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From the Administrator's Desk

By Rich Lemburg

As we start into March, we are heading into the final stretch of the 2023-24 school year. We will be starting the 4th quarter on Monday, March 18th. It always seems to be a blur, with track meets, State Conventions for FFA, FCCLA, FBLA, Career Academy, golf and music contests students will have many days where we have numerous students out of the building. Along with the activities comes attending these educational opportunities. 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 your student's grades, lunch bill and attendance. If you have any questions please reach out to your child's teachers.

Clarkson Public Schools is offering Drivers Ed this summer for eligible students. Tom King, the instructor, will be sending out information to the students in Clarkson and Leigh. If you are interested in having your child take Driver's Ed please contact Amy Gurnsey at 402-892-3454 or agurnsey@clarkson.esu7.org

The 2024-25 school calendar has been approved and can be found on the school's website so you can start to make plans for the upcoming school year. Also, the Patriot summer sports schedules will be up soon as parents plan their summer trips and vacations.

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Notes from the Principal

By Lee Schneider

We are closing in on the end of the 3rd quarter and it is as important as ever that we keep the students focused and dialed in. We have had two bouts of sickness that have passed through the school so hopefully, that has passed but please keep an eye on your child! The school days really do fly by and we are fortunate that we have had another very exciting winter activities season for Pats Nation and we are excited to finish strong!!

With spring right around the corner (fingers crossed!), 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 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 Thursday, February 29th Friday, March 1st Monday, March 4th

It is Round-up time!

By Breanna Ruwe

Who is eligible for kindergarten? Anyone who fits the age requirements – 5 years of age by July 31st, 2024. If your child fits the age limit and you are planning on attending Clarkson Public Schools let the office know your intentions. On Friday, April 19th your child will get to spend the afternoon visiting the classroom and myself. The appropriate forms for next year will be sent home with your child. 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 and Kindergarten physical and Immunizations when the 2024-2025 school year begins.

- * 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?
- * Requestor's Photo Identification is Required, i.e. drivers license

Send your check along with the needed information to: Send your check along with the needed information to:

Vital Records
PO Box 95065
Lincoln NE 68509-5065

News and Notes from the Social Science Department

By Mr. McEvoy

The 2023-24 school year has been very interesting here in the Social Science Department of Clarkson Public School. Here are a few of our highlights so far this year:

- <u>-8th Grade American History</u> This class begins by looking at our Native American and European roots and how these two cultures interacted early on in U.S. history. Emphasis is given to European exploration, early British Colonies, and the ensuing development of our nation from its' War for Independence from Great Britain to its' own U.S. Civil War.
- -10th Grade American History- This class has been exploring the events and the brave men and women who preserved our American way of life during WWII. The students will soon understand that the following "Cold War" period may turn out to be the most dangerous period of American History yet. We will then move through the conflicts and social change of the late 20th Century that helped shape America into what it is today.
- -<u>7th Grade Civics/World Studies</u>- This group has been given an introductory look into our country, our government, and our uniquely American way of life in comparison to other regions of the globe. There is an emphasis on patriotism, geography, civic duty, and the rights and responsibilities of being a citizen of the United States. Great focus is also given to the Constitution, the 27 Amendments, and the role of the Three Branches.
- -American Government- This upper-level course is taught in conjunction with 7th Grade civics with a deeper look into the inner-workings of the three branches, the electoral process, and preparation for becoming an informed member of the voting population. The class just finished studying the role public opinion and the media play in our society.
- -World Geography The expectation is for each student to carry with them a working knowledge of our U.S. Geography in relationship to the World Geography that surrounds us. In the end, we will cover the entire globe---with the goal being that they can compare and contrast our United States geography to that of the rest of the world.

-<u>Current Issues</u>- The students have spent their year discussing the modern problems we face and the possible solutions to those issues. Through current events, documentaries, and their own reflections on the world we live in, they continue to work on building their own working knowledge of the world around them. The class also continues to work on a time capsule project that will include all of the news stories, journal entries, and reflections that they have compiled to date. The goal is to someday look back and see what the world was like during 2023-2024.

Thank you for taking a look into our corner of the building, and here's hoping for continued success in 2024 for all of our students and activities here at CPS- Go Patriots!!!

Physical Education

By Jim Clarkson

It has been a hectic winter and in the PE world we have had some great things going on. The Freshmen started the winter with some archery and now we have just finished up a bowling unit concluding with a class trip to Hilltop Lanes over in Dodge. Max McAtee had the high score of the day with a 141.

The Seniors have been busy with racquet sports, first we did some Badminton, played some pickleball doubles and now are about to start the singles tournament. Great sport, would love to see some pickleball courts put in town somewhere, it is a fast-growing game.

The strength training classes have been doing great as well, numbers have been on the rise and would love to get more kids in weights classes but we are happy with the effort of the ones currently in the weight room working.

On the elementary side of things, these kids have been doing great. We worked jump roping skills, basketball skills, and now we are working on frisbee skills. Lots of great effort and enthusiasm. Always remember life is a tournament and it is important to just survive and advance.











March School Menu

	BREAKFAST	LUNCH
March 1	No School	Spring break
March 4	No School	Spring break
March 5	muffin	grilled chicken sandwich
March 6	10:00 start - no breakfast	sub sandwich
March 7	French toast and sausage	oriental chicken
March 8	Clarkson Bakery roll	grilled cheese or tuna salad sandwich
March 11	egg, sausage, & cheese on a Clarkson Bakery croissant	walking taco
March 12	sausage combos	pork steak sandwich
March 13	bagel & cream cheese	hamburger
March 14	cereal	chicken & gravy
March 15	omelet & hashbrown	cheese pizza
March 18	biscuit & gravy	salisbury steak sandwich
March 19	breakfast round	sloppy joe
March 20	breakfast sausage on a bun	chicken tenders
March 21	tornado	cavatini
March 22	yogurt parfait	cheese crunchers
March 25	empanada	hot dog
March 26	egg, sausage, & cheese on a biscuit	bbq pork sandwich
March 27	homemade breakfast pizza	chicken fajita
March 28	pancake on a stick	chicken fried steak

MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE

March 29

No School

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Clarkson Public School Happenings for March

(Schedule Subject to Change)

Friday, March 1st - NO School - Spring Break

Girls BB State Championships in Lincoln

Saturday, March 2st - Girls BB State Championships in Lincoln

Monday, March 4th – NO School – Spring Break

Tuesday, March 5th – Elementary Spring pictures with Digital Solutions

Patriot Dance Tryout practice 6:30-7:30 am in Clarkson

FCCLA Officer Lunch meeting during Patriot Period

Wednesday, March 6th – 10:00 late start (Teacher In-Service)

Patriot Dance Tryout practice 6:30-7:30 am in Leigh

Boys BB State Championship in Lincoln

Thursday, March 7th - Patriot Dance Tryout practice 6:30-7:30 am in Clarkson

Boys BB State Championship in Lincoln

Friday, March 8th – Patriot Dance Tryout practice 6:30-7:30 am in Leigh

Boys BB State Championship in Lincoln

Saturday, March 9th - Boys BB State Championship in Lincoln

Monday, March 11th – School Board meeting in school library 6:00 pm

Tuesday, March 12th – District Speech at Wausa 9:00 am

Wednesday, March 13th – CCC Career Opportunity fair for 9th grade

Friday, March 15th – End of Quarter 3

Saturday, March 16th – PROM at Leigh fairgrounds

Tuesday, March 19th – JH FCCLA meeting during Patriot period

Friday, March 22nd – State Speech Championships in Kearney

Saturday, March 23rd – Football Veer Academy 8:00 am in Leigh

Monday, March 25th – Boys Golf at Beemer 10:00 am

 $Tuesday,\,March\,\,26^{th}-Junior\,\,ACT\,\,State\,\,test\,\,date$

HS Track meet at Stanton 11:00 am

Wednesday, March 27th - NECC Academic Contest

Boys Golf at David City 10:00 am

Friday, March 29th – NO School – Easter Break

Monday, April 1st – NO School – Easter Break

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