

# Humphrey Public School

## May 2018 Newsletter

From the Superintendent's desk:

As we put a wrap on another successful school year, I want to provide our parents with some information from our April board meeting, pass on a congratulatory note to one of our students and my usual May newsletter graduation thoughts for our 15 seniors.

For the past several months I have been informing board members about the possibility of Humphrey Public School receiving an invitation from Lakeview Community Schools or Twin River Public School to form a possible baseball cooperative with Twin River, Lakeview and Lindsay Holy Family. NSAA guidelines allow cooperatives to have four schools, Humphrey Public did receive an invitation from Twin River Public School prior to our April board meeting. With the board's approval, we sent out an interest survey to students in grades 8-11 asking them if they had any interest in participating in a baseball cooperative with Lakeview, Twin River and Lindsay. The cooperative would take place in the spring of the year and games would be played in Genoa. If parents are interested in looking at the survey or if you have any questions, I would be happy to discuss it with you further. The board of education will discuss the results of the survey and discuss the potential cooperative in greater detail at the May school board meeting.



I want to send out a HUGE Bulldog Congratulations to Yasmine Bender. Yasmine was named a State FCCLA officer for the 2018-2019 school year. This is a tremendous honor for Yasmine, she will be part of this leadership team and have the opportunity to travel the state and attend national conferences as a State Officer. To my knowledge, I believe Yasmine is the first student from Humphrey Public School to be named a State Officer from any of our student organizations.



Each year I pay tribute to our graduates who will be graduating on Saturday, May 12. I know they are excited to finish up and move on with the next phase of their life but I want to share a couple of thoughts before they leave our school. A while back, I asked a few seniors if they wanted me to give a nice long speech at graduation to which I received a few smiles and comments to please keep my comments to a few minutes. So, if you're planning on attending graduation, I will only get a few minutes to talk. I hope our seniors have had a memorable and successful year of school, I want to thank them and wish them the best as they head out into the world. Back in August on the first day of school, I visited with the seniors and talked to them about leadership, maturity, respect and what it means to be a positive role model for the rest of our students. I challenged them to make the most of every day of school and leave behind a positive legacy for the rest of our student body. From my perspective, the class of 2018 have grown up and become very respectful, kind, and positive individuals who will become solid citizens in our society.

With that being said, I want to invite everyone to our graduation ceremony on Saturday, May 12 at 2:00 p.m. in the gymnasium. Fifteen seniors will be walking across the stage one final time as students at Humphrey Public School to receive their diplomas. I hope the seniors enjoy their final days as students at HHS and realize the sense of pride and accomplishment each of them has achieved. The staff at Humphrey Public School will again make a video to share with you, I hope you will enjoy it as much as we love putting it together so get ready to enjoy a few laughs!!! My final thought for the seniors is this; I want you to know that you are always welcome at Humphrey Public, please stop by in the future and let us know how things are going. Congratulations and much success to the class of 2018!!



Finally, I want to say thank you to four staff members who are leaving Humphrey Public School. Mr. and Mrs. Kriz, our grades 7-12 Science and Family Consumer Science teachers respectively, Mr. Callan, our 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher and Mrs. Jen Nolan, administrative assistant who are leaving at the end of the school year. I want to thank all four employees for their dedication and commitment to teaching students during their careers at Humphrey Public School and want them to know they will be missed and will always be a member of the Bulldog family.

To the students in grades K-11, our faculty and our staff, thank you for everything you do and for making this another outstanding school year. I hope you have a safe and enjoyable summer; I look forward to seeing and working with you again during the 2018-2019 school year. TOGETHER as a team, we will continue to achieve great things and build on our strengths. Have a great May and an awesome summer!

Mr. Sjuts





### ***From the Principal's Desk:***

Where did the time go? I can't believe that we are nearing the end of another school year! As always, I hope this letter finds everyone doing well. It has been a great joy to work with each student and staff this school year. I have enjoyed continuing to get to know the students and staff. It amazes me on how much students change over the course of the year. It is very exciting to see them growing as individuals and continue to strive for excellence. I look forward to working with them next year.

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During the month of April and into May, students in grades 3-11 have been completing the statewide accountability assessment. This was the first year for the new assessment and a new name. NSCAS stands for Nebraska Student Centered Assessment System. Students in grades 3-8 have been taking the NSCAS English Language Arts assessment, math assessment, and science assessment. The juniors completed the ACT. I appreciate all of the students' hard work on these assessments. I also want to thank all of the parents for making sure their students were in school while completing these assessments. It really helps having students here on testing days so they don't miss out on other classroom work when having to make them up. To finish up the assessment window for the 2017-2018 school year, students will be completing the second round of MAP testing. This provides very valuable information for both the students and the staff on strengths and areas of focus. We use this data from this assessment to determine interventions for our students, along with monitoring through the year for progress on areas of focus. And finally, the elementary will complete their final DIBELS benchmark assessment.

Our students have worked hard this year and it is time to honor their accomplishments. The Academic Awards Night will be held in Humphrey on Thursday, May 3rd starting at 7:00 p.m. The Humphrey-Lindsay Holy Family Athletic Awards Night will be held in Humphrey on Tuesday, May 8th starting at 7:00 p.m. For both of these evenings we ask students to please dress up as they are being honored for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. Our elementary students will also be honored for their hard work throughout the year as well. We will be holding our Elementary Awards Day on Monday, May 14th. Students in grades K-2 will be

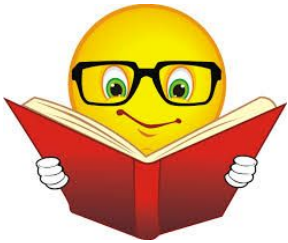


honored from 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Kindergarten graduation will be during this time. Students in grades 3-6 will be honored from 2:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. I know they look forward to this event and we look forward to having you join us. This event will take place in the gym.

As we are nearing the end of the year, everyone has one thing on their mind. When is the last day of school? The last day for our Seniors is Wednesday, May 9th. They will do graduation practice in the morning and will be dismissed 12:00 p.m. Seniors will be asked to report back Friday, May 11th to help set up for graduation. Seniors that have attendance or grade issues will not be signed out until they have completed their work and made up their time. The last day for students in grades K-6 will be Monday, May 14th, with a regular 3:36 p.m. dismissal. The last day for students in grades 7-12 will be Tuesday, May 15th, with a regular 3:36 p.m. dismissal. Students that are needing to complete work or make up time will not be signed out until this has been completed.



Even though the school year is coming to an end, it is still important to practice the skills you have learned over the summer. Humphrey Elementary students will again be participating in the summer reading program. Students will be asked to keep a record of the books they read and the amount of pages that were in the book. A reading log will be sent home with students before the end of the year. In the fall when students return, students will turn in their reading logs. Students who submit the logs will be recognized for their accomplishment and hard work over the summer. Last summer I challenged our students to read over 100,000 pages. The final count was over 106,000.



As I wrap up my letter, please remember that my door is always open if you ever feel the need to talk about any concerns that you may have. If you ever have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

**MR. KING**



## May Health News

The Last Day of School for Elementary (K-6) is May 14 and May 15 for students in Grades 7-11 and we want all the students to stay safe this summer. Here are some tips for the kids who love to be outdoors.

- ◆ Drink plenty of water and sugar free fluids when you go outside to avoid dehydration and keep refueled.
- ◆ Apply sunscreen 15 to 30 minutes before sun exposure; limit extended sun exposure especially between the hours of 10 am and 2 pm.
- ◆ Protect yourself from mosquitos and other bugs by using insect & tick repellent.
- ◆ Use the “buddy system” when you are going to play outdoors or go swimming.
- ◆ Wear helmets and proper safety gear when riding bikes.

**Have A Great Summer!**

# Greetings from the Counselor

May 2018

**Elementary:** It has been a fun year working with the elementary. We have worked on various social skills including, but not limited to, manners, bullying, friendship, sharing, listening, and teamwork. We have also spent time looking at the importance of attending college. It is our goal to expose our students to talk about college at a younger age so that our students become more comfortable with the concept and realize that college is very much a reality for all of our students. We did also look at other career options, as we understand a 4-year college will not always be the path for our students. We also studied career fields and possible future careers. We studied how future careers and college go hand-in-hand.

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

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

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



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

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

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

I am so proud of all of our students at Humphrey Public School. We have such bright young students that are hungry for success. I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer! Similar to last year, if your child appears to be extremely bored, I know a person who lives very close to the school, and her yard seems to need mowed every three days. Send them on over. ☺

Have a great summer!

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**“Libraries rock!!** is the reading theme at the **Humphrey Public Library** this summer, and the **Library** has **9 weeks of fun-filled activities for everyone to enjoy.**

For readers of all ages, the **Library** has the “**Libraries rock**” summer reading program that runs from Saturday, June 2 - Saturday, Aug, 4. All readers will keep track of pages read and play the “**Libraries rock**” board game for **prizes!!**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!! :**

Two special presentations are scheduled for kids of all ages – **Horn T Zoo** of Monroe will visit the Library on **Thursday, June 14**, at 10:30 a.m. **The Amazing Arthur** (magician) will visit on **Thursday, July 5**, at 1:30 p.m. **The Platte County Extension 4-H** office will offer a **Monarch Butterfly** presentation, featuring Kaydie Brandl, at the Library on **Thursday, July 21**, as well.

The Library also offers **StoryTime** for kids ages 3-7 years old on **Thursday mornings at 10:00** in June (June 7 & 28) for a fun-filled half hour of reading, crafts, finger plays, and games (exceptions are June 14 & 21 for special visitors).

On Thursday afternoons in **June & July (June 7-July 26)** at 1:30, the Library will host **CraftDays** for kids 7 yrs. & older. Again, lots of fun to be enjoyed (exception for June 14 for special visitor).

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

***We hope to see you this summer!!***



## **ELECTRONICS** **COLLECTION**

The **ONLY** items accept include: laptops, desktop computers, monitors, towers, servers, keyboards, mice, printers, tablets, copiers, VCR's, DVD players, Blu-ray Players, DVD's, Overhead Projectors, Stereos, hard drives, cell phones, CD's, and TV's .

**NO console TV's.**

(NO Charge, however Donations will be accepted and put toward FFA Community Service Projects)

## **AT FOLTZ SPORTS** **COMPLEX**

General trash collection dumpsters will be to collect wood products, furniture, mattress and household items.

Items NOT Accepted include liquids, chemicals, paints, tires, batteries, or construction waste.

**Saturday,**  
**May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
**8:00 AM-1:00 PM**

# **HUMPHREY SPRING**



## **CLEAN UP**

**OPERATION: REDUCE,  
REUSE, RECYCLE**



### **GOODWILL COLLECTION**

We will be on site collecting clothing, shoes, boots, purses, belts, hats, household items and collectables

### **SCRAP METAL RECYCLING**

The **ONLY** items accepted include: large appliances such as stoves, washers, dryers, microwaves etc. refrigerators, freezers and air conditioners are accepted **if the the Freon is removed.**

**For Residents of Humphrey.**

Sponsored by The City of Humphrey, Humphrey Community Club, and Humphrey FFA Chapter

# Humphrey Public School

## May 2018 Activities

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 JH/HS Music Concert 7:00 pm	2 Bulldog Track Invite	3 7-12 Academic Awards Night 7:00 pm	4 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip JH EHC Track at Oakland Golf Invite at Stanton FFA Banquet at HHS 6:30	5 FFA Electronics Collection 8:00-1:00 pm JH Speech at Wayne Golf at WPB Invite in Oakland
6	7 Last Day of 4-Year- Old Preschool 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip JV Golf at Osmond EHC Golf	8 Last Day of 3-Year- Old Preschool HLHF 7-12 Sports Awards Night 7:00 Elementary Field Day 12:30	9 District Track Meet at HHS Seniors Last Day	10 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade GPS Field Trip to Columbus FFA Barnyard 2:00	11 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trip	12 
13 	14 Last Day of School for Grades K-6 Elementary Awards K-2 at 1-2:00 3-6 at 2:15-3:36 <div>District Golf</div>	15 FFA Mtg 7:30 am Last Day of School for Grades 7-12	16 Spirit Squad Tryouts	17 Spirit Squad Tryouts	18 <div>State Track</div>	19
20	21 Driver's Ed 8-3:30	22 Driver's Ed 8-1:00 <div>State Golf</div>	23 Driver's Ed 8-1:00	24 FCCLA Kids Camp	25	26
27	28 	29	30	31	Activities are subject to change due to unforeseen scheduling conflicts, etc. Please watch the daily bulletin and the NEW School website for the most up to date information. Thank You! <a href="http://www.humphreybulldogs.org">www.humphreybulldogs.org</a>	



# Thank You!

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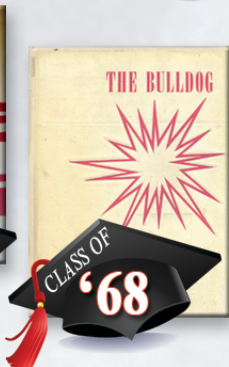
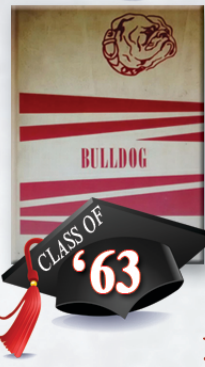
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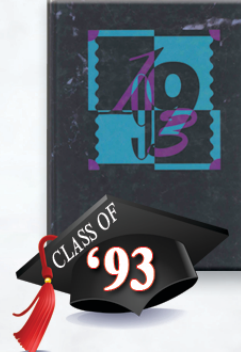
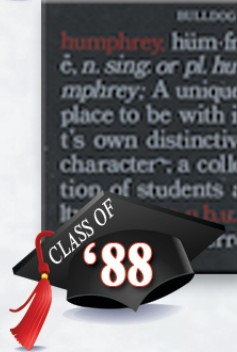
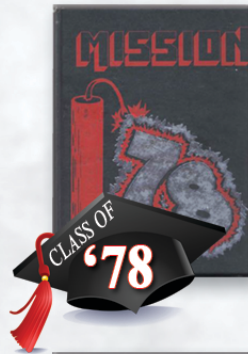
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## Class Recognition



# HUMPHREY PUBLIC SCHOOL



—HOME OF THE BULLDOGS—

## Alumni Reunion

Saturday  
June 23, 2018

1:00 p.m. • Humphrey High Gymnasium



# The Beginning

*Humphrey, NE was established as a township in 1883, soon after it began, plans were made to start a school. According to the 1951 History of Platte County, Vol 1, "Soon after the town was laid out, a schoolhouse - a frame building - was erected and fulfilled its purposes until 1889, when it was cast aside and a two-story pressed brick and stone structure was erected at a cost of \$8,000.*

*This is one of the best educational institutions in Platte County and one of its well conducted graded schools. There are now over 500 children of school age in the district."*

*The Centennial Edition of the Humphrey Democrat noted that in 1912 a new public school building was erected. A cafeteria and kitchen were added in 1968 and a gym was completed in 1970. In 1973, a Voc-Ag and band room were completed, while in 1982 a number of new classrooms and office space were added.*

## Present Building

*Following a bond election in 1999, construction of the present building began. While the school was being built, classes were held in the bus barn as well as a rental home. In January of 2002, students and faculty members were able to move into the new facilities.*



# Welcome

## HUMPHREY PUBLIC SCHOOL ALUMNI

*Recognition of 5 Year Classes  
1953, 1958, 1963, 1968, 1973, 1978, 1983,  
1988, 1993, 1998, 2003, 2008, 2013*

*Class Pictures*

*Tours of the School*

*Refreshments Provided*

*To help defer costs, a donation box will  
be available the day of the event.*



*Mission Statement:  
Our mission is to provide quality educational  
opportunities in a supportive environment.*



See what we're up to on the Web!!!  
<http://www.humphrey.esu7.org>

# *Congratulations Graduates*



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