

From the Superintendent's desk:

As we enter the month of November I want to remind and invite our parents and community members to the upcoming Veterans Day program. Humphrey Public will be hosting this year's special event on Wednesday, November 8 at 9:30 a.m. at the Humphrey Public School gymnasium. This year I am very excited to have Mrs. Jeanette Korth as our main speaker. Jeanette had the opportunity this past May to attend the final scheduled Vietnam Veterans flight with 653 Veterans on board four planes to Washington D.C. According to Jeanette, this was the largest group of Vietnam Veterans from one state to ever visit the Vietnam

Veteran's Day Program November 8, 2017 9:30 am HHS Gym

Veterans Memorial Wall. Jeanette will also share her thoughts on the Veterans banquet held the night before the flight as well as the actual day in D.C. and the welcome home the Veterans received upon their arrival at the Lincoln Airport. I hope you will be able to join us as we pay tribute and show our appreciation to our Veterans for their sacrifice and service to our country. In addition, our grades 7-12 band will be playing several selections as well as our elementary students will be singing.

The fall sports seasons came to an end for our softball, cross country and football teams in October with volleyball sub-districts starting in St. Paul on October 30 and 31. The One Act Play cast and crew have also been working hard in the evenings preparing for their season as well. I want to thank all the students and coaches/sponsors for their hard work and dedication this fall season as they put in many hours preparing for their respective seasons. As we transition from the fall season to winter, I want to share some information that you need to know. Similar to years past, we will again be utilizing the Connect 5 communication system for weather related postponements and cancelations. Please do not solely rely on the Connect 5 communication system; school announcements will also be on the local radio and television stations. At the beginning of the school year, a Connect 5 form was included in your packet to update phone numbers and e-mail addresses so we have accurate information and you can receive all messages. If you need to add or change a cell/home phone number, please contact Jen Nolan and get the new information to her. Canceling school or deciding to go with a late start is one of the most difficult decisions I have to make because as you know from living in Nebraska, our weather can change quickly and at the most inopportune times like when our buses are in the middle of their routes. I want you to know that I will base every school/weather related decision on the safety of our students. When this happens, you as parents must make the final decision to either send them or keep them at home, this is your decision to make. If you decide to send them, make sure students understand the same thing I tell the bus drivers which is, leave early, take your time, slow down and if your late, that is fine because I want everyone to arrive safely. I will

try to make decisions by 6:15 a.m. but sometimes it is later. When conditions warrant, I will announce the night before so parents have an opportunity to make necessary arrangements. The radio stations I call are as follows; KEXL 106.7 FM, WJAG 78 AM, KZ 100 FM, KKOT 93.5 FM, KLIR 101.1 FM, KJSK 900 AM, KTTT 1510 AM, KNEN 94.7 FM and US 92 FM. The following TV stations will also carry the announcements: KOLN/KGIN TV in Lincoln and KETV Channel 7 in Omaha.

I want to end my newsletter as I always do by saying should you ever have any questions, please call, or stop by in person and get the answers. This will help curb any misinformation and help eliminate rumors and your concerns. Clear and open communication between the community and the school are vital areas in the success of a school.

Have a great November and a Happy Thanksgiving! Mr. Sjuts



Honor Roll, Honorable Mention Honor Roll & Merit Honor Roll lists will be posted in the hallways. If your child(ren)'s name(s) are on the list, we look forward to you joining us.

See you there!



From the Principal's Desk:

Welcome to November! I hope this letter finds you and your family doing well. On Tuesday, October 17, Humphrey Public hosted a Muffin's with Mom breakfast. It was great to see so many in attendance. We are working on setting a date for Donuts with Dad. Please keep an eye out for notes when that date is set.

I wanted to pass along an update on the new website. We are continuing the process of making corrections to the mock-up of the new website. The mock-up is very close to being finalized. As we get closer to launching the new website, you will see a notice on the current website letting you know of the transition to

the new one. When we make the change, please don't hesitate to contact the school if you are unable to locate certain items. We would be more than happy to help you.

On Thursday, November 14, we will have The Honor's Breakfast for our students who qualify according to their 1st quarter grades. A student in grades 3-12 who earns a 93% GPA or higher, is placed on the Honor Roll. A student in grades 3-12 who earns an 89% GPA or higher is placed on the Honorable Mention Honor Roll. If a student has a "D" in any class, they are not eligible for Honor Roll. All students grades 3-12 may also be considered for the Merit Honor Roll Award. Students earn this award by following the PIPSS student performance goals and the student academic goal. They need to be nominated by a teacher, or teachers, to receive this award. Please continue to encourage your children to try their hardest and do their best with all of their course work. We still have a few weeks until the breakfast is held. It would be great to see all of our students in attendance. Breakfast will begin serving at 7:00 a.m. We hope to see you there.

Parent/Teacher Conferences were held on Monday, October 2, 2017. Elementary attendance was 92%. JH/HS

Calendar Reminders

- Friday, November 3rd
 - FCCLA Guardian Grove Night @ 7:00 PM
- Saturday, November 4th
 - JH Dance (7:30 PM 12:00 AM)
 - FFA High School Fun Night (6:30 PM 9:00 PM)
- Wednesday, November 8th
 - Veteran's Day Program @ HHS @ 9:30 AM
- Sunday, November 12th
 - Donkey Basketball @ HHS
- Monday, November 13th

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- School Board Meeting @ 7:30pm
- Tuesday, November 14th
 - 1st Quarter Honors Breakfast @ 7:00 AM
- Wednesday, November 15th
 - 1:00 PM Student Dismissal
- Tuesday, November 21st
 - Local Leadership Night @ 6:30 PM
- Wednesday, November 22nd
 - 1:00 PM Student Dismissal
- Thursday, November 23rd
 - NO SCHOOL
 - Friday, November 24th
 - NO SCHOOL

attendance was 73%. With the first quarter completed, I want to encourage parents to continue checking their student's grades through Powerschool. If you do not have a Powerschool login, please contact Mitzi Luedtke and she would be more than happy to assist you. If you ever have any questions regarding your student's grades, please contact their teachers for clarification. I would also encourage parents to have conversations with their student's day. It is important to keep homework and activities organized for the success of the student. With second quarter starting, it is important to start the quarter off right as their first quarter grade and second quarter grade are averaged together for their semester grade.

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. Until my next letter, have a great October!

MR. KING



Harvest is off and running and so are our students. Continue to check with teachers about the homework and projects you need to complete if you are out of the building. I, too, am frequently out of the building. If you need my assistance and I am absent, please, feel free to email me, leave me notes, or communicate to me in any way that you can what it is that I can assist you all with. As always, please contact me if there is anything at all that I can do to help you.

Elementary in review: The past month in elementary guidance we have discussed having good hygiene. Especially with flu season coming up, we feel it is important to help our students understand the importance of being healthy and able to battle these illnesses. We discussed topics such as brushing our teeth, washing our hands, bathing/showering, and wearing deodorant if it is necessary. We have also talked about bullying. In order to help prevent this, we talked about kindness and friendship as well. It is our goal to give students an alternative to bullying by being helpful instead.

We have also had a few reports of bullying. We ask that at home you are speaking about the importance of bully free schools. I encourage students to stand up to those who are bullying, support those who have been bullied, and do their best to never become a bully. If you are aware of bullying instances, please, talk to someone. We want our learning environment to be safe and effective for all of our students.

As we move into November, we will be working with positive classroom behavior, being a good friend, giving compliments, and being thankful. This leads into our Holiday Season and I want to wish all our Bulldog families a truly blessed one.

Junior High: Now is the time to remember that our GPA matters a great deal in our future. Continue to work hard for your grades, ask help if you do not understand, and stay caught up on all of your work despite all other activities. I also encourage you to begin joining the different clubs and organizations that Humphrey Public Schools offers for instance FCCLA/FFA, athletic teams, and attending school events to show school spirit.

It is also never too early to start saving up for college. This means the money for tuition, books, room and board, and especially spending money while you are at college. Keep thinking about what you would like to do in your future career and different colleges you might like to attend.

9th-10th Grade: Continue to try your very best in your classes and completing class work. Your GPA has a direct affect on the amount of assistance you have for college, where you will be able to go to college, and even getting into college. If you work hard now, it will pay off in the future. Continue to be involved within the school. It helps to build well-rounded individuals and looks wonderful on resumes too. Start saving up money for college and your future.

11th Grade: As with the other classes, continue to work hard on your grades and activities you are involved in. It will pay off in the future. I encourage you all to start talking about college more frequently. Talk to your parents about plans for paying for college. Then keep that in mind as you research colleges. Now is the perfect time to visit colleges and find the best fit for you. You are allowed to go on college visits with parent permission. If you need help setting that up, please, let me know. Another good idea is job shadowing. This helps you to figure out if a career is a good fit for you or not. I also encourage you to meet with the college representatives that visit school. If you are for sure the college is not a fit, please stay in class. However, if it is a college you have thought about, please visit with them. It is a quick and efficient way to see if a college may be right for you.

For 11th and 12th Grade students, I have created John Baylor ACT Test Prep accounts for you as well as ACT Online prep through the act web page. John Baylor can be accessed at www.ontocollege.com and online prep can be accessed at www.onlineprep.act.org. Both of these are free for you to use to study for the ACT. Your username is your school email and your password is your first name capitalized plus the year you graduate. For instance: johnbaylor@humphrey.esu7.org is the username and John2018 would be the password. On to College Prep which uses John Baylor will be implemented during the 11th grade Careers course in the second semester. This is to help with the State ACT Test all juniors will complete. With the correct use of these resources, ACT scores typically show a growth of 2-3 points. If you would like to register for an act visit www.act.org to register. If you qualify for free/reduced priced lunches, please see me for a test fee waiver.

12th Grade: First off, keep working on your grades as well. If our ACT scores are not where we want them, our grades can help save our admittance into college. On the note of ACT scores, the last test date accepted by colleges is the December 9th date. Register by November 3rd at www.act.org.

Continue to visit colleges. Find the right fit for you. Consider the location, cost, and degree options. If you would like help researching the college, please, see me and we can do that. Complete the FAFSA. By completing the FAFSA early, it allows for more scholarships and schools to have that information earlier which speeds up the process on deciding which college will be the right fit for you. I am available to help with this process, but pieces of it require your parents.

As always, if there is anything that I can do to help in any of these processes, please, let me know. You may contact me in person, through phone, email, notes, etc. Whichever works for you, I will make it work for me.

It is a great day to be a Bulldog!

Cami Oelsligle K-12 Guidance Counselor camio@humphrey.esu7.org (402) 923-1230



November 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Activities are subject to change due to unforeseen scheduling conflicts, etc. Please watch the daily bulletin on the school website for the most up to date information. Thank You!			1	2 VB District Finals	3 FCCLA Guardian Groove 7:00 pm	JH Dance 7:30-12:30 FFA Fun Night 6:30 pm
5	6 EHC Honor Choir at North Bend Booster Club 7:00 Post Prom 8:15	7	8 Veteran's Day Program @ HHS 9:30 am	9 Sta	10 te Volleyball Tour	11 nament
Donkey Basketball at HHS Gym 5:00 pm	JH GBB vs. Battle Creek B/A 6:00/7:00 School Board Mtg 7:30 pm	First Quarter Honor Roll Breakfast 7:00 am HSF One Act Festival	15 EHC One Act in Leigh 1:00 Dismissal Teacher InService	16	FCCLA Clusters in Oklahoma City	JH GBB Tournament at HHS 9:00 am FCCLA Clusters in Oklahoma City
FCCLA Clusters in Oklahoma City	One Act Dinner Theater 7:00 pm	FFA Local Leadership Night at HHS 6:30	Red Cross Blood Drive at HHS 8-1:00 1:00 Dismissal	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	25
26	One Act School Performance 2:45 pm JH GBB vs Twin River at HHS - B/A 4/5 BB Jamboree vs Cross County at LHF 6:30	District One Act at HSF JH GBB at EPPJ B/A 4:00/5:00	FCCLA Mtg 7:30 am	30		

Hello From the Math Room!!

Here we are, in the beginning of second quarter, and students are busy in the math room! It has been a great start to the school year, and I can only imagine that this will continue. We have all been busy on studying various topics and will continue to be working hard to prepare for our NeSA-Math test, including the ACT® Test in the Spring.

Seventh grade math students are enjoying junior high and have nearly completed two units, one on integers, and one reviewing fractions. We are getting ready for the second test, and then we will proceed to a unit on decimals and percent. Other topics that will be studied include geometry, probability, and equation solving.

Algebra I students have continued what we started last year with solving equations, but we have really bumped up the level of difficulty. Algebra I students are in high school now, and are being exposed to much higher-level math topics. We have worked on mastering the solving of all types of linear equations and inequalities, and I hope to complete the unit on graphing linear equations before Christmas. After that, we will examine systems of equations, exponents, and polynomials.

Geometry students are working through a chapter on triangles. We will be working on proving triangles congruent in several ways (SSS, SAS, ASA, AAS, and HL). While proofs often start off as a difficult topic, we will be trying to practice different ways to write them, including two-column proofs, flow proofs, and paragraph proofs. Second semester will include quadrilaterals, similarity, right triangles, and the basics of trigonometry.

Algebra II students are becoming more proficient with the graphing calculators as we study scatterplots and lines of best fit. I hope we are able to complete our unit on parabolas and quadratic equations before Christmas. Math Aerobics, here we come! Algebra II students will also FINALLY get to learn about imaginary numbers.

Transitional math students are a small, but mighty, group! All four of them are seniors, preparing themselves for college mathematics. We have discussed set theory, including intersection and union of sets. We are also discussing number theory. We will see consumer math, including simple and compound interest, credit cards, and mortgages, during the second quarter.

Advanced math students are studying parent functions and transformations. They may be dreaming of domain and range in their sleep. As we prepare them for college mathematics, we push them to be more and more independent learners. We are moving closer and closer to second semester and trigonometry.

I again have the opportunity to teach chemistry this year. All nine of the chemistry students are challenging themselves and learning more than they ever imagined about atomic structure, electron configurations, and bonding. After Christmas, we will dive into chemical equations and stoichiometry.

As you can see, there's never a dull moment in the math (and science) room! Each day I see about 80 of our students and try my hardest to see that they become better math and science students. It's a challenge, but one that I look forward to daily. Thank you to all of the parents and patrons who support these hard-working students. It has made my 24th year of teaching at Humphrey High School one of the best yet.

Mrs. Lovercheck



JUNIOR HIGH ENGLISH AND LIBRARY NEWS

MRS. KIM BENDER

English 7

Each morning begins with English 7 and eighteen eager learners! This year will be filled with the reading of several novels, the learning, defining and applying of literary devices as well as a study of grammar. Students also have weekly tasks, which include three new vocabulary words, using these words in a sentence, three new prefixes/suffixes/root words and 30 ixl problems. Even though this makes for a busy forty-seven minutes, the students rise to the challenge each day and the period seems to go quickly. We are currently reading the novel; The Watsons Go To Birmingham, 1963 and applying literary devices to the reading. historical fiction will also teach us about the 1960s and the Civil Rights Movement.

English 8

The eighth grade English students now meet fourth period! What a great addition to the morning! This year we continue with weekly vocabulary with sentences due every Wednesday and a quiz every Friday as well as learning three prefixes/suffixes/root new words. Each day Monday thru Thursday students complete a daily writing. We are currently working on our short story unit learning and applying literary terms and devices. We are exploring the big ideas and themes of these stories as well as making inferences and supporting all of our work with evidence from the text. Students also continue to read in their chosen novels to earn 25 AR points per semester.



BOOK FAIR

This year's book fair was once again held in conjunction with the fall parent teacher conferences. The fair was once again a tabletop opposed to bringing in the metal bookcases. The fair was a success and the library earned over \$400 to help get books into the hands of each and every one of our elementary students. We truly appreciate everyone shops the fair! The who proceeds help to put purchase books for the library and also the Christmas books for all students.

Thank you, also, for memorials and other donations made to our library! Your support, generosity and kindness are appreciated!

The **Cat is out of the Bag!** This Years Third Graders are 14 "Cool Cats" with awesome "Purr**sonalities**". We are having a great year. They have great skills and are able to work so well together, we can achieve a lot!

Our mornings are filled with Spelling, Reading, and Language Arts. They love reading all kinds of stories and are great at discussing them too! Each month we will focus on a different genre of books, so far we have read books from Other Lands and Mysteries. Next month will be History books filled with Native Americans and early settlers. They each have an Accelerated Reader goal to hit each week and they do a wonderful job meeting their goals. Later this year we will even try to "Read up a Blizzard" I guess you can blame us if we get any snowstorms in January!



We LOVE Social Studies! We started the year with map skills. We have and how landforms, climate and resources effect the way people live. We will be locating all kinds of "Cat" places on the map. Have you heard of the **Cat**alina Islands, Katmandu, or Catskill Mountains. Next we pounce into history with Native Americans. Columbus and colonists!

We are the **Cat's Pajamas** when it comes to Math. In our new series we start the year learning our Multiplication facts. We can use them to do problems solving. We can write equations with variables and draw many ways to find the answer. We have also reviewed learned about Geography place value, addition, and subtraction. Watch us Roar! through all the skills we will cover.

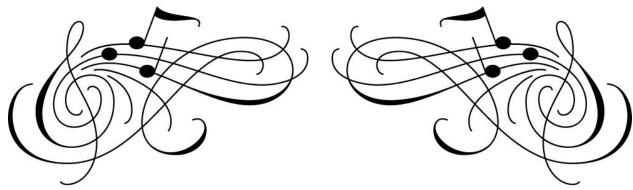


We are working hard to be Purr-fect writers too. We have learned about different kinds of sentences and all kinds of nouns. We have written three Personal Narratives about our vacations, our pets, and what we are experts at. Next up some Informational paragraphs about animals. We will research the animals using many sources, books, encyclopedias and the internet. I am sure they will be the **CAT'S Meow!**

They say "Curiousity Kills the Cat" and we are VERY curious about Science. We studied the human body and learned how to keep our health in **Cool Cat** shape. We played "Bigfoot" one day and learned how blood cells travel around our bodies delivering Oxygen and getting rid of Carbon Dioxide. Now we will be investigating plants to know all their parts and what their jobs are. We plan on doing a little planting too! How about some catnip or cat-tails or maybe a catalpa tree

All in all, things are going great. Before you know it, it will be Thanksgiving! By then, we will know all about our first communities, St. Augustine, Jamestown, and Plymouth. Stop in any time to visit. The **Cat's never got our tongue** and we may be able to teach **YOU** all kinds of interesting things. Happy Thanksgiving!

Mrs. Tasa and 14 Cool Cats



Greetings from the Band/Choir Room at Humphrey Public School!

As is generally the case, the school year is off and running at a frenetic pace and the activity in the music room is no exception.

Due to a change in date of the Norfolk Lion's Club Parade, the band was unable to march this year, which was disappointing, but hopefully it is only a one-year problem. The students in the band have been playing pep band and preparations are under way for the annual Veteran's Day program on Wednesday, Nov. 8th in the Humphrey High Gym.

In other band news, Chris Bialas was selected by audition to perform with the National FFA Honor Band in Indianapolis the end of October. Also, Allie Schneider was selected to play in the Doane College Fall Festival of Winds Honor Band on Saturday, Oct. 28th in Crete

Students in the High School choir are also working on music for Veteran's Day. The choir also has several students preparing to sing at the EHC Chorale Clinic on Monday, Nov. 6th at North Bend Central High School. Representing Humphrey will be: Chyenne Eden, Yasmine Bender, Triniti Gembica, Tylea Thompson, Trinity Young, Zane Bertrand, Will Whited, Chris Bialas, Matrix Kleckner and Chris Bialas. Zane was also selected by audition to sing in a select group made up of the 32 voices for the clinic. Humphrey's full choir will also perform one song on the concert.

Tylea Thompson and Zane Bertrand were selected by audition to sing in the Honor Choir at Concordia University's Musical Arts Day on Friday, Oct 27th in Seward.

The Jr. High Choir is also preparing music for our Veteran's Day Program as well as beginning music for our annual 7-12 Winter Concert on Thursday, Dec. 14th at 7pm.

I hope everyone's year is off to a great start and I look forward to seeing you at one of our upcoming performances.

Monday, Nov. 6th Wednesday, Nov 8th Monday, Dec. 11th Thursday, Dec 14th EHC Chorale Clinic Veteran's Day Program K-6 Winter Concert 7-12 Winter Concert North Bend High School 7pm Humphrey High Gym 9:30am Humphrey High Gym 7pm Humphrey High Gym 7pm

Elementary Music Notes



Wow! What a great elementary talent show! Approximately half of the entire elementary participated by showing his/her own musical creativity! The other half were great audience members by encouraging the efforts of the performers. Mrs. Luedtke and I are working on creating a CD of the performances done during music classes, as well as those in the gym. If you are interested in purchasing one, please email me at susanwhited@humphrey.esu7.org.

The elementary students in grades 3-6 will be performing at the Veteran's Day Program on November 8th in our school's gym. The program will begin at 9:30 am. I am impressed with the compassion and pride the students have for honoring those who have sacrificed so much in order to serve our country.

The Christmas concert for the elementary will take place on Monday, December 11^{th} at 7:00 pm. Students are asked to wear dressy casual clothing (no t-shirts, athletic shoes/pants or blue jeans) in order to help them give an appropriate stage presence. We ask that students will be in their classrooms by 6:45 that evening. Pre-K through 2^{nd} grade will join their parents in the audience after their performances. Please invite any outside family members and friends to fill the gym!

Humphrey Public School November 2017 Menus

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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Omelet & Toast Omelet	7 Berry Muffin or Scrambled Eggs & Toast Toast Pork Patty on Bun, Green Beans, Applesauce ALTERNATE: Bologna & Cheese	8 Long John or Donut ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ Nachos with all the Trimmings, Potato Smiles, Pears ALTERNATE: Ham & Cheese	9 Pancake on a Stick ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ Goulash, Garlic bread, Corn, Peaches ALTERNATE: Turkey & Cheese	Breakfast Pizza Reakfast Pizz
Belgium Waffle Belgium Waffle Popcorn Chicken, Corn, Dinner Bun, Pineapple ALTERNATE: Ham & Cheese	Honor Roll Breakfast Note: The state of the	French Toast Frenc	Biscuits & Gravy	Bagel with cream cheese or peanut butter ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~
French Toast or Tornado Walking Taco, Broccoli, Dinner Bun, Peaches ALTERNATE: Bologna & Cheese	Breakfast Burrito ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ Thanksgiving Dinner ALTERNATE: Ham & Cheese	Scrambled Eggs, Sausage Links & Toast Control Shredded Pork on Bun, Green Beans, Potato Smiles, Pears ALTERNATE: Turkey & Cheese	NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving!	
Yogurt Cup or Scrambled Eggs & Toast Chicken Fajita over Rice, California Blend, Applesauce ALTERNATE: Bologna & Cheese	French Toast Sticks	Breakfast Pizza Reakfast Pizza Fizza, Broccoli with Cheese, Cookie, Pears ALTERNATE: Turkey & Cheese	Pancakes Pancakes Sub Sandwich, Green Beans, Apple ALTERNATE: Bologna & Cheese	December