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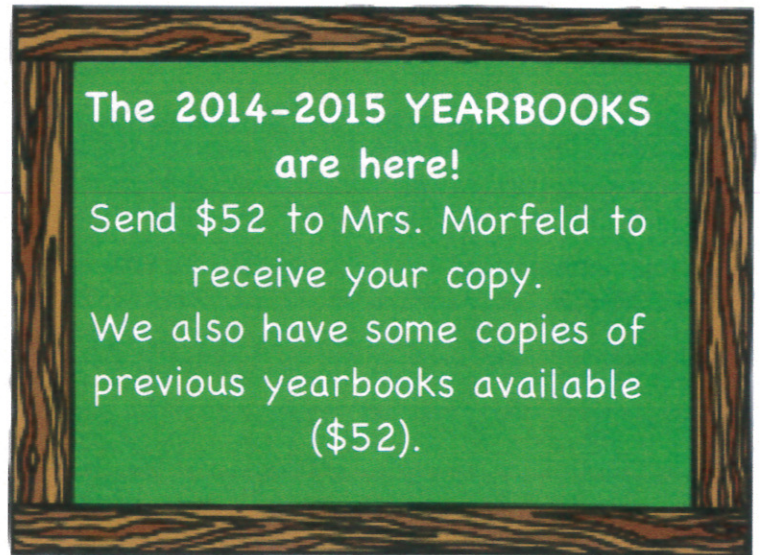
## From the Administrator's Desk

by Rich Lemburg

As we head into October, I want to thank everyone for helping get the school year off to an excellent start. The start of the school year is always a special time as everything is new and fresh and the optimism and energy levels are high. With being in education for 29 years it is also interesting to see how the year starts and how everyone reacts to changes made to the schedule, facilities and procedural changes to the school day. The start of the year is imperative in setting a great tone for the rest of the school year and I truly want to thank everyone for all of their effort in getting the school year off to a fantastic start both, in the classrooms and school activities.

On Thursday, October 1 from 5:00-8:30 will be having our Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences, I encourage everyone to attend the conferences and see how their children are doing so far this school year. The Parent/Teacher Conferences are also a great way to start and build communication and dialogue between teachers and parents. With online grades and the multiple forms of communication between school and home it is now easier to communicate back and forth with your student's teacher on their progress and less chances for a student to fall behind in the classroom. We hope to see all of you at Parent/Teacher Conferences.

Please don't forget that all home Clarkson-Leigh Patriot varsity competitions are available online by going to <http://striv.tv/channel/clarkson-leigh/> and clicking on the play button on the Patriot logo. This is a great opportunity if you have friends or family who are unable to make the game or may live out of state and would like to keep up on the Patriot games. You can also find the link by going to our home page [clarksonpublicschools.org](http://clarksonpublicschools.org) and clicking on the Patriots Live link on the top left side of the page.



## Music News

by Ryan Dusso

The Clarkson-Leigh High School Choir has been chosen to participate in the second annual Gospel Honors Choir at the Holland Center in Omaha Sunday, November 8th. Each student who participates and if they choose to attend Midland University, they will receive a guaranteed minimum \$10,000 scholarship!!! Ticket information will be coming in the next few weeks. Please come and cheer on our very talented students on November 8th!

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## PE NEWS

By Jim Clarkson

Man! School is a month in and we are rolling right along. It is a fun time of year! There is football, cooler weather, football, school, and football. In PE class, we have cruised through some volleyball. We did lots of skills with the younger kids, older too, and had some fun matches and tournaments. We are turning our attention toward football skills. Which hopefully lead to some flag football games. There will be lots to report as the year progresses and I will try and get some stuff online for you as well. Have a great Fall. Go Big Red! Go Pats!!



## Science News

By Suzie Beeson

Fall is here and we are in full swing! 8th graders are adjusting nicely to their new science teacher while reviewing matter. Physical science students have been manipulating equations to calculate speed and acceleration. Biology students focus on ecology while Chemistry students are reviewing matter. Anatomy and Physiology students have just begun a unit on tissue and Physics students are getting ready to test over 2D Kinematics. Science Rules!



## Monster Book Fair is Coming!!

Our next Scholastic Book Fair is right around the corner! Mark your calendar for the week of December 07 - December 11, 2015! Your young readers will have several opportunities to walk through the library and choose books they may want to purchase. We also have fun stationery items like spy pens, erasers, and journals for sale! Family Lunches will be scheduled for December 09 - 10, 2015.

Times will be announced soon. Also, the Monster Book Fair will be open during the Oakland-Craig vs. Clarkson-Leigh basketball game on December 08, 2015 and before the Elementary Christmas Program on December 11, 2015. The Monster Book Fair website will go live in late November. Check the site for details about hours, books available, and special family events.

<http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/clarksonpublicschools>



The Walk for the Cures event is set for Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at the Clarkson High School.



# Art News

By Ann Cerv

The 4th grade art students took a class period and did a nature weaving on Harlan's Hill, using only flowers, branches, stems, and vines they created a temporary woven work of art.



4th graders: Isaac Baumert, Cadin Brandt, Ryan Brichacek, Jordin Graybill, Troy Graybill, Alyssa Gurnsey, Christian Hamernik, Chloe Hanel, Joey Steffensmeier, Garrett Stodola, Rebekka Szabo, Samuel Zuniga-Pocasangre



The 4<sup>th</sup> graders adding in the finishing touches.

## Artist of the Month



Kindergartener Austin Matthies



Alyssa Gurnsey weaving in a wildflower.



Garrett Stodola adding a stem.

## Business/Technology News

By: Matt Murren

Cannot believe we are already a month through school! What a quick and great start to the year. Classes in the business world are off and in full swing as we head into October. It has been a great start so far and students are participating fully.

The Accounting I classes are really starting to get into the beef of Accounting with some posting starting to happen. They started out with learning the Accounting Equation, analyzing transactions and then journalizing. Now that we are already into chapter 4, we've begun to post transactions to our general ledgers so they can see the balance of the accounts. We



did have 3 students get 100% on their Chapter 3 Test: Bradley Bunner, Daniel Putzer, and Emily Schnelle, so congrats to them!

Business Math is just getting to their chapter 3 test. The unit is a banking unit where they've learned to reconcile their accounts with bank statements and calculate interest from savings accounts. We've had great real-life application in the course so far and look to continue that.

Personal Finance has a record high for me while being here with 14 students this year and it's been a blast having the numbers to start a lot of activities. We started out the year by stating financial goals and transitioned to learning how to make money and how to calculate wages. We are currently on the tax section with our paychecks as well as income taxes and they are not too fond of where all their money goes! We just recently played a financial learning game in class with our 1:1 computers called Financial Football that the students really liked so if you get a chance, take a look at it online.

As always, remember, It's A Great Day To Be A Patriot!



this was to make something that was usable by the service unit yet profitable by our students. In other words, give Clarkson High Students some recognition. So that's how we came up with the design in the picture. I went to Menards to look for something we could use as a top surface that would be durable & easy to clean. I came up with laminate rubber flooring in oak & walnut.

The students took over the project immediately after I explained the process we were going to take. The rest is what you see. They decided to cut everything at 45 degree angles and turn the flooring different directions so it looked a little unique. The kids set down and discussed options/ideas they had & came up with a plan. We used 1-1/4" square metal tubing under the table top for support. We attached the 1/2" plywood to the metal using self-tapping screws. The next step was to mark out the 2 triangles on the ends of the table so we knew what sizes we had to cut the laminate. I came up the lettering in the middle diamond.

After that, everything just started coming together after we glued the ends on. I am so pleased how our kids worked together to accomplish such a feat. They did an outstanding job as you can see be the finished project. We are going to send the photo to Pinterest & Instructables so people can see what your kids do at Clarkson High School. It's a great day to be a Patriot!

If you have any questions please give me a call at school (402-892-3454) or email me at [dbailey@clarkson.esu7.org](mailto:dbailey@clarkson.esu7.org).

## Industrial Technology News

By Mr. Bailey

I thought you might like to see what our 6th period manufacturing class designed for Educational Service Unit #7 in Columbus, NE. Here is how this whole thing got started. Back in the early part of August, Dan Ellsworth (Computer Tech Guru) emailed me from the service unit wanting our students to design a table for their remodeled conference room. After showing him some designs we came up with a couple of ideas that he really liked.

The ESU already had the table legs so we just designed the top for it. The idea behind



The construction class showing off their craftsmanship.

# It Matters: Working Together

## Stay involved during the high school years!



When your teen reaches high school, your involvement with her education is likely to change. Now you're more like a coach—on the sidelines but still very involved with the game. Here are some ways to stay involved:

- **Talk with your teen** regularly about her classes. Discuss what she's learning.
- **Get to know** your teen's teachers, counselors and the office staff.
- **Help your teen manage** school projects. These can be challenging for the teenage brain. Work with her to develop a realistic plan for getting things done.
- **Use all the tools available** to monitor your teen's attendance and school performance. If there is a way to check grades online, do that regularly. When progress reports or report cards are issued, discuss them with your teen.
- **Be aware of the requirements** for graduation. Don't wait until the last few weeks of your teen's senior year to discover she won't be graduating with her class.
- **Help your teen make a plan** for the future. Work with the school to make sure she takes the classes she needs to be ready for a career or college after high school.
- **Serve on school committees** or volunteer at school events, if possible, to meet your teen's friends and to know what's going on in school.

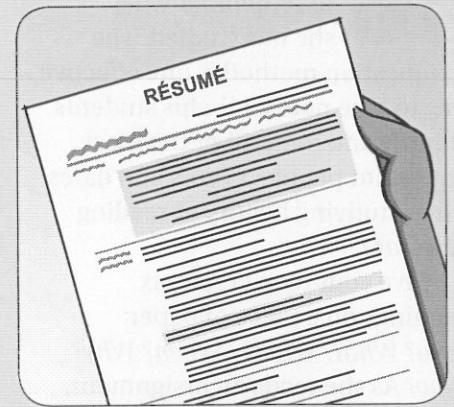
## School counselors can help students applying for college

**M**aybe your teen has his heart set on attending a certain college. Or perhaps he has no idea of where he wants to go—or whether he could get in.

As high school students move through the process of applying for college, their guidance counselors become key allies.

Your teen's counselor is available to help with:

- **Selecting schools.** Even if he wants to go to a particular college, it's a good idea for your teen to apply to more than one school. The school counselor can work with him to select schools that would be a good fit.
- **Writing a recommendation.** Many colleges ask school counselors to write a description of the student. Your teen can



make the counselor's job easier by preparing a short résumé which includes his accomplishments in and out of school.

- **Staying on top of paperwork.** From applications to student aid, there's a lot to keep track of. Most teens need parents and counselors to support them in this task!

## Expect your high schooler to treat teachers with respect



Ask teachers about their biggest frustration and you may get a surprising answer. It's not the working hours or the pay. Often, it's the feeling that they aren't treated with respect.

Most high school students say *they* want to be treated with respect. But when it comes to their teachers, teens admit that they don't always extend that same respect to them.

That's a place where you can make a difference. Let your teen know that you expect her to treat teachers with respect.

Remind your teen that she shouldn't forget her manners when she leaves the house. The same behaviors you expect of her at home are things she should display at school. You wouldn't let her speak rudely to you—so she shouldn't speak that way to a teacher.

Talk to your teen about what respectful behavior looks like. Your teen can show respect to teachers in simple ways—waiting her turn to speak in class, coming to school prepared and arriving on time.

**Source:** G.D. McKay, Ph.D. and others, *Raising Respectful Kids in a Rude World*, Prima Publishing.



# Calendar Events October 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
				1 Parent/Teacher Conferences 5:00-8:30 p.m. Softball 5:00JV/6:30 Varsity Madison at Leigh	2 Football 7:00 Fullerton at Leigh (Parent's Night) High School Teacher Meeting 7:45 a.m.	3 Softball Quad 10:00 a.m. at Wisner Volleyball Tournament 9:00 at Clarkson (Varsity Only)
4 Clarkson Czech Queen Pageant	5 JH Volleyball 6:30 Howells/Dodge at Dodge JH Football 4:30 H-D at Howells JV Football 6:00 H-D at Howells Volleyball Quad 6:00 at Wisner (JV only)	6 FFA Soil Judging in Randolph Volleyball 5:30 at Bancroft/Rosalie (JV/Varsity) Preschool trip to the Pumpkin Patch	7 Fall Activity Pictures, Preschool Pictures, and Picture Retakes NHS Blood Drive 11:30 - 5:30	8 Softball Districts, TBA Volleyball 5:30 at Humphrey St. Francis (C/JV/Varsity)	9 Softball Districts, TBA Football 7:00 Humphrey/LHF at Humphrey	10 Volleyball Quad 9:00 at Humphrey (Varsity Only)
11	12 JH Volleyball 5:00 at Humphrey St. Francis at Humphrey JH Football 4:30 HHS-LHF at Leigh JV Football 6:00 Humphrey/LHF at Leigh School Board Meeting	13	14 State Softball Tournament in Hastings PSAT	15 State Softball Tournament in Hastings EHC Conference Volleyball Tournament, TBA	16 End of the 1st Quarter State Softball Tournament in Hastings Football 7:00 Cross County at Leigh PreK-12 teacher meeting 7:45 a.m. EHC Conference Volleyball Tournament, TBA	17 EHC Conference Volleyball Tournament, TBA
18	19 JH Volleyball 5:00 Madison at Clarkson Homecoming Week	20 Volleyball 5:30 Oakland-Craig at Clarkson (C/JV/Varsity) Parent's Night Fire Drill Homecoming Week	21 Homecoming Week Activity Director's Meeting at West Point-Beemer	22 Volleyball 5:00 Mead at Clarkson (C/JV/Varsity) Homecoming Week	23 Football 7:00 Nebraska Christian at Leigh Homecoming Week	24 Homecoming Dance in Clarkson ACT Test Date
25	26 Newsletter article deadline Volleyball 5:30 Pender at Clarkson (C/JV/Varsity)	27	28 National FFA Convention in Louisville, KY	29 National FFA Convention in Louisville, KY 1st Round of FB Playoffs, TBA 1:00 Dismissal	30 National FFA Convention in Louisville, KY NO SCHOOL - Fall Break	31 National FFA Convention in Louisville, KY



# Clarkson Public Schools Lunch Menu



Menu Subject to  
change.

# October 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	01	02	03
	B-pancake sausage stick L-pigs in a blanket	B-French toast & sausage L-popcorn chicken	B-roller dogs L-spaghetti & meatballs	B-biscuits & gravy L-chicken fried steak sandwich	B-Clarkson Bakery rolls L-pizza crunchers	
04	05	06	07	08	09	10
	B-breakfast pizza L-chicken patty/bun	B-ham egg croissant L-chicken & gravy	B-bacon pizza L-chicken fajita	B-sausage egg biscuit L-pork steak/bun		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	B-pizza bagel L- hamburger/ bun	B-pancake bites L-sub sandwich	B-ham egg English muffin L-scalloped potato/ham	B-tornado L-bbq pork/bun	B-Clarkson Bakery rolls L-chicken & cheese quesadilla	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	B-muffins L-sloppy joes	B-hot pockets L-grilled cheese & tuna	B-ham egg biscuit L-chicken nuggets	B-combos L- calzonettes	B-omelet & sausage L-hot ham & cheese	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
				B-sausage egg croissant L-beef fiestada pizza		
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