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Newman Grove Elementary Celebrates Fire Safety Week

By Kylie Sweeter

Newman Grove Elementary students celebrated Fire Safety Week from October 6–10 with a variety of fun and educational activities.

On Tuesday, October 7, members of the Newman Grove Fire Department visited the school to give students fire truck and ambulance rides. Each class enjoyed a 20–25 minute ride, with firefighters offering rides throughout the morning and early afternoon from 8:10 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

Students were thrilled to experience what it's like to ride in real emergency vehicles and learn more about the important work firefighters do to keep our community safe.

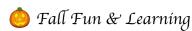
A special thank-you goes out to Ryan Chilson, Kenny Potmesil, Mary Potmesil, Mark Seier, Bryton Fowlkes, Tyler Albracht and Connie Johnson for volunteering their time to make this event possible. The students also received stickers and firefighter hats, which made the day even more memorable!

Pictured left are top to bottom: Kindergarten, first grade and fourth grade. Above is the fifth grade class.

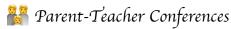
NEWMAN GROVE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OCTOBER 2025

Dear Families,

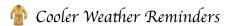
Happy October! * The school year is in full swing, and it's been wonderful to see our students learning, growing, and showing kindness each day. Thank you for your continued support in helping make our school such a positive and welcoming place!



October brings lots of exciting learning opportunities — from science experiments and fall-themed art to reading challenges and hands-on projects. Encourage your child to share what they're learning at home — those conversations make a big difference!



Thank you to everyone who attended conferences! These conversations are a great way to celebrate growth and set goals for the rest of the semester. Working together, we can help every child succeed.



As the temperatures drop, please help your child dress for the weather. We'll continue to enjoy outdoor recess whenever possible! $\frac{2}{3}$

Around Our School

We are so proud of our students for showing great effort, respect, and responsibility. 💥 Staff continue to focus on creating engaging classrooms and supporting each student's needs. Thank you for being partners in this journey!

Wishing everyone a safe and fun October filled with learning, laughter, and maybe a few pumpkins along the way.

Mrs. Forre



No School Days

October 24th PK-12 No School

November 26th-28th PK-12 No School (Thanksgiving Break)

December 15th PK-6 No School

VETERAN'S DAY PROGRAM



TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH

10:00 AM in the gym

Speaker is Barry Harper

Public is Welcome



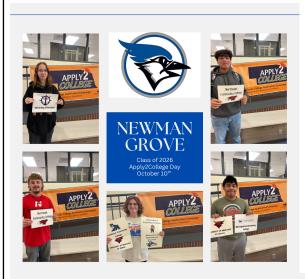
Board of Education Meeting October 14, 2025

- The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.
- All members were present, with the exception of Becky Wallin and Ginger Buhl-Jorgensen. Others in attendance: Superintendent Warren, Principal Forre, Assistant Principal Sauser, Donna Schroeter, Elise Witchell, Summer McKinzie and Anaylen Morales.
- The Open Meetings Act was posted in the room in accordance with the law.
- Approved the agenda as published.
- Minutes of the September 8, 2025 Special Board Meeting-2025-2026 Budget Hearing were approved as printed.
- Minutes of the September 8, 2025 Special Board Meeting-Property Tax Request Hearing were approved as printed.
- Minutes of the September 8, 2025 Regular Board Meeting were approved as printed.
- The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 10, 2025 at 7:30 p.m with a Foundation Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- Presentation by Scott Kralik with BD Construction.
- Presentation by Tobin Buchanan with Northland Securities.
- Mrs. Kylie Sweeter presented her guidance counselor's report to the board.
- Mrs. Forre presented her principal's report to the board, which included: Parent/Teacher Conferences; External Review; End of 1st Quarter; Professional Development Day-October 17, 2025: Elementary Teachers-LETRS training, 7-12 Teachers-Classroom management AI in the classroom; SkillsUSA Leadership Conference; National FFA Convention; Veteran's Day Program-November 11, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.; Family Math Night-November 11, 2025 at 3:45-5:30 p.m.
- Mr. Warren presented his superintendent's report to the board, which included: Superintendent Evaluations; Auditors; Negotiations; External Visit; NASB Conference; New Bus.
- Approved the Purchase of a Bus from Humphrey Public Schools for \$10,000.
- Approved the purchase of 36 custom printed chairs and 1 cart from MRG Hauff.
- Accepted the Treasurer's Report as presented.
- Approved the payment of claims totaling \$380,473.45 (General Fund); \$44,804.86 (Depreciation Fund); and \$16,460.09 (Building Fund).
- Motion to enter into closed session at 8:57 p.m.
- Motion to come out of closed session at 9:21 p.m.
- The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

Apply2College Day

By Kylie Sweeter

Congratulations to our 14 Newman Grove seniors who participated in this year's **Apply2College Day!** Each senior took an important step toward their future by applying to at least one college of interest — and several applied to multiple schools! We're so proud of their hard work and excitement for what comes next.







Camp Timberlake

Tuesday, September 23rd the 7th grade students spent the day at Camp Timberlake doing the high ropes course and team building activities! Mrs. Kylie Sweeter























Small but Mighty in Sixth Grade

By Chelsea Kaufman

Our small but mighty 6th-grade class of eight students has been busy learning and creating this month! In reading, we've been exploring different character traits and practicing how to analyze the plot of stories. Students have even started crafting their own original stories to put these skills into action. It has been exciting to watch them move from identifying traits in characters we read about to applying those same skills in their own writing. Their creativity really shines when they get to share stories that are completely their own.

In science, we wrapped up our unit on microorganisms with a hands-on project where we grew bacteria and then wrote press releases to share our "research findings." This project was both fun and challenging, as students had to think like scientists and writers at the same time. They learned not only about bacteria, but also about how to communicate scientific ideas clearly. The class did a great job connecting their experiments to the bigger picture of why microorganisms matter in the world around us.

In social studies, we've begun looking at civilizations from around the world. We've been asking questions like, "What makes a civilization?" and "How do we know so much about people who lived thousands of years ago?" Soon, students will dive deeper into research on ancient civilizations and discover what makes them unique and important. I am looking forward to seeing which civilizations spark the most curiosity—whether it's Mesopotamia, Egypt, China, or somewhere else across the globe.

We're also excited about our upcoming yearly INSANE science event! This is always a favorite, and students are already buzzing with anticipation about the activities and surprises that come with it. It's a chance to explore science in new and unexpected ways, and it always leaves us inspired to dig deeper back in the classroom.

The rest of the year promises to be just as engaging, with more hands-on projects, opportunities to stretch our thinking, and plenty of moments to celebrate both our learning and our small-class community. Having such a close-knit group means we get to know and support one another while having many laughs along the way. It has been a full and exciting start to the year, and we can't wait to see all that's ahead!



English

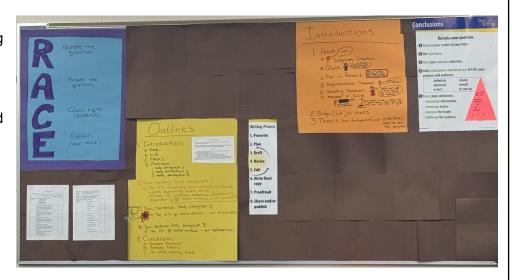
By Kathy Busch



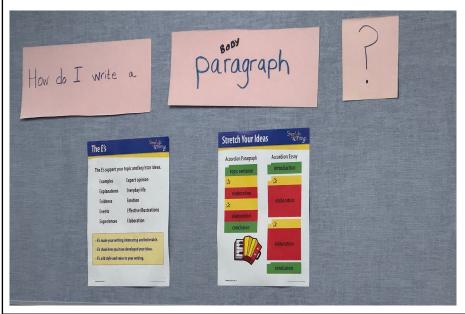
In English class this year, all grades are working hard as usual. We are studying different reading skills in each grade, so students will cover all standards over the course of their 7-12 journey. Seventh grade is studying theme; eighth grade is studying authors' and characters' points of view; ninth grade is studying compare and contrast, along with allusion; tenth grade is studying multiple perspectives (literary); eleventh grade is studying central idea (at the eleventh grade level); and twelfth grade is studying author's purpose and perspective (informational). We do writing assignments both large and small as we study these reading skills.

Students love the yellow "quote and cite" poster because it shows them how to get full credit when they quote and cite when they are writing.

With writing, students are being asked to write more sentences to explain their answers and quotes. This is the "E" in "RACE" (restate the question, answer the question, quote and cite, and explain). It can be challenging for students to think of those details, examples, and personal connections after they have found the right quote that supports their answer. We are practicing to gain experience with this.



We have a wall dedicated to writing body paragraphs, where students need to elaborate on why the answer makes sense, and why the quote supports the answer.



In addition to reading and writing, students are stretching their vocabularies with the Vocab Power workbook series. We have completed a grammar pretest, and will begin the grammar study Quarter 2. Grammar is not everyone's favorite subject in school, but it might be more popular than writing, so I believe the students will enjoy this.

Overall, it has been a wonderful quarter. It is delightful to work with the students in Newman Grove and the families here. I know I am truly lucky to be here.



News from Mrs. Miller's Science Room



It has been an exciting and productive fall in the upper-grade science classrooms! From hands-on experiments to research-based projects, our students have embraced challenges and grown as learners and scientific thinkers. Reflecting on their achievements, I am genuinely grateful for the continued support from families and the community, which makes these learning experiences all the more meaningful. Here's a glimpse into the science adventures happening across grades 9 through 12.

Grade 9: Physical Science

Our freshmen have been busy laying a strong foundation in pre-chemistry. They've explored different methods for separating compounds and mixtures while connecting these concepts to real-world applications. This integrated approach has helped spark curiosity and critical thinking. Next, students will delve into the periodic table, chemical bonding, and reactions—through safe and engaging experiments that connect classroom learning to everyday life.

Grade 10: Diving into Biology

Tenth graders are exploring the wonders of life through the study of ecosystems and biodiversity. Their investigations have focused on human impacts on Earth, including pressing issues that affect the Shell Creek Watershed, invasive species, and climate change. By analyzing climate data and discussing sustainability, students develop the ability to think critically about their role in protecting the planet. My goal is to empower them to become informed citizens who use evidence to support their beliefs and advocate for a healthier world.

Grade 11: Advanced (Dual Credit) Biology

Our 11th-grade students are tackling college-level biology challenges while earning dual credit. This semester, they will focus on the fascinating process of photosynthesis as part of the PlantingScience – Power of Sunlight project. Through this national collaboration, students will conduct hands-on investigations to explore how plants capture and use energy from the sun. They will collect and analyze data, connect with scientists online, and gain a deeper understanding of how photosynthesis fuels life on Earth. Later in the year, students will also participate in bacterial transformation experiments and explore the applications of biotechnology in medicine and agriculture, while debating the ethical issues surrounding genetic engineering.

Grade 12: Dual Credit Medical Terminology & Anatomy and Physiology

In our upper-level health science classes, seniors have been mastering both vocabulary and hands-on skills related to the human body. They are currently learning about the skeletal and nervous systems, gaining insight into how the body provides structure, protection, and communication through nerve signaling. Students have also been developing diagnostic reasoning through case studies about fictitious patient scenarios. The Perkins Grant and Newman Grove Community Grants have made it possible to provide materials and equipment that bring these lessons to life and strengthen real-world learning connections.

Community Connection

This November, Newman Grove Public Schools and Shell Creek Improvement Project will host the fall Lower Platte North Nebraska Resource District meeting here in Newman Grove, Nebraska. The event will once again demonstrate our students' involvement in community-based environmental conservation. Students will present data collected this summer and emphasize the importance of environmental stewardship and scientific inquiry.

Looking Ahead

As we continue to succeed in the first semester, I look forward to even more discoveries ahead. The coming months will bring new hands-on experiments, field trips, and community projects designed to deepen students' understanding of science and its relevance to their lives. I am incredibly proud of our students' hard work and curiosity; they truly embody the spirit of young scientists, problem solvers, and global citizens.

Thank you for your continued support—it makes all the difference!

— Mrs. Andrea Miller

Upper Grades Science Instructor, Newman Grove Public Schools



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FFA "WORD" OF THE YEAR RELIABLE



BIGGEST FFA ACCOMPLISHMENT

Ribboning in livestock judging at state

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

Vet Science

FAVORITE FFA MEMORY

Attending National FFA Convention my freshman year

FFA ACTIVITIES & CONTESTS

Land Judging, Livestock Judging,
Poultry Evaluation, FFA Blood
Drive, Ag Biotechnology, Trick or
Treat Food Drive, Farm Safety
Day, & Ag Literacy

FAVORITE AG CLASS

Animal Science





Box Tops for Education

Newman Grove Public Schools continues to collect Box Tops for Education Coupons.

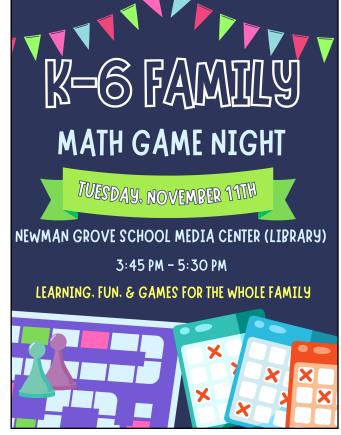
The program is all electronic with an app that you can add to your phone and just scan the receipt when you are done shopping.

Please sign up to contribute your coupons to Newman Grove Public School. Thank you for your support!



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NEWMAN GROVE FFA OCTOBER UPDATES

LIVESTOCK JUDGING

14 MEMBERS ATTENDED LIVESTOCK JUDGING IN LEIGH ON OCTOBER 6TH! WE HAD BOTH EXPERIENCED AND NEW JUDGERS, AND OVERALL IT WAS A GREAT EXPERIENCE FOR THEM, WITH OVER 450 KIDS IN ATTENDANCE. RESULTS ARE BELOW!

SENIOR TEAM: 16TH

- -1ane 46th
- -ASHLYNN 53RD
- -DYLAN 56TH -OWEN 75TH
- -OWEN 75TH -NATE 85TH

JUNIOR TEAM: 37TH

- -Griffin 116TH
- -Evan 137th -Tyler 184th
- -OLIVER 192ND

JUNIOR HIGH: 7TH -CASH 8TH

- -JACE 24TH
- -WHITNEY 28TH -DACYN 37TH
- -Dakota 79th





DISTRICT GREENHAND DAY

OUR FRESHMEN ATTENDED DISTRICT GREENHAND DAY TODAY!
THEY WERE ABLE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT DIFFERENT CONTESTS,
FFA OPPORTUNITIES, AND MEET OTHER GREENHANDS. WHAT A
GREAT WAY TO KICK OFF THEIR FFA CAREER! THANK YOU TO
OFFICERS OWEN & KAILEY FOR ATTENDING AS GROUP LEADERS!

NEBRASKA FARM BURFAU CONNECTING CHAPTERS TRAINING

3 MEMBERS OF THE NEWMAN GROVE FFA CHAPTER ATTENDED THE CONNECTING CHAPTERS TRAINING TODAY HOSTED BY NEBRASKA FARM BUREAU. STUDENTS WERE ABLE TO LEARN ABOUT DIFFERENT AG IN THE CLASSROOM LESSONS THEY CAN TEACH, AND RECEIVED A BOOK THAT THEY WILL READ AND DONATE TO AN ELEMENTARY CLASSROOM





THANKS TO A NEBRASKA FFA FOUNDATION GRANT, OUR STUDENTS GREW FRESH LETTUCE IN OUR TOWER GARDEN THAT'S NOW BEING SERVED IN THE SCHOOL CAFETERIA.

UPCOMING FFA EVENTS:
OCT. 20TH-NOV. 14TH: FRUIT SALES
OCT. 26TH: TRICK OR TREAT FOOD DRIVE
OCT. 28TH-NOV. 1ST: NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION



Learning to do, doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to Serve



NEWMAN GROVE FFA OCTOBER UPDATES

FARM SAFETY DAY

OUR FFA MEMBERS HELPED LEAD FARM SAFETY DAY WITH SESSIONS ON TRACTOR SAFETY, LIVESTOCK SAFETY, ATV SAFETY, LAWN MOWER SAFETY, ELECTRICAL SAFETY, GRAIN SAFETY, AND SEATBELT SAFETY. WE'RE PROUD TO SPREAD AWARENESS DURING NATIONAL FARM SAFETY WEEK AND REMIND EVERYONE THAT SAFE PRACTICES MAKE STRONG COMMUNITIES! THANK YOU TO FARMERS PRIDE, NEWMAN GROVE FIRE & RESCUE, LOUP POWER DISTRICT, AND NEBRASKA STATE PATROL FOR HELPING MAKE TODAY A SUCCESS!



Learning to do, doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to Serve



Breast Cancer Awareness



Breast cancer is a kind of cancer that begins as a growth of cells in the breast tissue. After skin cancer, breast cancer is the most common cancer diagnosed in women in the United States. But breast cancer doesn't just happen in women. Everyone is born with some breast tissue, so anyone can get breast cancer.

Breast cancer survival rates have been increasing. And the number of people dying of breast cancer is steadily going down. Much of this is due to the widespread support for breast cancer awareness and funding for research. Advances in breast cancer screening allow healthcare professionals to diagnose breast cancer earlier. Finding the cancer earlier makes it much more likely that the cancer can be cured. Even when breast cancer can't be cured, many treatments exist to extend life.

Signs and symptoms of breast cancer may include:

- · A breast lump or thickened area of skin that feels different from the surrounding tissue.
- A nipple that looks flattened or turns inward.
- Changes in the color of the breast skin. In people with white skin, the breast skin may look pink or red. In people with brown and Black skin, the breast skin may look darker than the other skin on the chest or it may look red or purple.
- Change in the size, shape or appearance of a breast.
- Changes to the skin over the breast, such as skin that looks dimpled or looks like an orange peel.
- Peeling, scaling, crusting or flaking of the skin on the breast.

The exact cause of most breast cancers isn't known. Researchers have found things that increase the risk of breast cancer. These include hormones, lifestyle choices and things in the environment. But it's not clear why some people who don't have any factors get cancer, yet others with risk factors never do. It's likely that breast cancer happens through a complex interaction of your genetic makeup and the world around you.

The DNA changes that lead to breast cancer most often happen in the cells that line the milk ducts. These ducts are tubes designed to carry milk to the nipple. Breast cancer that starts in the ducts is called invasive ductal carcinoma. Breast cancer also can start in cells in the milk glands. These glands, called lobules, are designed to make breast milk. Cancer that happens in the lobules is called invasive lobular carcinoma. Other cells in the breast can become cancer cells, though this isn't common.

It is important to do self-breast exams monthly and to get yearly mammograms.

Source: Mayoclinic.org Mrs. Wondercheck RN ESU 8 School Nurse

Newman Grove PTO

Join Our PTO Thank you to everyone who supported the bookfair during parent-teacher conferences! In addition, we appreciate all the parents that helped to feed our school staff during the conferences. PTO also wants to say thank you to all the parents who completed the online fundraiser School Store. Thank you so much!





NG/SE Panther Football



By Michael Roscoe

The Panther football season came to a close on Thursday October 16th in Newman Grove. The senior boys captioned this year with the motto, "Defy the Odds, Ignite Success." Although the wins and losses don't show the typical definition of success, the boys succeeded in growing throughout the season. Time and time again, the team was faced with adversity that ranged from injuries to giving up big plays. Instead of rolling over, this team stayed in the fight. They took body blows and were able to return haymakers of their own. This season was a success because the boys grew as a team. They understood what it took to play together and for each other. Ryan Cumming, Billy Fyfe, and Keoni Loyd were the definition of senior leaders. They set a true cornerstone for our program moving forward. The coaching staff is very appreciative of everything they have done for the program. The football team has a bright future and great expectations for next year. The boys need to put in the work in the weight room and with other athletics during the winter and spring. Lastly, thank you to both communities for all the support during the season from providing sports drink at our scrimmage, donating to our fundraiser, providing team meals, and supporting us at all our games. We look forward to continue to work towards success in the program and developing a "Standard of Excellence".





Junior High Volleyball

Abby Albracht

We've had a busy and exciting Junior High volleyball season with 28 girls participating on the team. Throughout the season, we've experienced both ups and downs, but our players have continued to work hard and show steady improvement — both individually and as a team. This past weekend, we took 11 girls to the Riverside Tournament. While we didn't come home with any wins, we faced some tough competition and gained valuable experience that will help us continue to grow.



JH NG/SE Panther Football

By Brett Miller



The Junior High Panthers wrapped up their football season with an impressive 5-1 record, showing heart, hustle, and teamwork from start to finish. Led by Coach Miller and Coach Adam, the team battled through tough competition, coming out on top in five out of their six games.

The Panthers offense was a major strength this season, with Morely Warren being the team leader of touchdowns and yards carried. Other players like quarterback, Kelton Jorgensen led the team in passing yards. On offense, the team showed balance with strong running plays and key passes that led to big gains. The defense was a strong point of the game as well, Jaxon Bledsoe was a major standout and leading tackler.

The future of the high school team looks bright with the addition of a lot of 8th graders moving up next year. We will be young again in junior high next year but we are returning some outstanding players to help lead

again.





NGSE Panther Volleyball

By Ashley Warren

The NGSE Volleyball Team had their last home game Thursday, October 9th. They had their PINK OUT NIGHT and PARENTS' NIGHT to celebrate. The Panthers are 11-10 after Thursday night's games. The team has a couple regular season games left which include: Twin River, Grand Island Lutheran High, Central Valley and McCool Junction. The Goldenrod Conference volleyball tournament is October 16th & 18th and districts are right around the corner. The



Panthers continue to work hard in practice and are working to prepare for the big games coming up. Pictured are the volleyball girls and their parents at the game Thursday.



Panther Cross Country



O'Neill Invitational

The Panther cross country team competed in O'Neill on Friday, September 19 at the country club in O'Neill. Junior high raced approximately 2650 meters this week. The girls were led by Natasha Nelson who earned her second medal of the season with 14th place in a time of 12:06. She was followed by Marley Roberts who placed 22nd in 13:37. Lucy Kaufman placed 25th in 14:10 which was 27.5 seconds faster than last year. The junior high boys had a photo finish between teammates Sutton Scott and Micah Ketelsen who finished 34 and 35 in 11:55 and 11:55.3 with Sutton coming out ahead. Payton Matchett finished 49th in 12:35 which was 2:06 faster than last year.

For the high school 5K race, Elise Witchell finished 35th in 34:02. This was 2:50 faster than last year. The boys team was scored with 6 as a team this week again with the Panthers placing 8th out of 10 teams. Coming back from an injury, Rafael Dantas placed 76 out of 86 with a new personal best time for the season by 5:50. Zaiden Heusman placed 59th with a new personal best time by 1:50 (22:15). Riley Steensnes placed 41st in a new personal best time by 3 seconds (20:28). Noah Ketelsen placed 33rd with a new personal best time of 20:07. This was a course best time by 1:37 and the personal best by 11 seconds. Senior Micah Cuevas snagged a 7th place medal finish in a course best time of 17:36. 9 seconds faster than last year and just 3 seconds shy of his personal best 5k time.

Ord Invitational

On Friday, September 26th the NGSE Panther cross country team ran on the very curvy course at Ord. Junior High ran about 2000 meters with Natasha Nelson leading the pack. She ran 8:34 with a 9th place medal finish out of 37 girls. Marley Roberts was the next girl to cross the line in 29th place in 10:41. Lucy Kaufman finished behind her in 31st with a time of 11:09. This was 6 seconds faster than last year. Carlie Brauner rounded out the girls in 37th place in 13:40. Junior high team scores were calculated at this meet with the girls placing 6th out of 7 teams and the boys placing 9th out of 10 teams. For the boys Sutton Scott was the first to the line in 32nd out of 60 runners with a time of 8:50. Micah Ketelsen finished 42nd in 9:11 and Payton Matchett finished 47th in 9:29. This was 31 seconds faster than last year.

For high school Elise Witchell finished in 30th place in a time of 34:09. For the boys, Micah Cuevas earned a 4th place medal out of 57 runners in 17:46. This was 15 seconds faster than last year and 10 seconds shy of his PR. Noah Ketelsen earned his first medal of the season with 20th place and a new personal best time (by 2 seconds) of 20:05. This was a course best time by 32 seconds. Riley Steensnes finished in 25th place with 20:46. Zaiden Heusman followed behind in 36th with 23:00. Isaiah Ketelsen was the final varsity boy to cross the line. He finished in 43rd in 24:47, one second away from a new personal record. The Varsity boys team finished 3rd out of 11 teams with 45 points.

West Holt Invitational

The Panther Cross Country team traveled to Atkinson on Thursday, October 2nd. It was a hot day where junior high ran approximately 1 mile. Natasha Nelson finished in 7:47 and earned another medal with a 13th place finish out of 48 runners. Marley Roberts finished 36th in 9:18 and Lucy Kaufman finished 42nd in 9:47. The girls placed 6th out of 7 teams. There are no finalized results for the boys.

For high school, Elise Witchell finished in 51st, 41 seconds faster than last year, in 32:47. This is a season best time by 1:15. Once again Micah Cuevas led the high school boys. He had a 3rd place medal finish out of 109 boys in 17:58. Noah Ketelsen finished in 48th with a course best time (by 33 seconds) of 21:10. Riley Steensnes finished 70th in 22:22. Zaiden Heusman finished 94th in 25:12. Isaiah Ketelsen finished 98th in 25:31 and Rafael Dantas finished 107th in 29:49. They placed 10th out of 15 teams.

Goldenrod Conference Meet @ Fullerton

On Thursday, October 9th the Panther cross country team competed in the Goldenrod Conference meet held in Fullerton. Junior high ran for 2500 meters in their last meet of the season. Natasha Nelson ran 11:43 for a 6th place medal finish out of 21 runners. Marley Roberts ran 13:18 for 17th place and Lucy Kaufman ran 14:39 for 18th place. This was 45

seconds faster than her conference race at Burwell last year of the same distance. The girls team placed 4th with 35 points. Micah Ketelsen ran 11:27 for 15th place in the boys race. Payton Matchett and Sutton Scott finished close together with 21st and 22nd place in 12:50 and 12:53. The boys team also placed 4th with 39 points.

For the high school conference races, Elise Witchell ran 33:41 and placed 24 out of 25 girls. Her time was 12:17 faster than the conference race last year in Burwell. For the boys, there were 2 medal winners, both just shy of their personal records. Senior Micah Cuevas placed 3rd by only eight tenths of a second in a great finish. His final time was 17:48, 1:31 faster than last year's conference race in Burwell. Out of the 37 boys in the race, Noah Ketelsen placed 10th in 20:21. This was 51 seconds faster than Burwell's conference meet last year. Riley Steensnes placed 24th in 22:20. Zaiden Heusman placed 27th in 22:53. Isaiah Ketelsen placed 35th in 25:28 and Rafael Dantas placed 36th in 25:54. The boys team tied for 3rd place with Archangels out of the 7 teams that were scored with our 4th runner as the tie breaker coming out on top. Both teams scored 35 points while second place barely outscored both teams with 33 points. Pictured are seniors - Micah Cuevas, Elise Witchell and Rafael da Silva Dantas.



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)

Scott's Meat Mission					
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
October 20	October 21	October 22	October 23	October 24	
Mini Loaf Fresh Fruit & Juice Sub Sandwich Chips Baby Carrots Mixed Fruit	Long John Fresh Fruit & Juice Hamburger & Potato Corn Dinner Roll Peach	Breakfast Pizza Fresh Fruit & Juice Chicken Nuggets Tri Tater Dinner Roll Mandarin Oranges	Apple Strudel Fresh Fruit & Juice Corn Dog Smile Fries Applesauce	NO SCHOOL	
October 27	October 28	October 29	October 30	October 31	
Egg Patty & Sausage Fresh Fruit & Juice Breaded Pork Patty Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Pears Dinner Roll	Mini Donuts Fresh Fruit & Juice Chicken Fajita Beans Rice Pineapple	French Toast Sticks Fresh Fruit & Juice Meatball Sub Mixed Veggies Mandarin Oranges	Pancake & Bacon Fresh Fruit & Juice Pizza Corn Tropical Fruit Cookie	Breakfast Sandwich Fresh Fruit & Juice Chili Cheese Stick Apple Slices Cinnamon Roll Scott's Meat Mission	
November 3	November 4	November 5	November 6	November 7	
Strawberry Cream Cheese Bagel Fresh Fruit & Juice Cheeseburger Smile Fries Peaches	Muffin Fresh Fruit & Juice Flying Saucer Green Beans Dinner Roll Mixed Fruit	Cinnamon Strudel Fresh Fruit & Juice Chicken Strips Bosco Stick Mixed Veggies Applesauce	Glazed Donut Fresh Fruit & Juice Breaded Beef Patty Mashed Potatoes Carrots/Pears Bread	Banana Bread <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Crispy Chicken Corn Pineapple	
November 10	November 11	November 12	November 13	November 14	
Breakfast Pizza Fresh Fruit & Juice Chicken & Rice Broccoli Pears Dinner Roll	Long John Fresh Fruit & Juice Pulled Pork Baked Beans Green Beans Peaches	Strawberry Strudel Fresh Fruit & Juice Chicken Nuggets Baby Carrots Bosco Stick Pineapple	Biscuits & Gravy Fresh Fruit & Juice BRotini Peas Garlic Bread Applesauce MEAT Scott's Meat Mission	Mini Loaf <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> Hot Ham & Cheese Corn Mandarin Oranges	
November 17	November 18	November 19	November 20	November 21	
Muffin <u>Fresh Fruit & Juice</u> McRib Sandwich Smile Fries Mixed Fruit	Breakfast Sandwich Fresh Fruit & Juice Sloppy Joe Baked Beans Carrots Sliced Apple Scott's Meat Mission	Strudel Fresh Fruit & Juice Pizza Corn Mandarin Oranges Brownie	Cinnamon Roll Fresh Fruit & Juice Grilled Chicken Sandwich Peas Pear	Belgian Waffle Fresh Fruit & Juice Scalloped Potatoes & Ham Green Beans Dinner Roll Peaches	

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
2	3	4 ● 3:40pm: CiLT	5 ▼ 7:30am: FFA	6	7	National FFA Convention (Indianapolis) HSVB Districts TBD		
Daylight Savings Time Ends		Meeting	Officer Meeting Prom Meeting (lunch) State Volleyball Woman's VB League (Gym in Use)	FBLA Meeting (lunch) State Volleyball	Senior Careers (1st Period) State Volleyball	State Volleyball		
Gafeteria/Kitchen in use (Am. Legion)	Senior Class Meeting (lunch) JHGBB: Howells- Dodge (A) TBD 7:00pm: FFA Meeting 7:00pm: Foundatio n Meeting 7:30pm: Board of Education Meeting	11 • 10:00am: Veteran's Day Program • 3:45pm: Math Night 3:45-5:30 Skills Meeting (lunch) Veteran's Day	12 7:30am: Monthly Staff Meeting FFA - District Livestock Judging (Wahoo) Woman's VB League (Gym in Use)	13 4:00pm: JHGBB: Palmer (in St. Ed) 4:00pm: JHBWR: Madison (A) 5:00pm: HSFB Meal (cafeteria in use) NHS Meeting (lunch)	14	One-Act Performance (Oakland-Craig)		
16 • 7:00pm: Post Prom Meeting	HS HAL Meeting (lunch) Start of HS Winter Practice 7:00pm: PTO Meeting	ISR Meeting (lunch)	Student Council Meeting (lunch)	20 • 4:00pm: JHBWR: Newman Grove Invite (in NG)	Senior Careers (2nd Period)	22		
23	24 • 2:00pm: JHGBB: Nebraska Christian (in Central City) State Football	25 • 4:00pm: JHGBB: High Plains (A) Conference One-Act (Central City)	No School - Thanksgiving Break	No School - Thanksgiving Break Thanksgiving Day	No School - Thanksgiving Break	29		
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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.