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From the Superintendent's Desk

By: Rich Lemburg

I would like to start this newsletter by congratulating the 2022 Patriot Football team on their state championship. The football team was able to highlight a very successful Patriot fall sport season by winning a State Championship at Memorial Stadium by defeating Neligh-Oakdale 48-20. Congratulations to the players, coaches, parents and fans!!!

In the month of December, I always like to talk about changes in education. With being in education for 36 years I have witnessed many changes, trends, and practices in the areas of instruction, testing, etc., some good and some not so good.

A great addition in the past couple of years is the practice of getting mental health services into public schools. With the increased numbers of students who need emotional and psychological help there has been a big push by Nebraska Public Schools and the state of Nebraska to increase funding for this. This increased funding has allowed school districts the ability to bring in Licensed Mental Health Practitioners into public schools. By bringing the services into the building we can get the services to students during the school day and not force the families to find someone out of town and find the time and money to get their children the help and support they need.

If this support is something you would be interested in for your child please reach out to Mrs. Kappel and we can get the ball rolling to help and support your child. Everything is confidentially done with the parent's approval.

Have a great Holiday Season!!!

Notes from the Principal

By: Lee Schneider

Hello everyone and Happy
Winter! What a great fall season that has
ended with our C-L Patriot FB team winning
their first program STATE CHAMPIONSHIP!
What a great accomplishment for the players
and coaches. I personally, want to thank all of
you for your support of ALL Patriot
programs! It is a great experience for all and
memories that will last forever!!

I would like to remind everyone to please make sure your child has proper clothing, hats, and gloves as we get deeper into the winter months. I also, want to remind you that the school doors do not open until 7:30 am. So please, make sure your child is not getting here too early and then having to wait outside in the cold weather!

With the winter sports season starting, our schedules get ramped up again and our student-athletes will get very busy. Please, make a note to keep an eye on the calendar as start times can always adjust as we get into the season as well as the location of events. Kids get tired and worn down and that is when we start to see sickness increase. If your child is going to be gone from school due to illness, please call the school and let us know. We appreciate it a lot!

Go Pats!

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State Champs!!

By Jim Clarkson

I would like to start by saying Thank You!!!! Thank you to the amazing parents and fans. Thank You, to the supportive administrations. Thank you to the coaches for their hard work and of course a HUGE thank you to the players for their time and commitment. It was an amazing week and an amazing game. The celebrations in Clarkson and Leigh were unbelievable. The whole experience met and exceeded all expectations. The Patriot community has been waiting for this opportunity to be at the top of the mountain. The best part is we are just getting started! Volleyball, basketball, track, wrestling, golf, softball, all programs have an upward trajectory. Our kids work and compete with the best of them and our coaches care and put in time. Great places produce great things. Thanks again Patriot Nation!!!



Thank you to everyone who purchased pie from the FCCLA fundraiser. We were able to sell over 600 pies. We will be using some of the money to purchase Clarkson FCCLA polos. We will also sell pie by the slice at the Clarkson Leigh vs. Wynot basketball game on Monday, November 28th.



Members Attend Mind Bending Careers Conference

By Caitlin Kabes

Kearney - Two students from Clarkson FCCLA recently attended the Mind Bending Careers conference, which was hosted jointly by Nebraska HOSA|Future Health Professionals and Nebraska Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA). This annual event was held on Monday, November 7th, 2022, with 125 students from 20 different HOSA and FCCLA chapters attending the event. This conference, for high school juniors and seniors, works to bring awareness to mind-bending careers in the fields of behavioral and mental health. The generous support of BHECN (Behavioral Health Education Center of Nebraska) makes this conference possible.

The opening session was hosted by Erin Jensen, Nebraska HOSA President and Alivia Olson, Nebraska FCCLA First Vice President. Dr. Krista Fritson, Director of BHECN Kearney, spoke about the difference between behavioral healthcare and mental healthcare. She also shared updates about the work of BHECN and the need for behavioral and mental healthcare professionals in rural Nebraska.

Students were able to hear from professionals in various behavioral health careers, which are high need in Nebraska. Sessions about behavior analysis, sports psychology, school psychology, social work, post-secondary scholarships, and UNK's pre professional programs were scheduled throughout the day. The HOSA and FCCLA Vice Presidents of Competitive Events, Emily Maw and Jayna Moses, presented a session about the different competitive event opportunities available through each organization that connect back to behavioral and mental health. Attendees were also able to tour the UNMC College of Nursing and UNMC College of Allied Health while on campus in Kearney. Ella Kappel and Addie McAtee were participants at this conference.

"The 2022 Mind-Bending Careers Conference was a very informational experience, and I enjoyed attending. The event was a great opportunity to learn more about mental and behavioral health career options available in Nebraska," said Ashlyn Simonson, Nebraska FCCLA Vice President of Public Relations from Mullen.

FCCLA is a useful and dynamic national career and technical student organization that aids young men and women in their journey to become leaders and teaches them lifelong skills. It demonstrates the importance of understanding how to address important career, community, family, and societal issues through Family and Consumer Sciences education. Nebraska FCCLA has over 2,700 members in 103 chapters across the state. For more information about FCCLA, please visit www.nebraskafccla.org.



Donut Holes

3 Donut Holes For \$1

Selling before school and during lunch December 2-9

Buy for anyone in Clarkson Public Schools or St. John Neumann Donut holes are sold by the 6th graders and made by the Clarkson Bakery

Proceeds go to Clarkson families for Christmas expenses

Kindergarten News

Mr. Pokorny

During Thanksgiving, I like many folks in this great country reflect on all of the blessings in our lives. Every morning as I drive to school, I think about how lucky I am to have the job that I have. I am thankful for the kids and families I get to serve. I am grateful for the leadership that allows the teachers of Clarkson Public Schools to do the jobs we were hired to do. I am thankful that our leaders and district provide us with all the tools we need to provide our students with the best education possible.

I hope that you have an outstanding holiday season. Thanks again to anyone who has a hand in educating the kids of the Clarkson Public Schools.

Congrats to the Patriot coaches and players on an outstanding season! The championship is well-deserved and with no accident, they do things the right way! Win The Day!

Cough, Cough, Hack, Hack, Tis the Season

Parents, this is the time of year that we typically find ourselves battling many different sicknesses and conditions. We are aware that students have been fighting off a variety of germs including a respiratory virus, Covid, strep, pink eye, sinus infections, ear infections, and a puking bug.

If your child is battling any illnesses, if you can, please give them as much needed rest as possible. Push fluids and rest and remember that students need to be fever free without medication for 24 hours before coming back to school.

This is also the time of year that schools see an uptick in cases of lice simply with kids spending more time indoors and more wearing of headgear. Please pay attention if your child is complaining of an itchy head as it may be more than a dry scalp. Students need to be treated for lice before returning to school.

Clarkson Public School Happenings

(Schedule Subject to Change)

Thursday, December 1st - HS WR Quad at Leigh 5:00 pm Parent's night

JH GBB vs Wayne at Clarkson 6:00 pm

Friday, December 2nd – Marathon BB vs Humphrey-LHF at Humphrey 4:00 pm

Saturday, December 3rd – JH GBB vs Humphrey-LHF at Humphrey 8:30 am

JH WR invite at Schuyler 8:30 am

HS WR invite at Howells 9:30 am

Marathon BB vs Madison at Leigh 1:00 pm

Monday, December 5th – NO SCHOOL

FFA District 2 Leadership Development Event in Clarkson 9:00 am

JH GBB vs Battle Creek at Leigh 4:00 pm

C Team BB vs. Humphrey-LHF at Leigh 6:00 pm

Tuesday, December 6th – Marathon BB vs Oakland-Craig at Oakland 4:30 pm

Wednesday, December 7th – 10:00 Late start – Teacher In-Service – NO morning Preschool

Thursday, December 8th – JH GBB at Madison 4:30 pm

Clarkson's Elementary Winter Music concert 7:00 pm

Friday, December 9th – Marathon BB vs Bancroft-Rosalie at Leigh 4:30 pm

Saturday, December 10th – ACT Test date

HS WR at Osceola 8:30 pm

JH WR invite at Centennial 9:00 am

Monday, December 12th – C team BB vs Humphrey St. Francis at Humphrey 6:00 pm

Tuesday, December 13th – JH GBB at Schuyler 4:30 pm

HS WR quad at Fremont Bergan 6:00 pm

Girl's BB vs David City at Clarkson 6:00 pm

Wednesday, December 14th – School Board meeting 6:00 pm

Thursday, December 15th – JH GBB vs Columbus Scotus in Leigh 2:30 pm (Games will go team A, B, C)

Marathon BB vs West Point-Beemer at West Point 4:30 pm

Friday, December 16th – Clarkson-Leigh JH/HS Winter Music Concert 7:00 pm in Leigh

Saturday, December 17th – HS WR invite at Wisner-Pilger 9:00 am

Marathon BB vs Howells-Dodge at Clarkson 2:00 pm

Monday, December 19th – Newsletter article deadline

JH GBB vs Humphrey St. Francis at Leigh 6:00 pm

Tuesday, December 20th - 1:00 Dismissal - JH/HS Finals

Marathon BB at Columbus Lakeview - Boys JV game at 6:00 pm East Gym, Boys Varsity game at 7:30 pm South Gym, Girls Varsity game 6:30 pm South gym, Girls JV game at 7:30 pm East Gym

Wednesday, December 21st – 1:00 Dismissal JH/HS Finals

NO SCHOOL for PreK-6th grade students

End of Semester 1

Thursday, December 22th – Wednesday, January 4th – NO SCHOOL – Winter Break

Friday, December 23rd - Tuesday, December 27th - NSAA practice moratorium

Wednesday, December 28th – BB Holiday Tournament at Shelby, TBD

Thursday, December 29th – HS WR invite at Newman Grove 10:00 am

BB Holiday Tournament at Shelby, TBD





Breakfast	<u>Lunch</u>
pancakes & sausage	meatloaf sandwich
Clarkson Bakery	walking taco
NO School	
egg, sausage, & cheese on	cavatini
a Clarkson Bakery croissant	
10:00 late start – NO breakfast	hot dog
French toast & ham	biscuits & gravy
breakfast empanada	Oriental chicken
waffles & sausage	chicken nuggets
homemade burrito	sub sandwich
combos	hamburger
PB&J	Christmas dinner
yogurt parfait	corn dog
muffin	souped up chicken breast
homemade pizza	spaghetti & meatballs
cereal	pizza
	pancakes & sausage Clarkson Bakery NO School egg, sausage, & cheese on a Clarkson Bakery croissant 10:00 late start – NO breakfast French toast & ham breakfast empanada waffles & sausage homemade burrito combos PB&J yogurt parfait muffin homemade pizza

MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



Winter Break

Pecember 22nd thru January 4th

Classes resume on January 5th

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