



Superintendent Monthly Update



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JCC School Bond

Steering Committee

Who They Are and What They Do

In the process of discussing an upcoming Johnson County Central school bond, we are now at the stage where a “steering committee” has begun their work. The steering committee is composed of district patrons that have volunteered their time and energy to help guide a decision that will affect our school district for years to come. The members are:

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| - Mark Badertscher | - Dan Jones |
| - Lyndsay Beethe | - Steve Mercure |
| - Maria Rauner | - Erin Rolf |
| - Kandi Bilslend | - Steve Ruenholl |
| - Jed Droge | - Jon Schmid |
| - Sarah Droge | - Eugene Watson |
| - Stacy Goodrich | - Mike Wendt |
| - Doug Goracke | - Sara Wendt |
| - Dalton Hartman | - Nate Werner |
| - Patti Holthus | - Paul Wilken |

The committee’s most important responsibility is having conversations with our district patrons to determine what our communities want in bond regarding school facilities. From there, using the information they gather, the committee will “steer” our school board in a direction that best represents the thinking of our district at large. In short, what should be proposed in a bond issue and at what cost (the biggest question of all).

At this point, the steering committee has had one meeting on November 2, 2021. It was an “orientation meeting” with representatives from Boyd-Jones (Construction Manager), DA Davidson (Financial Advisors), Clark-Enersen (Architect) and KSB School Law (JCC legal counsel) all present to help answer questions and give advice. During this first meeting, the conversation centered on:

1. Bringing all students to one site in Tecumseh.
2. Eliminating the elementary building in Tecumseh (where the lower elementary grades (PK - 3rd) are served).
3. Achieving the above goals by constructing either:
 - a. PK-5th grade building with a competition gym

OR

 - b. A 6th grade -12th grade building with a competition gym

JCC Mission Statement:
Journey together...
Creating opportunities...
Committed to excellence!

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In the course of this meeting, some of the information requested by steering committee members were:

- How much is JCC currently spending on maintenance & upgrades of facilities?
- What are the projected costs (maintenance & necessary upgrades) to operate our facilities as we currently do?
- If a new building is constructed and our district moves to a “one site concept,” what savings would be realized in transportation, staffing and maintenance?

The committee noted that these options all come with different challenges and opportunities. Simply put, there are no easy answers to our facility needs. Some questions that the committee raised:

- What happens to the current middle school building in Cook if we move to a single campus in Tecumseh?
- How do we best utilize the current high school building in Tecumseh? Should it remain a high school/middle school or should it be renovated to serve as an elementary school?
- As our current auditorium is located in the elementary building in Tecumseh (see item #2 above), should a performing arts center be included?
- The biggest question of all: What does this all cost?

All these questions are yet to be answered and are dependent on what happens with a bond. I hope that you will reach out to one or more of the committee members and/or school board members with your thoughts. As always, feel free to contact me as well!



Transportation Expenses

| | Number | Students/Day | Miles/Day | Miles/Year (175 student days, 141 PK days) |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|--|
| Bus Routes | 10 (5 morning, 5 evening) | 70 | 244 | 42,700 |
| Bus Shuttles | 12 (6 morning, 6 evening) | 178 | 132* | 23,100* |
| Preschool Van Routes | 6 (2 morning, 2 midday, 2 evening) | 13 | 38 | 5,206 |
| Car/Van Routes | 4 (2 morning, 2 evening) | 4 | 60 | 10,500 |
| TOTAL | 32 | 265 | 496 | 85,356 |

These numbers were incorrect in the November newsletter (154/26,950). The old numbers were figuring in the miles to transport the drivers which was the equivalent of 2 additional shuttles.

The above chart shows the miles the vehicles are transporting students. Please remember that some of the vehicles will actually travel further without students riding. For example, the number of miles travelled by the “Car/Van Routes” is double that of the chart due to the fact that the driver will travel half of the route alone. However, the purpose of the chart was to show the amount of miles that students are on school transportation.

What does all this cost?

The following chart shows the estimated costs for these services for a 175 student day school year. These costs do not include activity transportation or the shuttling of vehicles to get them to where they are needed. Therefore, there can be a slight variance in the total miles accrued on the vehicles each year as well as the fuel costs.

| | Fuel Costs | Wages | Total |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Bus Routes | \$16,464 | \$65,520 | \$81,984 |
| Bus Shuttles | \$8,907 | \$68,796 | \$77,703 |
| Preschool Van Routes | \$1,128 | \$3,276 | \$4,404 |
| Car/Van Routes | \$1,880 | \$22,355 | \$24,235 |
| TOTAL | \$28,379 | \$159,947 | \$188,326 |

Even these numbers don't tell the whole story of the cost to transport students for their daily educational needs. The wear and tear on school vehicles can add up; especially on school buses travelling county roads. The above costs are not including tires, cracked windshields, oil changes and general maintenance as well as bigger ticket items such as when a transmission expires.

Transportation costs also extend to the point of replacing vehicles. This can be anywhere from a \$15,000 car, to a \$25,000 van, to a \$90,000 route bus.



K - Karla Prado, Ruger Clifton, Baeley Neemann, Mateo Campos Silos, Zander Bintz-Rap, Coralynn Brommer, August Hamilton, Daleyza Gonzalez, Georgia Russell Not pictured - Alexis DeMar

1st - Chloe Kirkendall, Eliot Schultz, Matthew Dixon, Kaylen Najera Andrade, Garrett Burgett, Bristol Meints, Henry Smith, Josie McCoy, Randy Louis Not pictured - Baylee Shirley

2nd - Evelyn Little, Rylin Campbell-Thies, Joey Burki, Ivan Cornejo, Harley Savago, Clayton Weber

3rd - Brock Carter, Audric Gradwohl, Mackenzie Sell, Ada Goodrich, Makenzy Russell, Eleanor Burgett, Isaac Buchanan

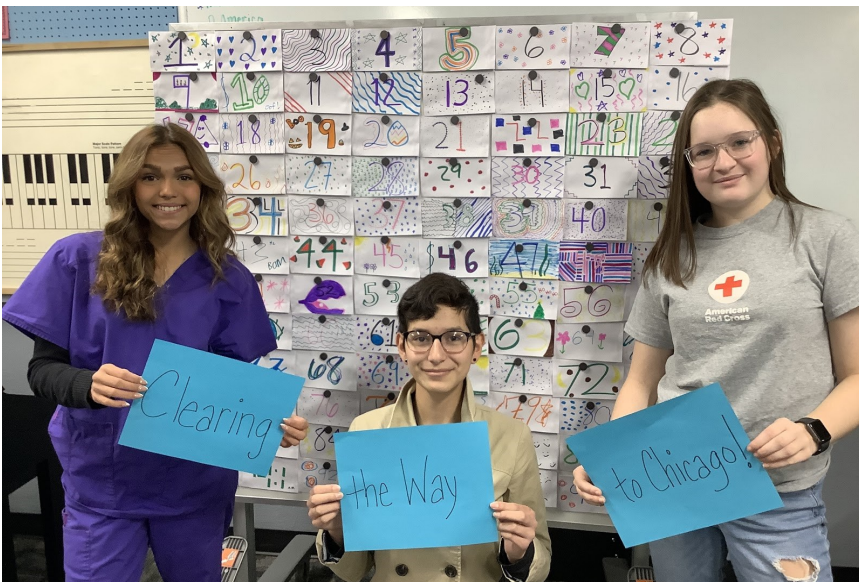
NEWS FROM PRINCIPAL RICK LESTER

This newsletter will cover the months of December and January. With that in mind, I hope everyone enjoyed their Thanksgiving break and didn't overdue it too much with the eating part. Christmas break will be upon us sooner than later and then we're in 2nd semester. Wow... time flies when you're having fun!

With Thanksgiving and Christmas break upon us, this brings the topic of semester exams. Semester exams are given in the month of December in the core curriculum classes and count as 5% of the student's final grade. Once your student knows their exam schedule, I encourage you as parents to assist them in their preparation for these exams. Urge your student to study ahead of time instead of cramming their studying into the night before the exam. Help them by providing a quiet environment in which to study and encourage them to get plenty of rest and to eat good meals as they prepare to take their semester exams.

Another topic we need to discuss is about students changing classes for second semester. Students that are interested changing their classes for second semester need to see Mrs. Reuter any time before the end of Christmas break (Friday, December 17, 2021). Students will also have five school days to make changes to their class schedule at the beginning of second semester from Tuesday, January 4, 2022 to Monday, January 10, 2022.

Clearing the Way to Chicago!!!



This year, 24 band students in grades 8-12 will be traveling to Chicago in May 2022 for our Band Trip. While in Chicago, the students will get to experience various performances and museums including the Museum of Science and Nature as well as a symphony performance, Blue ManGroup, or a Broadway Show, among other activities.

The students are looking for help in funding this event. Throughout the Basketball season, we are **"Clearing the way to Chicago"** with a wall of envelopes. To do this, anyone may choose an envelope and donate the same amount of money that matches the number on the envelope. Our goal is to clear ALL of the envelopes from our wall. There may or may not also be a small gift of gratitude in a select number of

envelopes. Some of the sponsors of this fundraiser include Remedy, Dollar General, Frazier's, and 57 Designs, among others. If you are unable to make it to our home basketball games, please consider contacting Mrs. Fricke for details on how you can help contribute at emily.fricke@jccentral.org.

Notes from the High School Counselor- Mrs. Olivia Reuter

FAFSA Application for 2022-2023 College Students Is Now Open

High school seniors and students already in college can now start applying for federal financial aid by filling out a FAFSA (free application for federal student aid) online at fasa.gov. Make sure that you go to the fafsa.gov address. Do not search for the FAFSA on a search engine, it could take you to the wrong page. There are copycat pages out there that look like the FAFSA page, but at the end they ask for money in order to submit it. The FAFSA is free to apply for, never pay money to submit a FAFSA form! It is very important that they fill out a 2022-2023 form and not a 2021-2022 form. You fill out the form for the year you will be in college. Before you can fill out the FAFSA, both the student and one parent need an FSA ID. To get FSA IDs, go to <https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch>; after you have these, you can start the FAFSA. Parents who have FSA IDs from children who have already been in college, can use that same FSA ID. If you need help with the FAFSA, EducationQuest is glad to help. They offer virtual appointments and can also help by phone. To get help with your FAFSA or set up a virtual appointment, call the Lincoln office of EducationQuest at (402) 475-5222 or the Omaha office at (402) 391-4033. The EducationQuest website has an entire page dedicated to helping students and parents navigate the FAFSA. You can find this page at <https://www.educationquest.org/resources/fafsa-tools/>

If You Qualify, Apply for the Susan Buffett Scholarship Now

The Susan T. Buffett Foundation has offered scholarships to college students in Nebraska for over 50 years. Scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis to first-time freshman entering college who live in Nebraska, graduate from a Nebraska high school with plans to attend a Nebraska public college, and demonstrate financial need. To be eligible for this scholarship you must Live in Nebraska and meet in-state residency requirements of the college you plan to attend, graduate from a Nebraska High School, achieve at least a 2.0 cumulative unweighted GPA in high school, have an EFC on your FAFSA below \$10,000 be a first time freshman entering college, and plan to attend a Nebraska public community college, state college or university. Important notes- students obtaining dual enrollment credits in high school are still eligible to apply, DACA, undocumented, or DACA eligible students are still eligible to apply, and you do not need to be Pell Grant eligible to qualify. To apply for the Susan Buffett scholarship, go to <https://buffettscholarships.org/eligibility-selection>. The application is now open and the deadline to apply is February 1, 2022 at 5:00 PM. It's important to start this application early because there are several sections to complete. Students must have all sections of their application done by the deadline date and time. The Susan Buffett committee does not accept any late applications, there are no exceptions.

Seniors Planning to Attend Wayne State College: Apply for Scholarships

Wayne State is committed to offering students a quality educational experience that is both accessible and affordable. In support of that mission, we offer one of the region's most affordable costs of attendance. Wayne State *guarantees that all students that complete the scholarship application process will receive an a scholarship offer of some sort.*

To be scholarship eligible, students need to first apply and be admitted (wsc.edu/apply.) They will receive confirmation of their acceptance within 24 hours. Shortly thereafter, they can claim their Wayne State credentials (username and password). They will use that information to log in to their personalized scholarship application at: wsc.edu/scholarships. Students are encouraged to complete and submit their admission and scholarship applications by **the priority deadline of December 1st** for maximum consideration.

Seniors Planning to Attend SCC: Apply for Scholarships Starting Dec. 1st

Southeast Community College (SCC)- all campuses will open their online scholarship application on December 1, 2021. The application will be open until March 1, 2022. In order to apply, students will need the following information: 1) a valid and functional e-mail address, 2) their mailing address, 3) their social security number, and 4) their phone number. Students can apply online at <https://www.southeast.edu/scholarships/>

Highlighting the Class of 2022- Meet three more members of this year's senior class.

Mason Sell is the son of Greg and Vanessa Sell of Burr. He has two sisters, Mackenzie who is 8 and Makayla who is 2. His favorite classes at JCC have been Woods and Industrial Tech Skills. At JCC for extracurricular activities, he has been involved in football all four years. His most challenging class has been English. According to Mason, the best thing about being a senior is, "getting to leave after this year." His favorite school lunch is breaded cheese sticks. Mason's interests outside of school are football, driving, and listening to music. After high school graduation, Mason plans to attend SCC for their automotive mechanic program. His advice to freshmen is, "Turn in your work." In ten years, Mason sees himself married and working in Nebraska.



Rodrigo Rivera is the son of Natividad Echeverria of Tecumseh. He has one brother, Mario Lara Jr. who is 13. He is involved in basketball, football, track, one act, and art at JCC. Rodrigo's favorite classes in high school have been his English classes with Mrs. Little because "Mrs. Little makes English enjoyable. The way she approaches it and teaches it, you almost look forward to it every day." His most challenging class was Chemistry, and his hobbies and interests outside of school are music and basketball. His favorite lunches at JCC are the popcorn chicken bowl and stromboli. According to Rodrigo, the best thing about a senior is, "being a leader in sports." His advice to freshmen is, "Keep your grades up, especially your freshman year. Your GPA is hard to go up after its down." After graduation, Rodrigo plans to attend SCC for their academic transfer program. In ten years, he sees himself living in an apartment or house, graduated from college, and following a passion that he has eventually found, with a dog by his side.

Logan Thomas Barras-Carnagey lives in Tecumseh and is the son of Lisa Barras and the late Leonard Barras and David and Paula Carnagey. He has two siblings, Loran, age 27 and Landri, age 22. His activities at JCC have been cross country, football, basketball, unified bowling, track and field, HOSA, FBLA, FCA, and NHS. His favorite lunch at JCC is the popcorn chicken bowl. Outside of school, Logan enjoys watching and playing sports, watching movies, and playing video games. His favorite thing about being a senior is "Being the leader that everyone looks up to. I love when the younger kids at JCC come up to me wanting to talk or give me a hug or a high-five." Logan's favorite classes at JCC have been choir, companion animals, and advanced physical education. His most challenging classes have been anatomy and physiology, medical terminology, and basic nutrition. His advice to freshmen is, "Join as many sports, clubs, and organizations as possible. Make every moment count and don't be afraid to try new things." After high school, Logan plans to work in Florida with his cousin for his landscaping business and then he plans to join the military later on. In ten years, Logan sees himself in the military working a regular job and providing for his family. He's not sure what his job will be yet, but he would like to settle down somewhere in Florida. He hopes to be married with kids.



MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

BY RICH BACON

With the month of December upon us thoughts often turn to the holidays and spending time with family. But, the month of December also brings with it the rapidly approaching end of the first semester and a month full of games, matches, and holiday concerts. In addition to all these extracurricular activities, the normal everyday work in the classroom continues as well. There are only three weeks of school in December before the end of the 1st semester. Students who are able to participate in activities and keep up with their class work need to be commended.

On Thursday, November 11, an assembly was held at the middle school honoring local veterans for their service to our great country. The Bryan-Holtgrewe American Legion Post #246 of Talmage presented the colors. The 7th & 8th grade band performed the National Anthem and 8th grader, Ashley Beethe led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Keith Osterhoudt did an outstanding job sharing his experiences and thoughts about Veterans Day. The 4th and 5th grade classes performed patriotic musical number and Catherine Wendt performed Taps. At the conclusion of the program, more than 20 veterans, spouses and guests were treated to lunch at the school. Thank you to all veterans for their service to our country.

Red Ribbon Week activities were held during the week of October 26. For each day of the week students were encouraged to dress up for a particular theme. Monday, October 26 was Wear Red! day – students were “Red-y to Stay Drug Free”. Tuesday was Wear your Favorite Sports Team Jersey! day – “Wear Your Jersey with Pride and Kick Drugs to the Side!” Wednesday was Pajama Day – “Pajamas All Day Keep Drugs Away!” Thursday was Dress Up day – “Look Your Best Off Drugs!” Friday was Wear your Halloween Costume day – “Say Boo to Drugs.” The Middle School Leadership Team also visited our elementary classrooms and presented Red Ribbon Week activities. We had good student participation throughout the week and the Leadership Team did an outstanding job in the elementary classrooms.

On Tuesday, November 9, the 8th grade attended a Life Skills Sportsmanship Pep Rally at Pinnacle Bank Arena where they heard several University of Nebraska coaches and athletes speak on various topics, all aimed at promoting the importance of education, diversity, inclusion, sportsmanship, and good decision-making. Speakers such as women’s basketball coach Amy Williams, volleyball players Madi Kubik and Kenzie Knuckles, along with other University of Nebraska coaches and athletes gave presentations on personal pride and work ethic, sportsmanship and respect for yourself and others, dealing with pressure, and building positive relationships. After the Pep Rally students were given a slice of Valentino’s pizza and a ticket to watch the UNL women basketball team’s season opener against Maine.

The combined middle school and high school ECNC Honor Choirs were held @ Elmwood-Murdock on Nov. 8. JCC middle school students who were selected to participate were: Ashley Beethe, Brayden Beethe, Zeke Burki, Theresa Doiel, Trevin Huskey, Marisol Mandl, Josie McDonald, Abby Mejia, A.J. Rautenbach, Alejandra Reyes, Saige Rother, Molly Weber & Cameron Werner.

We also had the following M.S. students attend the Tri County Honor Choir: Harrison Bacon, Bryce Beckman, Amelia Britt, Zeke Burki, Wyatt Case, Jonathan DeFreece, Connor Haufle, Trevin Huskey, Monica Jimenez, Marisol Mandl, Josie McDonald, Braydon Taylor & Molly Weber.

The Junior High Boys Basketball team has started their season with 25 boys participating. We have four home games this year and, hopefully, we will be able to see you at a game this season.



Go Thunderbirds!



Greetings Thunderbird Family!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday and is looking forward to Christmas! Let's put a wrap on the fall season.

Here are a few sport specific highlights from the fall season.

In volleyball, Madelyn Harrifeld and Daisy Ortiz were the recipients of the NCPA (NSAA) Academic All-State awards. At the MUDECAS tournament, Ava Berkebile was named 1st team in the B-Division. Also, Sunnie Rother and Arely Cabrales were named Honorable Mention. In the ECNC conference, Ava received 1st team honors and Arely was named Honorable Mention. Ava also set the school record for most digs in a career!!

In cross country, Madison Pingel, Hayden Huskey, and Aiden Weber all received NCPA (NSAA) Academic All-State awards.

In girls golf, Kaita Baird and Anzel du Preez received the NCPA (NSAA) Academic All-State awards. Anzel also placed 5th at the ECNC conference meet. Vanessa Jimenez placed 10th at districts and qualified for the state meet!

One-Act Play Conference took place in Palmyra this year and the cast and crew finished 4th.

In football, in District-D1-2, Treyton Holthus, Logan Barras-Carnagey, and Jon Duncan were all named to the first team and Roberto Borboa, Cam Schuster, and Phillip Buck were named to the Honorable Mention team. Trey and Logan were also award winners of the NCPA (NSAA) award.

Also in other football news, JCC has decided to stay 8-man for the next two seasons. Even though our enrollment numbers qualify us for C-2 and 11-man football, we are given a two year grace period where we are still eligible for the playoffs in class D-1.

Some important winter dates:

Winter sports pep rally: December 2nd

First varsity basketball game: December 3rd

First wrestling competition: December 4th

No School: December 20th - January 4th

NSAA Moratorium: December 22nd - December 26th

JCC Booster Club Meeting: January 12th, 5PM @ HS



Have a safe holiday season!

Garrett Collin

Below is a list of music events until the end of 3rd quarter, including the Home Varsity Basketball Games (noted with PB for Pep Band).

| | | | |
|-----------------|---------|----------|--|
| December | 2 | Thursday | HS Winter/Christmas Concert |
| | 4 | Saturday | PB - BB vs. Tri County |
| | 10 | Friday | 4-8 Winter Concert |
| | 11 | Saturday | PB - BB vs. Pawnee City |
| | 13 | Monday | K-3 Christmas Program - Auditorium |
| | 14 | Tuesday | PB - BB vs. Palmyra |
| | TBA | TBA | Christmas Caroling - 6:00 PM @ High School |
| January | 4 | Tuesday | School Resumes |
| | 6 | Thursday | PB - BB vs. Wilber |
| | 9-10 | Sun-Mon | Doane Vocal Festival - Crete |
| | 22 | Saturday | PB - BB vs. Falls City |
| | 28 & 29 | Fri/Sat | UNO BOCH Festival - Omaha |
| | 25 | Tuesday | PB - BB vs. Malcolm |
| | 29 | Saturday | Singing Youth of Nebraska - North Platte |
| | | | UNO MS Honor Choir |
| February | 8 | Tuesday | PB - BB vs. Elmwood Murdock |
| March | 1 | Tuesday | 29th Annual Freshmore Clinic - Tecumseh |
| | 17 | Thursday | MS Contest Concert - Cook @ 6:30 pm |
| | 19 | Saturday | Class C Allstate Band |
| | 24 | Thursday | HS MUDECAS Music Contest - Freeman |
| | 25 | Friday | MS Contest - Humboldt |



Author Visit

Children's author Jefferson Knapp is visiting our school! Having grown up as a Kansas country boy in the early 80's, students will learn how Jefferson took his boyhood home surroundings, his pets, and, using his imagination, created the world of his five-book fantasy series, 'The Kingdom at the End of the Driveway'.

Knapp recently co-authored a children's book with Nebraska's legendary Dr. Tom Osborne. 'I Believe in You' has an encouraging message for kids using Coach Osborne's life lessons and advice he taught his teams over his Hall of Fame coaching career with the Huskers. Knapp is bringing copies autographed by Dr. Tom, too! Students will be talking about this visit for the rest of the year. Where else are you going to see a 25-ft. animatronic python??

Jefferson Knapp will be at the Johnson County Central Middle School on Friday, December 3rd at 1:30 in the afternoon. Students will be given the opportunity to purchase his books ahead of time to be autographed.



JCC 8th Grade Students Attend Life Skills/Sportsmanship Rally & UNL Basketball Game

On November 9th JCC 8th graders attended the Life Skills/Sportsmanship Pep Rally and the Husker Women's home opener vs. Maine at the Pinnacle Bank Arena.

Nebraska student-athletes, coaches and other presenters shared educational messages and entertainment to area middle school students emphasizing the importance of respect, hard-work, teamwork, goal-setting, and academic excellence during the Pep Rally.

Students enjoyed lunch at Pinnacle Bank Arena with Valentino's pizza. It was a great opportunity for students to learn essential life-skills from outstanding Husker athletes and staff and also enjoyed the women's home opener vs. Maine.



8th Grade Students Visit Doane University and Southeast Community College at Lincoln with EducationQuest mini-grant.

JCC was the recipient of the 8th grade EducationQuest mini-grant for the 2021-2022 school year. The grant gave students the opportunity to tour two college campuses; Southeast Community College in Lincoln and Doane University in Crete. Students met with admissions counselors during the visit. They learned about how to apply to college, prepare themselves in high school for college and ways to help pay for college. Students also met with student ambassadors for Doane and were able to gain an understanding of college life from current students on campus. Students toured each campus and learned about the various academic programs at study at each campus. It was a great experience for students to learn more about possible careers they may want to pursue post-high school education. They also learned about the different types of degrees offered at Community Colleges and Universities.



By Marsha Bacon

Middle School Leadership Team Teaches Elementary Students about Healthy Choices with Red Ribbon Week
By Marsha Bacon

The last week of October is Red Ribbon Week. The theme this year was “Drug Free Looks Good on Me.” Each day, students were able to dress up and have fun with a daily theme about making healthy choices and saying no to drugs.

The Middle School Leadership Team members taught lessons for Red Ribbon Week to students in grades K-5. The students created lessons to help encourage healthy lifestyle choices and to teach the elementary students about how to be healthy. They learned about peer pressure and how to make the right choice, even when it is difficult. It was a great activity and fun to watch all of the students dress-up throughout the week.



Vocal Music - Mr. Doran
Reporter - Cameron Daniels

Congratulations to the following 7th and 8th grade students for auditioning and being selected for the Singing Youth of Nebraska Honor Choir: Brayden Beethe, Trevin Huskey, Abby Mejia, A.J. Rautenbach, Brayden Taylor, Molly Weber, & Cameron Werner.

SYON, will be held January 29 in North Platte this year, is a state wide 120 voice, bi-annual honor choir sponsored by the Nebraska Choral Directors Association. Students had to audition with Mr. Doran by recording themselves singing: 1) a scale, 2) America, and 3) a portion of a prepared solo they selected, and then submitting it online. We were limited to auditioning 12 singers.

The students and Mr. Doran will travel all together to North Platte on Friday, January 28, and start rehearsal early Saturday morning at the Performing Arts Center inside the North Platte High School. An afternoon concert is scheduled for January 29 at 4:00 pm at the conclusion of the honor Choir.



2021 JCC Holiday
Music Schedule

Thursday, December 2 – 7:00 pm
High School Band and Choir
Elementary Auditorium – Tecumseh

Friday, December 10 – 7:00 pm
Grades 4-8 Concerts
Middle School Gymnasium - Cook

Monday, December 13 – 7:00 pm
K-3 Program “Antlers”
Elementary Auditorium – Tecumseh


December 2021

Johnson County Central Lunch Menu

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|
| Menu Is Subject to Change Without Notice “This Institution Is An Equal Opportunity Provider” | | | | | | |
| | | | 1 Chicken Noodle Soup Cheese Bread Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 2 Pizza Fruit & Veggie Bar Cookie Milk | 3 Hot Dog / WG Bun Baked Beans Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 4 |
| 5 | 6 Spaghetti / Meat Sauce Green Beans Fruit & Veggie Bar Garlic Bread Milk | 7 Popcorn Chicken Bowl HS, MS, CE Popcorn Chicken TE, PK Fruit & Veggie Bar Dinner Roll Milk | 8 Cheeseburger /WG Bun Potatoes Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 9 Sloppy Nacho Cowboy Salsa Fruit & Veggie Bar Bread Stick Milk | 10 Breaded Cheese Sticks Lettuce Salad Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 11 |
| 12 | 13 Chicken Nuggets Hot Veggie Fruit & Veggie Bar B & B Milk | 14 Br Beef Patty Mashed Potatoes / Gravy Fruit & Veggie Bar Dinner Roll Milk | 15 Br. Chicken Patty/WG Bun Potatoes Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 16 Corn Dog Baked Beans Fruit & Veggies Milk | 17 Pizza Lettuce Salad Fruit & Veggie Bar Cookie Milk | 18 |
| 19 | 20 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK | 21 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK | 22 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK | 23 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK | 24 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK | 25 |
| 26 | 27 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK | 28 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK | 29 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK | 30 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK | 31 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK | |



January 2022 Johnson County Central Lunch Menu



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | | | 1  |
| 2 | 3 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK | 4 Creamed Chicken/ biscuit Hot Veggie Fruit & Veggie Bar Cookie Milk | 5 Cheesburger potatoes Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 6 Pig in a Blanket Baked Beans Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 7 Pizza Corn Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 8 |
| 9 | 10 PB Jelly -Tec Elem Tatoh's Bread Stick Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 11 Chefs Choice Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 12 Chicken Noodle Soup Cheese Bread Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 13 Breakfast for Lunch Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 14 Asian Chicken Chicken Nuggets Elem/PK Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 15 |
| 16 | 17 Spaghetti / Meat Sauce Green Beans Fruit & Veggie Bar Garlic Bread Milk | 18 Sloppy Joe Potatoes Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 19 Popcorn Chicken Bowl Fruit & Veggie Bar Dinner Roll Milk | 20 Br. Pork Patty/ wug Bun Cowboy Beans Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 21 Cheese Sticks Lettuce Salad Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 22 |
| 23 | 24 Chicken Fajita Fruit & Veggie Bar Refried Beans Cookie Milk | 25 Hot Ham & Cheese wug Bun Potatoes Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 26 Corn Dog Sun Chips Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 27 Chili / Cheese Stick Cinnamon Roll Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | 28 Pizza Fruit & Veggie Bar BP No Bake Milk | 29 |
| 30 | 31 Hamburger Mac & Cheese Hot Veggie B & B Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk | Menu Is Subject to Change Without Notice "This Institution Is An Equal Opportunity Provider" | | | | |

December 2021



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| <div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; display: inline-block;"> <p>All Activities are Subject to Change</p> </div> | | | <p>1 Grades 6, 7 & 8 NSCAS Winter Testing FFA Leaders in Agriculture Day @ Beatrice—9:00 am</p> | <p>2 Grades 6, 7 & 8 NSCAS Winter Testing JH Boys Basketball vs Freeman @ JCC MS, Cook Site—4:00 pm High School Christmas Concert @ JCC Elem Aud.</p> | <p>3 FBLA Husker Business Invite @ UNL—8:45 am MS Author Visit @ JCC MS, Cook Site—1:30 pm JV/Varsity Girls & Boys Basketball vs Mead @ Mead 4/5/6/7:30 pm</p> | <p>4 JH Boys Basketball Tourney @ @ JCC MS, Cook Site—8:30 am Varsity Wrestling Invite @ Harvard HS—10 am JV/Varsity Girls/Boys Basketball vs Tri County @</p> |
| <p>5 Unified Bowling Varsity State Championships—TBD C Team Girls/Boys Basketball vs Louisville @ Louisville—5:30/7 pm</p> | <p>6 HOSA Blood Drive @ JCC HS Grades 4 & 5 NSCAS Winter Testing JH Boys Basketball vs Pawnee City @ JCC MS, Cook Site—4:30 pm JV/Varsity Girls/Boys vs Southern @ Southern—4/5/6/7:30 pm</p> | <p>7 JCC School Board Meeting @ JCC High School—6:00 pm</p> | <p>8 Grades 4 & 5 NSCAS Winter Testing JV/Varsity Girls/Boys Basketball vs Syracuse @ Syracuse—4:30/6/7:30 pm Girls Varsity Wrestling Invite @ Weeping Water—6:00 pm</p> | <p>9 Cook Site Preschool Fun Time @ JCC MS Cook Site—2:30 pm Tecumseh Site Preschool Fun Time @ Elem. Aud. Tecumseh—2:30 pm Varsity Wrestling Invite @ Bellevue West HS—3:30 pm 4-8 MS Winter Concert @ JCC MS, Cook Site—7:00 pm</p> | <p>10 JH Boys Basketball Tourney @ Palmyra—8:00 am Girls Varsity Wrestling Invite @ West Point-Beemer HS—10:00 am Boys Varsity Wrestling Invite @ North Bend HS—10:00 am JV/Varsity Girls/Boys Basketball vs Pawnee City @ JCC HS—1/2/3/4:45 pm</p> | |
| <p>11 JH Boys Basketball vs Auburn @ JCC MS, Cook Site -4:30 pm CTeam Girls/Boys Basketball vs Freeman @ Freeman—6/7 pm K-3 Christmas Program @ JCC Elem Aud.—7:00 pm</p> | <p>12 4th Grade DARE Graduation @ JCC MS, Cook—1:30 p.m. Basketball vs Palmyra JV Boys @ JCC MS, Cook Site—4:30 pm JV Girls @ JCC HS—4:30 pm Varsity Girls/Boys @ JCC HS—6/7:45 pm</p> | <p>13 JH Boys Basketball vs Auburn @ JCC MS, Cook Site—4:30 pm JV/Varsity Girls/Boys Basketball vs Freeman @ Freeman—4:30/6/7:30 pm</p> | <p>14 Girls Varsity Wrestling Invite @ Farbury—4:00 pm JH Boys Basketball vs Weeping Water @ Weeping Water—4:00 pm Varsity Wrestling Tri @ Louisville—5:30 pm</p> | <p>15 END OF 2ND QUARTER END OF 1ST SEMESTER</p> | <p>16 JH Boys Basketball vs Palmyra JV/Varsity Girls/Boys Basketball vs Louisville @ Louisville—4:30/6/7:30 pm</p> | |
| <p>17 NSAA Moratorium—GYMS CLOSED</p> | <p>18 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK</p> | <p>19 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK</p> | <p>20 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK</p> | <p>21 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK</p> | <p>22 NSAA Moratorium—GYMS CLOSED</p> | <p>23 NSAA Moratorium—GYMS CLOSED</p> |
| <p>24 NSAA Moratorium—GYMS CLOSED</p> | <p>25 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK</p> | <p>26 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK</p> | <p>27 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK</p> | <p>28 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK Girls Varsity Wrestling Invite @ Winnebago HS—9:00 am Varsity Basketball Tournament @ Thayer Central Time TBD</p> | <p>29 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK Varsity Basketball Tournament @ Thayer Central Time TBD</p> | <p>30 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK Varsity Wrestling Quad @ Lincoln Christian—9:00 am CTeam Girls/Boys Basketball vs Syracuse @ JCC HS—5/6 pm</p> |
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January 2022

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 2 | 3 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK Teacher Work Day | 4 3rd Quarter Begins 2nd Semester Begins | 5  Welcome Back from winter break | 6 Basketball vs Wilber Clatonia JV Boys @ MS Cook Site-4:30 pm JV Girls @ JCC HS-4:30 pm Varsity Girls/Boys @ JCC HS-6/7:45 pm Varsity Wrestling Tri @ Freeman HS-6:00 pm | 7 Varsity Wrestling Dual Tourney @ Wilber Clatonia- 3:30 pm | 8  Girls Varsity Wrestling @ Beatrice HS-9:00 am |
| 9 Doane Honor Choir Festival @ Doane | 10 Doane Honor Choir Festival @ Doane Girls Basketball Mudecas Tournament Beatrice-TBD | 11 Boys Basketball Mudecas Tournament Beatrice-TBD | 12 JCC Booster Club Mtg. @ JCC HS-5:00 pm Regional Acadeca @ JCC HS-9:00 am JCC School Board Meeting @ JCC High School-6:00 pm | 13 Boys/Girls Basketball Mudecas Tournament Beatrice-TBD Varsity Wrestling Invite @ Yutan HS-4:00 pm | 14 Girls Basketball Mudecas Tournament Beatrice-TBD Varsity Wrestling Invite @ Weeping Water-2:00 pm | 15 Boys Basketball Mudecas Tournament Beatrice-TBD NCDA Sing Around Nebraska- Singing Festival for 4, 5 & 6th Grade @ Peru State College |
| 16 | 17 FFA District Leadership Development Events @ Norris HS-9:00 am CTeam Girls/Boys Basketball vs Wilber-Clatonia @ JCC HS-6/7:30 pm | 18 JV/Varsity Girls/Boys Basketball vs Weeping Water @ Weeping Water-4:30/5:30/6:30/7:30 pm Varsity Wrestling Girls/Boys Dual @ JCC MS Cook Site- 6:00 pm | 19 | 20 JV/Varsity Girls/Boys Basketball vs HTRS @ HTRS- 4/5:15/6:30/7:45 pm | 21 Varsity Boys/Girls Wrestling Invite @ Louisville- 2:30 pm | 22 UNO Boch Honor Band/ Choir-@ UNO Girls Varsity Wrestling Invite @ Weeping Water-9:30 am JV/Varsity Girls/Boys Basketball vs Falls City @ JCC HS 2/3:15/4:30/6 pm |
| 23 | 24 JH Girls Basketball vs Freeman @ Freeman-4:00 pm C Team Boys Basketball vs Southern @ Southern- 6:00 pm | 25 Girls/Boys Basketball vs Malcolm JV Boys @ JCC MS, Cook Site-4:30 pm JV Girls @ JCC HS-4:30 pm Varsity Girls/Boys @ JCC HS- 6/7:30 pm | 26 | 27 JV/Varsity Girls/Boys Basketball vs Fairbury @ Fairbury 4:30/6/7:30 pm | 28 Varsity Wrestling Invite @ Freeman-2:30 pm | 29 Girls/Boys Basketball ECNC Tournament, Lincoln-TBD Singing Youth of NE Honor Choir (7, 8 & 9 Grade) - North Platte JH Girls Basketball Tourney @ JCC MS Cook Site-8:30 am |
| 30 | 31 Girls/Boys Basketball ECNC Tournament, Lincoln-TBD | All Activities are Subject to Change | | | | |



JCC Wish Tree

The JCC PTO is excited to once again host the JCC Wish Tree! This event is a way to show our appreciation and give back to our teachers and classrooms.

The idea is simple. JCC teachers have submitted “wishes” that have been placed on Christmas trees at both Tecumseh and Cook sites. We have also created an Amazon List for individuals who prefer to shop online. To participate and show your support, you select a wish and return the item to the school. The whole process is easy and very much appreciated by our teachers. If you have any questions, please contact any PTO member or email abrommer01@gmail.com

Amazon Link:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/20NTXXJGMVADW?ref=wl_share

*JCC Wish Tree 2021



Johnson County Central Preschool

**2022-23 Enrollment Begins
December 1, 2021**



An on-line application can be found on the school website:

www.jccentral.org

If you would like a paper application or would like to schedule a classroom visit, please call the elementary office: 402-335-3320.

* All preschool children, regardless of their abilities, disabilities, or the social, linguistic, or economic diversity of the children’s families are eligible to be served in our preschool program.

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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 Jon Rother, Superintendent at 402-335-3320.

**** FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17 ****

End of 1st Semester

Christmas Break begins
December 20

Teacher workday on
Monday, January 3

**Classes resume on Tuesday,
January 4th**
2nd Semester Classes begin

