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SUPERINTENDENT REPORT APRIL 2019

by Dr. Galen Boldt



When are we going to stop talking about the weather?? The horrific flooding that consumes our state, especially our neighbors to the north, is just another chapter in the tale of 2018-19 that represents one of those extra-ordinary years where you just have to hang-on-to-your-hat!! As an administrative team, we made the decision to cancel our Parent Teachers Conferences for the Spring session so that we could use the time for making up for lost contact time with students due to the 4 days that we had to cancel. This is really one of those decisions that we did not want to make, because communication with our parents as partners in the education of our kids is a critical component. The last thing that we want you to think is that we don't feel like conferencing with parents is important, but as we look at the number of ways that we already are able to have conversations with our parents through phone calls, emails, text-messaging, etc., we felt that taking advantage of every opportunity for teaching students made the most sense in light of the days we have missed. Again, the partnerships we create with parents represents the foundation of supporting our students in the pursuit of their hopes and dreams, and communication becomes the cement that holds that foundation together. We want to invite parents and guardians to contact our teachers and principals in all matters relating to their kids, especially in these circumstances where we are making changes in our schedule due to weather decisions.

We continue to engage in powerful discussions as we make progress in the discussion about the future of Johnson County Central Public Schools. At our March Board Meeting we had a full house with lots of folks present to speak their voice on the matters that pertain to the future of our school. I know there is a lot of speculation about what we are really going to do, I want to emphasize to everyone that up until this point we have only been engaged in a needs assessment as we look at our current programs and facilities. The goal of the March Board meeting was to give the Board reports from the Facilities and Programming Committees. We have some really good people putting lots of time into making a fair and accurate assessment of the current conditions of facilities and the future programs that we want to provide for our students. After great discussion, we decided to get cost estimates that give us a pretty good idea about what the real costs are associated with several scenarios including:

- Keep everything going exactly as we currently are operating.
- Move all PreK-12 education to the Tecumseh site and develop the Cook site into a Career Academy for Trades.
- Move all PreK-12 education to the Tecumseh site including all Career Academy concepts.

With this in mind, we want to share the information that we gain with the public in a community forum format similar to our past meetings. This time, however, we will not be talking about whether or not we need to do something, but looking at the costs associated with different options. Again, it is important to understand that the future of our school and all of our discussions need to be organized around our kids and how we can be good stewards of taxpayer money and still do what is best for our kids.

Our meetings are set for Monday April 15, 7:00 p.m. at the Tecumseh HS Gym, and Tuesday April 16, 7:00 p.m at the Cook MS Gym. Please put those dates on your calendar and come prepared to learn more about the costs associated with any plans that the Board might be considering. I cannot emphasize enough the importance of understanding that no decisions have been made regarding specific steps to be taken, but we do want to know what the community is thinking about how to best support our kids.

NEWS FROM PRINCIPAL RICK LESTER

Spring is in full swing and we are winding down our 2018-2019 school year at JCC. As we approach the final weeks of the year I want to congratulate our seniors on all their accomplishments this past year. Success now in academics and extra-curricular activities will carry forward to your future endeavors and I wish the senior class much success as you graduate and move on after high school.

I do have a few loose ends to tie up at the end of this year and I first want to remind our seniors and parents of some important dates and events that are heading our way:

Tuesday, April 23, 2019 – at 8:30 a.m. in the cafeteria I will meet with the seniors to handout senior check-out sheets, the seniors will have the remaining two weeks to complete their check-out sheets which should be plenty of time.

Friday, May 3, 2019 – the last day for seniors (this will be a regular full day of school). Semester exams must be completed before the end of this day.

Monday, May 6, 2019 – seniors can start to officially check-out. Mr. Lester will check lockers and collect check-out sheets. This needs to be done before graduation rehearsal.

Monday, May 6, 2019 – senior grades are due in power school by 8:00 a.m.

Monday, May 6, 2019 – I will verify and print senior report cards and inform the Salutatorian and Valedictorian of their status.

Friday, May 10, 2019 – seniors will have graduation rehearsal at 10:00 a.m. I will also handout report cards at this time. After rehearsal I will have a senior party/ lunch at the 4-H building.

As our seniors are preparing to graduate, our 8th grade students are looking to transition into the high school. 8th grade orientation will take place on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. These current 8th graders will be divided into small groups and will be escorted on a tour of the high school facilities. They will also visit with the extra-curricular activities sponsors and will have an opportunity to ask questions during a refreshment period at the end of the orientation.

Another important event I want to discuss is our JCC Honors Day, which will be held on Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. in the high school gym. This program recognizes our student's academic success. All students will be present at this assembly and will be honored for their achievements in the presence of their peers. We invite and encourage all parents to attend this assembly. We understand this is during the work day, but we hope parents will still attempt to be present as their students are being honored. There will be many awards given during this assembly: Honor roll, perfect attendance, classroom awards, military awards and many others. Please come and help recognize these award recipients.

Let's keep up the good work and end our 2018-2019 school year on a high note. Good Luck and congrats to all our seniors and have a safe and exciting graduation!

Elementary News

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Happiness Found?



SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Fri. April 5— 1 PM dismissal, Teacher In-Service.
- Wed. April 10—School Board Mtg. 6 PM, Tecumseh.
- Thurs. April 11—4th Grade Field Trip to Lincoln.
- Thurs. April 18—NO SCHOOL, District Music Contest.
- Fri. April 19—NO SCHOOL.
- Mon. April 22—NO SCHOOL.
- Thurs. May 2— No Kindergarten or PK classes, Kindergarten Round-Up.

Is happiness *found*? Can it be *found*? Or, is it a mindset? Is it in how we think of ourselves and others? Is it what we *do*, or don't do, that brings happiness?

How we model happiness and the ways to be find happiness, is what our children will do. How we respond to our day. How we respond to other people. How we respond to adversity. Our children are watching and learning.

There is research on happiness and positive thinking. There are ways we can practice and teach others.

In an article from The Today Show titled "How to be happy: 4 tips from positive psychology researchers", Michelle Gielan and Shawn Achor give four(4) tips.

1. Direct your focus to smile more often.
2. Practice gratitude—not just to others, but to yourself for the little things in life.
3. Spread positivity—give genuine compliments to others.
4. Challenge yourself—do something good for someone else.

So, what's the science behind some of this? Positive emotions happen more frequently, but last for a shorter duration than negative emotions. In contrast, negative emotions happen less often, but last longer per event. We tend to dwell on them. However, keeping a positive mindset allows up to connect with others, have a more open mind, take in more of our surroundings, build resilience and are physically more healthy. When we are more positive, we are more approachable. One way to do this is to focus on others, and to be kind and compassionate to others. This will bring a more lasting feeling of happiness, connectedness and belonging.

So, what to do when are children are experiencing negative emotions. In an article from the website EmpoweringParents.com, Debbie Pincus, MS LMHC offers seven suggestions.

1. Don't try to turn your child into something they're not—you can't make their choices for them and you can't react for them, but you can choose how you respond to them.
2. Try to be nonjudgmental—in a sense be nonreactive. Just listen.

3. Don't personalize it—when your child is negative don't take it personally.

4. Be direct—if you're busy or stressed yourself, let them know that it is not a good time for the conversation but you'll make time for it later. Just make sure you do.

5. Reflect but don't react—you can listen without agreeing with their negativity or without criticizing them. Again, not very many words from the adult. Just let them know you hear them.

6. Put a time limit on complaints—appoint a certain time each day when you will allow them to complain, but it can only be during that time. Or, give them a place to write their complaints down.

7. Give honest feedback—let your child know how negative talk impacts those around them versus positive talk.

How we respond will determine how they continue to react to the world around them. How we model positivity and happiness goes a long way. Keep up the good fight parents! We're all in it together!

February 2019 Thunderbirds of the Month



Kindergarten L to R: Preston Hartman, Ian Robeson, Hallie Frerichs, Roman Coenen, Ada Goodrich, Lucy Rademacher. Not pictured: Kali Smail



1st Grade L to R: Carly Christiansen, Zander Coenen, Jack Sterup, Sophie Kirkland, Natalya Kirkendall, Kyndall Meints, Courtney Oltrogge, Lydia Bilslend, Emma Othmer, Jamison Bacon



2nd Grade L to R: Janel Leyva, Jackson Gottula, Evelyn Burgett, Kenna Thomas, Chloe Sedersten, Lucy Hippen, Henry Lueders, Hadley Hartman

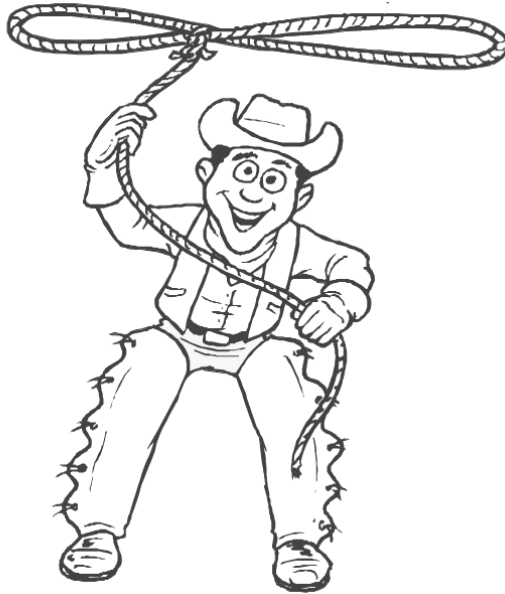


3rd grade l to r: Leighton Beethe, Ralyn Byers, Bodhi Klein, Damian Prado, Meghan Kilmer, Reese Carter, Chase Harrifeld, Angel Buchanan, London Farris. Not pictured: Stefani Peters, Aaryn Kaster, Braydn Kage



4th/5th Grade L to R: Trevor Bohling, Christian Soto, Robert Schmiegelow, Charlyn Bobadilla, Marisol Mandl, Kaiden Dorn, Monica Jimenez, Amelia Britt, Addison Borrenpohl. Not pictured: Max Goracke, Harrison Bacon, Harley Lubben

Kindergarten Round-Up



WHEN: Thursday, May 2, 2019
9:00-11:30 a.m.

WHERE: Johnson County Central Elementary Building in Tecumseh.

WHO: Children residing in the Johnson County Central school district who are, or will be, age 5 on or before July 31, 2019.

Individual letters will be sent in April to the parents of all Kindergarten ready students residing in Johnson County Central's school district. If you do not receive a letter, please call the school and let us know that you will be attending the 2019 Kindergarten Round-Up.

If applying for early registration (child will be 5 years old on or after August 1 and on or before October 15), JCC must have received your written request by March 23, 2019.

NOTES FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR

Mrs. Olivia Reuter

June and July ACT: Registration Open Now

Registration is open for both the June 8th and July 13th ACT tests. Register for the June 8th ACT test by May 3rd and the July 13th ACT by June 14th in order to avoid paying a late fee. Register online at act.org. The JCC school code is 282-319.

Attend an Education Quest Spring College Fair

High school students and their parents are invited to meet with representatives from colleges across the state, region, and nation at upcoming College Fairs across Nebraska.

If you're a senior, take one more look at schools if you haven't yet selected a college. If you're a junior, this is the ideal time to narrow down the list of colleges that might be a good fit for you.

If you're a freshman or a sophomore, use this event to kick-start your college planning.

Tri-State Area College Fair

Sunday, April 15

1:00-3:00 p.m.

Delta Hotel Center (formerly Marina Center)

South Sioux City, NE

Lincoln Area College Fair

Sunday, April 22

1:00-3:00 p.m.

Southeast Community College – Lincoln

Omaha Area College Fair

Sunday, April 29

1:00-3:00 p.m.

University of Nebraska at Omaha – Sapp Fieldhouse

Admission is free.

Before you attend a College Fair, register for a barcode at NebraskaCollegeFairs.org. Print the barcode—or save it to your smartphone—and take it to the fair so college representatives can scan your demographic information.

ACT Scholarship for Sophomores and Juniors

One lucky student will win a \$40,000 Scholarship and a bonus \$5,000 Tech Package! Eligible sophomores and juniors that register for the April, June, or July, 2019 US national test date (and opt-in to the giveaway during registration) have a chance to win the scholarship.

Go to act.org/ACTScholarshipGiveaway to learn more.

Apply Now- State Bank of Table Rock Scholarship

The State Bank of Table Rock is offering a \$500 scholarship to a JCC senior who is not a bank employee or the child of a bank employee. Seniors are eligible to apply if they have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher (must prove this with an official high school transcript) and plan to enroll in a 2-year or 4-year college this fall (must provide proof of enrollment before scholarship funds will be awarded). To apply, send your official high school transcript, a resume of high school activities, and a one-page essay on either of the following topics, "A Look Into My Future" or "How My College Education Will Help Me Impact the World." By April 15th to:

State Bank of Table Rock
c/o Holly Wempe
650 G St.
Pawnee City, NE 68420

Seniors: Complete the FAFSA as Soon as Possible

- First, create an FSA ID for you and one for a parent at fsaid.ed.gov. You'll need it to access and sign the FAFSA. Click here for instructions.
- Complete the FAFSA at fafsa.gov. You may also complete it via the new myStudentAid app for iOS and Android.
- For free help with the FAFSA, see FAFSA Tools at EducationQuest.org or call Education-Quest to make an appointment: Omaha – (888) 357-6300 or Lincoln – (800) 303-3745

Metropolitan Community College- College for Teens

Metropolitan Community College in Omaha is offering several College for Teens workshop opportunities this summer. There are several sessions to choose from including, but not limited to aviation, digital music, auto body, digital arts, welding, plumbing, and restaurant camp. To see all sessions offered, costs, dates, how to register, and more information, visit <https://www.mccneb.edu/Community-Business/Community-Programs/Continuing-Education.aspx> and click on college for teens.

Nebraska Methodist College- Summer Healthcare Career Camps

Nebraska Methodist College is offering two healthcare career camps on their campus in Omaha this summer, June 17-20 and July 15-18. The cost of each camp is \$299.

Have you ever wanted to know how an x-ray, ultrasound or MRI works, or see what a Nurse, Surgical Tech, Phlebotomist, or Respiratory Therapist does on a daily basis? Through these camps, you'll get a firsthand look at the healthcare field through activities, labs, tours and simulations by our very own faculty, students and staff.

- Experience college-level courses and talk to instructors about healthcare programs and professions
- Learn about healthcare careers you may have never known existed
- Get behind the scenes tours and interactive sessions at Nebraska Methodist Hospital, Methodist Women's Hospital and Shared Service Systems
- Get CPR certified
- Meet new friends who share your interests

Both camps will take place at Nebraska Methodist College, 720 N 87th St, Omaha NE 68114. If you're ready to find out if a career in healthcare is right for you, this is your chance. Space is limited, register today by visiting <https://www.methodistcollege.edu/healthcare-career-camp>

Meet the JCC Class of 2019

Here are five more profiles of students in JCC's senior class of 2019.

Andrew Beethe

Andrew Lloyd Beethe is the son of Allan and Carolyn Beethe of Tecumseh. He has two sisters, Ashley and Carrie. Andrew's favorite class at JCC is calculus because it is finally a math class where he can put all of his math skills to use. Andrew has been in choir all four years of high school. His favorite school lunch is cheese sticks and marinara sauce. According to Andrew, the most important things that he has learned in high school are the many math skills that he has been taught. He said that he can apply these skills to his college major and life. Andrew's advice to younger students is, "Don't do stupid things, think before you act." After high school, Andrew plans to attend the University of Nebraska. In ten years, Andrew sees himself living in a city in Alaska with an engineering job.



Juan Luis Gonzalez

Juan Luis Gonzalez is the son of Juan and Anette Gonzalez of Tecumseh. His siblings are Freddie, Victor, Ailene, and Delacie. Juan Luis really enjoys being a senior. The advice he'd give to younger students is, "Be kind to others." Juan Luis's favorite high school class is art because he likes to draw and paint. He has been involved in unified bowling and his favorite school lunch is pizza. After high school, Juan Luis plans to enter the life skills program at ESU 4 in Auburn. In ten years, he sees himself living and working in Tecumseh.

Lucina Martinez

Lucina May Martinez is the daughter of Regina Lauderdale and Steve Rothfuss. She lives in Tecumseh and her siblings are Henry (26), Salena (23), Alon (20), Shelby (3), and Cameron (2). Lucina's favorite class is art because she has always enjoyed painting. Her favorite school lunch is chili and her favorite part about being a senior is that it is her last year of high school. The most important thing that she has learned during high school is to enjoy the little things, but remember to stay on top of your homework. Lucina's advice to younger students is, "Worry about yourself and what you are doing, and do your homework." After high school, Lucina plans to attend Southeast Community College. In ten years, Lucina sees herself traveling and working with animals around the world.





Simon Rother

Simon Thomas Rother is the son of Jon and Maggie Rother of Tecumseh. He has three sisters, Saylor (16), Sunnie (13), and Saige (11). According to Simon, the best thing about being a senior is, “Having lots of experience makes high school much easier to navigate both socially and educationally.” His favorite high school class was geography because he learned about all of the places that he has never been to. This expanded his worldview and caused him to be interested in countries outside of his own. Simon’s school activities have been football, one act, striv broadcasting, wrestling, track, musical, spring play, quiz bowl, academic decathlon, FCA, and choir. His favorite school lunch is fried chicken. The most important things that Simon has learned during his high school years is how to work hard through downfalls and that working hard will always make you enjoy the time you spent doing something no matter what the outcome is. The advice he’d give to younger students is, “Try lots of things. There are a plethora of experiences to be had during high school if you pursue them. Find the activities you like so you can focus on those throughout the rest of your school years and possibly after. After graduation, Simon plans to travel to Alaska to work on a commercial fishing boat. He plans to major in computer science at the University of Nebraska-Omaha to continue his education. In ten years, Simon sees himself working in an information technology job somewhere; by that time, he will possibly have a family too.



Jason Fisher

Jason Shawn Fisher Jr. is the son of Jason Fisher and Jennifer Fisher of Cook. His siblings are Jessica (26), Dalton (23), Dakota (21), Damian (14), and Dawson (10). After graduation, Jason plans to work at Capital City Electric. According to Jason, the best thing about being a senior is being out of school soon. His favorite high school class is strength training because it allows him to get stress out and feel accomplished. In ten years, Jason is really not sure where he will be or what he will be doing, he says that life always surprises him.

**Johnson County Central Middle School Honor Roll
Third Quarter 2018-2019**

Grade 8

Katelyn Beethe

Erika Cabrales (All A's)

Tucker Drake

Anzel du Preez (All A's)

MacKinze Gordon

Hayden Huskey (All A's)

Ashley Manrique Andrade

Keiry Najera

Chayce Oenbring

Kimberly Orozco

***Daisy Ortiz**

Brandon Speckmann

Alixandria Swanson

Aiden Weber (All A's)

Grade 7

Catherine Blomstedt (All A's)

Brett Bohling

Arely Cabrales

Daisy Gardner

Jadeyn Grobler

Wyatt Ludemann

Kaitlynn Plager

***Sunnie Rother**

Keven Silos

Bailee Sterup

***Maya Straka**

Sergio Valles

Grade 6

***Kayden Badertscher**

***Gabriel Burki**

Salena Conley (All A's)

Alexander Cruz (All A's)

Kali Drake (All A's)

Jersey Graham

***Juanita Grobler**

Madison Jansen

Keegan Jones (All A's)

Levi Mahoney-Boardman

Lydia Mejia (All A's)

Maggie Niebrugge

Lexi Robeson

Hailey Stafford-Thompson

Logan Topp

Nolan Wellensiek

Jaxon Zimmerman (All A's)

Honor Roll students have no grade lower than a B.

***Honor Roll with distinction is based on student's having all A's with only one B**



MIDDLE SCHOOL & ATHLETIC NEWS

BY RICH BACON

The onset of spring brings warmer temperatures (finally!), rain, blooming flowers, and green grass. With the spring season also comes a variety of activities and events that can disrupt the regular school week, such as, Easter, Standardized tests, State Standards and Assessments, quiz bowl competitions, music concerts and competitions, and track meets to name a few. With the busy time of year and the nice, spring weather, many of us *anxiously* await the end of the school year and summer vacation. It is important to remember that we still have almost two months of school left and there is a lot of work that remains. Everyone needs to guard against complacency and finish the year strong.

Students will be taking a number of state-mandated assessments (NSCAS) throughout the month of April. These assessments are very important for our students and the district. Results from these assessments provide data which help guide curriculum decisions for our district. Results from these assessments will also be used to help determine a student's academic placement for the next school year. As the testing dates approach there are some test-taking strategies and some things parents can do to help their children be successful on these assessments:

Make sure your child gets a good night's sleep the night before each test and eats a good breakfast the morning of the tests.

Have your child dress in layers – studies show children do better on assessments if they don't have to think about how hot or cold they are.

Encourage your child to take the tests seriously. A lot of important decisions regarding your children are made based on data we receive from these tests. If students don't give their best effort on the standardized tests much of our data will be invalid, making it difficult to make decisions that will be in the best interests of our students.

Keep a good attitude. Think positively!

Congratulations also goes out to our Junior High Choir, Junior High Band, and 6th Grade Band for their outstanding performances at the HTRS Music Contest. The Choir and both bands earned a "1" for their performances. We also had several soloists and small groups who earned high marks. Good job to JCC's music students and Mr. Doran and Mrs. Fricke.

Congratulations to our Middle School Wrestlers who medaled at the ECNC Tournament at Weeping Water on March 12. Terry Trew was a Conference Champion, Jaxtyn Harvey and Steven Baumgartner each earned a 3rd place medal in their respective weight classes & Brett Bohling earned 4th place medal. Congratulations and thank you to all our wrestlers and their coaches, Gabe Meints, Dean Wellensiek and Larry Kuhl, for representing JCC in a positive way and for their time and commitment throughout the season.

Girls' and boys' track and the boys' golf seasons have begun. You will have multiple opportunities to catch our athletes in action as JCC will serve as host for the following meets this spring:

Thunderbird Track Invitational – Monday, April 1

Mudecas JH Track Meet – Saturday, April 6

Golf Dual v. HTRS – Thursday, April 23

Thunderbird JH Track Invitational – Thursday, April 25

JCC Golf Invitational – Thursday, May 2

JCC Track Invitational – Friday, May 3

JCC will also be the host school for the ECNC Golf Championship at Crooked Creek Golf Club in Lincoln on Tuesday, April 16.

Our athletes would love to have your support at these home events. **GO THUNDERBIRDS!**



The City of Tecumseh/Johnson County Public Transit will be celebrating Nebraska Public Transit Week April 7-13, 2019. We will be collecting 'Bucks for BackPacks' from April 1st thru April 12th. Held at both the Cook and Tecumseh Sites as well as St. Andrew's Catholic School, we will be collecting money - bills or change- for the Johnson County Backpack program. The Backpack program provides a backpack filled with food for the child and their family over the weekend or during a school break. The Backpack Program is a way to help these students, and their families, until students return to school where they know they can have breakfast or lunch. As an incentive for donating, the winning grade level from Preschool thru 12th grade will win a pizza party, and possibly gift cards, for local businesses around town. So save your bucks for April 1-12! Stay tuned for a list of events and activities in Tecumseh to celebrate with us! Join others in your community in showing support for the local transit system, and discover what public transit can do for you.



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PUBLIC TRANSIT WEEK



JCC Vocal Music – Thomas Doran

Freshmore Clinic

Monday, February 25, JCC hosted the 26th annual Freshmore Clinic. This is a clinic Mr. Doran started in 1994 to help strengthen the younger voices (Freshmen and Sophomores) from area schools. We rehearsed 175 students from 11 schools all day in the Elementary Auditorium and presented a 6:30 PM concert that evening. The clinicians were Kevin Boesiger & June Bowers who took turns directing and accompanying.

Here are some interesting facts about Freshmore:

There have been 50 schools participating (some of which are no longer around): Adams; Ashland-Greenwood; Auburn; Beatrice; Columbus, Conestoga; Crete; Cross County; Dawson/Verdon; Diller-Odell, Doniphan-Trumbull; Fairbury, Falls City; Falls City Sacred Heart; Freeman; Gretna; Johnson-Brock; Johnson County Central; Lewiston; Lincoln Christian; Lincoln Lutheran; Lincoln Northeast; Lincoln Southeast; Louisville; Lourdes Central Catholic; Malcolm; Mead; Meridian; Nebraska City; Nemaha Valley; Palmyra; Parkview Christian; Pawnee City; Plattsmouth; Southeast Consolidated; Syracuse; Table Rock-Steinhauer; Tecumseh; Tri-County, Wahoo; Waterloo; Waverly; Weeping Water, & Yutan.

There have been a total of 65 different directors who have brought students from those 50 schools.

A total of 3,769 singers have performed (not including guest show choirs) which averages to 150 a year. The high participation was 260 students and the low was 75 students. We have had only one cancellation due to weather.

Four have been held on March 4 & March 8, three on March 7, and two on March 5 (my birthday). While the others have been spread around the month of March with 4 in February & 1 in April.

80 different songs have been performed.

2 of those songs have been written for us.

Meridian Honor Choir

Over twenty JCC Middle School students auditioned for the Meridian Honor Choir & Honor Band and we are happy to report that 5 of the following students were accepted to be a part of the 100 voice choir: Catherine Blomstedt, Mia Castor, Jacob Graham, Hayden Huskey, & Tanner Woods. Making the Meridian Honor Band was Maya Straka. They will travel to Daykin with Mr. Doran & Mrs. Fricke on Friday, April 5. A public concert will be presented at 7:00 PM in the Meridian School Gymnasium.



Mudecas Music Contest

The Mudecas Music Contest was held in Pawnee City on Tuesday, March 19. JCC had 75 music students participate in 15 different entries. The goal is to achieve a Superior "I" rating. Other ratings are Excellent "II" and Good "III". We are happy to report the following results:

Large groups receiving a Superior rating and a plaque were: Mixed Choir & Women's Choir.

Large groups receiving a Superior rating only: Men's Choir

Large groups receiving an Excellent rating were: Jazz Band & Concert Band

Solos and small groups receiving a "I" rating were: Boys Quartet (Logan Barras, Brady Clements, Gabe DeFreece, & Simon Rother); Girls Duet (Vanessa Jimenez & Emma Walters); Emma Walters-Vocal Solo; Vanessa Jimenez-Vocal Solo;

Solos and small groups receiving a "II" rating were:

Girls Triple Trio (Jenifer Acosta, Katelyn Alexander, Ava Berkebile, Cheshire Burger, Kathia Castor, Vanessa Jimenez, Hayley Neemann, Emma Walters); Jenifer Acosta-Vocal Solo; Steven Plager-Vocal Solo; Jordan Albrecht, Kaita Baird, Fran Xayaphonesongkham-Instrumental Trio

Humboldt Middle School Music Contest

The middle school music students competed at the Humboldt Music Contest on Friday, March 22. Here are the results:

Division I (Superior) ratings – 7/8 Choir; 7/8 Band; 6th Band; Rita Ceballos Clarinet Solo; Maya Straka Trumet Solo; Steven Baumgartner Snare Drum Solo; Kali Drake Flute Solo; Dawn Sejkora Flute Solo; Avery Houseman Clarinet Solo; Lydia Mejia Flute Solo; 6th Mixed Quintet; 7th Mixed Quintet; Percussion Trio; Clarinet Sax Duet;

Division II (Excellent) ratings – 7-8 Mixed Trio; 8th Mixed Quintet;
Comments Only: 6th Mixed Quartet 1; 6th Quartet 2; Flute Bells Duet.



District Music Contest

District Music Contest happens on Thursday, April 18 and will be hosted by JCC at the high school in Tecumseh. To host DMC there will be no school as it takes all the staff to help run an efficient and top rate contest. There will be music events all day long so stop by and listen.

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| 8:00 AM | Mixed Choir | JCC | Elem Auditorium |
| 8:50 AM | Jazz Band | JCC | HS Gym |
| 9:45 AM | Treble Choir | JCC | Elem Auditorium |
| 10:21 AM | Bass Choir | JCC | Elem Auditorium |
| 11:08 AM | Concert Band | JCC | HS Gym |
| 12:36 PM | Duet | Beethe, Rother | EL AUD |
| 12:42 PM | Tenor/Bass Voice | Steven Plager | EL 106 |
| 12:54 PM | Soprano/Alto Voice | Jennifer Acosta | EL 102 |
| 1:18 PM | Duet | Jimenez, Walters | EL AUD |
| 1:30 PM | Soprano/Alto Voice | Haley Beethe | EL 102 |
| 1:36 PM | Duet | Cardoza, Elliot | EL AUD |
| 1:48 PM | Horn Solo | Vanessa Jimenez | HS 100 |
| 1:54 PM | Soprano/Alto Voice | Cheshire Burger | EL 106 |
| 1:54 PM | Trombone Solo | Andruw Stafford | HS 200 |
| 2:06 PM | Soprano/Alto Voice | Emma Walters | EL 102 |
| 2:18 PM | Quartet | Barras, Clements, DeFreece, Rother | EL AUD |
| 2:18 PM | Soprano/Alto Voice | Vanessa Jimenez | EL 102 |
| 2:24 PM | Soprano Clarinet Solo | Emma Walters | HS 101 |
| 2:30 PM | Mixed Trio | Albrecht, Baird, Xaya-phonesongkham | HS 200 |
| 2:36 PM | Soprano/Alto Voice | Gina Golden | EL 106 |
| 2:48 PM | Triple Trio | Acosta, Alexander, Beethe, Berkebile, Burger, Castor, Jimenez, Neeman, Walters | EL AUD |
| 2:48 PM | Flute Duet | Ares, Beethe | HS 100 |

Johnson County Central Schools Menu

Menu is subject to change without notice.
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APRIL 2019

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|----------|
| 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| Chicken Tender Wrap Corn Chips Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | Beef Fingers Mashed Potatoes / Gravy Fruit & Veggie Bar WG Bread Stick Milk | Cheeseburger WG Bun French Fries Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | Tater Tot Casserole Dinner Roll Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | Breaded Cheese Sticks Green Beans Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | | |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| Corn Dog Baked Beans Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | Popcorn Chicken Bowl WG Dinner Roll Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | Goulash Green Beans Fruit & Veggie Bar. B&B Milk | Br. Beef Patty WG Bun Potatoes Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | Cheese Pizza WG Cookie Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | | |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| Chefs Choice Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | Chicken Patty WG Bun Potatoes Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | BBQ Meatballs Baked Beans Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | District Music No School | Good Friday No School | | |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| Easter Sunday | Easter Break No School | Mini Corn Dogs Baked Beans Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | Chicken Tender Elem Wrap HS Corn Chips Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | BBQ Sh. Pork WG Bun Potatoes Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | Fiestada Pizza Cookie Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | |

2018-2019

Middle School/High School Lunch

Prices

- \$3.05 per lunch
- \$61.00 (20 days)
- \$30.50 (10 days)
- \$15.25 (5 days)

Elementary Pre-K Lunch Prices

- \$2.70 per lunch
- \$54.00 (20 days)
- \$27.00 (10 days)
- \$13.50 (5 days)

Breakfast Prices

- \$1.65 per breakfast
- \$33.00 (20 days)
- \$16.50 (10 days)
- \$8.25 (5 days)

Reduced Prices

- Red. Lunch \$0.40
- Red. Breakfast \$0.30

Ala Carte

- \$1.25 each

Free & Reduced Lunch Applications Available

Student lunches need to be paid in advance. You may send payment to school with your student, or pay online with credit card.
 Thank you!

April 2019

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|--|---|---|---|---|
| | 1 V Track-Thunderbird Invite @JCC Tecumseh -9:30 a.m. | 2 NSCAS Testing 3rd Grade Reading-8:30-10 am ACT Test for Juniors @JCC HS-8:15 am -1:15 pm V Boys Golf vs Southern @ Wymore Country Club-4:30 pm Sophomore visit to Deane College @ Crete-8:15 am-1:15 pm Freshmen Connect the Dots Career Days @ Kimmel Ag Bldg Synchase 8:30 am -3 pm | 3 V Boys Golf @ Friend CC-10 am | 4 ←State FFA Convention April 3rd -5th @ Lincoln → ←FBILA State Leadership Convention April 4rd -6th @ Omaha → | 5 1:00 DISMISSAL TEACHER WORKDAY | 6 JH Track Mudcats Invite @JCC Tecumseh- 9 am |
| 7 Mudcats JH Quiz Bowl vs Southern @ Wymore 11:30 am HS Contest Concert @JCC HS Tecumseh 6:30 p.m. | 8 NSCAS Testing-8:30-10 am 3rd Math & 8th ELA VBoys Golf vs HTRS Invite @ Krikeman's Lakeview Golf Course -9 am NHS Induction Ceremony @JCC HS Tecumseh 6:30 pm | 9 NSCAS Testing- 7th ELA-8:30-10 am 4th ELA-12:15-2 pm Sophomores attend Guest Speaker @ Pawnee City 9:30-1 pm JCC Board of Education Mtg- @ Tecumseh site Rm 402 6:00 pm | 10 NSCAS Testing- 7th ELA-8:30-10 am 4th ELA-12:15-2 pm VBoys Golf Southern Raider Invite- @ Wymore CC-9:30 am | 11 NSCAS Testing- 6th ELA-8:30-10 am 5th ELA-12:15- 2pm 4th Grade Field Trip to State Capital & Memorial Stadium Lincoln- 8:15-3:15 VBoys Golf-Nebraska City Invite @ Wildwood CC-9 am | 12 Intra-School Power Lifting Meet @JCC HS Tecumseh 8am-3 pm Intra-School Quiz Bowl-1-3:30 pm JH Track @ Conestoga 2 pm | 13 V Track Mudcats @ Freeman 9 a.m. |
| 14 Palm Sunday | 15 VB Golf-Falls City Invite @ Falls City CC-2:30 pm | 16 NSCAS Testing- 7th-Math-8:30-10:30 am 4th Math-12:15-2 pm VBoys Golf ECNC @ Crooked Creek CC 9:30 am V Track-Tri County Invite @ DeWitt-10 am | 17 NSCAS Testing - 8th-Math-8:30-10 am 5th-Science - 12:15-2 pm VBoys Golf Southern Raider Invite- @ Wymore CC-9:30 am | 18 NO SCHOOL District Music Contest Hosted @JCC HS -Tecumseh 8am-4 pm Annual HS Football Fundraiser Mtg @JCC HS Cafeteria - 5:30 pm | 19 EASTER BREAK NO SCHOOL Good Friday | 20 V Track ECNC @ Malcola-10 a.m. |
| 21 EASTER SUNDAY | 22 EASTER BREAK NO SCHOOL | 23 V Track-Falls City Invite @ Falls City-2:30 pm VBoys Golf vs HTRS @ Tecumseh CC-4 pm | 24 NSCAS Testing - 6th Math-8:30-10:30 am VBoys Golf Palmyra Invite @ Woodland Hills Eagle 8:30 am | 25 NSCAS Testing- 8th Science 8:30-10 am 5th Math-12:15- 2 pm 4th Grade Ag Safety Day @Tecumseh Fair Grounds 8:30-2:30 American Red Cross Blood Drive @ Tecumseh HS Gym - 9 am JH Track-Thunderbird Invite @ JCC Tecumseh 3 p.m. | 26 HS Musical @JCC Tecumseh 7 pm | 27 V Track ECNC @ Malcola-10 a.m. |
| 28 JCC HS Musical @JCC Tecumseh 2:00 p.m. | 29 JH Track @ Tri County Invite-3pm HS Art Show @JCC Tecumseh HS Gym-7 pm HS Spring Concert @JCC Elementary Tecumseh-7 pm | 30 V Track @ Freeman Invite-9am VBoys Golf Elmwood Mudlock Invite @ Grandbas Woods CC Mudlock- 10 am | | | | |

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Child find

Children that are birth to 5 years old who are experiencing problems with speech language, cognitive, emotional and/or physical development or have a disability can receive services through Early Childhood Education Services. If interested or in need of more information please contact Rebecca Kling, Special Education Coordinator or Dr. Galen Boldt, Superintendent at 402-335-3320.

******Friday, April 5******

Early Dismissal—1:00 p.m.

******Thursday, April 18******

**No School—Both Sites—District Music Contest
Held & Hosted by Johnson County Central**

*****No School*****

Easter Break

**Friday, April 19 &
Monday, April 22**

EASTER BREAK

