



The Bluejay Bulletin

Newman Grove
Public Schools

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2015-2016

February, 2016

## Board of Education Meeting Summary February 8, 2016

- The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with all members present.
- The agenda was approved as published; minutes of the January 11, 2016 meeting were approved as printed.
- The March 14<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held at 8:30 p.m., following the spring play.
- Curriculum reports were provided by Preschool and K-6 teachers.
- Representatives from Ayars and Ayars presented information regarding a possible feasibility study for the district.
- The Activities Director's report was presented by Karla Patzel. Information was included on Sing Across Nebraska, the spring play and speech season, wrestling (districts and state tournament in the next two weeks), girls and boys basketball (subdistricts held in February), and PA/sound system for the gym.
- The Counselor's report was presented. Information was included on seniors and graduation, testing, and working on class schedules for the 2016-17 school year.
- Principal Barnes' report included Winter Homecoming (improved attendance over last year), completion of NeSA writing tests, movement in teaching assignments due to additional staffing, and a decrease in attendance at spring Parent-Teacher Conferences.
- Superintendent Shalikow's report included information on the NRCSA Spring Conference, the district's student information system, NCLB review on March 7<sup>th</sup>, lunch bonanza on March 9<sup>th</sup>, the football scoreboard, 9<sup>th</sup> street curb and gutter project, high school furnace repair (\$5,500), and a quote from Midwest Music on a PA/sound system for the gym.
- The Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented.
- Claims were approved for payment in the amounts of \$28,348.64-General Fund; \$1,090.90-Depreciation Fund; and \$4,850.00-Building Fund).
- Approved the purchase of a 24-inch Tomcat auto scrubber for the custodial department for \$7,737.05.
- Approved the proposal of Ayars and Ayars to conduct a feasibility study in the amount of \$29,590.00.
- Approved the 2016-2017 school calendar as proposed. The calendar calls for 174 student days and 185 teacher days. The first day of school for students will be August 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Approved 2016-2017 contracts with ESU #8 (Distance Learning, Nursing Services, Special Education, and Technology Services).
- Approved the 2016-2017 contract for Principal Darrell Barnes.
- Approved the 2016-2017 teaching contract of Megan Goeden as 7-12 Language Arts instructor.
- Approved the 2016-2017 elementary teaching contract of Cristina Hanzel.
- Entered into Executive Session at 7:23 p.m. to discuss personnel. Returned to public session at 7:27 p.m.
- Accepted the resignation of Michele Schmidt as technology/business instructor. Mrs. Schmidt has served the district for 33 years.
- Entered into Executive Session at 7:28 p.m. to discuss a student issue. Returned to public session at 7:42 p.m.
- Meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO:

- \* Destiny Johnson and Steven Arreguin, selected as the Winter Homecoming Royalty. Attendants were Crystal Salinas and Nolan Wondercheck.
- \* The wrestling team on winning the Madison Invitational. Individually placing were: Jacob Krings 1st; Tyson Haddix and Isaac Sullivan 2nd; Jesse Osantowski 3rd; Nolan Wondercheck, Steven Arreguin, Andy King and Trey Schafer 4th; Joel Meyer 5th; Tyson Groth, Ryan Thiem and Levi Krueger 6th.
- \* The bowling teams on your District Tournament. The girls finished in 2nd place. Individual results: Bridgette Borgheiinck (9th place); Crystal Salinas (8th place) and Savannah Wiese (4th place). The boys team finished in 4th place. Houston Jones had an 8th place finish and William Sanderford finished in 6th place. Both teams will compete at the State Tournament on February 13th-14th.
- \* The boys basketball team on a third place finish in the Conference Tournament.
- \* The wrestling team on a third place finish in the Conference Tournament. Individual results: Tyson Haddix (4th place-106); Nolan Wondercheck (4th place-126); Steven Arreguin (3rd place-132); Trey Schafer (2nd place-152); Levi Krueger (3rd place-170); Jacob Krings (2nd place-220); and Isaac Sullivan (1st place-285).
- \* Kala Rast and Riley Montoya on being selected to participate in the 2016 Class "D" All-State Symphonic Band held at UN-K on Saturday, March 19th.

**Grab Your Hat and Read  
With the Cat**



**Read Across America Day  
March 2nd**

## No School Announcements

|                     |                 |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Friday, February 19 | NO SCHOOL PK-12 |
| Wednesday, Feb. 24  | NO SCHOOL PK-12 |
| Friday, March 11    | NO SCHOOL PK-12 |
| Friday, March 25    | NO SCHOOL PK-12 |
| Monday, March 28    | NO SCHOOL PK-12 |



**From the Desk of  
Superintendent Mikal Shalikow**

This month we received somewhere between 10-15 inches of snow around Newman Grove. The decision to cancel school was the easiest school closure decision I have made as superintendent. Weather related late starts and school closure decisions are usually much more difficult. As the superintendent, I try to make these decisions with everyone's safety in mind. With this in mind, PARENTS ultimately have the authority to make the decision whether or not to send their children to school. If you think road conditions are too bad, please notify the school and keep your children at home.

Recently, you may have heard the Newman Grove Public Schools is going to do a feasibility study in order to evaluate our current facilities. If anyone has questions, comments or concerns about this process, please come up to school and speak directly to me. I will be happy to discuss the process.

Below you will find the board approved 2016-2017 school year calendar.

## 2016-2017

## Academic Year Calendar

Newman Grove Public Schools

101 S. 8th St.

Newman Grove, NE 68758

402.447.6294

[www.newman.esu8.org](http://www.newman.esu8.org)

T = TEACHER INSERVICE DAYS

X = NO SCHOOL

P = Parent-Teacher Conferences

| August 16 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| September 16 |              |    |               |    |              |    |
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| October 16 |    |    |    |    |                                                                                     |    |
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| November 16 |    |    |               |               |               |    |
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| January 17 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| February 17 |    |    |               |    |    |    |
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| March 17 |    |    |    |    |               |    |
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| April 17 |               |    |    |    |               |    |
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| May 17 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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## NOTES

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174 Student Days  
185 Teachers Days

**Board Approved: February 8, 2016**

DATES TO NOTE

|                       |                                                        |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| August 15-16          | Teacher Inservice                                      |
| August 17             | First Day of School for Students                       |
| September 2-5         | No School - Labor Day Vacation                         |
| September 28          | No School - Teacher Inservice                          |
|                       | Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00-8:00                   |
| October 21            | No School - End of Qtr 1 - Teacher Inservice           |
| November 23-27        | No School - Thanksgiving Vacation                      |
| December 21           | No School - End of Qtr 2 - Teacher Inservice           |
| December 22-January 1 | No School - Winter Vacation                            |
| January 2             | No School - New Years Day Observed                     |
| January 23            | No School - Teacher Inservice - ESU Workshop - Norfolk |
| February 1            | No School - Teacher Inservice                          |
|                       | Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00-8:00                   |
| February 22           | No School - NG Speech Meet - Teacher Full Day          |
| March 3               | No School - Girls State Basketball                     |
| March 10              | No School - End of Qtr 3 - Teacher Inservice           |
| April 14-17           | No School - Easter Vacation                            |
| May 13                | Graduation 2:00pm                                      |
| May 18                | Last Day of School for Students                        |
| May 19-22             | No School - Teacher Inservice                          |
|                       | Possible Student snow makeup days                      |
| May 23-24             | Possible Teacher snow makeup days                      |



FROM THE OFFICE OF  
PRINCIPAL DARRELL BARNES



**Sportsmanship at BC/NG**

Good sportsmanship is always a goal of our schools as we participate in the ever tough and competitive Mid-State Conference. It is an expectation of our coaches, athletes, parents, and spectators at all events. Other schools and communities judge us by what they see on the field, the courts, the mats, and in the stands just as we judge other schools. It is imperative that we send a positive message about our schools and communities in the way we act at events throughout the various seasons. Coaches and athletes send the message you want your fans to learn. Parents and spectators send the message you want your children to learn. Good Sportsmanship is a reputation to be earned.

**NeSA Testing**

The State writing test has been completed by the 4<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> grade. The results of these will be back to the schools sometime in Mid-April or early May. The next window for the testing of Reading, Math, and Science begins on March 21 with the ending date of May 6. Grades 3-8 and 11 will take the Math and Reading tests while grades 5, 8, and 11 will be taking the Science tests. These tests will be spread out during the entire window of testing but again we ask that, as parents, you encourage your child to get enough sleep and to eat breakfast so they can be fully rested and mentally prepared for the tests. We appreciate your efforts in helping your students and the school perform at the highest level possible.

**Student Reading**

We all know that reading is important but do we ever think of why it is important? Multiple studies tell us that reading aloud to our children at an early age or even while they are still in the womb is important and gives them a head start in school concerning comprehension and vocabulary especially. Listed below are 10 reasons why reading is important in our world:

1. Reading is fundamental to our society: Reading road signs, following written directions on a map, the instructions on a pill bottle. Without the ability to read even these things we take for granted can be dangerous.
2. Reading is a vital skill in finding a job: Not being able to read and follow directions that come across in written form make it difficult to perform the duties of the job.
3. Reading is important because it develops the mind: The mind needs exercise to develop. Reading improves comprehension skills as well as listening skills.
4. Reading allows us to discover new things: Most information is available in written form somewhere and in order to learn about new ideas we must be able to read.
5. Reading develops the imagination: Being able to read allows us to entertain ourselves and explore anywhere in the world or even out of this world
6. Reading develops creativity: When children have the opportunity to create stories it is amazing what they can come up with and being able to read and have a vocabulary allows them to be creative!
7. Reading helps develop a good self-image: Studies show that nonreaders tend to have a low opinion of themselves and their abilities. They tend to feel isolated and this is often when behavior issues occur. Reading more helps!
8. Reading skills improve spelling: This is true especially in a phonics reading program. It also expands the vocabulary and lets children know what contexts words should be used in.

Much of the previous information was taken from <http://www.learn-to-read-prince-george.com/why-is-reading-important.html>

So encourage your student(s) to read! Set the example by reading more in front of them if they are older children. Have them read the newspaper, even if it is on the internet and then discuss the issues with them, show them it is important to read.

If they are still young enough to enjoy being read to, do it! You may find you enjoy the time well spent with your child.

**WINTER SCHOOL CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS**



The following radio and television stations will be contacted should it become necessary to cancel school due to inclement weather:

Television: Channel 8 or Channel 10/11 (Lincoln)

Website: [www.newman.esu8.org](http://www.newman.esu8.org)

Radio: 94 Rock (94.7 FM) US 92 (92.7 FM) WJAG (780 AM) KEXL (106.7 FM) KZEN (100 FM)  
KKOT (93.5 FM) KLIR (101 FM) KJSK (900 AM) KTTT (1510 AM) KPNO(90.5 FM)

**NOTE:** Newman Grove Preschool will follow the K-12 weather related time changes.

Late Start– NO MORNING Early Out– NO AFTERNOON Cancelled Preschool will be made up on a Friday.





## COUNSELOR'S

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Matt Rudloff  
K-12 Counselor  
mrudloff@esu8.org

Another month has flown by and graduation is in sight for the seniors. I am reiterating last month's information on tasks that seniors should be starting to complete. The first task is obtaining a FAFSA ID. This is done at the web-site [fsaid.ed.gov](http://fsaid.ed.gov). Both the student and parents need an ID. Your ID is a username and password that serves as your personal identifier and can be used every year to electronically apply for federal student aid and to access your U.S. Department of Education records online. Parents; if you have already obtained a FSA ID for previous children, then you do not need another one. Students must have their own. Most seniors have obtained a FSA ID in senior careers class. Do not lose your FSA ID as you will need it through all your college years.

After receiving your FSA ID, you should apply for federal student financial assistance by completing the FAFSA. Even if you do not need assistance, everyone should fill out the FAFSA because colleges use this information in helping with many other things such as scholarships. Federal student loan interest rates are lower than any other loans so you are encouraged to fill out the FAFSA to see what you qualify for. The fastest way to fill out the FAFSA and to get results back is to do it online electronically. The web-site is [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). A FAFSA on the Web Worksheet is available online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) or [www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov/pubs](http://www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov/pubs) for you to print and write down your information prior to completing the online submission of the FAFSA. You can obtain printed copies of the worksheet by calling 1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243). Apply for the FAFSA between Jan. 1, 2016 and June 30, 2016. The sooner the better as colleges may have their own deadlines which usually can be as early as February. You need to have your income tax information finished or close to finished to apply. There is a tool at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) called the FAFSA4caster that can help students and families prepare financially for college before officially applying for federal student aid. It provides an estimate of federal student aid eligibility by instantly calculating an estimated Expected Family Contribution\* - the indicator used to estimate a family's or student's ability to contribute toward the cost of an education after high school.

Information that you will need to fill out the FAFSA

- Social Security #
- 2015 W-2 forms and other records of money earned by student and parents, if you're a de-

pendent student

- 2015 Federal Income Tax Returns and W2's
- A FSA ID number for both parents and student ([fsaid.ed.gov](http://fsaid.ed.gov))
- The Education Quest website ([www.educationquest.org](http://www.educationquest.org)) gives great tutorials for filling out the FASFA. It goes over each question and helps answer any questions you may have.
- A link to the FASFA and Education Quest websites are posted on our school website.
- 2015 untaxed income records – examples include Social Security benefits, welfare benefits such as Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) and veteran benefits.
- Current bank statements, business and investment mortgage information; business and farm records; and stock, bond and other investment records.
- Alien registration number (if you are not a U.S. citizen).

## Other important information

- ♦ You should never pay to fill out the FAFSA. Check the web address to make sure it ends in gov.
- ♦ I have a booklet "Funding Education Beyond High School" that students or parents can pick up.
- ♦ A link to the FASFA and Education Quest websites are posted on our school website.
- ♦ Northeast Community College is offering free assistance through their Financial Aid Office at the College Welcome Center on Fridays from 1pm -4pm between February and June 2016 with no appointment necessary (excluding days the college is closed). You will need: 2015 Federal Tax returns and W2's and a FSA ID number for both parent and student ([fsaid.ed.gov](http://fsaid.ed.gov))
- ♦ Seniors should visit and then apply to colleges they are seriously considering.

## Scholarships

- An updated list of scholarships is available in the counseling office for students to pick up. There is also a link on our school web-site. Bluejay Foundation and local scholarship packets have been distributed to all seniors. All these scholarships have an April 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.
- **Please notify me of any scholarships earned so that proper recognition can be given at graduation. This includes all scholarships earned, even those not accepted.**





## Preschool....A Family Affair

By Meghan Flood

It has been a busy and exciting year in preschool. As some of you may know, we are no longer a Head Start preschool and are now called Newman Grove Preschool. This has not changed much and we are up and running with 30 preschoolers.

A very important aspect of preschool is the family component. We view parents as the child's first and most important teachers. We encourage parents to spend time in the classroom and are always open to ideas and suggestions that parents may have when talking about their child, activity ideas, field trip suggestions or family activity ideas.

One way we like to involve parents and families is through family activities. This year we have had three family activities and are planning two more. Our first activity was our Farm Family Activity. During this activity we had hayrack rides and pony rides, as well as a tractor and semi-truck to sit in. We are so grateful for amazing parents and school board members to provide all of these things!

Our second activity was for dads and preschoolers. We had Jamie from the Nebraska Game and Parks come to do several fun things at the park. We went on a scavenger hunt, made bird feeders from pop bottles, sorted leaves and made binoculars from toilet paper tubes.

The third family activity was family movie night. We all gathered in the Old Gym to watch The Minions in our pajamas with popcorn and water. The kids loved this one. We are still planning a mom and preschooler activity as well as an end of the year picnic.

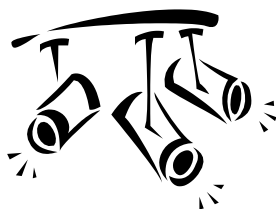
It is so great to see children and families interacting outside of school. These activities provide parents with the opportunity to build connections with parents that they will be around for the rest of their child's primary and hopefully secondary education.

We will begin accepting new applications for the 2016-2017 school year April 1. To apply your child needs to be 3 by July 31, 2016. We need a copy of your child's birth certificate, up

to date immunization record and a completed application form. Please contact Miss Meghan at (402)447-6051 if you have any questions.







# Senior Spotlight



**Celine  
Dunlap**

Parents:  
Bryan & Shelley Dunlap

Other Family Members:  
Alisha

Favorite Pastime:  
Hanging out with friends at the OP

Senior Activities:  
Volleyball, Drama, Speech, Shell Creek, Monarch Project,  
National Honor Society, Student Council, Yearbook, FFA, Track

Part-Time Employment:  
BDAG Enterprises

Plans After Graduation:  
Attend Wesleyan or UNL to possibly do track or volleyball  
and major in Elementary Education.

**Will  
Dyer**

Parents:  
Jessica & Pete Matson and  
Clint & Lara Dyer

Other Family Members:  
Abigail, Andrew, Jacob, James,  
Matthew

Favorite Pastime:  
Hunting or playing video games with friends

Senior Activities:  
Basketball, Cross Country, FFA, Drama,  
Shell Creek Watershed, Monarch Project

Plans After Graduation:  
Double major in Construction Management & Drafting  
at Wayne State College then transfer to UNL after 2 years



**William  
Sanderford**

Parents:  
Ken & Kelly Haddix

Other Family Members:  
Steven Sanderford,  
Amanda Haddix, Jennifer Haddix, Shelly Duhachek

Favorite Pastime:  
Hanging out with friends and family while bowling

Senior Activities:  
FFA, Bowling, Shell Creek Watershed

Plans After Graduation:  
Find a job around Norfolk to make money before  
going to Northeast Community College

**Crystal  
Salinas**

Parents:  
Fidel & Maximina Salinas

Other Family Members:  
Fernando, Jessica, Natalie

Favorite Pastime:  
Hanging out with friends and making memories

Senior Activities:  
FFA, Bowling

Part-time Employment:  
Runza

Plans After Graduation:  
Attend Joseph's Beauty School then  
attend NECC for Nursing





## Room 111 Classes

By Rob Rose



I want to say it has been a very enjoyable time in each of my classes. The classes are small in numbers and we are able to have a lot of interaction in our learning activities.

**World History** 2 sophomore and 2 junior students have covered numerous countries and are presently studying the Qin Empire of China. We went into depth on their form of government and how they were able to use a differing weights and measure system, a different writing system but yet were able to make an effective set of law codes to govern their people and to build roads and canals that were of high quality. Their skills and system were so well defined they were able to build the Great Wall of China without modern machinery.

It is a great time of year in **American Government**. These 4 senior students can learn first hand about people running for President by listening to the debates and the critiquing that goes on after the debate. We are able to share ideas with one another and then discuss what the duties of the president or senator consist of and the compensation and benefit which each member of government receives. Now with a little more time in preparing for this class by using actual events, we are able to have some great discussions and learning without a lot of paperwork on the students part.

Five juniors in **American History** are studying and researching World War I. They study the reason United States become involved in this war, who was on our side and who was the enemy. Another interesting feature of this war, was the use of trench war fare, which was necessary because of the weapons that were used to fight the war.

Our freshmen have a **Skills Class** on Fridays. At the present time, we are working on confidence building skills using activities to build leadership and self esteem. Later in the year, we will work on survival skills like sewing. They will learn to sew on a button, sew a hem and even make a pillow.

The 4 students in **World Geography** are currently studying Europe. The online system called Lizardpoint.com is being used to do the map testing for this class. In our studies we seek out how landscapes affected the population and culture of each area of Europe.

The **Junior High Health Class** consisting of 7th & 8th graders meet on Tuesday and Thursday. We use on line videos that discuss each topic and then students answer questions about the paragraphs. The students seem to enjoy this method of learning and are doing very well in the class.

**If your son or daughter still doesn't know what to do, they can go to NCIS and explore careers, colleges, etc.**



Plan Your Career with Nebraska Career Information System (NCIS) via the Internet

- Check out more than 500 occupations.
- Match occupations to your interests.
- Learn about colleges and universities.
- Discover where to get an apprenticeship or degree.
- Find scholarships and financial aid.

Your access for the 2015-2016 school year is provided by Newman Grove High School. The CIS web-site address is : <http://necis.intocareers.org> Your user name is: 09newmanhs. Your password is: H021209 (Your Password is case sensitive). Enjoy exploring careers through CIS!

Junior High Students have the same opportunity with: Plan your career with the Countdown (612 for CAREERS) via the internet! The Countdown Web site address is: <http://necis.intocareers.org> Your user name is: 09newmanjh. Your password is: J105409 (Your Password is case sensitive). Enjoy exploring careers with Countdown!



## Jr-Sr Parent Financial Aid Meeting

(Date Change)

**Monday, February 22nd  
6:15 PM  
in the Library**

## FFA CDE Contest is March 1st at Central Community College

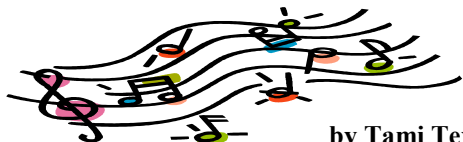


### Practice Schedule is:

Monday, February 15th at 7:00 PM  
Wednesday, February 17th at 3:07 PM  
Monday, February 22nd at 7:00 PM  
Thursday, February 25th at 7:20 AM  
Monday, February 29th at 7:00 PM



# Music Notes



by Tami Texley

## Heartland Middle School Honor Choir

Newman Grove Junior High students (Top to Bottom) Abby Pohlen, Paige Nelson, Bethany Borgheiinck, Leah Rast, and Emma Montoya participated in the 9th annual Middle Level Choir Clinic for Girls grades 6 – 8, at Heartland Community Schools in Henderson, NE. Over 450 students from 15 schools participated in the festival. Senja Stephens, from Arapahoe Public Schools, directed the Girls' choir. Pieces performed were *Jubilate* by Carolee Curtright, *Come to Shore* by John Jacobsen and Audrey Snyder and *Popular* from the musical "Wicked" by Stephen Schwartz, arr. Mac Huff. The Girls and Boys choirs combined for one final song, *Bring Him Home* from the musical "Les Miserable".



## UNK Festival Choir

Junior, Kala Rast, was selected through audition to participate in the 2016 UNK Festival Choir, on Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. Kala and Mrs. Texley put in hours of practice to learn the music and Kala was ready to perform that day but, due to weather, they were not permitted to travel. Congratulations, Kala on your hard work!



## WSC Festival of Honor Bands

Newman Grove High School Junior, Kala Rast, and Sophomore, Riley Montoya participated in the 2016 Wayne State College Festival of Honor Bands, Saturday, January 30<sup>th</sup>. Both were selected to participate in the Symphonic Band, directed by Brady Rohlfs, the Director of Bands at Waverly High School.



Over 700 students from across Northeast Nebraska and Iowa auditioned for three groups: Middle School Band, Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble. 250+ students participated. Kala and Riley are students of Mrs. Tami Texley.

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## Boone Central Choral Clinic

On January 18, the High School choir traveled to Albion to participate Boone Central Choral Clinic. Newman Grove joined 14 other area high schools. Director for the day was Mark Harmon from Fremont High School.







### 3 Things Parents Must Tell Their Children When They Begin a Musical Instrument

By: Tony Mazzocchi

Here are three things parents need to know and be able to express to their child as soon as they begin learning to play a musical instrument:

**“You are allowed to fail, and you will become better because of your failures.”**

There are no red pen marks for missed notes in music the way there are on tests — there is nothing to feel bad about when you play something “wrong” in music. To become skilled at a musical instrument — and to become great at *anything* — one needs to struggle a little. In your child’s case, they need to sound bad before they sound good; they need to work on things *just beyond* what they are capable of in order to get better and smarter, and that means they need to make mistakes. There is a small gap between what we all are able to do and where we want to be, and focusing on that gap makes us better learners and better people. Learning a musical instrument allows us to grow from our mistakes.

**“Hard works trumps talent every single time.”**

Practicing a skill over and over, the right way, fires circuits in our brains that solidify that skill. Sure, some people find some skills easier at first than others, but the people who practice that skill daily in order to “burn it” into their brain will always far surpass people who don’t practice enough. Practicing a musical instrument helps children learn the universal truth that hard work trumps talent.

**“This is a long-term commitment, and we are going to stick with it.”**

Studies have shown that students who identified that they would play their instrument for longer than one year outperformed students who only committed to one year of playing by up to 400% — *practicing the same amount of time if not less!* The ideas and mindsets students bring to their musical instrument study have a direct effect on their success, and it’s the parents’ role to set the tone on the first day by not giving their child an “easy out” to quit. Make the decision to invest in your child’s music education for at least a few years of their schooling and you will see results.

*What if we as parents treated music like any other core subject and expected our children to study it for at least 4 or 5 years? What does “success in school” mean to you and your child?*

### Swingin’ Blue Jays

The Swingin’ Blue Jays Show Choir, consisting of Junior and Senior High Students from Newman Grove Public Schools, has started into their Show Choir Season. Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup> they traveled to Central City, NE to the NCDA Show Choir Festival along with 19 other schools ranging from Middle School to Class D through Class AA.

On Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup> they will travel to Wayne State College for their Show Choir Festival.

Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> will be District Music Contest in Norfolk.

Members pictured: (Back row) Cheyenne Cleland, Abby Pohlen, Breanna Borgheiinck, Kala Rast, Bethany Borgheiinck, Maddison Steffensmeier, (Middle row) Dominik Cuevas, Evelyn Estrada, Emma Montoya, Matthew Rast (Front) Leah Rast. They are directed by Mrs. Tami Texley. Not pictured: Tyson Haddix, David Plugge, Isiah Weverka-Haddix, Vanessa Arreguin, Sarah Johnson and Rebecca Stone.





## Boone Central/Newman Grove Wrestling

By Dale Bonge



### Aquinas Catholic Dual 1-21-16

Aquinas 52 - Boone Central/Newman Grove 24

106: Tyson Haddix (BCNG) over (AQCA) (For.)

113: Creighton Redler (AQCA) over (BCNG) (For.)

120: Ty Groth (BCNG) over Logan Helgoth (AQCA) (Fall 3:15)

126: Nolan Wondercheck (BCNG) over (AQCA) (For.)

132: Anthony Eickmeier (AQCA) over (BCNG) (For.)

138: Nolan Helgoth (AQCA) over Andrew King (BCNG) (Fall 3:38)

145: Conner Kranda (AQCA) over Joel Meyer (BCNG) (Fall 2:57)

152: Kyle Petree (AQCA) over Garrett Cornwell (BCNG) (MD 13-1)

160: Augustine Reimers (AQCA) over Trey Schafer (BCNG) (Fall 3:40)

170: Joseph Reimers (AQCA) over Levi Kruger (BCNG) (Fall 2:46)

182: Jesse Osantowski (BCNG) over Brandon Svoboda (AQCA) (Fall 2:42)

195: Grant Romshek (AQCA) over Jon Merten (BCNG) (Fall 1:36)

220: Mathew Kindler (AQCA) over Jacob Krings (BCNG) (MD 12-0)

285: Brendon Comte (AQCA) over Issac Sullivan (BCNG) (Dec 4-0) (AQCA throwing headgear -1.00)

145 Exhibition: Bryton Fowlkes (BCNG) over Calvin Hascall (AQCA) (Fall 3:56)

152 Exhibition: Daniel Stara (AQCA) over Isiah Haddix (BCNG) (TF 15-0 5:19)

160 Exhibition: Michael Coufal (AQCA) over Ryan Thiem (BCNG) (Dec 6-1)

170 Exhibition: Mitchell Kment (AQCA) over Logan Lawrence (BCNG) (Fall 1:04)

Aquinas showed why they are a top 10 rated team. From 132 up through heavyweight they put very athletic and solid wrestlers on the mat.

The Monarchs surprised us wrestling a style normally associated with their cross-town rivals as almost every one of them was a leg rider on top.

Ty Groth and Jesse Osantowski each pinned their opponents to lead the team. Ty is starting to get more accustomed to his 9 inch gain in height since last year. Jesse is a former resident of David City so it was especially sweet for him to get a win that night.

There were a few matches that we were very competitive but got caught on our backs and pinned.

Tyson and Andy both won by forfeit.

In JV action Bryton wrestled very well, controlled his match and pinned his man.

In spite of getting beat by a major decision, Jacob became the first wrestler all year to not only go the distance but to even make it to the third period against #1 rated and Chadron State Wrestling recruit Mathew Kindler.

Once again facing a high quality team can do us a lot of good down the road if we can improve because of it.

### 2016 Madison Tournament 1-22-16

Team Scores: 1-BCNG195.5, 2-Logan View 164.0, 3-Norfolk JV 148.0, 4-Madison 144.5, 5-Conestoga 140.0, 6-Crofton-Bloomfield 122.0, 7-Columbus Lakeview 117.5, 8-Friend 104.5, 9-Pender 97.5, 10-Grand Island JV A-Team 76.5, 11-Wisner-Pilger 63.0, 12-Wakefield 61.0, 13-Columbus JV 48.0, 14-Stanton 36.0, 15-Grand Island JV B-Team 28.0, 16-Twin River 27.0, 17-Madison JV 0.0

Our guys followed up a rough Thursday night outing with a relatively stellar performance on Friday. Twelve of our wrestlers brought home medals. Sixteen had at least one victory.

Two weeks ago Logan View outscored us by almost 70 points at the Central City Invite. This week we out scored them by over 30 points, a good indicator that we are going the right direc-

tion.

As much improvement as we have shown, we still had several positions and techniques we need to make improvements on over the next three weeks.

Jacob made it two tournament titles in consecutive weeks. His toughest match came in the semifinals were Jacob won in the ultimate tie-breaker. In the finals Jake cruised to a win by major decision.

Isaac battled his way to the finals with a hard fought win over the #1 rated heavyweight in Class "D". After a first period takedown Isaac held a 2-0 lead, but fell behind 6-2 after two periods. In the third period he was taken down then came back with a reversal, turn, & pin to advance to the finals. Waiting for Isaac in the finals - the undefeated and #1 rated big man in Class "C" - another exciting battle down to the wire with Isaac coming up just short in a 3-2 loss.

Our "little man" was our other finalist. Tyson opened with a tech fall, a pin and a hard nosed 5-4 victory to advance to the finals. The finals were not so kind as he was pinned but Tyson had a good week going 4-1 overall.

Jesse also had a solid 4-1 week placing third. In his opening match, Jesse avenged an earlier season loss in dominant fashion scoring a first period pin. In the semis he lost by regular decision then came back with a pair of pins to earn his bronze medal.

Four Cardinal wrestlers: Nolan, Steven, Andy, and Trey placed 4<sup>th</sup>. Two of those guys, Nolan and Trey, were not allowed to wrestle in their consolation finals match due to the 5 match per day limit. Both were not anywhere near being on top of their game in their loss but on the other hand had 4 solid wins each. After a quick pin in his first match Steven got off to a great start in the semis against the #1 seed, jumping out to a 4-0 lead and holding an 8-6 lead late in the match were he made a technical error of stepping over a whizzer and getting pinned as a result. We can turn that negative into a positive if we learn from the error. Andy scored a pair of major decisions and a pin in going 3-2 on the day. One of his losses was by just a regular decision to the Class "C" #2 rated man.

Earning 5<sup>th</sup> place, Joel scored the opening takedown in each match he wrestled but got out of position in two of his matches and was pinned as a result.

Levi ended up in a tie for 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> place as both wrestlers had reached their 5 match limit. He had 3 wins by pin and a pair of losses by decision.

Ty and Ryan earned 6<sup>th</sup> place. Both wrestled the best they have all year. Ty secured two pins. Ryan had a pin, a win by forfeit and a tight 6-4 decision to get to the medal round.

Bryton, Isiah, Garrett, and Jon each went 1-2. Jon just missed out on placing coming up on the short end of a 9-7 sudden victory score. Garrett also dropped a tough 8-6 match to keep him from advancing. Logan had a tough draw having to face the #3 Class "C" man in his first match.

This was the best outing we have had to date, but we cannot be satisfied. This week we wrestle a pair of duals on Thursday against Lakeview and Scotus - the #5 rated dual team in class "B". We follow that up with the 15 team Boone Central Invite on Saturday.

In other wrestling news from the weekend, our team traveled to Lincoln this weekend to watch the dual between #7 Nebraska vs #2 Iowa. We were part of a record crowd for a Nebraska dual. Iowa won a hard fought entertaining 21-11 victory in a great atmosphere. In attendance were Nebraska alumni Jordan Burroughs and James Green. Green is a world Bronze medalist and Burroughs is a three time World Champ and an Olympic Champ. The young Cardinals in attendance had their pictures taken with these wrestling stars.





## **Columbus Scotus Triangular 1-28-16**

Boone Central/Newman Grove vs. Columbus Scotus

- 220: Wyatt Gutzmer (COSC) over Jacob Krings (BCNG) (Dec 7-1)
- 285: Issac Sullivan (BCNG) over Landon Sokol (COSC) (Fall 0:47)
- 106: Daniel Tworak (COSC) over Tyson Haddix (BCNG) (Fall 1:31)
- 113: Colby Gilson (COSC) over (BCNG) (For.)
- 120: Ty Groth (BCNG) over Calen Hinze (COSC) (Fall 1:51)
- 126: Nolan Wondercheck (BCNG) over (COSC) (For.)
- 132: Tyler Brandenburg (COSC) over Steven Arreguin (BCNG) (Dec 1-0)
- 138: Layton Mullinix (COSC) over Andy King (BCNG) (Fall 3:20)
- 145: Dillon Muchmore (COSC) over Joel Meyer (BCNG) (Fall 2:48)
- 152: Alec Foltz (COSC) over Trey Schafer (BCNG) (Fall 5:19)
- 160: Marcus Dodson (COSC) over Garrett Cornwell (BCNG) (Fall 0:56)
- 170: River Liebig (COSC) over Levi Krueger (BCNG) (Fall 2:38)
- 182: Seth Gutzmer (COSC) over Jesse Osantowski (BCNG) (Fall 1:44)
- 195: Jake Bos (COSC) over (BCNG) (For.)

Boone Central/Newman Grove vs. Columbus Lakeview

- 285: Issac Sullivan (BCNG) over Kyle Reeves (COLA) (Fall 0:17)
- 106: Tyson Haddix (BCNG) over (COLA) (For.)
- 113: Double Forfeit
- 120: Gage Perry (COLA) over Ty Groth (BCNG) (Fall 1:37)
- 126: Nolan Wondercheck (BCNG) over Boston Barcel (COLA) (Fall 3:57)
- 132: Steven Arreguin (BCNG) over Brock Foltz (COLA) (Fall 2:35)
- 138: Chase Lemburg (COLA) over Andy King (BCNG) (Fall 4:58)
- 145: Joel Meyer (BCNG) over Drew Schaad (COLA) (Fall 5:08)
- 152: Trey Schafer (BCNG) over Jacob Frenzen (COLA) (Fall 4:48)
- 160: Zeth Gerkensmeyer (COLA) over Garrett Cornwell (BCNG) (Dec 8-7)
- 170: Levi Krueger (BCNG) over Kaylob Kobza (COLA) (Fall 2:45)
- 182: Jesse Osantowski (BCNG) over (COLA) (For.)
- 195: Jon Merten (BCNG) over (COLA) (For.)
- 220: Jacob Krings (BCNG) over Zachary Kobza (COLA) (Dec 7-0)

We saw two district teams including Scotus – rated #5 in class “B” as a dual team.

Against Scotus: Isaac and Ty each pinned their respective opponents in the first period and Andy received a forfeit to account for our team scoring. Steven came up just short in a 1-0 loss. Jacob got taken down to his back early in his match and putting him behind 5-0, going on to lose 7-1.

Against Lakeview: Lakeview is not as high quality of a team as Scotus this year but always has some solid individuals.

Isaac, Nolan, Steven, Joel, Trey, and Levi all pinned their men. Jacob controlled his entire match winning 7-0. Garrett lost a heartbreaker 8-7. Tyson, Jesse, and Jon all won by forfeit.

Our young men showed a good deal of resolve after getting beaten by a tough Scotus team and coming back to hammer Lakeview.

## **Boone Central Invitational 1-30-16**

This year's brawl featured teams rated #1, #6, & #10 in class “C” plus #8 from class “B”, in addition to numerous rated individuals from all four classes.

According to seeds, 5 of our guys finished right where they were predicted, two finished one place lower, and two finished one spot higher. So overall we placed right where we should have with the team we entered. We were however, a little short handed this weekend as three of our varsity wrestlers were unable to compete due to injury, illness, and the death of a grandfather. If we have their services and they do as predicted, we finish in third place in the team race. So

we can't be too disappointed in our overall performance, but still need to improve so that we can exceed our predicted outcomes.

Isaac was our highest placer earning the runner-up spot. His only loss was to 6'6" 260 pound Ben Stille of Ashland-Greenwood, the Class “B” #1 rated man in the state and Nebraska Football recruit. In the last two weeks Isaac has wrestled the top ranked man in classes B, C, & D. Isaac did have 2 pins and a decision in his other matches.

Jacob placed third going 2-2. His two losses were to the guys ranked #1 and #2 in Class “C”. He lost in the ultimate tiebreaker 4-3 to the top ranked man. Jacob pinned his other two opponents. Wrestling and being competitive against these high quality opponents will help prepare us for what lies ahead.

Placing 5<sup>th</sup> were Nolan, Joel, and Trey. Each had an OK day but each might be able to knock off one of the guys they lost to. Nolan and Trey went 2-2. Joel went 4-2.

Ty and Tyson both earned 6<sup>th</sup> place. In the process Tyson avenged a loss from the first week of the season.

Garrett and Levi each went 2-2 placing 7<sup>th</sup>. Garrett had a pin and a decision while Levi had a pin and a tech fall in arguably the deepest weight class of the tournament.

In the JV division we had two champs a runner-up and a third. Isiah went 3-0 with a major decision, a come from behind pin where he fell behind 11-0, closed the gap to 11-5 in the first part of the second period before slipping back to a 16-5 deficit. In the third period Isiah surrendered one more point before scoring a takedown and a pin. Ryan also went 3-0 with a pair of pins and a hard fought 8-5 win in his final match. Jon went 1-1 with a pin to his favor. Logan went 1-2 with a pin.



## **Mid-State Conference @ Norfolk Catholic 2-6-16**

Going in to the meet Battle Creek was the odds on favorite to win followed by O'Neill & us. While third is a respectable finish we let a few matches get away and as a result the distance between us and the top two teams a bit larger. Losing Joel and Andy for medical reasons early in the meet did not help us either. On the bright side we turned the tables in a few matches where we were losing to score pins. On the down side that also happened to us a few times.

The scheduled Creighton JV meet was cancelled so our entire team wrestled in this meet.

Isaac, our lone champ, made short work of his day with three matches, three takedowns, and three first period pins.

Trey and Jacob each finished second. Trey had a stellar day with 3 pins. He came back from a 13-4 deficit in the semifinals to notch one of them. Jacob, seeded third, knocked off the #2 seed 11-1 in the semifinals before coming up just short by a 1-0 score in the finals against the #1 rated man in Class “C”.

Levi & Steven both placed third and both showed marked improvement against quality opponents. In the consolation finals, Steven dominated and majored an opponent that had dominated and pinned Steven two weeks earlier. Levi went 3-1 and pushed an opponent to overtime that had pinned him in regulation a week ago.

Nolan placed fourth in what was arguably the toughest weight class of the tournament. He knocked off the #3 seed 9-4 to get to the medal round.

Tyson also placed fourth getting a hard fought 2 point win to get to the medal round.

Andy pinned his first opponent then got injured in the semifinals and withdrew for precautionary reasons after that. Joel also pinned his first guy but was not feeling well and he too withdrew from the tournament. With district tournaments next week there was no sense in risking further damage.

Isiah went 2-2 and came up just short of placing. He came back from down 9-1 in the third period and pinned the guy.

Garrett also had a respectable 2-2 day with two pins and both losses by regular decision.



## Boone Central/Newman Grove 8th Grade Boys Basketball

By Jeff Hayes



BCNG vs. Columbus Scotus 1/18/16

The team got off to a slow start in this game and fell behind early. We had a difficult time scoring points on offense. We got some good looks but could not get the shots to fall. We have to continue to keep working on converting our shots and making sure we square up to the basket. Our defense improved the 2<sup>nd</sup> half as we got a few more stops. Our ball security will have to get better as we need to decrease our turnovers.

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| Score: | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Final |
| BCNG   | 2               | 1               | 6               | 6               | 15    |
| Scotus | 14              | 16              | 11              | 15              | 56    |

Scorers: Landin Pribnow 1, Dylan Korth 6, Logan Hodges 4, Chase Thieman 2, Ty Borer 2

We also played an extra quarter to get some more time on the court. We did not score in the extra quarter and lost 1 to 0. Our defense was good and we did create turnovers but could not convert them into baskets.

BCNG vs Neligh-Oakdale 1/21/16

We were able to get a win tonight against Neligh. It was a close game throughout but we never seemed to be able to pull away from Neligh. We had some great looks at the basket but could not get them to fall at times. It was great to get on the winning side of the scoreboard. We are still making improvements and need to keep making more.

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|--------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| Score: | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Final |
| BCNG   | 6               | 5               | 11              | 8               | 30    |
| Neligh | 8               | 0               | 4               | 11              | 23    |

Scorers: Dylan Korth 12, Logan Hodges 9, Chase Thieman 8, Ty Borer 1

BCNG vs Twin River 1/23/16

We came out with good intensity this game. We did a good job of contesting shots and securing the rebound as well in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter. The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter we just could not score. We could not match their scoring over the next 3 quarters and we fell behind. We have a stretch of 4 road games and we will have to keep working on our ability to score points.

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| Score:     | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Final |
| BCNG       | 5               | 2               | 0               | 11              | 18    |
| Twin River | 6               | 11              | 15              | 18              | 50    |

Scorers: Cristopher Thiem 3, Dylan Korth 7, Logan Hodges 3, Chase Thieman 5

We also played an extra quarter in this game. Twin River outscored us 6 to 0 in the quarter. We got a lot of playing time for everyone.

BCNG vs St. Paul 1/28/16

We played right with St. Paul in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter. We were only down one and had scored 8 points. We couldn't find the basket the next two quarters and only scored 8 total in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> period. We were having trouble securing the rebound and gave up too many second shots. After falling behind at halftime we just didn't have enough firepower to catch up in the game.

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| Score:   | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Final |
| BCNG     | 8               | 4               | 4               | 10              | 26    |
| St. Paul | 9               | 22              | 18              | 6               | 53    |

Scorers: Landin Pribnow 6, Dylan Korth 4, Christian Benda 2, Logan Hodges 10, Chase Thieman 4

We played an extra quarter and fell to St. Paul 6 to 5. It was close throughout but we came up 1 point short.

Scorers: Christian Benda 3, Ty Borer 2

BCNG vs. Central City 2/8/16

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade team put forth a great effort and got a win against Central City. We managed to play hard for 4 quarters and the results were great for the team. Central City kept it close during the game but we made just enough plays down the stretch. We only lost the lead once in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter but came back with a couple of baskets to get it back. This was a very good win for the team.

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|--------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| Score: | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Final |
| BCNG   | 9               | 10              | 4               | 9               | 32    |
| CC     | 7               | 5               | 11              | 6               | 29    |

Scorers: Dylan Korth 16, Logan Hodges 3, Chase Thieman 13

We also played an extra quarter and were able to out-score Central City 2 to 0. Landin Pribnow made the only basket in the extra quarter.

BCNG vs. Fullerton 2/9/16

We came up against a very good Fullerton team. We could not match their scoring on offense. We did some good things in the game but their size and strength got them many second shots. We have improved throughout the season but Fullerton was a very tough match up for us.

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| Score:    | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Final |
| BCNG      | 7               | 3               | 5               | 5               | 20    |
| Fullerton | 14              | 18              | 15              | 16              | 63    |

Scorers: Dylan Korth 9, Christian Benda 3, Nathan Schmitz 2, Logan Hodges 1, Chase Thieman 5

We also played an extra quarter against Fullerton. It was close but we lost 7 to 5.

Scorers: Landin Pribnow 2, Quintyn Pollman 3





## Boone Central/Newman Grove 7th Grade Boys Basketball

By Rob Rose



### BCNG vs. Columbus Scotus 1-18-16

The young Cards played host to Columbus Scotus on January 18th in Newman Grove. Scotus played good defense in this game and the Cards had trouble scoring. Scotus players shot the ball very well and ran their offense to get good shots. The Cards fought hard to the end but came up short on this night. They are showing improvements every game.

| Score  | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Final |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Scotus | 12  | 9   | 12  | 6   | 39    |
| BCNG   | 5   | 2   | 3   | 6   | 16    |

Scorers: Ryan Kramer 4, Shannon Samuels 8, Zane Niemann 2, Bryce Kennedy 2

The Cards were able to play an extra quarter on this night. The Cards did some very nice things and are improving and that is what we are asking of them.

Scotus 9 BCNG 2  
Scorers: Tyler Beierman 2

### BCNG vs. Neligh-Oakdale 1-21-16

The Cardinals traveled to Neligh-Oakdale and came away with a much needed win. The young Cards are doing a nice job of learning to play man-to-man help defense. They did a lot of good things on the night, passing to cutting players, rebounding, and running the floor.

| Score    | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Final |
|----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Neligh-O | 6   | 2   | 6   | 7   | 21    |
| BCNG     | 10  | 14  | 8   | 7   | 39    |

Scorers: Ryan Kramer 10, Shannon Samuels 9, Gage Groetke 6, Bryce Kennedy 6, Wyatt Nissen 4, Zane Niemann 4

### BCNG vs. Twin River 1-23-16

The Boone Central/Newman Grove Cardinals were able to play a lot of basketball against Twin River. We were able to play three full games and an extra quarter. The first full game the Cards were having trouble taking care of the ball and getting the ball in the basket. Then we had a few that finally were able to get the ball in the basket shooting the three ball. The kids played hard right to the end.

| Score:     | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Final |
|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Twin River | 4   | 9   | 7   | 8   | 28    |
| BCNG       | 0   | 2   | 4   | 8   | 14    |

Scorers: Richard Cleveland 3, Christian Benda 3, Blake Thompson 2, Caleb Kohl 2, Zane Niemann 4

The Cards then came out in the second game and Twin River pressed us and it was somewhat tough at times

to get the ball down the floor. Twin River was able to get some easy baskets because of our turnovers and missed shots but we were able to play right with them for three quarters. The kids are showing some improvement as the season is going on and that is all we can ask of them.

| Score:     | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Final |
|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Twin River | 12  | 11  | 2   | 21  | 46    |
| BCNG       | 5   | 7   | 8   | 6   | 26    |

Scorers: Ryan Kramer 9, Shannon Samuels 15, Landin Pribnow 2

### BCNG vs. St. Paul 1-28-16

The young Cards traveled to St. Paul on January 28th. The Cards came out a little tight and nervous because of their size and got behind and then settled down and played better. The Cards did some very nice things and are improving.

| Score:   | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Final |
|----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| St. Paul | 20  | 14  | 16  | 4   | 53    |
| BCNG     | 0   | 6   | 2   | 3   | 11    |

Scorers: Shannon Samuels 6, Bryce Kennedy 5

The Cards were able to play another quarter on this night and the kids really played hard and are starting to do the things that we have been working, which is a great sign.

St. Paul 12 BCNG 5  
Scorers: Blake Thompson 3, Zane Niemann 2

### BCNG vs. Central City 2-8-16

The young Cards traveled to Central City on Monday night and played pretty well for three quarters but struggled in the 2nd quarter. The Cards started out well in the first quarter and then the second we could not hit a shot and that led to some easy baskets for Central City. The second half the boys played so much harder on defense and more controlled on the offensive end. Outscoring Central City by one in the second half. They are doing some nice things just need to be more consistent.

| Score:       | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Final |
|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Central City | 10  | 19  | 8   | 5   | 42    |
| BCNG         | 5   | 3   | 11  | 3   | 22    |

Scorers: Ryan Kramer 6, Wyatt Nissen 2, Shannon Samuels 10, Caleb Kohl 1, Zane Niemann 2, Bryce Kennedy 1

The Cards were able to play an extra quarter on this night and the Cards were able to come away with a nice win. Way to go guys, congrats, and keep up the good work.

Central City 0 BCNG 3  
Scorer: Seth Wright 3



## 7th Grade Boys Basketball Continued

BCNG vs. Fullerton 2-9-16

The young Cards traveled to Fullerton on Tuesday night and started out well but then the wheels fell off. The Cards did some very nice things in the first quarter and then I don't know if they got tired playing two nights in a row or what but the shots did not fall, defensive effort went down, and many turnovers followed. The young Cards have one more game this coming Monday at O'Neill for a 6 o'clock start.

| Score:    | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Final |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| Fullerton | 15              | 11              | 11              | 5               | 42    |
| BCNG      | 12              | 0               | 4               | 3               | 20    |

Scorers: Ryan Kramer 4, Shannon Samuels 5, Seth Wright 2, Zane Niemann 2, Bryce Kennedy 7

## Boys Junior Varsity Cardinals

By Matt Rudloff



The 2015-16 boys Junior Varsity team is having a very successful year so far. Our record stands at 10-4 with the following games having been played:

|                    |   |       |
|--------------------|---|-------|
| Hartington CC      | L | 35-42 |
| @ Lakeview         | W | 50-43 |
| Central City       | W | 68-45 |
| @ Pierce           | W | 40-31 |
| @ Twin River       | W | 50-44 |
| @ Norfolk Catholic | L | 52-63 |
| Wayne              | W | 53-52 |
| @ O'Neill          | W | 50-48 |
| Stanton            | W | 49-41 |
| @ GACC             | L | 73-74 |
| Scotus             | L | 32-66 |
| @ Ord              | W | 63-47 |
| Battle Creek       | W | 38-29 |
| Northwest          | W | 54-49 |

The JV Cardinals have two games remaining in their schedule. They will play Ainsworth on Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> and Crofton on Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup>. We hope to finish the year strong with two more wins.

Players on Junior Varsity include: Derrek Stuhr, Tanner Schafer, Dalton Wagner, Cody Nelson, Caden Ranslem, Michael Murcek, Tyler Shriver, Jessie Sullivan, Logan Kohl, Todd Berger, Matt Schmitz, Carter Henry, Weston Choat, Will Frey, and Brenden Beiermen.



## Campbell Soup Labels for Education

The 2015-2016 school year will be the last year for this program. The program is being discontinued after 42 years of support to many schools. We would like to encourage you to please be sure and send in any labels you may have been collecting before the end of the school year.

The school has benefited greatly over the many years with support of the community to get items for the students to embellish our curriculum and programs.

## Students of the Month



K-6 Student of the Month for January is sponsored by the City Café. Isabella Santarosa is a first grader and the daughter of Eric and Claudia Santarosa. Isabella is a polite, and caring student. She works very hard on her academics, and is friendly and helpful to others.

Kevin Haase is a fifth grader and the son of Tom and Nancy Haase. He is respectful of his teachers and peers, and he always tries his best.

7-12 Student of the Month is sponsored by Bank of Newman Grove and Gerhart Insurance. Riley Montoya was nominated by Mrs. Texley (Music). He is a sophomore and the son of José and Amy Montoya. He is an outstanding young man. He is quiet but stands up for what he knows is right. He is always willing to give a helping hand when needed. He enjoys being in band and doesn't let it bother him that others might think it is uncool. He knows he has had many "cool" opportunities to represent our school and community by being in band.

Courtney Fowlkes was nominated by Mr. Vandenberg (English). She is a seventh grader and the daughter of David and Brenda Fowlkes. She has been a model student in English as she most often leads the class in discussions. She always completes her work on time and works even harder to make sure other students do as well.







## Varsity Girls Basketball

By Andy Imus



### BCNG vs Scotus

The bottom line is we shot 9-56 (16%) from the field. We had some decent looks, but we just could not get a shot to fall. We've got to continue to play with confidence on the offensive end. Defensively, we gave up offensive rebounds and we need to tighten up our transition defense. Good effort on defensive end. Columbus Scotus came away with a 57-21 win.

### BCNG vs Ord

Shot 8-43 (18%) vs Ord. Lack of ball movement hurt us at times offensively. When we had good ball movement and reversals we had good looks at the basket. Plagued by turnovers again as we committed 23. That number has not improved throughout the year as we continue to not value the ball and lack sureness. Sometimes it looks as though the girls play and are thinking about not turning it over as opposed to just playing basketball. Again, had good effort on the defensive end and most stuck to their assignment. We have to continue to do the proper things - closeouts, stance, know opponent personnel, and understand our offensive concepts. Ord secured the win 56-23.

### BCNG vs Norfolk Catholic

We had another slow start vs Norfolk Catholic and allowed easy baskets on the defensive end. Our defensive stance was not good, our help side did not rotate like the way we're suppose to, and it felt we were always a step slower on each end of the floor. We gave up offensive rebounds again and that is all an effort deal there so it was disappointing. Offensively we need to regain some confidence in what we are trying to accomplish and not just try to survive and hope we get a shot to fall. We need to develop a more "aggressor" type mindset on each end of the floor and compete on all possessions. Final score was Norfolk Catholic 60 to Boone Central/Newman Grove 29.

### BCNG vs Battle Creek

We had a decent start vs BC as we took a 9-6 first quarter lead. We still had a few defensive breakdowns in terms of our rotations and rebounding. Many of these miscues can be masked by better effort, which we saw in the 4th quarter. Halftime saw the Lady Cards down 19-16 as they could not get their shots to fall. We shot 3/8 FT's in the first half so we left some points out there. Those can be momentum builders or killers as we saw in the second half. The second half saw the Lady Cards outscore BC 26-19 with a strong 4th quarter. We switched to a zone press and zone defense which we became the aggressor and it paid off. We closed out the 4th quarter hitting 6/7 FT's which gave us great momentum. We had 12 offensive rebounds which resulted in 10 points off second chances. We had 6 assists and we shared the ball well offensively. We had much better flow and rhythm which gave us many open looks. A great improvement on the offensive side. Jenna had a huge game with 13 pts and 7 rebounds, Tessa had a double double with 10pts 10 rebounds, Bailey was close with 10pts and 8 rebounds and Esmer had a good second half with 6 pts 6 rebounds. Overall, it was a team effort and I am proud of the way our girls came out and competed all 4 quarters against BC. The Lady Cardinals won the game 42-38.

### BCNG vs Battle Creek

We turned around and played Battle Creek for the play in game of the first round of the Mid States Conference tournament. This was a disappointing game to say the least. Our girls knew we had to come out and be ready to play right away and a 20-8 first quarter deficit proved too much to overcome. We had 18 first half turnovers and 29 for the game which led to transition points or free throws for Battle Creek. We had 18 the night before and Battle Creek upped their defensive pressure and our girls could not handle it. We did not play with confidence or ball sureness and quite frankly, it looked like we were just trying to survive at times. We discussed some things from the game before and we did not apply what we talked about. We did not use any fakes or look off and our passes were too easy to defend. In the second half Battle Creek got at least one, and most of the time two or more offensive rebounds every possession except one. We harp, drill and practice rebounding every day during the week and when it comes game time, the girls don't apply the effort it takes to rebound. Quite frankly, it did not matter who we played in this game because if our rebounding was as poor as it ever was, we would not have won against any team in the state. The back to back games against Battle Creek really signifies our season of inconsistency - we saw a 27 point swing less than 24 hours. We will continue to improve on the details of the game as we near districts. The final score was 61-38 in favor of Battle Creek.

### BCNG vs Grand Island Northwest

We played well at times, again looking for a consistent 4 quarter ball game. When we made them defend us and were patient in our offense, we had good looks at the rim. Defensively, we didn't switch on the actions we were suppose to and they made us pay for it. We need to better communicate, see the ball and player at all times, and have better closeouts - the small things. We also need to minimize their offensive rebounding and take better care of the ball - issues we've talked about all year long. Grand Island Northwest came away with a 53-33 win.



## Newman Grove Speech 2016

By Amanda Teten

The Newman Grove Speech Team is off to an exciting start of our season. We have six students out for speech this year: Abbie Pieke, Payton Nelson, Celine Dunlap, Levi Krueger, Andy King, and Joe O'Brien. Our team has a variety of events in numerous areas. Payton Nelson is doing an Informative speech over *Saving the Monarch Butterflies*. Payton is also doing a Serious Prose piece comparing and contrasting women's roles from 1955 and 2001. Celine Dunlap is doing an Informative speech over poverty and its effect on the world around us. Celine is also doing a Serious Prose piece. Abbie Pieke is doing an Entertainment speech over *Awkward Teenage Years*, talking about the struggles of being a teenager in awkward stages of life. Abbie is also a member of the OID team (Oral Interpretation of Drama). Andy King and Joe O'Brien compete in Duet Acting. Their duet is called *Bun-Gee!*, a piece about two friends who are contemplating making the bun-gee jump off a cliff for a friend's birthday. Andy and Joe are also members of the OID team. Our OID team consists of Abbie Pieke, Levi Krueger, Andy King, and Joe O'Brien. The team's piece is called *Sisters in Spirit*, a script about a group of female friends, who hear frightening sounds in an abandoned house (or so they think). Overall, the team is off to a great start. District speech will be held in Hartington on Wednesday, March 16, 2016. We look forward to the rest of our season. It has been an absolute blast working with these students, and their outgoing sense of humor!



## Science

By Danielle Amen



Hard to believe February is upon us already and spring is just around the corner. Currently our Independent Science Researchers (ISR) are working hard on completing their projects and are preparing for the upcoming science fairs in March and April. ISR is such a rewarding program students may choose to take part in. I have truly enjoyed the large number of students who are not afraid to get their hands dirty, work hard, and dig deeper to find the answer to questions they have about how the world works around them. Stay tuned for a future article and see how our students competed at their upcoming contests!

The other large project the Science and Ag department currently have underway is the Monarch Project. Students are preparing for our next batch of monarch larva to arrive by planting tropical and swamp milkweed as well as native flowers to create butterfly gardens. Watching the full life cycle of the Monarch butterflies in our greenhouse and the beautiful transformation that took place was something almost every student at Newman Grove Public Schools got to see last fall. With the new batch coming soon we can't wait to watch the whole process again. If you are interested in purchasing your own butterfly garden contact the school and we will get one ready for you.

## PTO News

Thank you to everyone who participated in our SchoolMall fundraiser!



The online shopping option is still available, and our school receives a portion of all purchases. Just go to [www.SchoolMall.com](http://www.SchoolMall.com), select Newman Grove Schools, and shop! Over 400 popular merchants to choose from!



## Alumni Basketball Tournament

March 18-20th

Brackets and Concessions will be posted in next month's newsletter. Please plan to attend.

## Post Prom Parent Meeting

Thursday, March 3rd

at 7:00 PM

in the FCS Room





# Bluejay Foundation

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## 2015 Annual Summary

### 2015 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

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Bluejay Foundation Scholarships
Jason Bollig —\$500
Marcela Estrada —\$500
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Jennevie (Froistad) O'Reilly Scholarship  
Emily Strong —\$400  
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Muller Family Scholarship
Marcela Estrada —\$1,000
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Pauline Engelka Scholarship  
Andrea Lloyd —\$400  
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Randy Benson, Jr. Memorial Scholarship
Sadie Wallin —\$400
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Clarence & DeLoris Nelson Scholarship  
Parker Wallin —\$1,000  
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Gearhart/Foundation/NECC Scholarship
Marcela Estrada —\$600
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"Buddy" & Delores Gustafson  
Family Scholarship  
Mariely Estrada —\$500  
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Matthew London Memorial Scholarship
Andrea Lloyd —\$400
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Bluejay/Community Foundation  
Career Scholarship  
Emily Strong —\$1,000  
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Senator Tom Kennedy Memorial Sch
Sadie Wallin —\$1,000
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Qualset Family Ag Scholarship  
Andrea Lloyd —\$500  
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Donavon/Ruth Nelson Family
Science Education Scholarship
Mariely Estrada —\$500
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Dr. Kenneth and Caroline McDonald Eng  
Foundation  
Mariely Estrada —\$3,000  
Parker Wallin —\$3,000  
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Newman Grove Senior Center Scholarship
Andrea Lloyd —\$500
Sadie Wallin —\$500
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R. Craig Nelsen Memorial Scholarship  
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### 2015 MEMORIALS

The Bluejay Foundation Board of Directors gratefully acknowledges gifts given in memory of the following:

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| Ruth Warren                  | Clarence Wojcik |
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### HISTORY BLUEJAY FOUNDATION

The Bluejay Foundation was established in January, 1991 as a non-profit, tax exempt corporation.

The Foundation's goal is to provide a source for scholarships and other educational programs above and beyond those provided by the regular tax-supported academic programs of Newman Grove Schools.

### OTHER GIFTS

Newman Grove Community Club  
(honoring deceased members)

Donations/Memorials to the  
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### FUNDS SPENT

Scholarship Payments: \$18,400.00  
College Tuition/Books: \$208.34  
Alumni Banquet (waitress staff): \$120.00  
Advertising/Printing: \$43.88  
State of Nebraska (filing fee): \$23.00  
Greenhouse: \$22,200.00  
(Bock Estate: \$22,000; Other Donation: \$200)

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# MARCH 2016

| Sun                                                                                                                                                 | Mon                                                                                          | Tue                                                                                                                                            | Wed                                                                                            | Thur                                                                                                                    | Fri                                                                                                                                                                                           | Sat                                                                                                                                                   |
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|                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                              | 1<br>7:15 AM CILT Mtg<br>9:00 AM FFA: Dist CDE Contest @ CCC<br>6:30 PM Play Practice<br>6:30 PM Adult Computer Class (Google)                 | 2<br>7:00 AM Speech Practice<br>7:00 AM Play Practice<br>6:30 PM City Rec BB League            | 3<br>TBD GBB: State Tourney (Lincoln)<br>7:00 PM Post-Prom Parent Mtg (FCS Rm)                                          | 4<br>ACT Reg Deadline<br>Junior Class Mtg (lunch)<br>TBD GBB: State Tourney (Lincoln)<br>7:00 AM Speech Practice<br>7:00 AM Play Practice                                                     | 5<br>TBD GBB: State Tourney (Lincoln)                                                                                                                 |
| 6                                                                                                                                                   | 7<br>8:00 AM Wayne State Rep<br>8:45 AM 9th Grade Career Day (NECC)<br>6:30 PM Play Practice | 8<br>7:40 AM Nt'l Honor Society Mtg<br>6:30 PM Art Room in Use (Girl Scouts)<br>6:30 PM Play Practice<br>6:30 PM Adult Computer Class (Google) | 9<br>FFA Ag Day<br>Lunch Bonanza<br>7:00 AM Play Practice<br>6:30 PM City Rec BB League        | 10<br>TBD BBB: State Tourney (Lincoln)<br>7:00 PM FFA Lock-in                                                           | 11<br>End of 3rd Qtr<br>No School PK-12<br>TBD BBB: State Tourney (Lincoln)                                                                                                                   | 12<br>TBD BBB: State Tourney (Lincoln)                                                                                                                |
| 13<br>Daylight Savings Time Ends (set clocks ahead 1 hour)<br>NRCSA Conference (17-18)<br>District Speech Week (12-17)<br>7:00 PM Auditorium in Use | 14<br>JB Test Prep Begins<br>7:30 PM Spring Play<br>8:30 PM Board of Ed Mtg                  | 15<br>FBLA Mtg (lunch)<br>6:30 PM Adult Computer Class (Google)                                                                                | 16<br>District Speech @ Hartington<br>No Preschool (conferences)<br>6:30 PM City Rec BB League | 17<br>St. Patrick's Day<br>No Preschool (conferences)<br>St Council Mtg (lunch)<br>4:00 PM Pre-Brainard Contest Recital | 18<br>No Preschool (conferences)<br>FFA Conf (Kearney)<br>Spring Sports Rally<br>Alumni B-Ball Tourney<br>Junior Class Mtg (lunch)<br>Sr Careers/Class Mtg (Per 2)<br>1:30 PM K-6 Talent Show | 19<br>FFA Conf (Kearney)<br>GNSEF Science Fair (NE City)<br>Brainard Music Contest<br>Class D All-State Honor Band (Kearney)<br>Alumni B-Ball Tourney |
| 20<br>NeSA Tests (RMS/AA) (Mar 21-Apr 29)<br>GNSEF Science Fair (NE City)<br>Alumni B-Ball Tourney                                                  | 21<br>7:00 PM FFA Meeting<br>7:00 PM PTO Meeting (FCS Room)                                  | 22<br>8th Grade Science Meet (Norfolk)<br>5:30 PM Preschool Family Activity<br>6:30 PM Adult Computer Class (Google)                           | 23                                                                                             | 24<br>Speech: State Contest                                                                                             | 25<br>No School PK-12<br>Good Friday                                                                                                                                                          | 26                                                                                                                                                    |
| 27<br>Easter                                                                                                                                        | 28<br>No School PK-12                                                                        | 29<br>Nt'l Honor Society Mtg/Installation Practice (lunch)<br>3:30 PM TR: Madison Triangular (A)                                               | 30<br>8:00 AM NECC Scholastic Contest                                                          | 31                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                       |



# NEWMAN GROVE SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

(milk served with each meal; salad bar or fruit bowl available to 7-12 students)

| MONDAY                                                                            | TUESDAY                                                                                                                                          | WEDNESDAY                                                                                                                                                       | THURSDAY                                                                                                                                                                        | FRIDAY                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                    |
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|  | <b>March 1</b><br>WG Cinnamon Roll<br>Yogurt Cup/Juice<br><u>Strawberries/Milk</u><br>Taco Soup<br>Grilled Chz Sandwich<br>Peas/Pears<br>Milk    | <b>March 2</b><br>Egg & Cheese Biscuit<br>Grapes<br><u>Juice/Milk</u><br>Breaded Pork Patty<br>Mashed Potatoes/Gravy<br>Mandarin Oranges<br>WG Dinner Roll/Milk | <b>March 3</b><br>Blueberry Muffin<br>Apple<br><u>Juice/Milk</u><br>Ham & Chz Sandwich<br>Baked Beans<br>Chocolate Chip Cookie<br>Fruit Slushy/Milk                             | <b>March 4</b><br>French Toast Sticks<br>Orange<br><u>Juice/Milk</u><br>Pancakes<br>Egg Patty<br>Tri Taters<br>Peaches/Milk                                        |                                                                                                                    |
|                                                                                   | <b>March 7</b><br>Pancake Wrap<br>Banana<br><u>Juice/Milk</u><br>Beef Hot Dog<br>Baked Beans<br>Mandarin Oranges<br>Milk                         | <b>March 8</b><br>Mini Strawberry Bagel<br>Apple<br><u>Juice/Milk</u><br>Beef Brisket<br>Mashed Potatoes/Gravy<br>Fruit Slushy<br>WG Dinner Roll/Milk           | <b>March 9</b><br>Breakfast Pizza<br>Grapes<br><u>Juice/Milk</u><br>Vendor Bonanza<br>Milk                                                                                      | <b>March 10</b><br>Crunch Granola Cluster<br>Yogurt Cup<br><u>Juice/Milk</u><br>Chili Soup<br>Steamed Broccoli<br>WG Cinnamon Roll<br>Milk                         | <b>March 11</b><br><br><i>NO SCHOOL</i>                                                                            |
|                                                                                   | <b>March 14</b><br>Western Omelet<br>Banana<br><u>Juice/Milk</u><br>Chicken Noodle Soup<br>Steamed Carrots<br>Mixed Fruit<br>WG Bread Slice/Milk | <b>March 15</b><br>WG Cold Cereal<br>Bug Bites/Grapes<br><u>Juice/Milk</u><br>Smokey Meatballs<br>Mac & Cheese/Corn<br>Mandarin Oranges<br>Bosco Stick/Milk     | <b>March 16</b><br>Fold & Go Breakfast<br>Strawberries<br><u>Juice/Milk</u><br>Pork Carnita Tacos/Peas<br>Refried Beans/Pears<br>Oatmeal Raisin Cookie<br>Black Bean Salsa/Milk | <b>March 17</b><br>Cinnamon Toast<br>Crunch Cereal Bar<br><u>Kiwi/Juice/Milk</u><br>Chicken Strips<br>Mashed Potatoes/Gravy<br>WG Dinner Roll<br>Fruit Slushy/Milk | <b>March 18</b><br>Breakfast Bagel<br>Apple<br><u>Juice/Milk</u><br>Cheese Pizza<br>Green Beans<br>Peaches<br>Milk |
|                                                                                   | <b>March 21</b><br>Egg & Cheese Croissant<br>Banana<br><u>Juice/Milk</u><br>Chicken Nuggets<br>Potato Wedges<br>WG Garlic Bread<br>Pears/Milk    | <b>March 22</b><br>Frudel Wrap<br>Apple<br><u>Juice/Milk</u><br>Cheeseburger<br>Sweet Potato Fries<br>Baked Beans/Cake<br>Fruit Slushy/Milk                     | <b>March 23</b><br>Breakfast Flatbread<br>Grapes<br><u>Juice/Milk</u><br>Chicken Alfredo<br>Green Beans<br>Mandarin Oranges<br>Bosco Stick/Milk                                 | <b>March 24</b><br>Banana Muffin<br>Strawberries/Juice<br><u>Yogurt Cup/Milk</u><br>Flying Saucers<br>Steamed Carrots<br>WG Dinner Roll<br>Applesauce/Milk         | <b>March 25</b><br><br><i>NO SCHOOL</i>                                                                            |
|                                                                                   | <b>March 28</b><br><br><i>NO SCHOOL</i>                                                                                                          | <b>March 29</b><br>Strawberry Poptart<br>Yogurt Cup<br><u>Juice/Milk</u><br>Burrito/Fruit Cocktail<br>Chuckwagon Corn<br>Double Choc Cookie<br>Milk             | <b>March 30</b><br>Breakfast Wrap<br>Grapes<br><u>Juice/Milk</u><br>Tater Tot Casserole<br>Green Beans<br>Mandarin Oranges<br>WG Dinner Roll/Milk                               | <b>March 31</b><br>WG Long John<br>Kiwi<br><u>Juice/Milk</u><br>Philly Steak &<br>Cheese Sandwich<br>Sun Chips/Baked Beans<br>Fruit Slushy/Milk                    |                               |

(menus are subject to change without notice)



# Winter Homecoming 2016



Royalty Court pictured are back row (l-r): Hannah Haase, Bridgette Borgheiinck, Celine Dunlap, Savannah Wiese, Crystal Salinas, King Steven Arreguin, Nolan Wondercheck, Andy King, Will Dyer, Alex Robak and Jacob Potmesil. Front row: Payton Fehringer, Queen Destiny Johnson, Beckett Jorgensen.

The Winter Homecoming ceremony was held on Saturday evening, January 23rd at 7:30 p.m. The evening began with freshmen through senior classes proceeding in by introduction with a spot light for the crowd to see and applaud with the introduction of the royal court soon following.

Destiny Johnson, daughter of Ben & Vicki Johnson and Steven Arreguin, son of Maria Arreguin, were selected as homecoming Queen and King. This year's maid of honor was Crystal Salinas, daughter of Fidel & Maximina Salinas. Nolan Wondercheck, son of Zane & Teresa Wondercheck, was selected as the king's attendant.

Other royalty candidates included Celine Dunlap, daughter of Bryan & Shelley Dunlap; Savannah Wiese, daughter of Alan Wiese and Doni Armagost; Will Dyer, son of Clint Dyer and Pete & Jessica Matson; and Andy King, son of Steve & Betty King.

Carpet rollers were Jacob Potmesil, son of Todd & Jeri Potmesil, and Alex Robak, son of Brad & Tami Robak. Candle lighters were Bridgette Borgheiinck, daughter of Richard & Arlene Borgheiinck, and Hannah Haase, daughter of Tom & Nancy Haase. The flower girl was Payton Fehringer, daughter of Chad & Kari Fehringer. The crown bearer was Beckett Jorgensen, son of Tyson & Ginger Jorgensen.

## MISSION STATEMENT

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