



May 2022 Newsletter

From the Superintendent's desk:

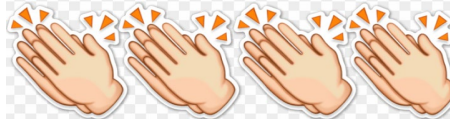


As I was preparing to write my May newsletter which is always dedicated to our senior class of students, it dawned on me this will also be my last newsletter as Superintendent at Humphrey Public School. I was thinking about our seniors having only one week of school left and the feelings they will have as they spend their last days walking the hallways as students at Humphrey Public School. During a conversation with a couple of seniors in the hallway, I asked them how many days of school they had left? The response I received surprised me somewhat in a positive way. I was anticipating an exact number of days but when they told me time was going too fast, I got to thinking their feelings were very similar to mine. We look forward to moving on while also feeling we are leaving an environment and family that has been so supportive and friendly. It's hard to describe your feelings when you've been a part of something so positive and awesome for so long. I compare leaving Humphrey Public School to vacation, time goes by too fast and we are wanting it to slow down so we can enjoy it just a little longer.

The senior class of 23 students has been magnificent role models for our younger students and has left a positive impression on our school in many ways including academic excellence, tremendous involvement in activities, and excelling at a high level in the activities. They have always been a very positive and respectful group that enjoys being around one another and our staff. I believe the seniors have a sincere appreciation for our school and will miss each other after graduation. I want to congratulate them and wish them much happiness and success as they move on to the next chapter in their lives. I want them to know they will always be welcome at Humphrey Public School and will forever be a Bulldog alum. I will miss them all and look forward to following their careers.

With graduation in mind, I want to remind and invite all parents, alumni, and students to our graduation ceremony on Saturday, May 7 at 2:00 p.m., when 23 seniors will walk across the stage one final time as students of Humphrey Public School to receive their diplomas. I hope the seniors enjoy their graduation day and realize the sense of pride and accomplishment each of them has achieved. I want to thank each senior for their positive attitude and tremendous leadership throughout the 2021-2022 school year. Congratulations to the class of 2022!!

As we bring the 2021-2022 school year to an end, I want to extend my sincere appreciation to our students, teachers, support staff, and parents for their flexibility, understanding, cooperation, and dedication to everything they've done this year. As we moved forward from the pandemic, the job of educating students is a very important and time-consuming profession. I am so proud of our entire staff and appreciate everything they do for our students and parents. As I wrap up my career in education, I've been blessed with the opportunity to work side by side with an awesome group of caring and positive people and live in a community that values education. Being the Superintendent at Humphrey Public School has been the greatest job in Nebraska because of the staff, students, and community who've been a part of my family. I will cherish you all and know that I am very proud to be a Humphrey Bulldog!



Finally, I want to share my thanks to a couple of staff who will be leaving us. At the end of this school year, Humphrey Public School will be saying goodbye to three staff members. Mrs. Goering has taken a teaching position at Columbus Public Schools. I want to thank her for her commitment to education and for the ability to mold our Kindergartener's minds in a very creative and positive way. I also want to thank Ken Kosch who has worked in our food service area and Deb Harper who has served as a para, we will miss their positive attitudes and great work ethic as well. I want to wish Allie, Deb and Ken the very best in their future and thank them for their service to the district.

For the final time, my newsletters will end with this comment, if you ever have any questions, please call and get the answers. This will help curb misinformation and eliminate incorrect information. Have a great May, stay safe, enjoy your summer & Go Bulldogs!

Mr. Sjuts





May 2022

It's hard to think that spring is here and that summer is only a month away, considering we had very little snow this last winter. Within the last few weeks, the high school has had prom and track is off to a great start (both high school and Jr high) and I can't forget about Jr high speech. However, May is here and the rush to the end will be a blur. A few things to consider.

- The first week of May will be packed with a lot to do. May 3rd in the HHS gym will be the Academic Honors Night at 6:00pm and JH/HS Music concert at 7:15pm. On Thursday May 5th the Jr class will head to UNL for a visit and that will be the Srs last day.
- Graduation will be in the HHS gym on May 7th at 2:00pm.
- We will look to finish-up our 2021-2022 standardized tests in May with the last two dates for MAPS testing on May 3rd and May 11th.
- I am sure all of you have received Mr. Sjuts message on the last day of school being May 17th. This is a change from the master calendar.
- Ms. Oelsligle and Mr. Kirby will be at school from 6:00pm-7:30pm on May 18th and from 8:00am – 3:30 pm to answer any questions parents may have for 2022-2023 scheduling.
- Drivers' education will be held again this summer. Please get a hold of the office if you have any questions.
- Last, remember that for the rest of the school year ALL breakfast and lunch are free to all students. We encourage everyone to take advantage of this opportunity. If you decide to bring a home lunch, this is fine. However, under federal law students are not allowed to have food that is wrapped in commercial packaging (i.e. McDonald's, Subway, and Canes).

Thank you!
Mr. Kirby



MAY

ELEMENTARY NEWS

From the Desk of Mr. King:

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. 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.

During the month of April and into May, students in grades 3-8 have been completing the statewide accountability assessment. 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. I appreciate all of the students' hard work on these assessments. NSCAS assessment results will be finalized next fall and results will be sent home to parents when they become available. 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 2021-2022 school year, the elementary will complete their final Acadience benchmark assessment.

Humphrey Public School will be hosting a Preschool Open House on Monday, May 2, 2022 at 5:30pm. The open house is for families that are interested in our Preschool program and would like to take a tour and meet our preschool teacher, Mrs. Driescher. There will also be an Early Childhood Resource teacher from the ESU available for families that have children ages birth to five that might have some developmental concerns or questions. This is part of our required child find obligations. We hope you are able to join us for this event!

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

- Elementary music concert is Monday, May 9, 2022 starting at 6:30pm.
- Elementary Awards / Track and Field Day is Tuesday, May 10, 2022.
 - 8:45am - 9:30am - Grades K-2 Awards in the gym.
 - 9:45am - 10:30am - Grades 3-6 Awards in the gym.
 - Students will eat lunch at school and then walk down to the track around 12:15pm
 - 12:30pm - Approx: 3:15pm - Track and Field Day, Please make sure your child has sunscreen and a water bottle. Please make sure they have tennis shoes. They may use their PE shoes. No flip/flops or sandals please.

- Elementary field trips in May:
 - 4th Grade (Fort Hartsuff) - Tuesday, May 3, 2022
 - 5th Grade (Stuhr Museum) - Friday, May 13, 2022
 - 3rd Grade (Neligh Wildlife Museum & Ashfalls) - Friday, May 13, 2022

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. Additional details will follow with their reading logs.

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 wonderful summer!

MR KING



Greetings from the Counselor,

We made it! It is the last month of an incredible school year, and when I say incredible, I don't think that word encompasses enough. I am so proud of our school and community for the numerous accomplishments we have earned this year! Thank you to the awesome staff, students, families, and community members who continuously make my career an enjoyable one. It is always a great day to be a Bulldog!

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!

9th-10th 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!

11th 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. You all still have access to your ACT Prep both at www.onlineprep.act.org and www.ontocollege.com. As with everyone else, have a wonderful and safe summer!

12th 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. 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 and ready to fill the shoes of our incredible upperclassmen. 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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CLASS OF 2022

Way to Go



Erin Kruid, a sixth grader at Humphrey Public Schools, was recently awarded second place in the 5th and 6th grade division of the 2022 Nebraska Department of Agriculture youth poster contest. Erin completed her poster during National FFA Week earlier this year. Over 1,400 entries from 1st-6th grade students across the state were entered. All winning posters are on the Nebraska Department of Agriculture website, nda.nebraska.gov/kids. Erin received an award certificate, a Nebraska state quarter, and a letter from Governor Pete Ricketts.

Congratulations, Erin!

Erin's teacher is Mr. Aaron Niemann



On Wednesday April 20, 2022 our elementary had students participate in at the spelling bee at Lakeview. We are so proud of our Bulldogs!!



First Grade:
Eryn Donner qualified



Second Grade:
1st place: Alyssa Trotter- St. John's
2nd place: Kennedy Edins- Shell Creek
3rd place: Harley Rozmiarek- Humphrey Public



Third Grade:

- 1st place: Adilyn Evans-St. John's
- 2nd place: Alonzo Gutierrez-Shell Creek
- 3rd place: Lainah Johnson-Humphrey Public



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Sixth Grade:

- 1st place: Sami Prorok-Humphrey Public
- 2nd place: Karley Killham-Shell Creek
- 3rd place: Rayetta Anderson- Platte Center



SUMMER AT YOUR LIBRARY

EXPLORE · LEARN · READ · CONNECT

“Oceans of Possibilities” is the reading theme at the Humphrey Public Library this summer, and the Library has 9 weeks of fun-filled activities for all ages to enjoy.

Kicking the season off is the *“Oceans of Possibilities”* reading program and board game. Reading and playing the board game begins on Saturday, June 4, and ends on Saturday, August 6. All readers keep track of pages read and play the *“Oceans of Possibilities”* board game for prizes!

MARK YOUR CALENDER: On Wednesday, June 8, at 10:00 a.m. at the Community Center small room, *Poppin’ Penelope and Peter* will be entertaining us with magic tricks, comedy, balloon figures, and more!! This presentation is free to the public and for all ages!!



StoryTime for kids ages 3-7 years old are on Thursday mornings at 10:00 on June 16, 23, and 30 at the Library. *CraftTymes* for kids 7 years & older will be on Wednesday mornings, June 15 – 29, and July 13 & 20 at 10:00 at the Community Center small room.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR (again): On Wednesday, July 6, at 10:00 a.m. *Dino O’Dell* dives deep into the world under the waves as he takes us on a musical and story-telling journey through three eras of life on Earth, from aquatic life to dinosaurs to modern mammals. Again, this presentation is free and for all ages!

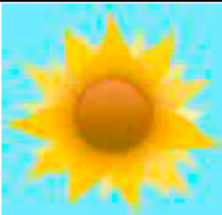
Any questions on any of these programs, contact the Humphrey Public Library at 402-923-0957. It’s going to be a busy summer at the Humphrey Public Library....hope to see you there!

May 2022 Activities

Humphrey Public School

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 *JH Track @ Wisner Invite *Preschool open house 5:30pm	3 *4th Grade field trip to Ft. Hartsuff *Ag in the Park 1:00pm *JH/HS HPS Academic Awards 6:00pm *JH/HS Music Concert 7:15pm	4 *HS Track @ HHS Invite	5 Last Day of 3-Year-Old Preschool Last Day for Seniors *Juniors to UNL	6 Last Day of 4-Year-Old Preschool *Golf @ Stanton Invite *JH EHC Track @ Stanton	7  *Graduation 2:00pm
8 	9 *EHC Golf @ Lyons *Elementary Music Concert 6:30pm *School Board Meeting 7:30pm	10 Elementary Awards and Elementary Track & Field Day *Cheer/Dance Tryout 6:30pm @ HHS	11 *FFA Meeting 7:30am *Cheer/Dance Tryout 6:30pm @ LHF	12 *District Track @ HHS	13 *3 rd Grade field trip to Ash Falls *5 th Grade field trip to Stuhr Museum	14 *FFA Spring cleanup at Foltz Complex
15	16 *District Golf @ Fremont	17 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL *End of 4 th Qtr/2 nd Semester	18 *JH/HS Class Registration 6:00-7:30pm *Teacher In-Service	19 *JH/HS Class Registration 8:00am-3:30pm *Teacher In-Service	20	21
					State Track	
22	23 *Driver Ed class 8:00am-3:00pm	24 *Driver Ed class 8:00am-3:00pm	25 *Driver Ed class 8:00am-3:00pm	26 *FFA COLT Conference @ Aurora	27 *FFA COLT Conference @ Aurora	28
		State Golf				
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! www.humphreybulldogs.org			



MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
2 Cooks Choice ~~~~~ Cooks Choice		3 Cooks Choice ~~~~~ Cooks Choice		4 Cooks Choice ~~~~~ Cooks Choice		5 Cooks Choice ~~~~~ Cooks Choice		6 Cooks Choice ~~~~~ Cooks Choice	
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16 Cooks Choice ~~~~~ Cooks Choice		17 Cooks Choice ~~~~~ Grill Out		 <p>SCHOOLS OUT FOR THE SUMMER!</p>					
<p>Menus subject to change. Choice of hot breakfast sandwich, toast, milk, water and juice offered daily for breakfast. Choice of cold sandwich, milk, water and salad bar offered daily for lunch. <i>Lunch alternate must be requested by 9:00 am.</i> USDA is an equal opportunity provider & employer</p>									

