

# The Red Review

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## From the Superintendent's Desk

By: Rich Lemburg

As we head into the month of November, there are a couple of major situations we prep for here at school. The first one is the weather and dealing with making decisions for late starts and snow days. It is my belief when making a decision on snow days to err on the side of caution. There is too much at stake with putting young drivers on the road and asking teachers to drive in from out of town to become reckless with the decision. I try to make the call as early as possible to make sure it helps our parents with daycare situations and their work obligations. As the winter drags along a major concern is how we are sitting on days/hours needed to meet state requirements. Each year is unique, and the way I look at it, I would rather have the days in the spring if they are needed than to risk anything during the winter months. If there are any days where a decision has been made and you are concerned about your child's safety, please feel free to keep them at home for the day.

The second major issue with this time of the year is the start of flu season. Every flu season is different in how and when we get hit at school. It is important for parents to please remember if your child has been sick with a fever, you must wait 24 hours after they have been fever-free before you allow them to return to school. As a parent, I know this can be an inconvenience, but this policy helps to limit the spread of flu as much as we possibly can at school.

As the holiday season approaches and everyone makes their New Year's resolutions for the 2018 year, I want to remind patrons about the opportunity to use the Clarkson Public Schools weight room facilities. The weight room/fitness center has been open to the general public since last November to use as a fitness center. Patrons may obtain a fob card from the office during the hours of 8:00-4:00. Please call ahead to make so we can get the card set up for you prior to you coming up to school.

Membership prices are \$120 for a family, \$80 for a single, \$15 for a month, and \$5 for a day and are due at the time of picking up your fob and filling out the paperwork. If you have any questions or want any information, please contact me at school 402-892-3454 or email me at [rlenburg@clarkson.esu7.org](mailto:rlenburg@clarkson.esu7.org) so we can get you set up.

## Notes from the Principal

By: Lee Schneider

Hello again! It is amazing that we have entered into November, and it is officially sweaters and stocking caps season! As we continue to see the temperatures drop please make sure that your kids have appropriate clothing for their commute to school and for recess.

Next, I want to point out the website [www.nebraska-advantage.org](http://www.nebraska-advantage.org). We were fortunate enough to have Nebraska Public School Advantage come out and do a story on Clarkson Public Schools and our "Be the Story" mission for this school year. For anyone that has not read the piece on our Facebook page or school website, I highly recommend you take the time to give it a quick read. The story is extremely well-written and gives you perfect insight into the school environment and our goals at Clarkson Public Schools. We have A LOT of different stories that walk our hallways everyday, and it is important to us that we share them with anyone and everyone that is willing to listen! We are extremely proud of our students, staff, faculty, parents, and community that make us Clarkson Public Schools!!

Keep an eye out as we enter into our winter sports season and possible schedule changes. Always check the school website, Facebook page, or our Rschool calendar to find updated times and locations. We try to have everything put together, but sometimes things change. We look forward to a strong finish with our fall sports as our Patriot football team made the playoffs again and our Patriot volleyball team has the #1 seed going into Sub-District play.

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## Counselor's Corner

By Jennifer Kappel

### 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 for college.

#### Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

- First, create an FSA ID for you and one for a parent at [fsaid.ed.gov](https://fsaid.ed.gov). You'll need it to access and sign the FAFSA.
- Review our [FAFSA Checklist](#) so you'll know what documents to gather before you start the form.
- Find free [FAFSA Tools](#) at EducationQuest.org to help you through the process.
- For free personal help, call EducationQuest to make an appointment: Omaha – 888.357.6300, Lincoln – 800.303.3745, Kearney – 800.666.3721, or Scottsbluff – 800.303.3745, ext. 6654.

#### Apply to your top college choices

If you attend one of nearly 200 Nebraska high schools holding *Apply2College* events this fall, you'll get help (or already have) with your applications. If not, [here are steps](#) you should take to apply. You'll also find a [college application checklist](#) listing everything you need.

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

**Get serious about applying for scholarships.** See *ScholarshipQuest* at EducationQuest.org for Nebraska-based scholarships and a list of national search sites.

#### 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.

### November "To Do" List

**Seniors...**complete these tasks in November to stay on the path to college:

- \_\_\_ Complete the [FAFSA](#).
- \_\_\_ Apply to your top college choices.
- \_\_\_ [Register](#) by November 2 for the December 2 SAT.
- \_\_\_ [Register](#) by November 3 for the December 9 ACT.

**Juniors...**complete these tasks:

- \_\_\_ Research colleges that interest you.
- \_\_\_ Take a prep course for the ACT college entrance exam.

**For free help with college planning, contact EducationQuest Foundation:**

Omaha	Lincoln	Kearney
402-391-4033	402-475-5222	308-234-6310
888-357-6300	800-303-3745	800-666-3721

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## Senior Scholarship Project

By Jennifer Kappel

The Class of 2018 is beginning their Senior Scholarship writing project in their English classes. This is the sixth year this project has been completed by the senior class. Each student is to select three local scholarships they plan to apply for in the spring and actually complete the application for a mock evaluation.

At the end of a three-week period the applications will be turned in and evaluated by Mrs. Morfeld, Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Kappel. Grades are being taken for this project in Mrs. Morfeld's and Mrs. Miller's English classes. The panelists receive a copy of each of the applications and provide helpful comments on the student's work in an effort to help them improve their chances of receiving the actual scholarship in the spring. Students receive this feedback just after Thanksgiving break and will have plenty of time before the April deadlines to

edit their work. The mock winners and runner-ups will be announced in the next newsletter.

### **The Basics: Juniors and Seniors**

**College Recruiters at Clarkson** – Juniors and Seniors are encouraged to sign up to visit with college recruiters when they schedule a visit in Clarkson. Students should sign up in the hall outside of Mrs. Kappel's room and speak to their teachers in advance to excuse their absence.

**College Visits** - Juniors are allowed one visit and seniors are allowed two. Mrs. Kappel will set up the visits for the student, but they need to provide dates that will work with their schedule and their parent's schedule.

**Job Shadowing** - Juniors are allowed one job shadow and seniors are allowed two. This is where the student can go observe someone in a career field they are interested in. It is strongly encouraged that juniors job shadow and if they want to do more than one, look at summertime, breaks from school and weekends.

**Test Prep** - Clarkson subscribes to the John Baylor Test Prep program. Sophomores and Juniors have been taking the Foundation course during their history classes during the past month and will conclude their Test Prep with a retired ACT test. Students will be able to use the John Baylor program to watch videos and take practice quizzes in preparation for the national ACT test in late October but also in the spring. The Juniors will be formally guided through the 12 test prep sessions during second semester with core teachers; however, all students are encouraged and able to access the test prep information on their own at any time.



## Industrial Tech News

### “Did You Know”

Have you ever looked at how technology has really changed our lives? I am going to give you some eye-opening facts about technology we use every day.

1. The word robot comes from the Czech “robota”. In English, robota translates to “Forced Labor.”
2. There are more than 682 million iphones across the globe.
3. There is a factory in Japan that operates unsupervised 30 days at a time because it is entirely manned by robots.
4. In the tech world, November 30th is known as “Computer Security Day.”
5. 92% of the world's currency is digital. Only 8% is actually physical money.
6. 160 million emails are sent daily, 97% of which are spam.
7. A twillionaire is a Twitter user with a million or more followers.
8. People view 15 billion videos online every month.
9. There are 6.8 billion people on the planet and 4 billion of them use a mobile phone. Only 3.5 million use a toothbrush.
10. On average, tech users carry 2.9 devices on them at all times.
11. Facebook is so popular that about half of the world's population are Internet users and half of them are using Facebook.
12. Ebay has about \$680 worth of transactions that happen every second.

I have a lot of technology in the shop, but we just try to hit the basics so students can find other areas of interest they might have. It is a big world out there, and you might not like it, but we have to keep ahead of the game. Your child must understand how vital technology can be for their future. Just get on the Internet and take a peek. It is definitely an eye-opener. Let your kids surf the web for new cool things. Thanks and good luck.

Mr. Bailey  
Industrial Tech

# Christmas For Our Troops

What better way to spread Christmas spirit than to remember the heroes that can't spend the holiday with their families? You can show your appreciation by donating items for care packages that will be sent to our troops. Clarkson National Honor Society members are working with Pinnacle Bank in Columbus and other organizations to collect items for troops. If you have family or friends currently serving, please share their name and address to include them on our list of recipients of the care packages. Thank you in advance for any donation you are willing to make. Monetary donations are used to pay shipping costs and to purchase additional items as needed.

Please bring donations to Clarkson High School before November 9<sup>th</sup>. We would like to once again display donated items during our Veteran's Day Program. We are not able to ship aerosol cans, products that have been used or removed from original packaging (such as toothbrushes, food, combs, or shampoos) food products with easily punctured foil tops, or items that are flammable (such as hand sanitizer containing alcohol). Travel, trial and individual sizes are preferred.

## Miscellaneous Items

Stationery  
Envelopes  
Sunglasses (plain black)  
Batteries (AA, AAA, 9 Volt)  
Puzzle books  
Coloring books  
Crayons/colored pencils  
Card games (UNO, Rook)  
Water balloons  
Water squirt guns  
Footballs (Nerf size)  
Travel size games  
Small flashlights  
Frisbees  
Pens  
Mechanical pencils (Bic)  
CDs  
DVDs (highly requested item)  
Journals (blank)  
Yo-Yo's  
Magazines (current year)  
Small plastic plates, bowls  
Plastic cutlery  
Mesh laundry bags  
Ziploc bags (gallon, quart, sandwich)  
Small plastic storage containers

## Food Items

Beef jerky/Slim Jims  
Snack size flavored crackers  
Canned meats (with pull tabs)  
Canned fruit (8.25oz, with pull tabs)  
Microwavable Mac & Cheese  
Hard candy (individually wrapped)  
Oatmeal (instant)  
Peanut Butter (up to 16 oz)  
Jelly (up to 20 oz)  
Cheese & Breadstick packs  
Tuna/Chicken packs with crackers  
Pringles (up to 2.3 oz)  
Instant Cup of Soup (just add water)  
Hot Chocolate packets  
Pop tarts  
Dried Fruit/Raisins  
Cereal (individual size)  
Dried Milk (individual size)  
Corn Nuts  
Trail Mix  
Pretzels  
Licorice (individually wrapped)  
Sunflower Seeds  
Cracker Jacks  
Cookies (snack size)  
Small spices (seasoning salts, cumin)  
Ramen Noodles  
Chewing gum/mints  
Nuts (individually packaged)  
Velveeta (8 oz or smaller)  
Microwave popcorn  
Energy/Snack bars  
Drink mix packets (.13 oz)  
Store bought Rice Krispie Treats

## Personal Items

Hand lotion  
Deodorant (non-aerosol)  
Hand warmer/foot warmer  
Bug wipes (non-aerosol)  
White, black, olive socks  
Shampoo (up to 10 oz)  
Body wash (up to 10 oz)  
Toothpaste/Toothbrush  
Dental floss  
Chapstick  
Q-tips (travel size pack)  
Sunscreen (non-aerosol)  
Razors (disposable)  
Shaving cream (non-aerosol)  
Natural Tears (eye drops)  
Hair elastics (blonde, brown, black)  
Saline nasal mist  
Laundry soap (travel pack)  
Mouthwash (travel size)  
Gold Bond Powder  
Foot powder  
Loofah sponges  
Cotton balls  
Petroleum jelly (2.52 oz)  
Nail file/nail clippers  
Athlete's Foot Cream  
Odor Eaters/ inserts for boots  
Kleenex tissues (travel size)  
Hand towels  
Wash cloths  
Green/Tan 100% cotton t-shirts  
(M, L, XL)

# NOVEMBER

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade News



**Halloween Party:  
October 31<sup>st</sup> at 2pm**

Students are welcome to bring their costumes to school and they can put them on at 2pm. If students would like to bring candy make sure there is enough for everyone (12 students).



This month the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders will be introduced to:

**Reading:** Main Idea and Details, Author's Purpose, & Theme

**Writing:** Expository Writing, Sentence Expansion, Imagery, & The Structure of a 5 Paragraph Essay

**Grammar:** Irregular Plural Nouns, Possessive Nouns, & Sentence Combining with Nouns

**Science/ Social Studies:** Engineering, The Life Cycle of Plants & Animals, Native American Communities, & Citizenship

This month the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders will begin using Google accounts to write their essays in English. We will begin sharing documents with one another.

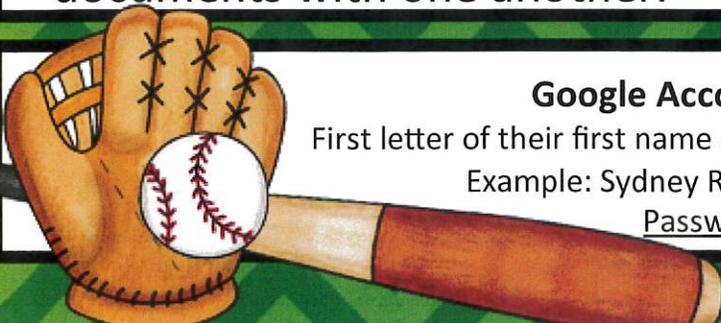


### **Google Account Log ins:**

First letter of their first name & full last name 27@clarkson.esu7.org

Example: Sydney Ritz= [sritz27@clarkson.esu7.org](mailto:sritz27@clarkson.esu7.org)

**Password:** First letter of their first name and last name



# Clarkson Public School Happenings

(Schedule Subject to Change)

Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> – Football Playoffs 2<sup>nd</sup> round – TBA

Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> – Volleyball District Finals – TBA

Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> – Conference Honor Choir at North Bend Central. Concert at 7:00 pm.

Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> – Football Quarterfinals – TBA

Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> – State Volleyball Championships in Lincoln

Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup> – One Act Soup and a Show Community Night 6:30 pm

Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> – Veteran's Day Program 1:30 in the new gym

Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup> – One Act Invite in Scribner-Snyder

Football Playoffs Semifinals – TBA

Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> – EHC Conference One Act at Leigh. Clarkson to perform at 9:00 am.

Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> – JH Girls BB 9:00 at Humphrey High School

Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> - Football State Championships

Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> – Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> – NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break

Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup> – JH Girls BB 4:30 at Shelby-RC

Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> – District One Act in Leigh. Clarkson to perform at 9:00 am.

Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup> – Wrestling Quad 4:00 at High Plains

JH Girls BB 6:00 at Wayne

# November 2017

## Clarkson Public School Menu

### LUNCH



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This institution is an equal opportunity employer.



**Nutrition Tip:** Practice stealth health - sneak veggies into favorite foods. Go light on the meat and top your pizza with vegetables like tomatoes, onions, bell peppers, mushrooms, zucchini, and artichoke hearts.



#### Monday

#### Tuesday

#### Wednesday

#### Thursday

#### Friday

6 Breakfast – bkf sausage biscuit  
Lunch – BBQ pork

7 Breakfast – egg sausage biscuit  
Lunch – cheeseburger casserole

8 Breakfast – bacon toast  
Lunch – tacos

9 Breakfast – tornado  
Lunch – popcorn chicken

10 Breakfast – yogurt fruit cup  
Lunch – Stromboli

13 Breakfast – bacon scramble pizza  
Lunch – flatbread sandwich

14 Breakfast – ham egg English muffin  
Lunch – spaghetti and meatballs

15 Breakfast – bagel and cream cheese  
Lunch – turkey slice

16 Breakfast – scrambled eggs and toast  
Lunch – corn dogs

17 Breakfast – Clarkson Bakery roll  
Lunch – pizza

20 Breakfast – bkf pizza  
Lunch – hamburgers

21 Breakfast – bkf bagel  
Lunch – chicken fajita

22 NO SCHOOL

23 NO SCHOOL

24 NO SCHOOL

27 Breakfast – biscuits and gravy  
Lunch – chicken patty

28 Breakfast – bkf combo  
Lunch – sub sandwich

29 Breakfast – homemade burrito  
Lunch – grilled cheese or tuna

30 Breakfast – egg sausage bage  
Lunch – chicken nuggets



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