



From the Superintendent's desk:

As we bring the 2020-2021 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 for everything they've done this year. The Coronavirus pandemic has made this year one of most difficult years in my 34 years in education. Humphrey Public School has not wavered in our goals of keeping our staff and students safe and healthy this entire school year. We have been able to stay with in-person learning instead of remote learning which has been very important for our student's education. At the upcoming school board meeting in May, I will be discussing with our school board the possibility of ending our mask mandate at the end of the school year. I will share more details and information after our school board meeting.

The second area of focus for my May newsletter is the "proposal" that was shared in April by Father Olson and the school boards from St. Francis and Lindsay Holy Family. I want to share some facts with you that I believe are very important. Humphrey Public School has been in a grades 7-12 sports cooperative with Lindsay Holy Family for 8 years now. At the April school board meeting, I recommended to the school board to approve the Humphrey Public, Lindsay HF, and Twin River softball cooperative for two school years. This will begin with the 2021-2022 school year despite the proposal to end all other aspects of the sports cooperative. At the end of March, Humphrey Public and Lindsay Holy Family administrations both approved the continuation of the girls' and boys' basketball cooperative for two more years, meaning we are together for the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 basketball seasons. The fall sports cooperative which includes

football, cross country, and volleyball will end after the fall 2021 season if we do not approve the future cooperative. The track cooperative will end at the end of the 2021 spring season unless we approve to continue track for another two seasons. For clarification purposes, when schools approve a NSAA sports cooperative, you must sign up for two years in each sport. To end a cooperative that is in existence, both school boards must approve to end the cooperative. If one school votes to keep the cooperative, the cooperative must stay in existence until the coop timeline ends.

I have been very upfront with my comments, sharing information on the importance of this sports cooperative for Humphrey Public School because of our low participation numbers in some sports. We began this coop with Lindsay Holy Family because of low participation numbers in some sports. The coop with Lindsay Holy Family has allowed our students to participate at the correct level based on their ability. In the sport of football, we do not want 110-pound freshman having to play against a 195-pound senior. The physicality of this sport could possibly injure a student for an undetermined period of time which could affect future participation. The coop with Lindsay HF has allowed us to field a team, have students play at the right level and not be forced to play against older and more physical students. The volleyball, basketball teams also have the opportunity through this coop to play full junior varsity teams, some freshman games, and once again allow students to play at the correct level. We have been able to field a cross country team and our track athletes have benefited with more participants to provide competition and help with team scoring. HLHF plays in the very difficult East Husker Conference. Without the cooperative and students from Lindsay Holy Family, we will struggle to field full teams, have jr. varsity games, and in some instances like football, possibly not field a team at all. Humphrey Public will continue to be proactive and communicate with Father Olson and the school boards from both schools to let them know how important this sports cooperative is to our students and school. I believe and will communicate that all three schools should be having conversations on how to improve academic opportunities for ALL of our students and let the sports cooperative alone. My saying that if it's not broken, don't fix it. Our cooperative is awesome, our students work together and develop many great relationships. Our parents support one another, our coaches' bond very well, and work hard for our kids. I will continue to advocate for this sports cooperative and will be communicating with our school board to keep HLHF together. I will also continue to communicate any updates about the "proposal" as we move forward. If you ever have any questions, please stop by or give me a call as I would enjoy the opportunity to hear your thoughts on how we can keep the HLHF coop together.

Finally, to the students in grades PK-11, our faculty and our staff, thank you for everything you have done this school year. TOGETHER, you have allowed us to have an outstanding school year. Please have a safe and enjoyable summer; I look forward to seeing and working with you again during the 2021-2022 school year. TOGETHER as a team, we will continue to achieve great things and build on our strengths. Have a great May, stay safe and enjoy your 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. 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.

Humphrey High School held another successful graduation. Graduation is a time to honor our students and their 13 years of education. This group of seniors have great friendships that will last a lifetime. The 2021 graduating class of Humphrey Public School include Emily Abbott, Autumn Bender, Michaela Brozek, Justin Buck, Allison Durkop, Hailey Goering, Jonathan Holzerland, Carter Jacobson, Ethan Johnson, Riley Jurgens, Oriana Kuehler, Krista Luedtke, McKenna Roelle, and Colton Stankoski. All of the seniors have very bright futures ahead of them and we wish them the best of luck!

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 **NSCAS**

During the month of April and into May, students in grades 3-11 have been completing the statewide accountability assessment. This was the third year for the new 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. 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 2020-2021 school year, the elementary will complete their final Acadience benchmark assessment.

Our students have worked hard this year and it is always great to honor them for their accomplishments. The Academic Awards Night was held in Humphrey on Thursday, April 29 before the junior high & high school music concert. This worked out really well having both events on one night as most of our

students are also a part of the band. The Humphrey-Lindsay Holy Family Athletic Awards Night was held in Lindsay on Tuesday, May 27. 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 Tuesday, May 11th. Students in grades K-2

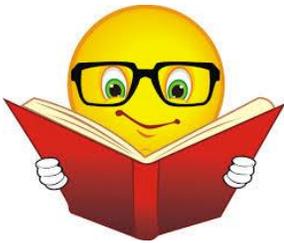


will be honored from 8:45 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Kindergarten graduation will be during this time. Students in grades 3-6 will be honored from 9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. I know they look forward to this event and we look forward to having you join us. This event will take place in the gym. Those that are attending will be required to wear a mask. Following the Awards ceremony, students will eat lunch and participate in the Elementary Track and Field Day.

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 students in grades K-11 will be Tuesday, May 18th, with a 12:00 p.m. dismissal. Lunch or breakfast will not be served on the last day of school.



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.

MR. KING



“Tails and Tales” summer reading program at the **Humphrey Public Library** kicks off on **Wednesday, June 2, at 10:00 a.m.** with a performance by **Wild Life Encounters** at the small room at the Humphrey Community Center. This presentation is free to the public, and any and all people are welcome to attend.

Wednesdays from 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. (June 9, 16, 23, 30 and July 7, 14), the **Library** will have “Crafts & Games” for ages 8 years & older at the small room at the Community Center. Pre-register by calling the Library at 402-923-0957 or emailing humphreypl@hotmail.com. Pre-registration would be nice, but not a requirement.

Thursdays from 9:30 – 10:00 a.m. (June 10, 17, 24) will be **Storytime** for ages 3-7 years at the Library. Stories and activities will be featured, but crafts will be **“Grab & Go”**. Again, pre-registration would be polite, but not required.

“Grab & Go” crafts will be offered Thursdays in July (1, 8, 15, 22), first come, first serve while supplies last.

“Tails and Tales” reading game runs from Saturday, June 5, - Saturday, July 31. Readers of all ages can sign up at the Library, record their pages, and move their game piece for prizes.

******While masks are not required, if social distancing cannot be accomplished, then masks will be strongly suggested.******

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>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!</p> <p>www.humphreybulldogs.org</p>						<p>1</p> <p>*HS EHC Track @ Lyons</p>
2	<p>3</p> <p>*JH Track @ Wisner *Golf @ St. Francis Dual *Booster Club/Post Prom Meeting 7:00pm</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Last Day of 3-Year-Old Preschool *Spirit Squad Tryouts 6:30pm @ HHS *Booster Club/Post Prom Meeting 7:00pm</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Last Day of 4-Year-Old Preschool *HS Track @ HHS *4th Grade Field Trip</p>	<p>6</p> <p>*Spirit Squad Tryouts 6:30pm @ LHF *1st & 2nd Grade Field Trip</p>	<p>7</p> <p>*6th Grade GPS Field Trip *Golf @ Stanton *JH EHC Track @ North Bend</p>	8
<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>*Golf EHC @ Oakland *Elementary Music Concert (K-3 @ 6:30pm & 4-6 @ 7:30pm) *School Board Meeting 9:00pm</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Elementary Awards and Elementary Track & Field Day</p>	<p>12</p> <p>*HS District Track @ Hartington</p>	<p>13</p> <p>*FFA Meeting 7:30am *FFA Barnyard</p>	<p>14</p> <p>*5th Grade Field Trip *JH Dance 7-12pm</p>	<p>15</p> <p>*FFA Electronics Collection/Spring Clean UP</p>
16	17	<p>18</p> <p>*End of 4th Quarter Last Day of School 12:00pm Student Dismissal</p>	<p>19</p> <p>*Teacher In-Service</p>	20	21	22
	District Golf				State Track	
23	<p>24</p> <p>*Driver Ed class 8:00am-3:00pm</p>	<p>25</p> <p>*Driver Ed class 8:00am-3:00pm</p>	<p>26</p> <p>*Driver Ed class 8:00am-2:00pm *Blood Drive @ Community Center</p>	27	28	29
			State Golf			
30	<p>31</p>	<p>May 2021 Activities</p>				



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 Cooks Choice ----- Cooks Choice	4 Cooks Choice ----- Cooks Choice	5 Cooks Choice ----- Cooks Choice	6 Cooks Choice ----- Cooks Choice	7 Cooks Choice ----- Cooks Choice
10 Cooks Choice ----- Cooks Choice	11 Cooks Choice ----- Cooks Choice	12 Cooks Choice ----- Cooks Choice	13 Cooks Choice ----- Cooks Choice	14 Cooks Choice ----- Cooks Choice
7 Cooks Choice ----- Cooks Choice	18 Cooks Choice ----- Grill Out	19 No Breakfast OR Lunch Early Dismissal for Students Last Day of School	 SCHOOLS OUT FOR THE SUMMER!	
<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>				

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May 2021 Lunch Menu