

Bluejay Bulletin

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NG/SE Cross Country

By Melissa McIntosh

Districts @ Ainsworth

On Thursday, October 16th the Panther Cross Country team headed to Ainsworth for the District D3 meet held at the Ainsworth Golf Course. The weather threatened to postpone the races but they managed to sneak in both races between storms. Unfortunately, this is where the season ends for most of the runners, but they ended on a high note with everyone's last time a personal record.

Senior Elise Witchell finished her last race in 30:21 for a 43rd place finish out of 46 girls. This was a personal record by 1:10, a season best by 2:26, and a course best by 7:03.

For the boys, freshman Isaiah Ketelsen finished in 68th out of 72 runners in 23:30. This was a personal best time by 1:16. Sophomore Zaiden Heusman finished in 50th with a new personal best of 21:10. This was 1:05 faster than his previous best time. Freshman Riley Steensnes finished in 41st for a 6 second personal record of 20:22. Junior Noah Ketelsen finished in 27th in a new personal best time of 19:31. This was 34 seconds faster than his old personal record and a course best time by 2:23. Senior Micah Cuevas finished in 4th place earning himself a medal and trip to the state meet. His time was 17:49. A course best time by 1:25. The boys finished in 6th place out of 14 teams with 67 points. Micah is pictured to the right with his 4th place medal.

State Meet @ Kearney

Micah Cuevas competed at the state meet held at the Kearney County Club in Kearney on Friday, October 24. After a recall and then a 5 minute delayed start, Micah finished 30th out of 131 runners in 17:33.1. This was a PR by 2 hundredths of a second, a season best by 3 seconds, and a course best by 42.8 seconds. Way to end the season on a top note!



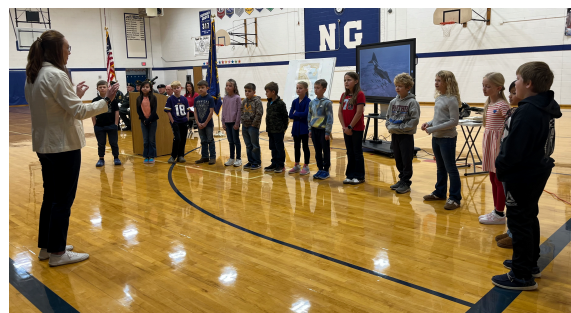
Veteran's Day

Newman Grove School hosted it's Veteran's program on Tuesday, November 11th. The speaker was Barry Harper. He was born October 30, 1946 in Long Beach, CA. His family moved to Nebraska in 1950. He graduated from Battle Creek High School in 1965. He is a 1969 graduate of UNL. He joined the United States Air Force in 1969. After flight training completion, he was assigned to fly an Air Force F-4 aircraft. He served in California, New Mexico, Thailand, North Dakota, Kansas and Oregon until 1991. Barry moved to Newman Grove in May 1995. He has two children and three grandchildren who live in Michigan and Texas.

Barry talked about his time flying and the areas he had to bomb during the Vietnam war. He had slides, maps and other items to show which gave details of the aircraft and the locations he flew over.

The program ended with the third grade class singing "American Song" created by John Jacobson and the retiring of the colors by American Legion Post #73.

Pictured at top right is Barry Harper. Bottom is the third grade class. Top of next page is the veterans in attendance-back row (l-r): Pete Matson, Ed Kramer, Bill Hoppe, Grady Higgins, John Wyant, Don Wyant, Dan Morris. 4th row: Dave Sloderbeck, Kenny Potmesil, Gene Albracht. 3rd row: Ken Nelson, Ray Herbert, Ralph Pieke, Loren Stone, John Kaufman, Harvey Young, Larry Carpenter. 2nd Row: Tom Larson, Bill Studnicka, Merle Stone, Ken Stone, Duane Chilson, Charlie Flood. Front row: Ivan Herchenbach, Barry Harper, Ray Flood, Charlie Borg, Dennis Fowlkes, Verdell Nelson.









November – We Are Thankful!

November is here, and we are so thankful for our students, staff, parents, and community members. When we work together, the kids win! ❤️ Our calendars are full, and there is so much to be grateful for this fall. Students are making wonderful memories through classroom experiences, activities, and sports. Be sure to check the school calendar for upcoming events, and take time over the holidays to enjoy family and friends — those moments are a true blessing! ✨

Veterans Day Program

We had a wonderful turnout for our Veterans Day Program — thank you to everyone who attended! A heartfelt thank-you to Donna Schroeter for organizing the event and to Barry Harper for serving as our guest speaker. Your dedication helped make the ceremony meaningful and memorable for our students and community. ❤️💙

A Few School Reminders

- ♦  The weather is changing — please send students with warm coats, hats, and gloves!
- ♦  1st Semester ends December 23, 2025
- ♦  Students are working hard and are proud to share what they've learned.
- ♦  Keep asking your child about their classroom experiences — they love to share their learning!

💙 Thank You for Your Support!

Educationally,

Mrs. Forre





Board of Education Meeting November 10, 2025

- The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.
- All members were present. Others in attendance: Superintendent Warren, Principal Forre, Assistant Principal Sauser, Christie Wallin, Donna Schroeter, Jayden Benson, Madysen Wiese and Serenity Strong.
- The Open Meetings Act was posted in the room in accordance with the law.
- The agenda was approved as published.
- Approved the minutes of the October 14, 2025 Regular Board Meeting.
- The next meeting of the Newman Grove Public Schools Board of Education will be on Monday, December 8, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.
- Mr. Warren presented Mr. McCloud's Activities Director's report to the board
- Principal Forre presented her report to the board, which included: Veteran's Day Program; Math Game Night; Winter Practice Begins-November 17th; Muffins in the Morning-hosted by PTO on November 18th @ 7:15 am; Testing; K-12 Winter Concert-December 22nd @ 7:00 p.m.
- Mr. Warren presented his superintendent's report to the board, which included: Staff/Board Christmas Party-December 6th @ 6:00 p.m.; Guest Speaker-Travis Pieper-December 17th @ 10:00 a.m.; Used bus purchased from Humphrey Public Schools-Love Signs to add lettering; Negotiations; Football Field shed; Superintendent Evaluation.
- Approved the 2024-2025 audit.
- Approved the sale of the 2008 mini van and 2001 school bus.
- Approved gym and cafeteria air conditioning (with no duct work at this time), as per quote presented, to be paid out of the depreciation fund.
- Accepted the Treasurer's Report as presented.
- Approved the payment of claims totaling \$351,230.11 (General Fund); \$1,107.16 (Depreciation Fund); \$1,317.96 (Building Fund), and \$117,362.51 (Bond Fund).
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Special Board of Education Meeting November 10, 2025



- The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.
- All members were present. Others in attendance: Superintendent Warren, Principal Forre, Assistant Principal Sauser, Christie Wallin, Bobbi Pettit, Jordan Wong, Dave Johnson, Tom Bagley, Daryl Guthard and Tom Temme.
- The Open Meetings Act was posted in the room in accordance with the law.
- The agenda was approved as published.
- The meeting was led by Bobbi Pettit from Five Rule Rural Planning. Open discussion on ideas for a community shared space was had between the school board, Mayor Dave Johnson, City Councilman, Tom Bagley, and Economic Development President Tom Temme and Daryl Guthard. The group plans to meet again in January.
- The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.



Trick or Treating Food Drive



Several of the FFA, NHS, and FBLA members worked together to collect 367.2 lbs. of food for our community food pantry!

A huge thank you to the amazing Newman Grove community for your generosity and support. Together, we make a difference!





Boone County Industry Day



The Newman Grove junior class attended the Boone County Industry Day, where they had the opportunity to explore a variety of career options. Local businesses provided hands-on experiences to help students learn more about different career fields. Students also enjoyed hearing from guest speaker Lamarr Womble, who shared an inspiring message about how to be a legendary leader!



2025-2026 First Quarter Honor Roll



High Distinction (All A-4.0): 12th Grade-Summer McKinzie, Kailey Patzel, Serenity Strong. 9th Grade-Elia Jarecki. 8th Grade-Ana Hernandez Franco, Eddan Sauser. 7th Grade-Everett Nelson.

Distinction (Average Greater than or equal to 3.50): 12th Grade-Rafael da Silva Dantas Owen Kaufman, Keira Voelker, Aubree Whitaker, Elise Witchell. 11th Grade-Jayden Benson, Allyx Forre, Andrew Matson, Isaac Meyer. 10th Grade-Joseph Berney, Samantha Bledsoe, Korben Donner, Payton Fehringer, Beckett Jorgensen, Oliver Kaufman, Macy Kerres, Brylee Patzel, Connor Rawson. 9th Grade-Ariyana Potmesil. 8th Grade-Jace Forre, Paisley Fritz, Natasha Nelson, Sydney Patzel. 7th Grade-Ali Chilson, Jovie Fritz, Elizabeth Meyer, Hazel Weier.

Honors (Average Greater than or equal to 3.00): 12th Grade-Micah Cuevas, William Fyfe, Keoni Loyd, Anaylen Morales, Jadyn Temme. 11th Grade-Ethan Donner, Piper Jarecki, Dylan Luetkenhaus, Preston Rawson, Madysen Wiese. 10th Grade-Evan Duhachek, Fancy Forkner. 9th Grade-Bayonna Ashby, Savannah Douglas, Ashanti Enriquez, Griffin Nelson, Hunter Standley. 8th Grade-Brooklyn Benson, Pierce Fehringer, Owen Flood, Kelton Jorgensen, Lucy Kaufman, Cali Kerres, Tyler Luetkenhaus, McKinley Marker-Brezina, Mercedes Summers, Cash Sweeter, Morely Warren, Whitney Whitaker. 7th Grade-Sophia Guthard, James Matson, Sutton Scott.



Fall into Learning: Kindergarten Happenings

By: Miss Meghan



We are in full swing in the kindergarten classroom and man, we are learning a lot. We have 17 kiddos this year with 12 boys and 5 girls. We have been working hard and are gearing up for winter. In math we are learning numbers to 100, writing them, counting and identifying them. We will begin adding and subtracting soon. This is always a lot of fun!

In reading, we are working on letter names and sounds, as well as blending CVC words, segmenting CVC words, and working on beginning, middle and ending sounds. We have been reading a lot of different stories, including fantasy, fiction and informational text. We are also hard at work learning how to write. We are still concentrating on learning how to write letters correctly which will help us become better story writers. We also did a whole unit on illustrations and using shapes to illustrate our stories. You should see the amazing illustrations we can do!

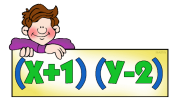
Also, we have had some fun outside the classroom. Earlier this year, we visited Olson Nature Preserve and went on a nature hike. We were excited to see milkweed growing as we will be studying the monarch caterpillar in science later this year. We also got to ride on the firetruck and in the ambulance for Fire Safety Week. Thank you to the Newman Grove Fire Department and Rescue Squad.

We are excited to see what this year will bring us! We will begin AR soon and before long, we will all be reading up a storm. Addition and subtraction will become an easy skill and we will be knowledgeable in the needs of plants and animals. Every day in kindergarten is a new adventure—and the best is yet to come!



Think It, Solve It, Love It: Math 4-7

By Amanda Redler



It's been a busy and exciting start to the school year in our math classes! Each grade level has been working hard to build new skills, tackle challenges, and grow as confident problem solvers.

4th Grade

Our fourth graders have been deepening their understanding of place value and taking on one of the biggest math adventures of the year—multiplying multi-digit numbers! We've been exploring several strategies to make sense of multiplication, including the standard algorithm, the box method, and the lattice method. Students are discovering that there's more than one way to solve a problem and are gaining confidence as they choose the method that works best for them.

5th Grade

In fifth grade, we started the year by learning different ways to multiply decimals. Now, as we have moved into Quarter 2, our focus has shifted to long division. Students are learning to use compatible numbers and estimation to check their work and make sense of each step in the process. These strategies are helping them become more flexible and accurate thinkers.

6th Grade

Our sixth graders have been diving into the world of algebra! They've been learning how to write and evaluate algebraic expressions, as well as use substitution to solve equations and inequalities. I've also been challenging them with some advanced topics they'll see next year—helping them stretch their thinking and build confidence for what's ahead.

7th Grade

Seventh grade has packed a lot into the first quarter! We began by reviewing operations with positive and negative numbers, then focused on proportional relationships and percent problems. Now, in Quarter 2, students are working on generating equivalent expressions, using what they know about algebra to simplify and solve problems more efficiently.

W.I.N. Time

I'm also fortunate to work with our fifth and sixth graders during W.I.N. Time ("What I Need" time). This special part of our schedule allows us to focus on each student's individual needs—whether that means slowing down to review a tricky concept or previewing new material they'll encounter later in the year. It's been a wonderful way to support growth and build confidence in math!

I'm so proud of the effort, curiosity, and determination each student has shown so far this year. We're off to a great start, and I can't wait to see all the progress they'll continue to make!





SkillsUSA Mid-America Leadership Conference

Congratulations to SkillsUSA Mid-America

- Statesman Award:
 - Keira Voelker
 - Kellan Morris
 - Isaac Meyer
 - Austin Schulz
- Chapter Model of Excellence:
 - Kellan Morris
 - Isaac Meyer
- Gold Chapter of Excellence:
 - Keira Voelker
- Honorable Chapter of Excellence:
 - Austin Schulz
- Chapter Notebook: second place, and Opening & Closing Ceremonies: first place
 - Keira Voelker
- Extemporaneous Speaking: first place
 - Isaac Meyer
- Extemporaneous Speaking: second place
 - Austin Schulz
- Chapter Business Procedure: second place
 - Kellan Morris



Maniac Manor One Act Play 2025

There is mayhem and mischief happening in this year's One Act play production. Get ready to laugh until you drop (not literally, though), as our cast and crew put on a comedic, murder mystery. The play is set in the Buffington Manor, where two amateur detectives are trying to figure out who murdered Mr. Buffington. There is a house full of suspects who are interrogated and give some exaggerated testimonies.

We have a cast of 12 characters, and 4 crew members. The students have been hard at work; memorizing their lines, getting into their character, and getting the stage ready for performance.

Our performances are the following:

November 15, 2025: Oakland-Craig Invite - Perform @10:30

November 25, 2025: Conference @ Central City

December 3, 2025: Districts @ Wheeler Central Schools, Bartlett

We are still trying to decide when we would like to host our community night, so be on the lookout for that date in the near future!

Coaches- Sarah Nelson and Tina Sauser



Early Dismissal No School Days



November 26th-28th
(Thanksgiving Break)

PK-12 No School

December 23rd

KG-12 1pm Dismissal

December 24th-
January 5th
(Winter Vacation)

PK-12 No School



Raise Money for the NG PTO

The NGPTO would like to invite you to participate in "The Save-A-Label" program which helps non-profit organizations raise money. Just save the labels of Best Choice products and our group will earn \$.03 for each Best Choice UPC symbol redeemed. Thank you for your support!!



Diabetes



Diabetes mellitus refers to a group of diseases that affect how the body uses blood sugar (glucose). Glucose is an important source of energy for the cells that make up the muscles and tissues. It's also the brain's main source of fuel.

Chronic diabetes conditions include type 1 diabetes and type 2 diabetes. Potentially reversible diabetes conditions include pre-diabetes and gestational diabetes. Pre-diabetes happens when blood sugar levels are higher than normal. But the blood sugar levels aren't high enough to be called diabetes. And pre-diabetes can lead to diabetes unless steps are taken to prevent it.

Diabetes symptoms depend on how high your blood sugar is. Some people, especially if they have pre-diabetes, gestational diabetes or type 2 diabetes, may not have symptoms. In type 1 diabetes, symptoms tend to come on quickly and be more severe. Some of the symptoms of type 1 diabetes and type 2 diabetes are: Feeling more thirsty than usual; Urinating often; Losing weight without trying; Presence of ketones in the urine. Ketones are a byproduct of the breakdown of muscle and fat that happens when there's not enough available insulin; Feeling tired and weak; Feeling irritable or having other mood changes; Having blurry vision; Having slow-healing sores; Getting a lot of infections, such as gum, skin and vaginal infections. See your health care provider if you notice any of these symptoms.

Type 1 diabetes can start at any age. But it often starts during childhood or teen years. Type 2 diabetes, the more common type, can develop at any age. Type 2 diabetes is more common in people older than 40. But type 2 diabetes in children is increasing.

Type 1 diabetes can't be prevented. But the healthy lifestyle choices that help treat pre-diabetes, type 2 diabetes and gestational diabetes can also help prevent them: **Eat healthy foods.** Choose foods lower in fat and calories and higher in fiber. Focus on fruits, vegetables and whole grains. **Get more physical activity.** Try to get about 30 minutes of moderate aerobic activity on most days of the week. **Lose excess pounds.** If you're overweight, losing even 7% of your body weight can lower the risk of diabetes.

Source: [mayoclinic.org](https://www.mayoclinic.org)

Mrs. Wondercheck RN

ESU 8 School Nurse





Social Studies

By Mr. McCloud

1st Period - Social Studies 7 - 17 7th graders - In all my classes we watch CNN 10/ World A to Z every morning at the beginning of class. I have them write a short 3-5 sentences about a topic seen in the material. The students in seventh grade are learning about the three branches of government. We are currently learning about the Legislative Branch and how they turn bills into laws.

2nd Period - American Government - 14 Seniors - The students are looking at key details about the Legislative Branch. We are investigating the different jobs that Congress has, and the ways they work with other branches to benefit Americans.

3rd Period - American History - 14 Juniors - The students are currently learning about the United States Constitution and key details about it. We are looking at the structure of this document, and how it sets up the government to benefit all American citizens.

4th Period - Social Studies 8 - 27 8th Graders - The eighth grade class is currently finishing up a lesson about the American Revolution. We did a project showing the different locations of important battles, and key figures that helped the Patriots win the war.

5th Period - Strength and Conditioning - 16 Students - The students in strength and conditioning spend every day working to get stronger, faster, and more conditioned. We work out 3 days a week in the weight room, do gym day on Thursdays, and then do a yoga session on Tuesdays.

7th Period - World History - 15 Freshmen - This World History class is focusing on Ancient Greece. We are learning about key details with Sparta and Athens, and how they led to the democracy style government still in use today around the world.



THE MAGIC OF WINTER

2025 Winter Music Program



December 22 7:00 PM School Gym

Family Math Night

Tuesday, November 11th we hosted our Family Math Night. The children seemed to really enjoy themselves solving many types of math problems. Below are a couple of pictures. More will be in next month.





Dylan Luetkenhaus
TREASURER | JUNIOR

FFA "WORD" OF THE YEAR
ACCOUNTABILITY

FAVORITE AG CLASS

Welding/Ag Mechanics

FFA ACTIVITIES & CONTESTS

Natural Resources, Livestock
Judging, Land Judging, Ag Demo,
Welding

BIGGEST FFA ACCOMPLISHMENT

Placing 12th at State in Livestock
Judging

WHAT IS AN FFA EVENT YOU'VE NEVER DONE BUT HAVE ALWAYS WANTED TO TRY?

Ag Mechanics

FAVORITE FFA MEMORY

Going on late-night ice cream
runs during State Convention



FFA Livestock Judging Contest



Our teams represented Newman Grove FFA well at District Livestock Judging!

Senior Team – 11th place

- Kailey Patzel – 13th
- Allyx Forre – 55th
- Dylan Luetkenhaus – 73rd
- Zane Potter – 74th
- Rafael da Silva Dantas – 80th

Junior Team – 14th place

- Brylee Patzel – 3rd
- Joseph Berney – 62nd
- Evan Duhachek – 70th
- Oliver Kaufman – 101st
- Griffin Nelson – 108th

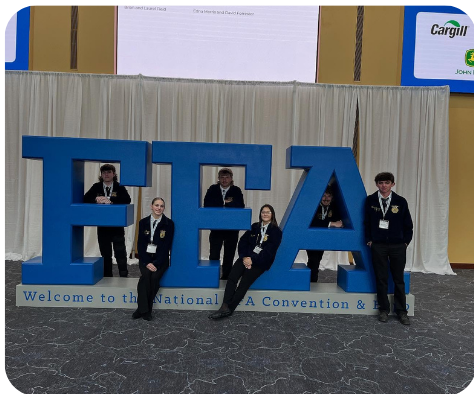
Junior High Team - 3rd Place

- Ana Hernandez – 3rd
- Dacyn Patzel – 14th
- Tyler Luetkenhaus – 19th
- Cash Sweeter – 22nd
- Sydney Patzel – 57th
- Jace Forre – 59th
- Owen Flood – 67th
- Everett Nelson – 84th



NEWMAN GROVE FFA NOVEMBER UPDATES

NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION



SIX NEWMAN GROVE FFA MEMBERS PACKED THEIR BAGS AND HIT THE ROAD TO INDIANAPOLIS FOR THE 98TH NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION & EXPO!

DAY 1: LOTS OF BUS TIME AND AN ERNEST & ELLA LANGLEY CONCERT TO KICK THINGS OFF!

DAY 2: OPENING SESSION WITH KEYNOTE SPEAKER A'RIC JACKSON, CAREER EXPO, PREPARED PUBLIC SPEAKING FINALS, & THE NEBRASKA DANCE!

DAY 3: LOUISVILLE SLUGGER MUSEUM & FACTORY TOUR, CHURCHILL DOWNS, AND ANOTHER NEBRASKA DANCE!

FRESHMEN RECEIVE THEIR FFA JACKETS

A HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR AMAZING FFA ALUMNI CHAPTER FOR SPONSORING OUR FRESHMEN MEMBERS' JACKETS, TIES/SCARVES, AND DUES! YOUR GENEROSITY HELPS THE NEXT GENERATION OF LEADERS START THEIR FFA JOURNEY WITH PRIDE!



FEED THE FARMER

FFA MEMBERS SERVED MEALS TO LOCAL PRODUCERS AT OUR FEED THE FARMER EVENT. THANK YOU FARMERS PRIDE IN NEWMAN GROVE FOR PARTNERING WITH US ON AWESOME EVENT!

THANK YOU!

THANK YOU TO THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS FOR SUPPORTING US DURING THE BLOOD DRIVE, AS WELL AS THE NHS, FBLA, & FFA TRICK OR TREAT FOOD DRIVE.

UPCOMING FFA EVENTS:

OCT. 20TH-NOV. 14TH: FRUIT SALES
NOV. 12TH: DISTRICT LIVESTOCK JUDGING
DEC. 5TH: YULETIDE FESTIVAL
DEC. 8TH: DISTRICT LDES

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!
WE NEED YOUR HELP!



Newman Grove FFA is looking for volunteers to help judge Leadership Development Events, December 8th in Leigh.

Contact us Miss Martensen at
mikayla.martensen@ngpublicschools.com if you are
willing to help!





Newman Grove PTO



The PTO has been busy over the past few months! We had the Bluejay t-shirt fundraiser, bookfair, school store fundraiser, teacher meal at conferences, and Ronald McDonald pop tab classroom challenge (congrats 4th grade and Seniors). Thank you to everyone who participated, donated, or helped out. This year we were able to purchase a new Bluejay sign for the playground fence. Thank you, Audrey Wondercheck and your art students, for putting it together for us. It looks amazing!

****Upcoming events** include Muffins in the Morning on Nov. 18th, See's Candy Fundraiser Nov. 17th-Dec. 5th, Nursing Home/Food Pantry Drive Nov. 24th-Dec. 5th, and Glow Party Jan. 9th.



Panther Junior High Volleyball



We had a busy and exciting Junior High volleyball season with 28 girls participating on the team. Throughout the season, we experienced both ups and downs, but our players continued to work hard and show steady improvement — both individually and as a team. Overall, it was an exciting season of improvement, teamwork, and lasting memories.





NG/SE Panther Volleyball

By Ashley Warren

The 2025 Volleyball Season was a memorable season. It was our 2nd year of our co-op as the NGSE Panthers. We finished our season with a record of 14-16. We were able to make it past the 1st Round of Sub-Districts, which was our overall team goal for the season. I am proud of how much this team improved from last season to this season. They put in some extra work in the off season and it really paid off. It was fun to see their bond become even stronger and watch them push each other to improve in practices. We continued to grow throughout the season and really worked on playing each game with confidence, communication, and high energy. Individually each one of them has grown and improved so much this year in so many ways. They came into practice each day with a positive attitude and wanted to get better for not only themselves but also for their teammates.



Newman Grove Breakfast & Lunch Menu

(Variety of low fat & fat free milks offered with each meal) (Menus are subject to change without notice)



Scott's Meat Mission (Made with locally donated beef)

November/December 2025

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
November 24 Waffles <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Chicken Nuggets Smile Fries Mixed Veggies Peaches	November 25 Donut <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Turkey Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy Green Beans Applesauce Dinner Roll	November 26 NO SCHOOL	November 27 NO SCHOOL	November 28 NO SCHOOL
December 1 Egg & Sausage <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Corndog Tri Tater Carrots Pears	December 2 Breakfast Pizza <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Crispito Spanish Rice Corn Mixed Fruit	December 3 Breakfast Sandwich <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Sloppy Joe Mac & Cheese Peas Mandarin Oranges	December 4 Cini Mini <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Chicken Alfredo Broccoli Garlic Bread Pineapple	December 5 Mini Loaf <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Sub Sandwich Chips Baby Carrots Peaches
December 8 French Toast Stick <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Crispy Chicken Sandwich Mixed Veggies Apple Slices	December 9 Banana Bread <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Rotini Green Beans Garlic Bread Tropical Fruit	December 10 Strawberry Cream Cheese Bagel <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Hotdog Peas Chips Pears	December 11 Long John <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Calzone Cheeseburger Corn Applesauce	December 12 Pancake & Bacon <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Chicken Strips Tri Tater Pineapple
December 15 Strudel <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Breaded Beef Patty Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Dinner Roll Peaches	December 16 Muffin <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Hot Ham & Cheese Sandwich Corn Mandarin Oranges	December 17 Sausage Pancake Wrap <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Pizza Broccoli Pears	December 18 Mini Loaf <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Chicken Nuggets Smile Fries Mixed Fruit	December 19 Eggs & Biscuit <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Tomato Soup Grilled Cheese Sandwich Applesauce Mixed Veggies
December 22 Cinni Mini <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Chicken Enchilada Calzone Spanish Rice Corn Pears	December 23 Cereal or Pop Tart <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Flying Saucer Green Beans Dinner Roll Peaches	December 24 NO SCHOOL	December 25 NO SCHOOL	December 26 NO SCHOOL

<div>December</div> <div>2025</div>						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<div>1</div> <div>● 3:00pm: JHBWR: Neligh (A)</div> <div>FFA State Talent, Chorus Application Due</div> <div>Youth Girls BB (gym in use) 6:30-7:45</div>	<div>2</div> <div>● 3:00pm: JHBWR: Battle Creek (A)</div> <div>● 3:40pm: CILT Meeting</div>	<div>3</div> <div>Prom Meeting (lunch)</div> <div>District One-Act (Wheeler Central)</div>	<div>4</div> <div>FBLA Meeting (lunch)</div> <div>● 6:00pm: G/BBB: Osceola (in SE)</div> <div>● 6:30pm: DC Trip Info Meeting (library)</div>	<div>5</div> <div>● 11:00am: HSGWR: Doane (in Crete)</div> <div>● 4:00pm: JHBWR: O'Neill (A)</div> <div>Senior Careers (1st Period)</div> <div>Yuletide Downtown</div> <div>● 6:00pm: G/BBB: Nebraska Christian (in NG)</div>	<div>6</div> <div>● 9:30am: HSBWR: Creighton (A)</div> <div>Staff/Board Christmas Party</div> <div>Youth Cheer Camp (gym in use) 10:00-12:30</div> <div>Youth Girls BB (gym in use) 8:15-9:45</div>
<div>7</div>	<div>8</div> <div>● 2:00pm: HSBOWL: Spalding Dual (A) (boys only)</div> <div>● 4:30pm: JHGBB: Madison (in NG)</div> <div>FFA District LDE Contests (Leigh)</div> <div>Senior Class Meeting (lunch)</div> <div>Youth Boys Basketball (gym in use) 6:30-7:45</div> <div>● 7:30pm: Board of Education Meeting</div>	<div>9</div> <div>● 5:30pm: BBB: Guardian Angels CC (in West Point)</div> <div>Skills Meeting (lunch)</div> <div>Acadience Reading</div>	<div>10</div> <div>● 7:30am: FFA Officer Meeting</div> <div>● 7:30am: Monthly Staff Meeting</div> <div>State One-Act</div>	<div>11</div> <div>● 4:00pm: JHGBB: Elba (in SE)</div> <div>● 5:00pm: HSBWR: Twin River (in Genoa)</div> <div>● 5:30pm: HSBOWL: Howells-Dodge Dual (in NG)</div> <div>NHS Meeting (lunch)</div> <div>State One-Act</div> <div>Acadience Math</div>	<div>12</div> <div>State One-Act</div> <div>NECC Career Day (9th Grade)</div> <div>● 6:00pm: G/BBB: Palmer (in SE)</div>	<div>13</div> <div>● 9:00am: HSBOWL: McCool Junction (A)</div> <div>● 9:00am: HSBWR: Osceola (A)</div> <div>● 9:30am: JHBWR: Boone Central (A)</div> <div>● 10:00am: HSGWR: Elkhorn Valley (Tilden)</div> <div>● 2:00pm: G/BBB: Madison (A)</div> <div>Youth Boys Basketball (gym in use) 9:00-10:30</div>
<div>14</div>	<div>15</div> <div>● 2:00pm: JHGBB: Central Valley (A)</div> <div>HS HAL Meeting (lunch)</div> <div>No Elementary (LETRS Training)</div> <div>JHBBB Practice Begins</div> <div>Youth Girls BB (gym in use) 6:30-7:45</div> <div>● 7:00pm: FFA Holiday Party/FFA Meeting</div> <div>● 7:00pm: PTO Meeting</div>	<div>16</div> <div>● 5:00pm: HSBOWL: Norfolk Catholic (in NG)</div> <div>● 5:30pm: G/BBB: Winside (A)</div> <div>ISR Meeting (lunch)</div>	<div>17</div> <div>● 10:00am: Guest Speaker (Travis Pieper)</div> <div>Student Council Meeting (lunch)</div>	<div>18</div> <div>● 4:00pm: JHGBB: Archangels (in NG)</div>	<div>19</div> <div>Senior Careers (2nd Period)</div> <div>● 6:00pm: G/BBB: Burwell (A)</div>	<div>20</div> <div>● 9:00am: HSBWR: Osmond (A) TBD</div> <div>● 10:00am: HSGWR: Tekamah-Herman (A)</div> <div>Youth Girls BB (gym in use) 9:00-10:30</div> <div>● 6:00pm: G/BBB: Burwell (A)</div>
<div>21</div>	<div>22</div> <div>K-12 Winter Music Program (Set-Up in Gym)</div> <div>● 7:00pm: K-12 Winter Music Program</div>	<div>23</div> <div>● 1:00pm: 1:00 Dismissal - End of Qtr 2 & Semester 1</div> <div>No Preschool</div>	<div>24</div> <div>No School - Winter Vacation</div> <div>Moratorium</div>	<div>25</div> <div>No School - Winter Vacation</div> <div>Christmas Day</div> <div>Moratorium</div>	<div>26</div> <div>No School - Winter Vacation</div> <div>Moratorium</div>	<div>27</div> <div>Moratorium</div>
<div>28</div> <div>Moratorium</div>	<div>29</div> <div>No School - Winter Vacation</div> <div>G/BBB: Creighton Holiday Tournament (A)</div>	<div>30</div> <div>● 9:00am: HSGWR: Bergan Catholic (in Fremont)</div> <div>● 10:00am: HSBWR: Newman Grove Tournament (in NG)</div> <div>No School - Winter Vacation</div> <div>G/BBB: Creighton Holiday Tournament (A)</div>	<div>31</div> <div>No School - Winter Vacation</div>			



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

Radio:

94 Rock (94.7 FM)	US92 (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.





YULETIDE FEST

DECEMBER 5, 2025

LIVE REINDEER
4:30-6:30



4:00 - 4:45 CAROLING BY ELEMENTARY STUDENTS
4:00 - 6:15 MULE TRAIN RIDES
4:00 - 7:00 PM
VENDORS @ SOUTH SIDE LOUNGE
DOWNTOWN BUSINESSES OPEN
CARRIAGE RIDES @ BANK
AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

SANTA'S LIVE REINDEER EAST OF COMMUNITY CLUB - 4:30-6:30
MAKE CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS - PROVIDED BY CITY LIBRARY
LARGE BOARD GAMES
FIRE PIT & S'MORES BY NEWMAN GROVE FFA
POPCORN TRUCK
FOOD SOLD BY NEWMAN GROVE POST PROM
HOT COCOA, HAIR TINSEL & COTTON CANDY BY SKILLS USA
DRAWINGS/GIVEAWAYS BY MNLH
SANTA AFTER TREE LIGHTING TIL 7:00

TREE LIGHTING
WATCH SANTA LIGHT THE MAIN STREET TREE - 5:00
SANTA VISITS TO FOLLOW AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER





Don't Miss Santa's Live Reindeer

On Display East of the
Community Club
During Yuletide Fest
December 5, 2025
* 4:30 - 6:30 pm

MISSION STATEMENT

Newman Grove Public School District is committed to providing a safe environment where all students can develop academically. Students will be provided opportunities to acquire skills needed to accomplish their goals and to develop their potential as life-long learners, which will allow students to participate in and contribute to society.