

The Huskies Leader

From Brad Best, Superintendent...

To our parents and supporters,

It is November, already. My parents always told me that the older one grows, the faster time seems to fly past. I am getting quite worried.

On Monday, the 28th of October, we were able to provide a full day of professional development for our teachers. They worked at analyzing student testing data, continued to update curriculum guides, and participated in multiple technology training sessions to hone their skills. All of these activities are designed to make sure that we are doing the right work for our students. We appreciate the opportunity to have full days of training and hope that you appreciated the four-day weekend for students rather than the partial days of years past.

Thank you for your continued support of the Heartland Community Schools and have a wonderful holiday season.



Lenny VerMaas works with teachers in analyzing student data.

School Closing Information

As the winter approaches, occasional bad weather necessitates the closing of school for the safety of our students. School closing information will be announced over the radio station KAWL (1370) and television stations KHAS, KLKN, NTV and KOLN.

We also use an automated phone message service through School Reach which we will use to contact parents about school closings as well. With this service it is very important that we have current contact numbers on file. Please call the school office if anything changes.

You may also call our school closing phone line at 402-723-4421. If a decision has been made the night before, the closing will be announced around 10:00PM. In the mornings it will be announced on the half hour from 6:30AM to 8:00AM.



PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR VETERANS' DAY PROGRAM

We would like to invite all area veterans and the general public to a Veterans' Day program at 1:00 P.M. on November 11th in the high school theatre. The program should not extend beyond an hour in length.

Our program will recognize our veterans through music, video, and spoken word. Our Veterans' Day address will be delivered by Retired Maj. Gen. Roger Lempke. Graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy and former pilot. He also

served as the former adjutant general of the Nebraska National Guard.

We will also be hosting a reception for our veterans in attendance following the program in the school cafeteria.



Retired Maj. Gen. Roger Lempke

WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL JOIN US!



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FFA NEWS



Freshman practicing how to figure slope at the Park.



Coby Steingard and Spencer Prentice figuring land capability during District Land Judging.

In September, the 10th - 12th grade agriculture students attended the annual Careers in Ag Day hosted by Cornerstone Bank. The students were able to learn about different agriculture related jobs, as well as make various college connections. The freshmen attended an IMPACT workshop at the end of September. This workshop allowed the students to meet Nebraska State FFA Officers, and learn more about the FFA. Five freshmen FFA members were awarded a free FFA jacket. They were : **Shelby Hurlbut, Addie Swartzendruber, Johnny Johnson, Kristine Goertzen, and Kori Siebert.**

In October, the agriculture students prepared for land judging. The district contest was held in Gibbon this year. The top Heartland team placed 11th out of 64 teams. Blue ribbon winners were: **Brandon Boardman, Kristine Goertzen, Clay Bergen, Kelli Bergen, and Trevor Friesen.** Red ribbon winners were **Vanessa Hieber, Matthew Buller, Ben Winter, and Dylan (JJ) Johnson.** White ribbon winners were: **Kori Siebert, Addie Swartzendruber, Austin Stuhr, Megan Friesen, Angelica Bassett, and Parker Goertzen.** The FFA members hosted a Harvest Meal for area farmers. This meal was held at Progressive Ag in Bradshaw and served over 115 farmers. Several area businesses were generous enough to donate either food or give a monetary donation for this event.



Vanessa Hiebner figuring depth of soil at District Land Judging.



Megan Friesen & Addie Swartzendruber figuring soil texture at District Land Judging.



*Six members attended the National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. **Left to Right:** Lydia Quiring, Paige Mestl, Addie Swartzendruber, Megan Friesen & Trevor Friesen.*



Megan Boardman and Megan Friesen making take out meals for farmers during the Harvest Meal.

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J.J. Green, Grand Island Harvest of Harmony Parade Chairman, came to Heartland Community School Monday, October 21, 2013 to present the Heartland Band with the Harvest of Harmony trophy for Overall High Score in the 2013 Parade. This trophy is sponsored by Ron's Music and presented to the top band. Ninety-five bands participated in the parade.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO
THE HEARTLAND BAND!**

Left to Right: Bailey Carr, Aubrey DeBraal & Morgan Michel

During morning practices the band marched outside and frequented onlookers on Main Street. "We love seeing people uptown. We usually practice for a few weeks in front of the school before we are ready to go march in front of a crowd," said Schweitzer. When the band can be heard heading to Main Street, supporters come out of businesses and others in town gather to cheer on the band. Sometimes signs are even waved and the townspeople are appointed as judges for the group."

When the results were announced at Harvest of Harmony, Heartland received first place in Class D, first place in Class C & D, and first place overall. This meant they received the KOLN-KGIN Traveling Trophy for their win in Class C & D, and the Ron's Music Overall Traveling Trophy.

NEWS FROM THE COUNSELOR

On Monday, Nov. 4 at 1:00 a representative from EducationQuest will be conducting a college planning and financial aid presentation in room 109 for seniors and any interested parents and community members. It will also be live-streamed on Striv.tv for those who cannot attend.

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Restoration Project

The National Honor Society has been raising money for the restoration of the Farmer's Valley Cemetery. So far, they have raised \$5,203.

Henderson State Bank is matching their earnings up to \$10,000. Keep up the good work!



ELEMENTARY NEWS



October 21-25 is Red Ribbon Week. Fifth graders are heavily involved in focusing on making good choices and staying healthy by participating in DARE with the York County Sheriff's office. Officer Gillespie comes once a week for 10 weeks to help the kids learn more about the DARE decision making model and how to use that when faced with tough situations as they grow up. The class signed a pledge promising to stay healthy and drug free. They will be graduating from DARE Monday, November 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the Heartland Theater.



Upcoming Dates

Nov 6, 2013

2nd Grade Field Trip to the Stuhr Museum

Nov. 8, 2013

One Act Community Performance @ 7:30PM

Nov 11, 2013

5th Grade DARE Graduation in the Theater @ 7:00PM

Nov 13, 2013

Life Touch Photo Retakes @ 8:00AM

Nov 14, 2013

Preschool Child Day @ 4:00-8:00PM

Nov 14 & 26, 2013

Art Club Elementary Workshop @ 3:30PM

Nov. 18, 2013

5-12th Grade Fall Vocal Concert- @ 7:30PM
One Acts

Nov. 25, 2013

6-12th Fall Band Concert 7:30PM

Nov 27-29, 2013

Fall Break-No School

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The Kindergarten Class Goes To The Scarecrow Patch





Culinary Foods & FCS classes finished bread making. **Sara Goedert, Ally Debusk, & Destiny Bloxton** making cinnamon roll bread.



Jr. High 7th Graders, **Delaney Siebert, Katrina Hiebner, & Kristina Rowe** are making yogurt parfaits for the snack unit.



Orange garnish teddy bears and cucumbers pelicans were a fun way to make centerpieces.

ART CLUB



Front Row: Braelyn Renz, Riley Quiring, Mariah Tessman, & Zach Quiring
Back Row: Ashley Brown, Ellyn Hall & Odessa Ohrt.

In October the art club was busy with the Homecoming poster contests and a pumpkin decorating contest for all grades. Congratulations to the freshman for receiving first over all high school classes. Every elementary student, kindergarten through sixth grade designed a 9"x 12" poster expressing their Huskie spirit. The posters were hung in the cafeteria. All of the elementary students received a participation ribbon and art club members choose one winning poster from each class. The artist with the winning poster received a t-shirt as their prize. The winners were: Kindergarten –**Riley Quiring**, 1st grade –**Braelynn Renz**, 2nd grade –**Mariah Tessman**, 3rd grade –**Zach Quiring**, 4th grade –**Ashley Brown**, 5th grade –**Ellyn Hall**, 6th grade –**Odessa Ohrt**. Coming up in November, art club will be hosting their annual elementary art workshop.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

The Heartland Community School is setting aside a special time for parents of children age 5 and below to participate in Ch.I.L.D. Day, which stands for Childhood Information on Language and Development. Just as parents take their young children to the doctor for medical check-ups, the school can provide to parents the services of a “developmental wellness visit”. The early childhood personnel at the school can provide current and useful information to parents concerning the early development of their baby, toddler, or preschooler.

Ch.I.L.D. Day is a childfind effort conducted by the Heartland Community School District. School districts are required to conduct childfind activities to ensure that young children who need early intervention services are identified. Involvement in Ch.I.L.D. Day is a free, completely voluntary service and is conducted in a confidential manner.

Ch.I.L.D. Day is set for Thursday, November 14, 2013 from 4:00 – 8:00pm and will be held in the Heartland Preschool room. Interested parents who live in the Heartland School District can call the school office in Henderson to register for a 45-minute time slot when they can bring their child to the school. Parents will be able to ask questions about their child’s development, complete a developmental checklist, and have their child play and interact informally with adults knowledgeable about young children. Further information may need to be gathered at a later time if the parents and school staff see any concerns. Parental permission is required for any further evaluation.

The Heartland Community School wishes to extend this invitation as one way of providing support and information to parents of young children in our district. Again, parents of young children in the Heartland school district are invited to call the school at 402-723-4434 to register for Ch.I.L.D. Day.



Parents,

Want to know how your baby, toddler, or preschooler is developing?

Have questions about parenting and helping your child learn?

Ch.I.L.D. Day

Childhood Information on Language and Development

Thurs., Nov. 14, 2013

4:00-8:00p.m.

**Call for a 45-min. appointment
in the preschool room**

**Heartland Community School
402-723-4434**



Developmental Check-up

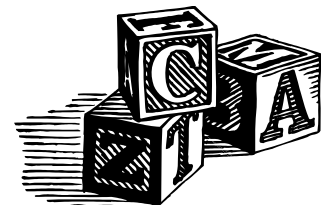
- Socialization
- Language
- Early Learning
- Motor Skills

Parent Interview

- Behavior Strategies
- Parenting Skills
- Home Activities
- Early Literacy



Pre-School



Helping parents build their children’s future...

Ch.I.L.D. Day is a free and voluntary screening with early education specialists

START EARLY, GROW BETTER—EARLY INTERVENTION COUNTS!

To parents of young children in the Heartland School District:

All of us know the importance of social attachment (or bonding) with infants. As young children continue to grow, their experiences with the special people in their lives (parents, extended family, daycare providers and preschool teachers, other adults and friends) help them develop the communication and social skills they need.



Research, as well as our experience as educators, tells us that the single best predictor of school success is communication skills. Children entering kindergarten who can process (listen) and use language (speak) do well in school. However, those who do not process or communicate well will struggle without assistance or intervention in school. The school is responsible for providing free early intervention services to children birth to age five who qualify, so that they can receive the help they need.

As your child is growing, learning, and changing, he/she can benefit from a developmental wellness visit, just like he/she benefits from regular preventive check-ups from your family doctor. Our school provides this to parents of young children in the Heartland School District:

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For the first time, Ch.I.L.D. Day is being offered in the evening to accommodate parents' schedules. Parents are invited to call the school office to schedule a 45-minute time slot on either Thurs., Nov. 15, 2012 from 4:30 to 8:30p.m. Ch.I.L.D. Day will be held in the Heartland Preschool room at the school.

Participation in Ch.I.L.D. Day is free and completely voluntary.

Communication Milestones

By 4 months:

- eye contact; social smile
- laughs aloud, squeals, coos

By 9 months:

- babbles; uses repeated consonant sounds, like "mama" or "dada"
- plays "peek-a-boo"

By 12 months:

- imitates sounds and actions
- understands simple phrases
- waves good-bye, plays patty-cake

By 18 months:

- says "Mama/Dada" for parents
- uses at least 5 words
- Asks for food/drink with words

By 24 months:

- says 10 or more words
- follows simple instructions
- uses two-word combinations

By 3 years:

- uses words that are easily understood by unfamiliar adults
- talks in at least 3-word phrases
- engages in pretend play






























By 4 years:

- plays cooperatively with peers
- totally understandable in conversation by unfamiliar adults/peers
- adjusts easily to changes in routine or schedule
- speaks in complete sentences, combining ideas with "and", "or", "but"
- has an extended vocabulary



NOVEMBER

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

3	4	5	6	7	8	9
 4 Taco Salad Half Long John Corn Fruit & Veggie Bar	 5 Grilled Chicken Sandwich Fries Fruit & Veggie Bar	 6 Spaghetti Green Beans Dinner Roll Fruit & Veggie Bar	 7 French Dip Sand- wich Hash Browns Fruit & Veggie Bar	 8 Chicken Alfredo Steamed Broccoli French Bread Fruit & Veggie Bar	 1 Sloppy Joes Fries Fruit & Veggie Bar	 2
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
 10 Teriyaki Chicken Chicken Rice Steamed Broccoli Fruit & Veggie Bar	 11 Teriyaki Chicken Chicken Rice Steamed Broccoli Fruit & Veggie Bar	 12 Tater Tot Casse- role French Bread Fruit & Veggie Bar	 13 Pizza Slushies Corn Fruit & Veggie Bar	 14 Chicken Strips M.P./Gravy Dinner Roll Fruit & Veggie Bar	 15 Hamburgers Fries Fruit & Veggie Bar	 16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
 17 Max Cheese Sticks Peas Fruit & Veggie Bar	 18 Max Cheese Sticks Peas Fruit & Veggie Bar	 19 BBQ Meatballs Rice Green Beans Fruit & Veggie Bar	 20 Pork Tenderloin M.P./Gravy Dinner Roll Fruit & Veggie Bar	 21 Baked Potato Bar Chicken Strips Cornbread Fruit & Veggie Bar	 22 Tacos Corn Coffee Cake Fruit & Veggie Bar	 23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
 24 Chili Cinnamon Rolls Saltines Fruit & Veggie Bar	 25 Chili Cinnamon Rolls Saltines Fruit & Veggie Bar	 26 Hotdogs Baked Beans Steamed Broccoli Fruit & Veggie Bar	 27 NO SCHOOL	 28  THANKSGIVING	 29 NO SCHOOL	 30

November 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VB SNC No School-T...Development 5:45 PM Zumba-Joni Huebert 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National FFA Convention VB SNC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1:00 PM Plan test 10th grade 5:45 PM Zumba-Joni Huebert 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Football-1st Round Playoffs-Heartland vs Guardian Angels Central Catholic @ 6:00 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VB SNC Finals 	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VB Sub-Districts 12:30 PM NHS meeting @ lunch 1:00 PM Seniors Education Quest College Planning Presentation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VB Sub-Districts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM 2nd Grade Field Trip-Stuhr Museum 7:00 PM Football-2nd Round Playoffs 7:00 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VB Districts 8:30 AM Testing-Vision/Ht/Wt/Dental K-7 & 10th Grade 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:30 PM One Act Community Performance 	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Veterans Day Program-TBA 7:45 AM NHS Recycling 12:00 PM NHS Meeting 7:00 PM D.A.R.E Graduation 7:00 PM Board of Ed Mtg. 7:00 PM FFA/FBLA Meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:45 PM One Act Performance for Elementary/Jr. High 7:00 PM Football-Quarter Finals 7:00 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 AM Lifetouch Retakes 12:00 PM Art club Meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VB State Championship All State Mus...ted students 3:30 PM Art Club Elementary Workshop 4:00 PM JH G BB @ Harvard 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Huskie Hoops
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start Winter Practices (BB) 8:00 AM One Acts @ Milford 3:30 PM Art Club Elementary Workshop-make-up date 7:30 PM 5-12th Fall Vocal Concert 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00 PM Football-Semi-Finals 7:00 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3:30 PM Winter Sports Team pictures York News Times 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All State Music-9th-12th Grade 6:00 PM JH G BB Tournament -Superior/Harvard @ Sutton 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM JH G BB Tournament @ Sutton 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Huskie Hoops
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Football State Finals 7:30 PM 6-12th Fall Band Concert 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jamboree S...Fairbury-TBA 3:30 PM Art Club Workshop- Session 2 4:00 PM JH G BB-Shelby-Rising City (H) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fall Break- No School 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thanksgiving 		

Homecoming Royalty



Front Row: Jonathan Larson, Megan Boardman, **Queen** Olivia Prentice, **King** Brandon Boardman, Allison Braun & Solomon Doxator-Morenberg
Back Row: Colton Siebert, Leah Friesen, Bailey Carr & Tyler Brown.

Congratulation to King Brandon Boardman & Queen Olivia Prentice

SURPLUS ITEMS FOR SALE

We have some surplus items for sale at the school. Descriptions and pictures below for a few of the items. If you would like to make an offer on any of these items or see what else we have available, please call Matt Quiring or Brad Best at 402-723-4434.

QTY	DESCRIPTION OF SOME ITEMS AVAILABLE
18	2'x3' Computer Carts on Wheels (some with power)
6	42" Two-Tier Computer Carts with power
8	30" Two-Tier Computer Carts with power
1	Sharp FO-DC535 Fax Machine
4	Study Carrels - 2 single and 2 double units
1	Dewalt 12" Radial Arm Saw - 208/240 volt - 3 Phase
1	2'x12' Laminate top tables



WANTED

The first grade class are collecting black and yellow and/or brown and yellow spiders. So if you find any of these creatures please bring them to Mrs. Steever or Mrs. Ratzlaff's class.



"Drama & Dessert!"



The community performance of this year's one-act play, "For Feet's Sake" will be at 7:30 P.M. on Friday, November 8th in the Heartland Community Schools Theater. Please come and support our local thespians. Refreshments will be served following the performance.

December Reminders

Dec. 9-20, 2013

NHS Food Drive

Dec. 4, 2013

District One Acts

Dec. 9, 2013

School Board Meeting @ 7:00PM

Dec. 14, 2013

ACT Test

Dec. 11, 2013

Class D State One Acts

Dec. 12, 2013

K-6 Holiday Concert @ 2:30/7:00PM

Dec 19, 2013

7-12 Vocal/6-12 Band Concert @ 7:30PM

Dec. 23-Jan 3, 2013

Winter Break-**NO SCHOOL**



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