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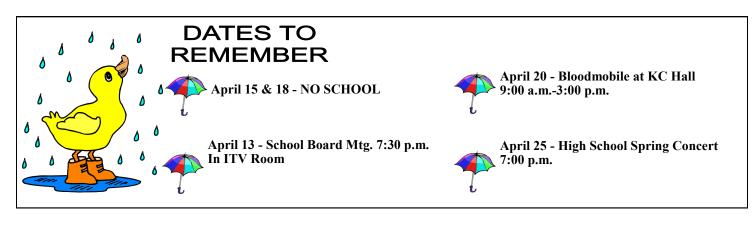
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OD Team places 3rd at State Speech



The Boys OID team, which includes Ethan Hinkle, Jack Wemhoff, William Heilhecker, Austin Good and Corbin Kinney placed third at the State Meet in Kearney.



Check our website for the most current news and calendar: www.elgineagles.org

FFA CDE Contest



Thomas Warnke was the champion in the gas metal arc welding (GMAW) division at the district FFA CDE contests held at Northeast on



From Mrs. Schwartz

Feeling Lucky!



1st grade was feeling extra lucky in the month of March because we learned so many new things! Back row: Sloane, Taryn, Jozlynne, Chase, Bentley

Front Row: Elly, Rylie, Cora, Caleb

From Mrs. Childers



The FFA members participated in the District FFA CDE Contests.

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		TR @ Battle Creek 12:00 p.m.	FFA State Convention	FFA State Convention	ESU 8 K-12 Art Show	ESU 8 K-12 Art Show
		GOLF quad @ Summerland 4:00 p.m.		p.m.	NSCAS Testing	a.m.
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ESU 8 K-12 Art Show		Miles of Smiles TR @ Neligh-Oakdale 12:30 p.m. 8th Grade Career Day at NECC	School Board Mtg. 7:30 p.m. in Distance Learning Room NSCAS Testing	IR @ O'Neill 9:00 a.m. NSCAS Testing	NO SCHOOL	
17	NO SCHOOL	19 TR JH @ Burwell 1:00 p.m.	Bloodmobile at KC Hall 9:00 a.m3:00 p.m. TR @ St. Mary's 9:00 a.m.	GOLF @ Scotus 9:00 a.m. FFA Chapter Officer Interviews @ EPS AG Room TBA	District Music Contest	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	HS Spring Concert 7:00 p.m. Spaghetti in a Hotdog Bun grades PK-6 10:00 a.m.	TR @ Creighton 1:30 p.m. TR JH @ Fullerton 9:00 a.m. GOLF NVC Tourney @ Summerland 9:00 a.m.	Science Fair	NVC Art Show at Chambers TR Norfolk Track Classic 4:00 p.m.	Grandparent's Day NVC Art Show at Chambers FFA Chapter Banquet @ EPS gym 6:30pm	N-O 5th & 6th Gr. Honor Band TR JH & HS NVC @ West Holt 9:30 a.m. GOLF @ West Holt 9:00 a.m.

Highlights from 2nd Grade





And just like that, we are in the 4th quarter! Here are some recent highlights from the 2nd grade room. Enjoyed being in the 2nd grade on 2/22/22 with a dance party at 2:22 p.m.

- Celebrated Read Across America Week with green eggs and ham, dress up days, and Dr. Suess's birthday.
- We had some FFA members come and read books to us.
- Created portfolios and presented them to our parents at conferences.
- Enjoyed an afternoon at the city park as a reward for making our AR goals.

From Ms. Selting

Upcoming Music Performances

- District Music Contest- Norfolk- April 22nd 7-12 Band and Choir
- 7-12 Band and Choir Concert- EPS Gym- April 25th- 7:00 PM
- Graduation- EPS Gym- May 7th- 4:00 PM- 7-12 Choir
- Elementary Concert- EPS Gym- May 12th- 7:00 PM- Grades PK-6
- Memorial Day- May 30th- Park Center and West Cedar Valley Cemeteries- 7-12 Band

Seeing double on Twin Day for Dr. Seuss week!



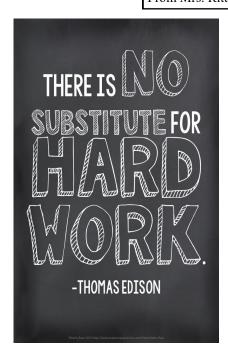
From Mr. Ostransky

NECC Scholastic Contest



Congratulations to EPS students selected to participate in the NECC scholastic contest! Ethan Hinkle placed 2nd overall in Gen Science!

From Mrs. Rittscher





Art News

April is a busy month for the Art students. Our K-12 ESU#8 Spring Show is in Neligh and is

open to the public from April 8th-10th at the fairgrounds. All of the high school Art students will have work in the show. K-8 will only have three entries per grade (ESU rules). Students who have work in the show will be notified. The NVC 7-12 Art show is hosted by Chambers this year and all Junior high students will have an entry and all high school Art students will have work in the show. The show is open to the public Thursday evening April 28th.

From Mrs. R. Heithoff

Lucky Kindergarten Kids



Front row: Addie Kinney, Cayson Bottorf, Selene Lopez, and Aubree Bellar Scott Middle row: Domonta Flythe, Ellianna Allen, John Hemenway, Mason Vanis, and Gabe Schindler Back row: Aubree Meis, Chase Boschen, Taysom Bottorf, Elijah Jacobs, and Thomas Suhr

From Mrs. Wemhoff

Third Graders Celebrate Read Across America Week



The third graders celebrated Read Across America Week in March. They read many Dr. Seuss books, made a Thing 1 and Thing 2 craft, did a Wacky Wednesday hunt, participated in fun dress up days, and enjoyed green eggs and ham for breakfast! Pictured is the third grade class enjoying their green eggs and ham.

[From Mrs. Eisenhauer]





Happy Pi_e·3·14· Day



Most people think that March is a memorable month, and I agree, but maybe not for the same reason. I enjoy watching a little basketball, and I try to remember green on St. Patrick's Day, but my big day in March is PI day. In case you haven't been introduced, PI day is March 14th, because it is the first 3 digits of PI (3.14). I have decided to share my day with my students by bringing pie (or other round food) for them to eat as they listen to crazy (and sometimes annoying) pi-themed songs. This year, one class has decided to try to create their own crazy PI song to be played at next year's PI day. I didn't have my camera ready when I handed out the pies in the morning, and didn't get pictures of the students enjoying their pies (or cupcakes, or donuts). However, I got a snapshot of sophomores Baylee, Brenna, and Nick enjoying their pi cupcakes as they worked on their Algebra II homework!

Read Across America Week



The preschoolers enjoyed ending their Read Across America Week with green eggs and ham. Thanks to Mr. Ostransky and Mr. Douglas for breakfast! Back row: Lorenzo Lopez, Owen Sauser, Ainsley Beckman. Front row Lillian Whitney, Kayson Evans, Hadley Haddix, Ryleigh Young and Riley Tuttle.

From Mrs. Vanis

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Mark your Calendar!

May 7—Graduation 4:00 p.m.

May 12—Elementary Spring Concert 7:00 p.m.

May 16—Preschool Graduation & Kindergarten Graduation

May 18—Last day of school 11:00 a.m. Dismissal

STATE SPEECH **QUALIFIERS**





Congratulations to the speech team members who qualified for the State Speech Competition at Kearney High School.

BR: Samantha Durre, Chloe Henn, Callie Heithoff MR: Corbin Kinney, Austin Good, Ethan Hinkle FR: Brenna Martinsen, Jack Wemhoff, William Heilhecker, Baylee Busteed

From Mrs. Shumake-Henn

3rd Quarter AR Goals



These 12 students made their third quarter AR goal. Kinley Miller earned 119 points! She has earned over 100 points each quarter! Anna Dworak, Kynlee Tillis, and John Zwingman all had a 100% quiz average! They are doing an amazing job reading.

Pictured (l to r): Kynlee Tillis, Macy Rokahr, Sophia Burke, Jael Lammers, Kinley Miller, Anna Dworak, Ethan Hansen, John Zwingman, Braedon Hinkle, and Xander Braband.

Front: Gentry Zwingman and Trey Dredge

From Mrs. Borer

Field Day at Wildroots Greenhouse

The 8th graders attended a field day hosted by Wildroots Greenhouse in Central City on March 15th.



Pictured are: Kayton Zwingman, Trey Rittscher, Jarek Erickson, Andrea Hansen, Creighton Harkins, and Ticen Sparr.



Andrea Hansen and Jarek Erickson get hands-on experience learning about containers, potting media, and plants.

From Mrs. Schwartz

Northern Tie Emrichmen

Junior High Students traveled to Bartlett for the Northern Tier Enrichment Day.













From Mrs. Rittscher

Teams compete a

From Mr. Childers



Junior High Team

Left to Right: Gemma Miller, Kayton Zwingman, Jarek Erickson, Creighton Harkins, Dannyka Smidt, Kierstyn Eisenhauer



High School TeamLeft to Right: Jackson Wemhoff, Ethan Hinkle, Isabella Smidt, William Heilhecker, Baylee Busteed, Corbin Kinney. Alternate: Jamie Dozler (not pictured)

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Milk & Juice are offered with each breakfast and milk is offered with each lunch.
Cereal optional for each breakfast.
Chef Salad optional to grades 7-12 at lunch.

	Sloppy Joe sandwich, potato wedges, baked	Spaghetti w/meat sauce, Sloppy Joe sandwich, green beans, potato wedges, baked	Burrito, hash browns, chef salad, pears, cookie	Pizza, com, carrots/dip, apple slices	Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, cheesy broccoli,	
	Sausage gravy over a biscuit, pears	B&E breakfast casserole, peaches	Cereal, banana, yogurt, donut	Omelet, sausage links,toast, fruit	Ham & egg -biscuit sand., fruit cup	
	29	28	27	26	25	24
	Alfredo chicken over pasta, corn, carrots/dip, applesauce, roll	Taco boat, potato skins, tomato wedges, peaches, animal crackers	Tater tot casserole, sweet potatoes, orange wedges, roll	Hot dog, french fries, baked beans, raisins		
	Breakfast pizza, strawberries	Pancake wrap, hash brown patty, applesauce	Cereal, banana, yogurt, mini bagel	Sausage & egg-biscuit sand., pears	NO SCHOOL	
	22	21	20	19	18	17
		Pulled pork sandwich, potato skins, broccoli slaw, orange wedges	Au Gratin ham and potato casserole, peas, pineapple, roll	Corn dog, baked beans,mac-n-cheese, BLT salad, fruit cup	Country fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, tropical fruit, biscuit	
	NO SCHOOL	Sausage gravy over a biscuit, pears	B&E breakfast casserole, peaches	Cereal, apple slices, yogurt, muffin	Ham & egg -biscuit sand., fruit cup	
	15	14	13	12	==	10
	Cheese pizza,veggie pasta, carrots/dip, pineapple cup	Sloppy joe/bun, potato wedges, tomato wedges, pears, jello cup	Tater tot casserole, sweet potatoes, orange wedges, roll	Chicken fajita, hash brown patty, lettuce, peaches, bar	Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, cheesy broccoli, fruit juice	
	Cereal, fruit cup, yogurt, donut	Breakfast pizza, strawberries	Omelet, sausage links,toast, fruit	Breakfast burrito, applesauce	Sausage & egg-biscuit sand., sliced bananas	
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	Cereal, fruit cup, yogurt, mini bagel Fish taco, DIY salad, hash brown patty, fruit cup, cookie	31	30	29	28	27
Sat	Fri	Thr	Wed	Tue	Mon	Sun

With the year quickly winding down and the weather changing to warmer temperatures it is easy to catch spring fever! We are all anxiously awaiting summer and all the wonderful plans that are awaiting us. It important that all of us finish strong. The spring time is full of many activities and events but, there are still many important lessons that teachers have in store for the students of Elgin Public Schools. I ask that students and parents stay vigilant at the task of learning. Two of the most important things that I am requesting your assistance on are attendance and homework. I know that it is very tempting to stay at home and enjoy a beautiful spring day. It is equally tempting to enjoy the extra daylight we now have in the evening to spend time doing recreational activities. Please help make sure your children are also keeping up with their schoolwork.

Statewide Assessment (NSCAS) Nebraska Student Centered Assessment System

The statewide assessment (NSCAS) is in early April! The assessments will take place in Reading and Math this year for grades $3^{\rm rd}$ - $8^{\rm th}$ with additional assessments in Science in the $5^{\rm th}$ and 8th grades.

The NSCAS test serves many purposes for the school and the Nebraska Department of Education. As a staff, we want to make sure students are prepared and comfortable with the test so their focus is on answering the questions. Here are a few of the things the teachers have been doing to ensure a positive test taking experience:

taking practice assessments reviewing content and skills talking about the assessments trying to excite students about the upcoming assessments!

As parents, there are a few things you can do that will help your student succeed:

sleep for 8 hours the night before eat a protein as part of breakfast talk to them about the assessments encourage students to spend as much time as they need stay positive about the assessments!

If you have any questions, please contact the classroom teacher or myself. Students are prepared, teachers are ready, and we look forward to seeing our success when results are announced before the end of the year.



It's April already! The winter activities have wrapped up their seasons, competed well, and represented Elgin Public Schools in a positive light once again. The spring activities are gearing up and getting ready for their schedules this spring. We look forward to the FFA members selling flowers and their State Competition in Lincoln, the spring concerts and District Music competition, as well as the golf and track meets that will be taking place this spring. We will have our Quiz Bowl teams competing at various tournaments this spring as well. Good Luck to all the spring activities as we navigate the spring schedules!

The school board is looking to purchase new technology needs for our students and staff. These purchases will include Chromebooks for the students and more ActivPanels for some of the classrooms. We will also be purchasing a new math curriculum for Grades K-6. A few of the teachers have been using some of the lessons out of the new math curriculum to gauge how it will operate and how the students will respond to it. The new technology and curriculum purchases will be made by utilizing our ESSER funds. Elgin Public Schools and the school board will continue to make sure that our students have the technology tools needed to be successful in the classroom as well as when they graduate from Elgin Public Schools.

Many of our students will be involved in the many activities these last couple of months and it is easy to get run down physically and behind in their academics. It is important that these students continue to get plenty of rest, drink plenty of fluids, and eat the right foods to maintain the energy levels needed to be at their very best each day.

Good Luck to all our students this last quarter and to all the activities!!

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