @ HHS	8 Last Day of 3-Year-Old Preschool *Elementary Spring Concert	9 Last Day of 4-Year-Old Preschool *Golf @ Stanton *JH EHC Track @ Lyons	10 *JH Speech @ Westridge Middle School (GI)
11 	12 *Elementary Awards *Elementary Track & Field Day *EHC Golf @ Oakland *School Board Meeting *COOP Athletic Awards	13 *Spirit Squad Tryouts	14 *FCCLA & NIETOC Pep Rally	15 *District Track @ David City	16 *FFA Meeting <div>NIETOC in Kansas City</div>	17
18	19 *District Golf @ Leigh	20 *FFA Clean Up 4-8pm	21 *FFA Clean Up 4-8pm	22 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL 1:00pm DISMISSAL *End of 4 th Qtr/2 nd Semester *Teacher In-Service	23 *Teacher In-Service <div>State Track</div>	24
25 GYM FLOOR CLOSED	26 MEMORIAL DAY 	27 *Drivers Ed 8am-3pm	28 *Drivers Ed 8am-3pm <div>State Golf</div>	29 *Drivers Ed 8am-2pm	30 GYM FLOOR CLOSED	31



MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

Menus subject to change.

Choice of hot breakfast sandwich, toast, milk, water and juice offered daily for breakfast.
Choice of cold sandwich, milk, water and salad bar offered daily for lunch. USDA is an equal opportunity provider & employer

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Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal
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Alfredo  
Vegetable  
Fruit/Salad Bar

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Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal  
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Chicken Nuggets
Vegetable
Fruit/Salad Bar

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Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal
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Hoagie Sandwich  
Vegetable  
Fruit/Salad Bar

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Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal  
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Hamburger Grill Out
Vegetable
Fruit/Salad Bar

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Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal
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Roast Beef Meal  
Vegetable  
Fruit/Salad Bar

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Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal  
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Cooks Choice
Vegetable
Fruit/Salad Bar

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Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal
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Cooks Choice  
Vegetable  
Fruit/Salad Bar

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Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal  
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Cooks Choice
Vegetable
Fruit/Salad Bar

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Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal
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Cooks Choice  
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Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal  
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Cooks Choice
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Fruit/Salad Bar

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Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal
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Cooks Choice  
Vegetable  
Fruit/Salad Bar

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**SCHOOLS OUT  
FOR THE  
SUMMER!**

**Humphrey Public School**

**May 2025 Lunch Menu**