

The Red Review

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From the Administrator's Desk

By Rich Lemburg

As we finish up our school year I would like to congratulate the graduating Class of 2015 and wish them good luck in their future endeavors. The 16 students have left a big mark on our school and will be missed next school year. I wish them the best and hopefully they have a successful and enjoyable life after Clarkson Public Schools.

With summer fast approaching I would like to remind you the importance of the summer months in your child's education. It is important for students, especially elementary students, to spend some time reading and other educational activities during the summer. Please feel free to communicate to your child's teachers about ideas to keep the kids on track though out the summer.

For those students who will be participating in summer activities programs we will again be making a summer calendar and keeping our website updated to help you keep track of the dates and times of camps, games, and any practices they may have for the different activities. Summer time is very important for different activities as they work to grow team and group chemistry, prepare for their up coming seasons and work on improving individual skills. We understand that summer is also a time for families to spend some time together; hopefully these calendars will help the communication between the school and home as the families plan their busy summer schedules.

We have concluded the registration process for next year and you should have signed off on your child's schedule for next school year. It takes a lot of time and effort in creating a schedule that not only works to help out students and their vast interests, but also

works with the sharing of teachers and programs with other school districts.

I would like to remind all Pre-School parents please make sure to get your children registered for Pre-School for the 2015-2016 school year. Information has been sent out to all eligible children/parents as we are trying to start to gather information for to plan for next year's class and pre-kindergarten routes.

The three year old pre-school program will run from 8:15-11:15. To be eligible to attend the three-year old session, the student's birth date must fall between the following dates: August 1, 2011 through July 31, 2012.

The four-year old session will be held in the afternoon from 12:30-3:30. To be eligible to attend the four-year old session, the student's birthday must fall between the following dates: August 1, 2010 through July 31, 2011.

This program will be free of charge for your student and transportation will be provided to and from school. Children who attend the four year-old session may eat lunch at school. If you have any questions please call school 402-892-3454 or email agurnsev@esu7.org or rlembur@esu7.org

I would like to finish by thanking the students, staff, parents and school board of Clarkson Public Schools for an outstanding school year. It was a fantastic year and I am looking forward to another great year starting on Thursday, August 20th.

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P.E. News

By Jim Clarkson

Baseball is in full swing, the Husker spring game is in the books, and track is nearing the end so it must be May. With the school year winding down it is a hectic time here at the school. That will not stop us from getting our “swell” on. That means we are still working on getting better everyday. We have had a great spring of competition in the High School PE classes. Most of it has come in the form of Floor Hockey, a very fun game to play. In fact I have also found myself in many games as well.

We will be wrapping things up in the Elementary with some Wiffle Ball and then some track and field to help them prepare for field day. Hope everyone is finding time to get outside and get some quality exercise in. It is important to stay after it. Remember age is only a number so get out there and play with your kids, or do something kids do, it will help you stay young. Just remember to stretch first.

Harlan's Hill

By Wes Pokorny

Work continues up on Harlan's Hill. What is Harlan's Hill you ask? It is a wild area that we are using to honor the life of the late Harlan Hamernik. It is an area that holds an outdoor classroom and a huge area where a kid can be a kid. The goal of Harlan's Hill is to “seek and share”! It is an area where we can seek information about Mother Nature. It is an area where we can share what we have learned with others. That is what Harlan was all about. He wanted to make sure that kids did not lose touch with Mother Nature. He is a huge reason we were able to get our school garden up and running.

Part of the area has been planted to native grass and wildflowers thanks to the Maple Creek Chapter of Pheasants Forever. The wood structures were made possible by donations from the Hamernik and Vitek families and the hard work of Mr. Bailey and his class. The Sustainable Schoolyard Partnership made it possible for the purchase of the trees and plants.

“The Hill” is there for the kids. Please feel free to take a walk through the area at anytime. “The Hill” is located south of the High School. All we ask is that you leave only footprints and take memories!

You can keep up with what's happening in the garden or on the Hill by following @CHSKindergarten on Twitter. If you do make a trip to The Hill please take some pictures and #Harlan'sHill so we can see families using this awesome area that is right in our own backyard.

If any one is interested in donating to this worthy project, checks can be made to Clarkson Public Schools. Just let us know if you want the money to go to the garden or The Hill project.

JH Track Athletes Continue to Set Personal Records

By Matt Murren

The Clarkson-Leigh Junior High Patriots track team is on a roll in setting personal records recently. They have set 104 personal records for themselves in the last two meets. The hard work they are putting in is paying off and the success they are seeing is fun to see. If you see the athletes, give them a little pat on the back and tell them great job!



The Junior High Team bringing it in for a “Go Patriots!”

Public Notice

On Thursday, May 7, 2015 at 7:30 A.M. – 8:00 A.M, a meeting conducted by Clarkson Public will take place in the library at Clarkson Public School. The purpose of the meeting will be to provide an opportunity for parents and representatives of nonpublic schools to participate in the development of a plan for providing special education services to children with disabilities who attend nonpublic schools and home schools which are within the Clarkson Public School #58 district for the 2015–2016 school year. Parents of a home schooled child or a child attending a nonpublic school who has been or may be identified with a disability and attend a nonpublic school within the boundaries of Clarkson Public are urged to attend. If you have further questions pertaining to this meeting, please contact Rich Lemburg at 892–3454.

Counselor's Corner

By Jennifer Kappel

EducationQuest Foundation – College Planning Bulletin

Seniors . . . borrow wisely for college!

Review these tips before you decide how much to borrow in student loans:

- Borrow only what you need, even if it's less than the amount offered in your award letter.
- Try to use your student loan money ONLY for tuition, books and fees. Get a part-time job during college to pay living expenses.
- Compare the estimated starting salary of your potential future careers to your estimated college debt to ensure you can afford future loan payments.
- Apply for financial aid each year you attend college by completing the FAFSA
- Continue to look for scholarships while you're in college.
- Keep track of your student loan debt throughout college at nsls.ed.gov.

To learn more about student loans, see the Paying for College section at EducationQuest.org. To estimate your future loan payments, use the Repayment Calculator also on EducationQuest.org.

How to prepare for your freshman year of college

Visit the College Students section at EducationQuest.org for tips to help you prepare for your first year of college. You'll find information on these topics:

- Achieving academic success
- How to manage your money
- How to select a major
- What to expect your freshman year of college

Juniors . . . your summer to-do list

- Start narrowing your college choices: Visit some college campuses this summer and check out college websites. Narrow your choices to three or four colleges by the time school starts.
- Update your Activities Resume at EducationQuest.org. Include extracurricular activities, honors, awards and part-time jobs.
- Look for scholarships. Check out ScholarshipQuest at EducationQuest.org for Nebraska-based scholarships. Pay attention to scholarships current seniors have received.
- Find a summer job to help pay for college expenses. Ask prospective employers if they offer education assistance programs.

Seniors

- _____ Apply for student loans if necessary.
- _____ Register for freshman orientation at your college.
- _____ Start a list of dorm room essentials.
- _____ Get a summer job to help pay college expenses.

Juniors

- _____ Register by May 8th for the June 6th SAT test.
- _____ Register by May 8th for the June 13th ACT.
- _____ Schedule campus visits and job shadowing this summer.
- _____ Start looking for scholarships.
- _____ Get a summer job and save for college.

Please utilize the EducationQuest.org website or contact them for assistance with specific financial aid questions.

Kearney office: 800-666-3721

Lincoln office: 800-303-3745

Omaha office: 888-357-6300



Science News

By Suzanne Beeson

Anatomy and Physiology students have spent the last few weeks dissecting fetal pigs. While the Sophomore Biology class have been dissecting frogs.



Colton Pospichal & Brendan Cropp



Cydnie Ross & Alex Novotny



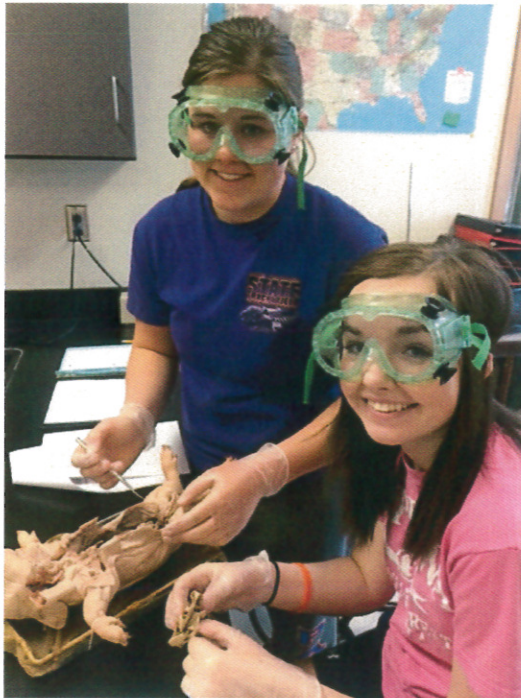
Andrea Zimmerman & Destiny Indra



Dominik Harper & Camille Koehn



Rachel Rupprecht & Alyssa Novotny



Jessi Sayers & Marissa Heins



Maddie Cerv



Paxten Indra & Kendra Marxsen



Cully Cerv & Megan Venneman



Tanner Stanley & Adam Przybylski



Jena Hart & Emily Schnelle



Shelby Paprocki & Cassie Harper



Connor Brandt & Bradley Bunner



Clarkson Public School Graduation 2015
Saturday, May 9, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.
Clarkson High School South Gym



Congratulations to the Graduating Class of 2015!

Dwight William Brabec
Kaitlyn Kathleen Dlouhy
Caitlin Grace Dozier
Tayler Ann Gall
Keaton Parker Indra
Christopher Rudy Konicek
Kolton Gene Krause
Jonathan Dale Langdon

KLyn Krystine Lopour
Anthony Joseph Mach
Austin Lee McAuliffe
Andrew Raymond Novotny
Sheldon Joseph James Oenbring
Jenna Katherine Podany
Jenna Nicole Schmitz
Hollie Beth Zollars

Class Motto: "Stop worrying about the potholes in the road and celebrate the journey." Fitzhugh Mullan

Class Flower: Red, White, and Blue Roses

Class Colors: Red, Blue, and Silver

Class Song: "Home Sweet Home" by Motley Crue



We request that you provide the following for your student.
(Due to LB 249 we cannot require that you provide it.)

Art/PE Supply List 2015-2016

ART
paint shirt – lg. long sleeves

PE
Tennis shoes are recommended

Elementary & Middle School Supply List 2015-2016

1st Grade

- Bookbag
- Pencil case
- 3 lg. boxes of Kleenex
- 1 spiral notebook – wide rule
- NO pencil sharpeners
- 1 old sock for erasing
- 1 empty, clean frosting container (they work good for holding crayons)

2nd Grade

- Bookbag
- Pencil box/case
- 3 lg. boxes of Kleenex
- 1 Primary Composition notebook
- 1 spiral notebook – wide rule
- colored pencils
- NO pencil sharpeners

3rd Grade

- Bookbag
- Pencils
- Pencil Bag (Binder-Friendly)
- 1 Science Journal/Notebook
- Wide-Ruled Loose Leave paper
- 1 – 1 ½” 3-Ring Binder
- 5 folders with pockets
- Headphones (Over the ears w/ baggie)
- 3 lg. boxes of kleenex

4th Grade

- Bookbag
- Pencils
- Pencil Bag (Binder-Friendly)
- 1 Science Journal/Notebook
- Wide-Ruled Loose Leave paper
- 1 – 1 ½” 3-Ring Binder
- 5 folders with pockets
- Headphones (Over the ears w/ baggie)
- 3 lg. boxes of kleenex

5th Grade

- Bookbag
- Pencils #2
- Pencil Bag (Binder-Friendly)
- 1 Science Journal/Notebook
- 2 – 5 Subject Notebooks
- 1 – 1 ½” 3-Ring Binder
- Book Covers
- 5 folders w/ pockets
- Headphones (Over the ears w/ baggie)
- 3 lg. boxes of Kleenex

6th Grade

- Bookbag
- Pencils #2
- Pencil Bag (Binder-Friendly)
- 1 Science Journal/Notebook
- 2 – 5 Subject Notebooks
- 1 – 1 ½” 3-Ring Binder
- Book Covers
- 5 folders w/ pockets
- Headphones (Over the ears w/ baggie)
- 3 lg. boxes of Kleenex
- Deoderant

7th & 8th Grade

- Bookbag
- 3 Lg Boxes Kleenex
- 2 – 5 Subject Notebooks
- Pens
- Pencils
- Book Covers
- Scientific Calculator
- Headphones

It Matters: Summer Learning

Seven ways to prevent summer reading loss



Your child has worked on strengthening her reading skills all year long. You don't want her to lose them

over the summer! Yet research shows that summer reading loss is a real problem.

Thankfully, there are countless ways you can encourage your child to maintain—and even improve—her reading skills during vacation. You can:

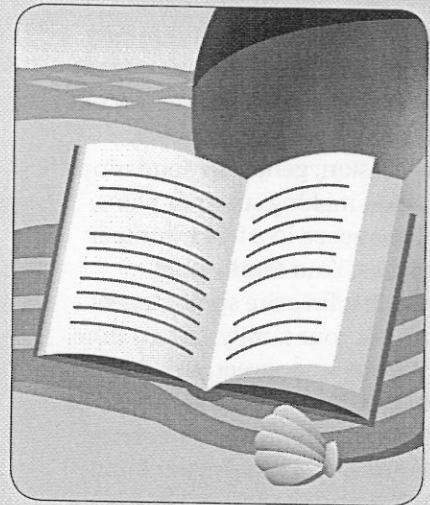
1. **Read together daily.** In addition to reading books, ask for your child's help with following recipes, looking up information online and making lists.
2. **Keep reading materials handy.** Leave comics, magazines, books, newspapers and other materials around the house where your child is likely to pick them up.
3. **Choose irresistible materials.** Look for books and articles about your child's interests, such as sports, art, fashion or even a favorite movie.
4. **Talk with experts.** Ask your child's teacher or a librarian for summer reading suggestions.
5. **Visit the library regularly.** Give your child frequent opportunities to find materials that appeal to her.
6. **Take books with you.** Bring them on trips, into waiting rooms and anywhere else your child might complain, "I'm bored!"
7. **Be creative.** Listen to audio books. Play word games. Visit a museum and read about displays. Start a book club.

Maintain a consistent schedule over the summer months

Summer is a time to relax—but not a time to relax important routines. Routines help your child cooperate, develop responsibility and become self-disciplined. They also make it easier to adjust when school starts again.

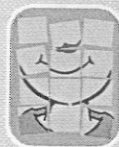
Maintain routines for:

- **Sleep.** During the summer, your child's bedtime and rising time may be later than usual. Once you choose a reasonable sleep schedule, however, stick with it.
- **Reading.** Summer offers extra time for reading. Visit the library weekly and encourage reading every day, including in fun spots, such as the pool or the park.
- **Meals.** Make it a priority to have at least one family meal a day. This is a chance to catch up and enjoy each other's company.



- **Screen time.** Extra free time should not mean more time for TV and video games. Use the guideline recommended by experts—no more than 10 hours of screen time total per week.

Disguise your child's summer learning with fun activities



Many parents admit that "educational activities" aren't at the top of their summer to-do list—even though they know summer learning (or lack of it) can affect school-year success. One solution is to do things that don't feel like learning. You can:

- **Conduct science experiments.** Find the answers to questions like, "What can we add to water to make an egg float?" "What's the best proportion of lemon juice to water for lemonade?" or "How long does it take for an ice

cube to melt on a plate?" Your child can also go online and find more fun experiments to try. A good place to start is www.sciencekids.co.nz/experiments.html.

- **Combine reading and math.** Many board games use word and number skills. Simple tasks, such as following instructions, reading cards, strategizing and counting points are great practice. Consider taking some games outside. Research suggests outdoor greenery can boost attention, mood and creativity!

Calendar Events May 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
					1 Pops Concert, 7:00 p.m. (grades 7-12)	2 Boys Golf Invite 9:00 at Pierce EHC HS Conference Track at Slanton
3	4 JH Track 3:00 at Wisner Preschool Open House 6:00-7:00 p.m.	5 Boys Golf Triangular 2:00 at Neligh FCCLA Banquet 7:00 in Leigh	6 HS track 8:30 at Fullerton	7 Academic Awards Night 7:00 p.m. Boys Golf Invite 9:00 at Battle Creek JH Awards	8 Elementary Teacher Meeting 7:45 a.m. Boys Golf Invite 9:00 at Slanton EHC Conference JH Track meet at Oakland-Craig	9 Graduation 2:00 p.m.
10	11 School Board Meeting Boys Golf EHC Conference Tournament, TBA JH Track 3:00 at Wisner	12 Boys Golf Invite 10:00 at Fullerton	13 Boys Golf Invite 11:00 at Beemer	14 HS District Track, TBA	15 PreK-12 teacher meeting 7:45 a.m.	16
17	18 Boys Golf Districts, TBA	19 High school Finals	20 High school Finals NO ELEMENTARY 1:00 Dismissal	21 HS State Track Meet End of 4th Quarter and 2nd Semester Teacher Workday Last Day of School - 11:30 Dismissal	22 HS State Track Meet	23 HS State Track Meet
24	25	26	27	28 Dance Team Camp State Golf Meet	29 Dance Team Camp State Golf Meet	30
31 Clarkson Historical Museum Open House 11:30-4:00						



**Clarkson Public
Schools
Lunch Menu**
Menu Subject to
change.

**May
2015**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	01	02
03	04	05	06	07	08	09
	B-French toast & sausage L-stromboli	B-pancake sausage stick L-meatball sub	B-chicken patty & bun L-corn dog	B-omelet & sausage L-roasted chicken	B-Clarkson Bakery roll L-calzonette	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	B-tornados L-pork patty	B-pizza L-chicken tenders	B-combos L-picnic lunch	B-hot pockets L-chicken nuggets	B-cook's choice L-cook's choice	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	B-cook's choice L-cook's choice	B-cook's choice L-cook's choice	B-cook's choice L-cook's choice	B-cook's choice NO LUNCH		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	01	02	03	04	05	06

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

Name _____
 Address _____
 City/Zip _____
 Phone _____

Camp- June 8th – June 9th
 Youth Adult
 T-shirt Size **S M L S M L XL**
 Circle one

What grade will you be in next school year?
2 3 4 5 6 7 8
 Circle one

Entry Deadline is Friday, May 22nd please send to:
 Contact Matt Murren or Lee
 Schneider
 Clarkson School
 649 Cherry Street
 Clarkson, NE 68629
 402-892-3454


Please include the \$20.00 fee with your registration and make check payable to Clarkson Girls Basketball
 I give my permission for my son/daughter,

to participate in the 2015 Lil Pats Basketball Camp and acknowledge that he/she is physically able to participate in camp activities. I further acknowledge that as with any physical activity there is a risk of injury. I will not hold the coaching staff or Clarkson/Leigh High School liable in the case of an accident or an injury.

 Parent Signature

THEME DAYS!

(participation optional)
Monday
 Crazy Sock, Head/Arm Band Day
 Favorite Team Jersey Day
Tuesday
 Patriots Day (Red/White/Blue)
 Or
 Camp T-Shirt Day



Keys to Success
Willingness to Learn
Desire to Compete = =
Always Have FUN

P A T H L E T

Shirts cannot be guaranteed if you don't pre-register your child by May 22nd!

Next Year's Grade
2nd-3rd-4th-5th grade – M-T 9:00am-11:00am
6th-7th-8th grade – M-T 11:30am-1:30pm
 Coach Matt Murren and Coach Lee Schneider
 Clarkson High School
 649 Cherry Street
 Clarkson, NE 68629
Phone: 402-892-3454
E-Mail: mmurren@esu7.org
lschneider@esu7.org



**2015
 Lil Pats
 Basketball
 Camp**

June 8th – June 9th
 Clarkson High School
 Clarkson, NE





Future PATS Football Camp

August 5th
Patriot Game Field
In Leigh
6:00
Camp is free. For 3rd-6th
Graders.

T-Shirts \$10



Patriot Pride

Patriot Football is proud to hold our second annual youth football camp. We have great pride in our program and have great pride in our future. Please come and join us for Fundamentals, Football, and Fun!

Send to Jim Clarkson
P.O. Box 140
Clarkson, NE 68629
jclarkson@clarkson.esu7.org

Patriot Football NDCQ



FOOTBALL is BELIEVING.
FOOTBALL is TOTAL COMMITMENT.
FOOTBALL is HARD WORK,
DEDICATION and SELF SACRIFICE.
FOOTBALL is a TEAM that BEATS
with ONE HEART.
FOOTBALL is MUD, SWEAT and DRIVE.
FOOTBALL is WHATEVER it TAKES.
FOOTBALL is WHAT YOU GIVE - 110%.
FOOTBALL is BROTHERHOOD...
ON and OFF the FIELD.
FOOTBALL is FINDING a WAY to WIN
for the HOME CROWD.
FOOTBALL is ONE GOAL.

Name _____

Grade _____

T-Shirt Size
Youth S M L
Adult S M L

Checks Payable to
Clarkson-Leigh Football

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