November 2016

WELCOME FALL!



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Two special meals this month: Invite a Veteran & Thanksgiving Dinner!



Superintendent's News

I would like to start the November newsletter by saying, "Thank You" to everyone for the tremendous support and dedication to the young people of Hay Springs. The first quarter seemed to fly right past us and now we are approaching the Holiday Seasons. Although the next few months are extremely busy with extra events and activities, I would encourage everyone to stick to a routine when it comes to school and completing school work. Stay healthy by getting enough sleep, eating a well-balanced diet, and practicing proper handwashing. Remember to schedule trips and appointments on Friday if at all possible.

This month we close out the fall sports season (football, volleyball, cross country) and we start over with new seasons and activities. I would like to thank all the players, coaches, parents, and supporters who were able to come out and cheer on the Hawks during their season. I would encourage everyone to come out and support our student athletes. They work hard and are dedicated to competing at their best abilities.

Like always, pay close attention to the calendar and the district website, www.hshawks.com for current activities, times, and changes in the schedule. If you have not registered for text messages alerts with Remind 101 please contact the office soon. Remind 101 is a great way to find out about school closings. Also, follow us on Twitter @HSPublicSchool. Happy Thanksgiving!

Veteran's Day Program

By Mr. Bounous

I would like to cordially invite the surrounding community to attend the 2016 Veteran's Day Program. It will be held on Thursday November 10th, 2016 at 10:00am in the Hay Springs High School Auditorium. This year's program is proud to honor all veterans, but especially honor our Vietnam era veterans. I am a proud member of the Hay Springs Vietnam War Veteran's Commemoration Committee. The committee's goal is to honor Vietnam era veterans during the 50-year anniversary of the conflict. I encourage every veteran, but especially any Vietnam era veteran to attend to be honored during this year's ceremony. Our guest speaker will be Vietnam veteran Richard McKay. The Hay Springs band and choir, being led by Mrs. Raime Varvel, will provide patriotic music. Veterans are invited to lunch following the program. Please RSVP with the office by calling 638-4434.

Counselor's Desk

By Mrs. Marx

Education Quest Foundation College Planning Bulletin

A monthly college planning guide for Nebraska high school students

November 2016

Seniors...a reminder of what to do this fall

There's A LOT going on right now with the financial aid and college admission processes, but don't get overwhelmed! Here's a recap of tasks you should complete this fall to stay on track to college.

Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). It's earlier this year – and you can use 2015 tax info!

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.

Watch this FAFSA Demo video for an overview of the FAFSA form.

Check out other FAFSA Tools to help you through the process.

Participate in a free Financial Aid Webinar, Tuesday, Nov. 1 from 7:00-8:00 p.m. CT.

For free personal help, call EducationQuest to make an appointment: Omaha -

888.357.6300, Lincoln – 800.303.3745, Kearney – 800.666.3721, and Scottsbluff – 800.303.3745, ext. 6654.

Apply to your top college choices

Retake the ACT and/or SAT. Colleges use your best scores for college admission and scholarships.

Be applying for scholarships and keep in mind the RHOP deadline is November 15th!!

Juniors...start researching colleges

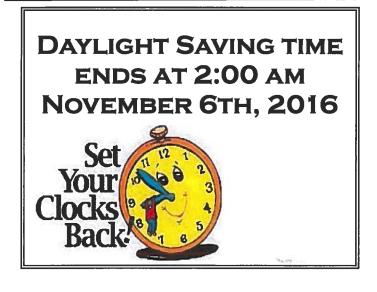
If you narrow your college choices by the end of your junior year, your senior year will be less stressful. Here's how to get started:

Review College Profiles at EducationQuest.org for information about colleges in Nebraska and across the country. If you're interested in an out-of-state school, check out the Midwest Student Exchange Program to learn about tuition discounts.

Meet with college representatives who visit your school, and then visit the websites of the colleges that interest you to learn more about the schools.

Once you've narrowed your choices, schedule campus visits. Try to visit in the spring of your junior year while colleges are still in session.

For more tips, see the Selecting a College section at EducationQuest.org.





Getting Involved—Around the Community

Junior Hawk Basketball: We are excited to announce that we will once again be participating with Chadron Recreation with Hay Springs Girls and Boys basketball in grades 3-6. Practices will be held in Hay Springs probably starting in Mid November. Sign-ups are happening now so if your son/daughter is interested please call Jim Varvel at (308)320-4445.

If you are interested in helping with this program don't hesitate to contact me at the number above. Go Junior Hawks!

Girls on the Run is a program for girls in 3rd-5th grade. Girls on the Run of Nebraska aims to inspire girls to be joyful, healthy and confident using a fun, experience-based curriculum that creatively integrates running. The season will start in March and run for 10 weeks on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school with a celebration 5K in May in Chadron. Please keep an eye out for more information and registration in January. We are looking for one more coach for the Spring 2017 season. If you are interested please contact Kyli Heiting at kyli.heiting@hshawks.com or 638-4434.

4H Workshop—Explore the World of Engineering: Youth will explore Biomedical Engineering by performing Laparoscopic surgery, Electrical Engineering by testing sailboat designs, Micro electric Engineering by creating a circuit, Aerospace Engineering through Balloon Rockets, Mechanical Engineering, and Environmental Engineering. This workshop will be held Friday, November 4th from 9:00 am—12:00 pm at the Sheridan County Extension office. Cost is \$5.

Sewing Group:

The Rushville and Hay Springs Sewing Group will start meeting on Friday, November 4th at 1 pm at the Hay Springs Elementary to make a Quilt of Valor. Quilts of Valor are patriotic quilts that are donated to our veterans at the end of the year. All Quilts of Valor from Nebraska are displayed at the Nebraska State Fair. Any youth 4H member that is interested in learning how to sew is welcome to join this group. The group meets once a month for 2-3 hours.

4H New Family Meeting:

Is your family interested in joining 4H but you are uncertain about how to get involved? Melissa Mracek will be holding three new family meetings to help you navigate all the steps to get involved. The first meeting will be held on Monday, November 14th at 6pm at the Nebraska Extension Sheridan County Office in Rushville.



PANCO Honor Choir will be held on Friday, November 4th here in Hay Springs. This will be a fun day where all the PANCO choir students get together as one large choir. They will rehearse all day and then perform a concert together that afternoon. Rehearsals begin at 8:30am; with the concert in Lister/Sage, which is open to the public, at 4:30pm. Please plan to attend!

COMMUNITY CHOIR REHEARSALS-Come one, come all and sing in the Hay Springs Community Choir. Rehearsals are Sunday evenings from 6:30-8 pm in the Music room at the school starting on October 16th-December 11th. This ensemble will sing at the Nights, the Lights & Music concert on Friday, December 16th.

Concerts: due to the increase in our elementary numbers we have decided to split the elementary concert schedule.

- *1st, 2nd & 3rd grade students will perform at the Christmas Concert on Dec. 20th at 7pm;
- *4th, 5th & 6th grade students will perform a Spring Concert in May.
- *Kindergartners will perform at their graduation ceremony in May.

The Night, The Lights & Music Concert will be held on Friday, December 16th at 7:30pm in the auditorium following the Santa Soup Cook off. This concert will include High School/Middle Level Band, High School Choir & the Community Choir. This will be a wonderful evening of many Christmas songs to get you into the Christmas Spirit! There will be a free will donation for this concert with proceeds going to the Hay Springs Music Department.

Make sure to mark these dates on your calendar:

⇒ PANCO Honor Choir Friday, November 4th All Day Lister/Sage

⇒ Community choir rehearsals Sunday's 10/16-12/11 6:30-8pm Music room

⇒ Nights, the Lights & Music Friday, Dec. 16th 7:30pm Auditorium

⇒ 1st-3rd Grade Christmas Concert Tuesday, Dec. 20th 7pm Auditorium

Weather can change quickly and winter is fast approaching!

Please keep a close eye on the weather and make sure your child has a hat, gloves, and coat with them each day!

ONE ACT PREVIEW

By Coach Mr. Bounous

Are you ready for a school play about school? I know it sounds confusing, but that is what this year's One Act play is about! I hope we see our whole area come out to what is sure to be a great performance! This year the Hawk One Act team will be performing the hilarious comedy, **Teachers On The Verge Of A Nervous Breakdown**, by Bradley Hayward. This comedy features 5 teachers;



Miss Pat, the moody English teacher, is played by Payton Schoenhals. Mrs. Riesenbach, the frazzled algebra teacher who is in the middle of a divorce, is being played by Rebekah Holtmeier. Drew Letcher plays Mr. Tremblay, the broken down chemistry teacher. Mr. Fritz, a.k.a. "The Nazi in a necktie" is being played by Kaelob Marx. Finally, Erin Kadlecek plays Miss. Wiens, the accountant who somehow ended up teaching drama. They are challenged by their student counterparts: Jordan, the troublemaker. He is being played by Kobe Encinia. Logan, the know-it-all, is being played by Hunter Letcher. Sydney Tlustos plays Taryn, our teachers pet. Carmen, played by Brandy Running Hawk, is the heartbreaker. Sam Kearns is the resident thespian Kyla. Kyla wants nothing more than to learn how to act, sing, and dance! Alexis Olson is an extra and an understudy. Our crew includes: Garrett Weyers, Ashley Agler, Jake Roberts, Emma Roberts and Hailey Summers. The head coach is Brad Bounous, assisted by Kerisa Marx. We want to encourage the whole community to come and be entertained! Our performances will be on the following dates.

School Performance - November 17th at 3:10pm in the old auditorium

Public Performance-November 17th at 7:00 pm in the old auditorium

Conference - November 18th in Morrill

Districts - November 29th in Hyannis

JUNIOR HIGH WRESTLING PREVIEW

be Saturday, Oct. 29th at Banner County. .

By Coach Chuck McCance

I am Chuck McCance, the new wrestling coach for the Hay Springs Hawks. I am a rancher in the Chadron area and have been involved with wrestling for a long time. I began nearly 22 years ago with the Junior Wrestling Program in Chadron. I was the head coach of the Chadron Middle School Wrestling team for eight years and a volunteer assistant High School coach for nearly twelve years. I am excited to be a part of the Hay Springs team and look forward to our coming season! The 2016 J.H. wrestling season will begin Monday, Oct. 24th with its first practice. The 7th and 8th graders going out are: Logan DeCoste, Payton Prado, R J Riggs, Kaleb Miller, Charles Twarling, Zeke Wesley, Kade Moore and Garett Glines. The first tournament will

High Ability Learner (HAL)

By Mrs. Vander May

HAL meets every other Tuesday in Mrs. Vander May's room from 4 to 5 p.m.

This year we are exploring our interests on an individual level by peer teaching an activity of our choosing. It may be cooking, sewing, science experiments, fossils or the solar system! We can't wait for our messy lessons to begin! We will also be going on a field trip to our top voted destination. Read about where we went next month!

NSEA—Children's Fund

By Mrs. Strotheide

The Hay Springs Education Association with the help of Robin Ray, Donna Johnson, Susan Heiting, Alberta Olson, and Jim Johnson earned \$275 to donate to the NSEA Children's Fund. HSEA operated the homecoming volleyball concession stand and sold tickets for a 50/50 drawing.

The NSEA established the Children's Fund in 1994. Any time a member sees a student in need, they can make a simple toll-free call. NSEA's goal for their 150th anniversary is to raise a \$150,000.

Superintendent Jason Cline and Emma Strotheide presented Andrea Longoria NSEA Organizational Specialist Niobrara District the check for \$275 on October 6. The money was donated on behalf of the Hay Springs Education Association and the Hay Springs/Minatare sports fans.



Jr. High Volleyball Wrap-up

By Coach Marx

This season we spent a lot of time working on our fundamental skills such as serving and passing. Throughout the course of the season I could really see this pay off for the

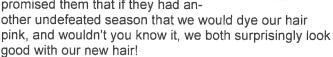


girls as our serving percentage went up from right below 70% per game to over 80% for our last four games. We also passed better enabling us to get a lot of set ups in order to attack the ball. One other thing we spent some time working on, especially towards the end of the season, was transitioning to our coverage spots. This paid off for the girls as they were where they needed to be in order to pick the ball up & play it back to the opponents. I also noticed a huge change in the confidence of each girl as further into the season they were able to accomplish things that they hadn't been able to do before. I really enjoyed working with all of these girls. I'm excited to see what all the girls can accomplish in the years to come.

JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL WRAP-UP

By Coach Ehrman

Another year has come to an end with Junior High football, and Coach Hughes and I couldn't be more proud of our players for finishing the season strong. We promised them that if they had an-



We started the season off just the way we left it from last year, very strong and impressive. There were some new faces for us to get familiar with, but everyone came together like the team we knew they could be. We were able to get everyone some good playing time since our starters came out and laid the foundation and set the tone for scoring points.

While we are going to miss the players moving into high school, Coach Hughes and I look forward to watching them play at the next level. We hope we were able to provide them with a solid base to start their next journey, and are already excited to get back to the action next year with the kids on the Junior High gridiron.

Drive 4 Ur School



Sides and Milburn Ford in Rushville teamed up with Ford Motor company, to present a donation of \$2180.00 to Hay Springs Public Schools through the Drive 4 UR School program. Attendants at the Friendly Festival in August were encouraged to test drive a new Ford and with each test drive Sides and Milburn and Ford Motor Company donated \$20, to the school. Sides and Milburn Ford is committed to the support of youth in all communities in Sheridan County and the surrounding areas, and thanks Hay Springs Public Schools for inviting them to be a part of their future success.

Café'teria News

By Ms. Wendy

Veterans Day Lunch Added to Schedule: November 10, 2016 11:30 a.m.

Invite a veteran to lunch on Thursday, November 10, 2016. Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. Please contact the Office at 638-4434 and let them know that you are coming by November 3rd, 2016.

Thanksgiving Dinner November 22, 2016: Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m.

Our Turkey dinner is tender and delicious. We usually feed an additional 100 people for this meal. It is

very important that you call the school by November 15^{th} , 2016 to let us know you are eating with us. Once the desserts and Turkey is made there is no way I can make more if we run out.

Special meal dates that guests are invited to eat lunch with us:

November 10, 2016 – Veterans Day November 22 – Thanksgiving Dinner December 22 – Christmas Dinner January 31 – Super Bowl February 14 – Valentines Day March 16 – St Patrick's Day April 20 – Fathers Day May 8 – Mothers Day



High School Football Recap

By Coach Borm

The season came to a close on Friday, October 21 with a win at home over Hyannis, 67-18. That win brought the Hawks to 5-3 on the season, but was not enough to get them into the playoffs. Hay Springs finished 10th in the state standings and the top 8 are taken into the playoffs.

Some of our top performers this season:

Offense:

 \Rightarrow Trent Reed

1,816 rushing yards, 333 receiving yards, 2,149 yards of total offense and 39 total touchdowns

⇒ Drew Letcher

923 Passing yards, 9 Touchdowns

⇒ Bryce Running Hawks

7 receptions, 221 yards, 4 touchdowns (3 games played)

Defense

⇒ Kaelob Marx

59 Total tackles (led team), 10 TFL (led team), 1 FR, 2 FF

⇒ Baiden Planansky

46 total tackles, 5 interceptions (led team), 1 TD

⇒ Garrett Weyers

35 total tackles, 5 pass deflections, 2 FR, 1 TD

Overall team stats

Offense

2,258 rushing yards (282.3 y/g), 923 passing yards (115.4 y/g), 47.6 PPG

Defense

364 tackles, 20 tackles for loss, 10 INT, 32.25 PAPG

A special thanks to our seniors this year:

#5-Drew Letcher

#11-Garrett Weyers

#31-Nathan Tobiasson

Good luck in the future to these three student athletes.

Overall, I believe the biggest thing to take away from this season is the turnaround from last year. A 5-3 record is a huge improvement from last year's 1-7 campaign. The order has been restored in Hay Springs and teams across the state should take notice that we are going to be a tough team to play. Hawks parents and fans should expect big things from this team next year. Until then, good luck to all Hawks athletes in the winter and spring sports that they choose to participate in!



We are proud of you!!

SUNDAY MONDAY		TUESDAY		1	THURSDAY	FRID	FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
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Notes:

November 8th – All Student Retake Picture Day – first thing Tuesday morning

** Please RSVP with the office if you plan on eating with us on Veterans Day or Thanksgiving Dinner. **

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Hay Springs School

*Breakfast menus

* PK - 12 Lunch Menus *All menus are served with milk. Water is unchroom area. available in the

*Salad Bar is offered daily unless posted.





Make things move?

Play with magnets?

Have fun with science and math? **JOIN US FOR SCIENCE SATURDAYS!**

Science Saturdays are open to students in grades 3-7

Schedule:

All sessions held in the Math and Science building room 144, Chadron State College from 8:30-11:30 unless otherwise indicated.

October 22 Star Party! (7:30- 8:30 pm)

What's better than a night under the stars with telescopes, family, and friends?

*Note: Star party will be held outdoors if weather permits; indoors in the planetarium if skies are overcast; this event is open to kids from age 0-99

November 12 Through the Looking Glass: Fun with Optics

How can a mirror make you look fatter or thinner? How can a telescope let us see objects millions of miles away? Can you really fry an ant with a magnifying glass? Come and find out!

December 3 Lights, Camera, Action!

See how colors interact and how we can use light for energy. Learn how light is used in science.

Do You Hear What I Hear? January 21

Sound: we use it to make music; bats use it to find insects. Come and learn about the science of noise.

February 11 **Electricity: Circuits 101**

Build your own circuit and figure out how to put the power of electricity to work for you!

February 25 **Your Magnetic Personality**

Magnets are a whole lot more than just a fun toy. They can be used to make motors and levitate trains. Come see how to make magnets

March 18 Movin' and Groovin'

Design, build, and race your own vehicles. Find new ways to make things move.

April 8 **How's the Weather Out There?**

Tornados, lightning, snow, and rain. Learn what makes our weather work.

To register for any of the above Science Saturday sessions, please fill out a registration form. Forms can be returned to Ann Buchmann, abuchmann@csc.edu. Students must register by Oct. 21, 2016.



Thanks for your support!

Thanks to everyone for supporting the Fall Book Fair. We added many books to the Library collection. A Special Thanks to Delta Kappa Gamma-RHO Chapter and to Brenda Johnson for you generous donations! Thanks again!

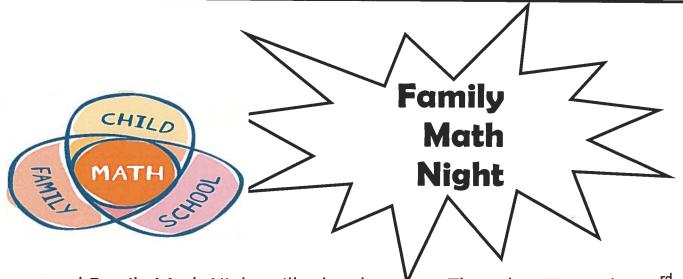


The Café'teria will be hosting a special day each month. On this day, students are encouraged to invite someone to eat lunch with them. Adult Lunch is \$3.50 which includes the meal and unlimited Fruit & Vegetable Bar.

November's Special Day is
Invite a Veteran for Lunch Day
On November 10th.

We also will be hosting our annual
Thanksgiving Dinner
On November 22nd

PreK Lunch—12:00 noon Elementary Lunch—11:30 a.m. Middle/High School Lunch—12:25 p.m. Please RSVP.



The annual Family Math Night will take place on Thursday, November 3rd from 6:00 to 7:30 in Lister Sage. Preservice teachers from Chadron State College, under the direction of Dr. Beth Wentworth, have planned interactive math games for students in preschool through 5th grade and middle school. The goal behind Family Math Night is for families to play games and have fun doing math together. We hope to see you all there!