

The Red Review

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From the Administrator's Desk

By Rich Lemburg

Hopefully everyone's March is off to a great start as we start to look at this unique winter of no precipitation. On Wednesday, March 9th we will be wrapping up the 3rd quarter. As fast as the first three quarters have gone by this school year the 4th quarter will even go faster. With track meets, State Conventions for FFA, FCCLA, FBLA, Career Academy and music contests all over the school calendar students will be missing a lot of school. It is imperative for students to keep communication with their teachers and keep up on their classroom work. As a parent, you can use the JMC Gradebook link to keep up with your student's grades, lunch bill and attendance.

Clarkson Public Schools is offering Drivers Ed this summer for eligible students. Classes will start in May after school is out. We are working with Tom King, our new instructor, on the schedule. Once classes begin he will be setting up the driving schedule for the students. Information on costs, days, etc. should be coming out in the next three weeks.

As we approach the end of the school year and look forward to the upcoming 2022-2023 school year something I want parents to be aware of is from everything we are hearing the free meals, that have been provided the past two years for all students, will be coming to an end at the end of the current school year. I will keep everyone updated as we move forward but I want to prepare parents the free lunches for all students will possibly be going away next year. There still will be the free and reduced lunch program available for all who qualify.

We are starting to plan for our Patriot Summer Academy for our elementary students. Information will be emailed home soon to all parents. The information will also be available on the school website and our Facebook page. Patriot Academy will be for students who just finished grades K-5 and the dates are listed below. If you are interested in your child attending Patriot Academy please email me at rlemburg@clarkson.esu7.org. Transportation can be provided.

Patriot Academy Days

Wednesday-Thursday

July 6th-7th

Monday-Thursday

July 11th-14th

Monday-Thursday

July 18th-21st

Notes from the Principal

By Lee Schneider

MAP testing has come and gone for the 3rd-11th graders this winter and it could not have gone any better! It is always very rewarding, getting to watch the students work very hard and have been rewarded with some exceptional scores! It always is impressive when you see the growth of the students throughout the school year. With that, we will still have our NSCAS Growth state testing coming up in April.

With spring being here and then left for more winter hopefully our "normal" Spring will come in and settle for a while! We will have Track starting, Prom, ACT, spring concerts and many more school activities. Please, make sure to keep an eye on the calendar and any new updates. For as long as it feels like to get through the beginning of the year, these next couple months will go quickly and we will have a lot of bodies out of the building! As always, if you have any questions or would like to stop by, please don't hesitate!!

Go PATS!

No School:
Spring Break & Teacher In-Service
Thursday, March 10th
Friday, March 11th
Monday, March 14th

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It is Round-up time!

By Wes Pokorny

Who is eligible for kindergarten? Anyone who fits the age requirements – 5 years of age by July 31st, 2022. If your child fits the age limit and you are planning on attending Clarkson Public Schools let the office know your intentions. We ask that this is done

by April 1st, 2022 so a date and time can be planned for your child to visit myself and the classroom. Once you have contacted the office all of the appropriate forms will be mailed or delivered to you. I will then contact you with the time of your child's visitation. Below are some items that we will need right before school starts in August.

We will need a copy of an official copy of the student's birth certificate when the 2022–2023 school year begins. This is a Nebraska state law. To receive a birth certificate by mail, send a \$17.00 check or money order (credit cards are not accepted) and the following information:

- * Full name at birth. If adopted, list adoptive name and state "adopted".
- * Month/day/year of birth
- * City or town of birth/County of birth
- * Father's full name, if adopted, list the adopted father's name.
- * Mother's full maiden name, if adopted, list adoptive mother's name.
- * Purpose for the record?
- * If not your record, how are you related?
- * Requestor's Photo Identification is Required, i.e. drivers license

Send your check along with the needed information to:

Vital Records
PO Box 95065
Lincoln NE 68509-5065

P.E. News

By Jim Clarkson

Holy Jack Frost it is cold outside! The good news is the competition has been super hot in PE. The Seniors just wrapped up a great Pickle Ball Tournament. Pickle Ball is a fast growing sport and hopefully these guys and girls will get a chance to play again, as it is a super fun game to play. The Freshmen just finished their own lifetime sport in bowling. Big shout out to Hilltop Lanes in Dodge for allowing us to come over for an afternoon. Bowling in the gym with Rubber Bowling Balls is just not the same. The kids did a very good job and some even had some good scores.

On a personal note I took 3 of 5 games from Mr. Murren, we tend to get a little competitive, but I appreciate him for driving the bus over. Stay warm and stay active.





Happy Twos-Day on 2-22-22!

On Tuesday, February 22, 2022 we celebrated Twos-Day! Students and staff wore tutus, ties, tiaras, and some were twinning! The staff embraced it with matching celebratory shirts and aprons for the cooks. When a staff member said to, too, or two they had to give out their paper 2 to whoever caught them. Over 100 pictures were sent of our CPS family when they were two years old. Games were played in the gym with a 2 minute timer, prizes were Twix, Double Mint gum, and Tootsie Rolls. The whole school danced to the Cupid Shuffle (TO the left, TO the left, TO the right, TO the right) at 2:22 to wrap up the celebration. We had a TWOTally awesome day!



Kindergarten News

By Wes Pokorny

Well, folks, the days are getting longer, the robins are back in Nebraska and we have about 50 days of school left. Time flies when you are having fun! It is the best time of the year for Mrs. Bunner, Miss Ruwe, and me, because as we get closer to the end the more independent the kids become. We can read and blend words like crazy, we are becoming brave writers, and we sure know a lot of math. We also know that an octopus has three hearts and nine brains (file that one away for trivia night).

Every morning I ask the kids, “why do we come to school every day?” They respond, “to get ready for first grade and life outside the schoolhouse!” Sometimes when I think about that I worry if I am doing enough. Believe it or not, teachers lie awake at night worrying about your kids. I feel good about what we have accomplished this year and intend to finish the year with great energy! We will continue to practice the skills that will make us successful down the road and sprinkle in some shenanigans along the way.



Spanish News

By Vicky Miller

The 8th graders are almost done with their 2nd unit called Volando cometas (flying kites). They are able to describe all kinds of kites (size, color, shape). They can talk about different activities with kites and give their opinion about them. They can tell what kind of weather would or would not be ideal for flying a kite. They explored several different kite festivals. I think the highlight of the unit is following a Spanish tutorial to make kites of their own; we will test them out next week, weather permitting! The Spanish 3/4 students have also been working on the same unit (it didn't exist when they were at the novice level!). It has been fun seeing how both groups can complete the same goals at very different levels. For example, when the 8th graders describe the kites, they use single words or short phrases, but the Spanish 3/4 students can give a whole paragraph of info, connecting their ideas with transition words and using more specific word choice.

Spanish 1 is delving into family life. They initially picked up words for family members through a silly TPR story that the kids played roles in. Students have talked about their own families using Pecha Kucha presentations. They have also read different articles and exchanged information about the famous families of Gerard Pique (soccer player) and singer Marc Anthony. They have explored activities that families tend to do together. Soon they will get to experience some traditional games like lotería, dominos and perinola.

Spanish 2 just completed Amor en el aire (Love in the Air), perfect timing for Valentine's Day! They talked about popular gifts and options for activities/places for a date. They wrote a message to someone they loved. (It didn't have to be romantic! Some wrote it to a friend or parent.) They also picked out themes in love songs and gave their opinion about love songs. One day they even found themselves calling in to Radio Sol to dedicate songs to someone special! Thanks to my DJ Addie McAtee for playing the requested songs!

Business News

By: Matt Murren

March is here already and I cannot believe it! What a quick school year it has been as well as a rewarding and successful year up to this point. We've accomplished a lot in the business room and we still have more to go. It is great to give students an understanding of concepts that they will encounter in the future.

Accounting I and II are just rolling through their content. In Accounting I we just recently got through all 5 of the new journals we will be using within a corporation. My favorite assignment that we do all year is the Mastery Problem for Chapter 11 and the students just finished that project. It is a culmination of all the new journals we use and they have to journalize and post transactions between the journals. Accounting II is working with budgeting currently and how to prepare a sales and purchasing budget.

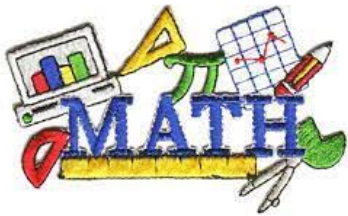
If you need someone to do your taxes, hire a student from Personal Finance! We just finished up our section on filing your Form 1040 tax return. They are able to take their W-2's, deductions, taxable income and determine their tax liability. It is fun to watch them work their way through scenarios they are given. We next go into our budgeting section where they will learn to live on their own, paying for items with their own money. It is a great section as they near graduation. They have to act as if they are just entering the workforce (whenever that is) and find a place to live, expenses they will incur, and see what they have leftover. After budgeting we go into credit and loans.

Multimedia is working on their animations and picture videos. They are quite interesting and should turn out great! Be sure to check it out on our school YouTube channel: clarksonpublicschool. We post these all to our school Facebook page and school website as well.

Our Video Production are completing their group projects! We have highlight videos being created for wrestling, boys and girls basketball and commercials for local businesses. Stay tuned for the videos to be uploaded.

I want to give a big thank you to the Stream Team! They bring you all home activities through our YouTube Channel, Clarkson-Leigh athletics and our www.clpatsathletics.com website and do a great job. We just recently reached over 500 subscribers so if you have not subscribed yet, please do! If you see them, give them a thank you for dedicating their time to make a great stream.

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



By Tony Horacek

As we move into March it has been hectic as all the winter activities have been winding down.

All the math classes have just finished MAP testing, and the Juniors have spent two weeks working on John Baylor ACT packets. In Algebra I we will be moving from working with linear equations and linear inequalities to working with exponents and exponential functions. Geometry just finished working with polygons (mostly quadrilaterals) and will start learning about similarity between polygons with an emphasis on triangle similarity. Algebra II will be moving from inverse and radical functions to exponential and logarithmic functions. Pre-Calculus will also be working with exponential and logarithmic functions.



Lights, Camera, Action

By Cindy Settje

The Clarkson-Leigh Music department has been busy attending Music Festivals, playing in Pep

Band, singing the National Anthem and are now practicing for upcoming events. One of the highlights will be on Thursday, March 31st.

We are bringing back the Pops Concert for all to enjoy! The performance will be in the Leigh High School gym beginning at 7:00 p.m. Come watch the newly formed Swing Choir as well as the High School Band and Choir. The Jr. High classes will also be involved with current pop songs to sing and play. A few special guests will be making an appearance, so be sure to mark it on your calendar!

A second concert will be held on Tuesday, April 19th. This is our annual Spring concert where the High School students will be performing their songs and solos for District Music Contest.

Hope to see you there.

FCS Field Trip

By Caitlin Kabes

On Wednesday, February 23rd the 7th grade FCS students went on a field trip to Norfolk. In class we have been learning about grocery store layout and healthy meal choices. We toured Hy-Vee West and Walmart. At Hy-Vee, Rodney an assistant manager, gave us a tour of the store and taught us about how to make healthier food choices while shopping. He also showed us the backstock, dairy cooler, produce cooler, and the freezer. The students were also able to see how the Hy-Vee Aisles grocery pickup works. The student then split into 3 teams and did a scavenger hunt to find what aisle select products were in and how much they cost.

We then went to Walmart where Dawn gave us a tour. She showed us how the Walmart grocery pickup works, there were many employees picking orders while we were there. She also talked about how expired food is given to local charities or farms for animal food. We were also able to tour the backstock, coolers, and freezer. Walmart has started to ship orders out of the Norfolk store. It was interesting to see how they would pack and label each box to be shipped out. Dawn told us if the order was placed before 2:00 p.m. it would be picked by 3:00 p.m. and shipped out by 5:00 p.m. the same day.

At Walmart when the general merchandise truck comes in there is a machine that scans the boxes of products and sends them to a certain area where the products need to be stocked. Both Rodney and Dawn talked about employment opportunities when the students turn sixteen! We stopped at the Sunset Plaza Mall for lunch where the students enjoyed pretzels, hamburgers, Chinese food, and coffee.



News from the Hive!

By Mrs. Cropp & Mrs. Kabes



PEP: Our bees have been making robotic articulated hands. They are enjoying making them and seeing how the fingers move. They made these hands by first tracing and cutting out the shape of their hand on a piece of cardboard. Then they folded the fingers at the place where their joints are located. They used cut pieces of straws with string down the center of them to simulate tendons and muscles to create their robotic hands. When they pull the strings the fingers will move. These are the students who have completed their hands.



4th grade writing: 4th graders have completed their manuscript pages for their poetry book. I will be shipping these off early next week. It will take about 4 weeks to get the books back. I will send them home with the students as soon as they come into school.



	BREAKFAST	LUNCH
March 1	egg, ham, & cheese on an English muffin	chicken nuggets
March 2	10 o'clock start - no breakfast	fish sticks
March 3	yogurt parfait	meaty nachos
March 4	Clarkson Bakery rolls	tuna casserole
March 7	egg, sausage, and cheese on a Clarkson Bakery croissant	pork patty on a bun
March 8	breakfast power bites	chili
March 9	tornado	pizza
March 10	NO SCHOOL	
March 11	NO SCHOOL	
March 14	NO SCHOOL	
March 15	pancakes and sausage	chicken fried steak sandwich
March 16	oatmeal	hamburger
March 17	breakfast combos	ham & cheese or chicken salad sandwich
March 18	muffin	fish sandwich
March 21	French toast & sausage	chicken & gravy on a biscuit
March 22	egg, ham, & cheese on a bagel	walking taco
March 23	omelet & sausage	BBQ pork sandwich
March 24	pancake on a stick	spaghetti & meat sauce
March 25	yogurt parfait	cheese crunchers
March 28	breakfast pizza	quesadilla
March 29	egg, sausage, & cheese on a biscuit	meatloaf
March 30	waffles & ham	grilled chicken patty on a bun
March 31	biscuits & gravy	hot dog

Menus are subject to change.

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Register for

PRESCHOOL!



Who is eligible?

- Anyone who turns 3 by July 31st, 2022
- Anyone who is potty trained

How to register!

- Call the school office at (402) 892-3454
 - Email Mrs. Rolf at sposeschl@clarkson.esu7.org
- Stop in the school to pick up a registration form

Clarkson Public School Happenings for March (Schedule Subject to Change)

Tuesday, March 1st -FFA Career Development Event 8:00 am at CCC-Columbus

Wednesday, March 2nd – 10:00 late start – Teacher In-Service

Friday, March 3rd – District Speech Meet in Humphrey

Monday, March 7th – NSAA BB Championships

Tuesday, March 8th – Parent-Teacher Conferences 5:00-7:30 pm

NSAA BB Championships

Wednesday, March 9th – End of Quarter 3

NSAA BB Championships

Career Opportunity Fair at CCC for 9th graders from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Thursday, March 10th – NO SCHOOL – Teacher In-Service

NSAA BB Championships

Friday, March 11th – NO SCHOOL

NSAA BB Championships

Saturday, March 12th – NSAA BB Championships

Monday, March 14th – NO SCHOOL

Wednesday, March 16th – NECC Virtual Academic Contest 9th-12th grade

School Board Meeting 6:00 pm

Thursday, March 17th – NSAA Speech Championships at Kearney HS

Friday, March 18th - NSAA Speech Championships at Kearney HS

Tuesday, March 22nd – Juniors taking the ACT

Wednesday, March 23rd – Elementary Spring pictures with Digital Solutions.

Thursday, March 24th – NECC in-person Quiz Bowl

Friday, March 25th – Alumni VB & BB

Saturday, March 26th – Alumni VB & BB

Monday, March 28th – EHC Quiz Bowl at Pender

Boys Golf invite at Beemer 10:00 am

Tuesday, March 29th – HS Track invite at Stanton 11:00 am

Wednesday, March 30th – Boys Golf Aquinas invite at David City 9:00 am

Thursday, March 31st – Clarkson/Leigh Pops Concert at Leigh 7:00 pm

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