



HUMPHREY PUBLIC SCHOOL

Home of the Bulldogs

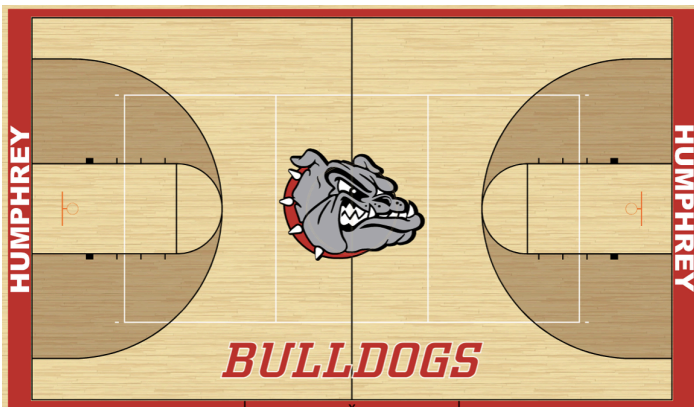
From the Superintendent's desk:

It is hard to believe that we are so close to the end of another great year at Humphrey Public Schools! The spring months always seem to fly by with track meets, awards ceremonies, elementary field trips, State FFA & FCCLA, graduation and the anticipation for summer vacation.

The Nebraska Rural Community Schools Spring Conference was held on Thursday, March 20 and Friday, March, 21 in Kearney, NE. Mrs. Kim Bender was the recipient of the Nebraska Rural Community Schools Associations Secondary Teacher of the Year award. Mrs. Bender's entire family was able to join us at the conference as she was recognized. Congratulations, Mrs. Bender!



Congratulations to our Bulldog Speech team on an outstanding season. They represented Humphrey High well at the state speech meet with multiple individuals placing in the top six in their events. Overall, the team placed 8th at the state speech meet. Congratulations to the entire team and their coaches!



This summer our gym floor will be getting a makeover. It has been several years since we have sanded down to the wood floor and completed a redesign. The gym will be closed from Friday, May 23, 2025 to approximately Friday, May 30, 2025. This process takes some extensive work, which requires the crew to be on site for several hours from early morning to late evenings. We are excited for a fresh look in the gym.

As I end my letter, I will continue to do my very best to model the importance of respect for self and others, promote Bulldog pride in our school, provide a safe and productive environment and provide educational opportunities for our students and staff. It is my goal that every student has a positive and rewarding experience here at Humphrey Public School. If you ever have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call or schedule a time to meet. My door is always open. Have a great April & GO BULLDOGS!!!

Mr. King



THE BULLDOG

NEWS FROM THE JH/HS PRINCIPAL

April 2025

Well, we are in the home stretch of the 2024-2025 school year. As the semester comes to a close there are a few things I wanted to go over.

- If you would like to allow your student to go to a school activity to watch, such as track and golf. Please complete the following. 1. Call the office to allow your student to be released for that activity. I ask that you do this at least a day before the event. 2. Have your student complete a yellow release form by the teachers so that any class work is understood. I am asking the students to complete these steps to eliminate any confusion in the office, classroom, and cafeteria. Please do not call the day of the activity to have your student released to go watch a meet. Please plan ahead of time.
- The Jrs did a great job of completing the ACT test last month. The rest of the 7-10 students will be completing a few tests in April. Grades 7 and 8 will complete the NSCAS test in Science, Math, and English. Grades 7-10 will complete the MAPs test later on in April.
- April is full of multiple activities. Please check your calendars for these events and please keep an eye on your students' grades and finish strong.
- Prom will be April 12th. Events for the evening will be at the community center starting at 5:30pm and then transition to post prom where the kids will be going to the YMCA.
- Students will be working with Miss O to complete their fall semester schedules.
- Registration is full for drivers' education.
- Srs last day will be April 29th and it will be a full day for those students. All bills and fees must be paid by this day.
- Graduation will be on May 3rd at 2:00pm.

Mr. Kirby



April

Elementary News

From the Desk of Mr. Rathje:

It is hard to believe that we are already in the month of April! The school year has been flying by. I am ready for spring and summer weather to stick around.

With every spring comes another round of assessments. We will be conducting both district and state assessments through the month of April. It is highly important that your student be in school on the testing dates, as it gets a little tricky to get those tests made up on time.

On Friday, March 21, 2025, we held Preschool and Kindergarten Round-Up in Humphrey. We will be holding our Kindergarten Round-Up in Lindsay on Friday, April 4, 2025. It was great to see our students and families excited about the 25-26 school year.

We have been accepting applications for our three and four year old preschool for the 2025-2026 school year. If you have a child in that age range and you have not completed an application form, please give the school office a call so we can get an application sent to you. Applications will be accepted until May 30th.

A few events that will be coming up in the elementary are as follows:

- Elementary music concert is Thursday, May 8, 2025 starting at 6:30pm.
- Elementary Awards / Track and Field Day is Monday, May 12, 2025. Notes will be sent home with additional details. We will do awards in the morning, students will eat lunch at school and then head down to the track.
- Elementary field trips:
 - 1st & 2nd Grade (Omaha Zoo) - Tuesday, May 20, 2025
 - 4th Grade (Fort Hartstuff) - Thursday, April 24, 2025
 - 5th Grade (Stuhr Museum) - Friday, May 16, 2025
 - 6th Grade (Kearney Archway) - Friday, April 25, 2025

As always, HAPPY APRIL! It has been a GREAT school year and we will continue this through the 4th quarter. In closing, we will continue to strive to be our Bulldog BEST every day! If you ever have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Educationally yours,

Mr. Rathje



Greetings from the Counselor,

Welcome to April! We blinked and March disappeared! Looking back on my past few April newsletters, I was reminded of just how different the month of April has been for the past few school years. I bet I am not alone when fearing this time of year due to the unpredictability of the past few springs whether it was a flood for the ages, a world-wide pandemic, or adjusting to a new normal. If these unprecedented times have taught me anything, it is that we are a nation, most specifically, a community of resilient people. If there are any lingering effects of the tragedies, please do not hesitate to reach out to me!

This is a busy time of year. State Testing like NSCAS and MAPS are right around the corner. Please, make sure that your children are getting a good night's sleep, eating appropriately, and playing outside as much as possible. All of these events will help your children to perform at their best ability. With that being said, remember that your child is more than any number or score from a test, and I am so lucky to get to know them. Testing time may be frustrating, but it is necessary. Let's finish this year strong!

Elementary in review: Two major topics that we have recently covered are college and career exploration. We feel that it is our mission to help students see benefits of preparing for their futures now. We explored the various paths including but not limited to: entering the work force, attending a trade school, attending a University and earning a Bachelor's Degree, attending a Community College and earning an Associate's Degree, and post graduate level education and careers. We understand that there are so many possible options for our students. We want their future to be the best it can be for each individual student. We believe that exploring possible colleges and careers at a younger age, our students will be more prepared to make important decisions as they graduate high school.

We will continue to discuss building for our futures. This may come in the form of social skills, study habits, summer habits, teamwork, school spirit, and more. If ever you notice a topic that needs discussed, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Junior High:

To the 8th graders, if there is anything you are worried about moving forward into high school, please ask. When I say to ask, I do not mean just me, but perhaps upper classmen, other teachers and staff within the building. It can be a bit intimidating, but we want to help make the process as smooth for you as possible. As you move into high school, remember how important it is to

show up to school and on time, be involved within the school, and maintain good grades and behavior in the classroom.

To the 7th graders, you will now be leaders to a new group of 7th graders. Please, lead by example and help out whenever needed. Set yourselves up for success, and ask questions if you have them. We are all here to help.

I encourage the entire junior high to continue to consider future career plans. One of the best ways to do this is to talk to people. Networking will prove to be a huge advantage for you all in the future. Build relationships with people now, they could pay off in the future. As always, never be afraid to ask questions, and finish this year off strong!

9th-10th Grade:

1. You've almost done it! Not much longer and you move up a step on the ladder. Continue to work hard, show up on time, be involved, and it will pay off.
2. Many of you have been involved in numerous activities, which is awesome! When you are a junior and senior, it may come time to put any accolades received from the activities into a form of resume. I encourage all of you to be writing down all of these accomplishments so that when it comes time to create a resume, you do not have to remember everything you have done, because it is already written some place. I would suggest a Google Doc or Education Quest's Activities Resume. If you are interested in the Activities Resume option, please create an account at www.educationquest.com. After you have created the account, you will find a box titled "Activities Resume." You may then enter any school activities, community activities, and awards that you may have been involved in or received. As long as you always remember your password, or save it somewhere, you will have access to this resume.
3. I challenge all of you to be leaders for underclassmen. This means to set good examples by being involved, helping others, and working hard. The school atmosphere depends largely upon all of you. It is what you make it, so make it great!

11th Grade:

1. It has reached April. You just recently took the ACT. I know you all tried your best, and I am so hopeful your scores make you happy. Please, know you are not defined by this score, though. It's just one test.
2. In case you are interested in taking the ACT again over the summer, you will all still have access to your On To College accounts where you can take a refresher course on John Baylor's grammar tips right before testing.
3. How important is the ACT? It can mean the difference in attending college for free or needing to go into debt to afford college. It can mean the difference in being accepted to certain colleges or not. It can mean having to take remedial courses in college or being able to take the courses right away that are needed for your degree. Many colleges have started to accept super scores, which is the average of all the highest scores in each sub test. Therefore, if you don't have the score you want after one test, please don't give up. Try again!

4. As always, please continue to research future careers and colleges. Campus visits are huge in helping to determine a good fit for you. Please, let me know if you would like me to set up a visit or if you would like to do so on your own. Job Shadows are good opportunities to look at future careers as well. If you need help with this, please let me know.

12th Grade:

1. You are almost finished, but not yet. Please, continue to work hard, show up to class, and maintain good grades. Colleges can still deny you if there are many slips in your academic performance.
2. Many of you have been involved over the years, and I believe it will pay off. One of employers' biggest complaints is that students are not coming prepared with time management skills, which ultimately leads to individuals not showing up for work on time. I hope that being involved and through other experiences that you all have developed time management skills along with many of the other necessary skills to be successful in your future.
3. Many of you will be notified of scholarship awards in upcoming weeks. When you are notified, please send me an email or stop in to let me know. This will make it easier on both of us as I fill out your future plans, and award amounts for graduation. In May, or before graduation, I will need to speak with each of you about future plans. This will ensure that I send out all necessary transcripts, and tie up all loose ends. Please, let me know if you have any questions.

As always, please contact me with any questions you might have. If I do not know the answer, I will find it.

It's a great day to be a Bulldog!

Cami Oelsigle
PK-12 School Counselor
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IMPORTANT DATES

Saturday 04/12/25: Prom

Monday 04/14/25: School Board Meeting 7:30pm

Wednesday 04/16/25: Banking In School

Friday 04/18/25: No School for Students & Staff




Monday 04/21/25: No School for Students & Staff

Friday 04/25/25: FFA Banquet

Saturday 05/03/25: Graduation 2:00pm



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April 2025 Activities

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | 1 | 2 1:00pm Student Dismissal *Banking in School *State FFA *In-Service | 3 *State FFA | 4 *State FFA *Robotics World Championship | 5 *JH Dance |
| 6 *State FCCLA | 7 *State FCCLA *HS T @ David City *JH T @ Wisner | 8 *State FCCLA *G @ Humphrey | 9 *NECC Quiz Bowl | 10 | 11 | 12 PROM *9/10 T @ Wisner |
| 13 | 14 *School Board Meeting | 15 *HS T @ Neligh *Golf @ Madison | 16 *Banking in School *FFA Meeting *G @ Leigh *EHC Art Show @ Howells-Dodge | 17 | 18  | 19 |
| 20 | 21  | 22 *HS Track @ HHS *G @ TBD | 23 *FFA Officer Interviews | 24 *HS T @ Palmer *JH T @ Lyons | 25 *FFA Banquet | 26 |
| 27  | 28 *JH Track @ HHS *G @ Humphrey | 29 *HS T @ Humphrey | 30 | Activities are subject to change due to unforeseen scheduling conflicts, etc. Please watch the daily bulletin and the school website for the most up to date information. Thank You! www.humphreybulldogs.org | | |

Humphrey Public School

April 2025 Menus

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| <div> <p>Menus subject to change. Choice of hot breakfast sandwich, cold cereal, milk, water and juice offered daily for breakfast. Choice of cold sandwich, milk, water and salad bar offered daily for lunch. USDA is an equal opportunity provider & employer</p> </div> | | <p>2</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>Mini Corn Dogs</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> | <p>3</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>BBQ Pork on a Bun</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> | <p>4</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>Cheese Pizza</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> |
| <p>7</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>Soft Shell Tacos</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> | <p>8</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>Breakfast for Lunch</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> | <p>9</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>Hamburger on a Bun</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> | <p>10</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>Chicken Nuggets</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> | <p>11</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>Cheesy Pull Aparts</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> |
| <p>14</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>Popcorn Chicken</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> | <p>15</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p>Pork Patty on a Bun</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> <p>Bun</p> | <p>16</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>Pizza</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> | <p>17</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>Burrito or Chili Dog</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> | <p>18</p>  |
| <p>21</p>  | <p>22</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>Fiestada</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> | <p>23</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>Spaghetti & Meat Sauce</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> | <p>24</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>Corn Dog or McRibb</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> | <p>25</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>Chicken Patty on a Bun</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> |
| <p>28</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>Chili/Soup</p> <p>Cinnamon Roll</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> | <p>29</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>Hamburgers</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> | <p>30</p> <p>Hot Sandwich/Cold Cereal</p> <p>~ ~ ~ ~ ~</p> <p>Chicken Alfredo</p> <p>Vegetable</p> <p>Fruit/Salad Bar</p> | | |