

# The Red Review

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## From the Administrator's Desk

By Rich Lemburg

I hope everyone's 2019 is off to a great start. I know the students and staff are really looking forward to the Christmas break and I am sure with the longer extended holiday break this school year, everyone will be refreshed and ready to go for the 2nd semester. We had a great first semester and we are hoping to build off that for an even better 2nd semester.

Just a reminder if you have changed any personal information such as cell phone number or email address please update Amy Gurnsey so we can have updated information for school closings, cancellations and other school notices.

As we start the second semester one of the first items we will be doing is setting up schedule for the NSCAS state testing, this year's NSCAS testing dates are March 18-April 26, 2019. Grades 3rd-8th are tested in the areas of English Language Arts and Math with 5th graders and 8th graders also testing in Science. Early in the 2nd semester we will work out a schedule to share with parents to make sure you know when your children will be taking the NSCAS for these different tests so when you are scheduling appointments you are able to avoid certain days.

All juniors across the state are now required by the State Legislature to take the ACT during their junior year to check on college and career readiness. The Juniors will be taking the test on Tuesday, April 2nd and there is no cost for the Juniors for this ACT test as it is mandated as part of our statewide testing structure.

## Notes from the Principal

By: Lee Schneider

Happy New Year! Hope, everyone was able to enjoy their time with their families and enjoyed the Holidays! Now onto the 2nd semester and the 2019 school year. As always, things happen faster and faster and this school year is not exception.

The winter sports season is in full swing and our Patriot athletes will have some holiday competitions over the winter break and will start up early in January. If you haven't I hope everyone tries to make time to come out and support our athletes on the court or on the mat. They put in a lot of work and do a great job of representing our schools!

Keep an eye out as February rolls around because we are looking at having a few changes in some of the testing that we do, specifically MAP testing. You will be hearing more as we get closer to the date.

GO PATS!



**We will see everyone back at school when school resumes on Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>. Have a great winter break!**

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January 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> is Nebraska School Lunch Week. We would like to invite parents, grandparents, and friends to come and join the children for lunch that week. Please let us know if you plan on having lunch by calling the Clarkson High School at 892-3454 by 8:45 the morning you plan to attend. The cost for an adult guest meal is \$3.75 and a child's guest meal is \$2.75. The meals planned for that week are as follows:

Monday – pork patty  
 Tuesday - chicken fajita  
 Wednesday – chicken salad or ham sandwich  
 Thursday – chicken patty on a bun  
 Friday – Philly steak sandwich  
**We hope to see you there!**



By Vicky Miller

¡Hola y feliz navidad! As the classes finished up their last unit and we waited for the time to begin preparing for semester finals, we explored felices fiestas (happy holidays) traditions. Some of our activities included reading holiday cards and making our own holiday messages, attempting to sing along with popular hispanic Christmas carols, watching December commercials and talking about what happens in them or what products/ideas are promoted, investigating winter/Christmas characters from other cultures and comparing them to our own, viewing Hispanic holiday traditions and talking about our own, and only Spanish 2 had enough extra days to include baking and taste testing popular holiday treats from a variety of Spanish-speaking countries. These students all are fabulous chefs! ¡Felices fiestas - and a Happy New Year!



By Jim Clarkson

What an awesome 1st Semester in the Clarkson PE Department. We have covered sports and activities ranging from card games, to off the beaten paths sports like Spikeball or 4-Square, to the mainstream sports of Football and Volleyball. A lot of great learning, mastering of skills and most importantly fun!

Down in the room of Champions (aka the weight room) we got an awesome new toy. That toy is an online-based lifting program. It can be accessed from the computer or the students phone or Ipad. It is more of a fluid program that we got at the start of the 2nd quarter, so there is a lot to learn about it yet but initial results have been very good so we are excited to see where it goes. It is also nice because it tracks the students progress and we have seen some very nice gains in quarter number two.

On the elementary side I would like to thank everyone in advance for any donations to Heart Challenge (formally jump rope for heart). We will be starting this program in January and yes we will still be doing a lot of jump ropes and hoops. Hopefully 2019 will be an amazing year, but first we will finish 2018 with authority.



By: Matt Murren

What a great first semester we had at Clarkson Public Schools in the Business world. The semester flew by but like they always say: "Time flies when you're having fun!" We have some great students in the business courses this year and we've had a blast.

The Multimedia class this year that consists of sophomores and freshmen has done a fantastic job with their productions. Their latest creation was a scary movie about a clown and Halloween. They also created some group infomercials recently as well. We will be releasing our Christmas Comedy shortly so stay tuned! As always, check out our school YouTube: clarksonpublicschool, to find all our videos.

Accounting I finished the accounting cycle for a sole proprietorship. We took a sole proprietorship from start up to completing adjusting entries, making closing entries, and preparing a post-closing trial balance. They are just finishing up their Reinforcement Activity where they work a business's financial activity and come up with all the financial statements. They are doing a fantastic job of working through this activity.

Personal Finance covered a lot of content in the first semester. We talked financial goals, compensation, careers, gross/net pay, banking, insurance, and stocks. We started our Stock Market Game on December 3rd but unfortunately the market hasn't been kind to us over the last few weeks. We also took a field trip down to the Clarkson Bank as we finished the banking section so thank you to James Bunner for the bank tour.

Accounting II is flying through information. We just completed a section with the Statement of Cash Flows. It is fun to see the students continuing to learn new information, as the content gets harder and challenging themselves with the information.



Video Production has created some great work this year. From commercials for local businesses, a hype video for Girls Basketball, or the world famous Clarkson Public Schools Lip Dub, they've done great. They planned out the full lip dub and made sure to include every student in grades Pre-K thru 12. It took some time but overall they did a magnificent job. Be sure to check out our Holiday Newscast that will be released soon.

Junior High Computers trimester class is in full swing. We work a lot of projects in this course that you will be able to see on our school YouTube page. We've completed a stop motion project, infomercial and are currently working on our videos for the Elks Lodge "Say No To Drugs" contest.

I'd like to give a giant Thank You to Noah Holoubek for all the work he has done to make the streaming available at home events. He helped create our school YouTube channel where we stream through and streams almost every home event. He also created a school announcement board app for the lobby TV, which you can see when you visit the school! Thanks also to Brayden Brabec and Korbin Lemburg who do some filming for Noah as the stream goes on.

As always, It's A Great Day To Be A Patriot!



By Jennifer Kappel

Winter break: a good time for college prep! Take advantage of free time over the holidays to do some prep work for college. Here are a few things you can do!

#### Seniors, complete your FAFSA

If you haven't already, complete your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). Need help? Use our free FAFSA Tools or call us to make an appointment for free help:

Omaha - 888.357.6300

Lincoln - 800.303.3745

Kearney - 800.666.3721.

#### Juniors, prepare for the ACT

All Nebraska high school juniors will take the ACT Test this spring. Here's a list of resources to help you prepare. Clarkson Juniors will take the ACT during the school day at school on Tuesday, April 2nd.

#### *Search for scholarships*

Use our free ScholarshipQuest tool to find Nebraska-based awards. You'll also find links to national scholarship sites.

#### *Update your Activities Resume*

Our free Activities Resume is an easy way to track your extracurricular activities, accomplishments, volunteer work, and part-time jobs. The information is then readily available when you apply for scholarships and employment.

#### *Volunteer*

In addition to giving back to your community, your volunteer work can lead to scholarship opportunities. Make sure you track your involvement on your Activities Resume.

#### January "To Do" List

Seniors:

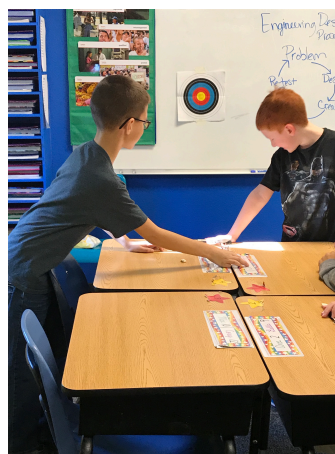
- \_\_\_ If you haven't already, complete the FAFSA.
- \_\_\_ Apply for scholarships; see ScholarshipQuest for Nebraska-based awards.
- \_\_\_ Update your Activities Resume.

Juniors:

- \_\_\_ Update your Activities Resume.
- \_\_\_ Check out ACT prep resources.
- \_\_\_ Register by January 11 for the February 9 ACT.
- \_\_\_ Register by February 8 for the March 9 SAT.

## PEP NEWS

PEP students had a great time launching marshmallow catapults during Junk Drawer Robotics with assistance from Colfax County 4-H Extension Office.



# Clarkson Public School Happenings

(Schedule Subject to Change)

Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup> – Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup> – NO SCHOOL – WINTER BREAK

Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup> – School Resumes

Friday, January 4<sup>th</sup> – Regular Dance Team practice 9:00-11:00 am

JV/Varsity Girls BB vs. East Butler at Clarkson 6:00 pm

Saturday, January 5<sup>th</sup> – Varsity Wrestling tournament at Wisner-Pilger 10:00 am

Marathon BB at Tekamah-Herman 2:00 pm

Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup> – Teacher In-Service – NO School

Dance Camp for PreK-Grade School 1:00-4:00 pm in Clarkson

JV Wrestling invite 4:00 pm at Oakland-Craig

Girls C team BB vs. David City at Clarkson 6:00 pm

Boys C team BB vs. David City at Clarkson 7:00 pm

Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup> – Classes Resume

FLBA Officer meeting 6:30 pm

Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup> – JH Girls BB at Stanton 6:00 pm

JH Boys BB vs. Shelby at Leigh 6:00 pm

Girls and Boys C team BB vs. Columbus Lakeview 6:00/7:00 pm in Clarkson

Friday, January 11<sup>th</sup> – Marathon BB vs. Humphrey St. Francis at Clarkson 4:30

Dance camp to dance at game.

Saturday, January 12<sup>th</sup> – JH Girls BB vs. Howells-Dodge at Leigh 9:00 am

JH Boys BB at Humphrey 9:00 am

Varsity Wrestling tournament at Cross County HS (Stromsburg) 10:00 am

Marathon BB at Pender HS 2:00 pm

Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup> – Elite Dance team competition at Centura

Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup> – Girls & Boys C team BB at Howells 6:30/7:30 pm

School Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> – Varsity Wrestling Double Dual at Hartington CC 5:30 pm

FBLA Chapter meeting 6:30 pm

Elite Dance team practice 7:00-9:00 pm

Wednesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> – Speech meet at Dodge

Thursday, January 17<sup>th</sup> – NO Elementary (K-6<sup>th</sup>) Teacher Workshop

JH Boys BB vs. Columbus Scotus at Leigh 4:30 pm

Marathon BB at Twin River 4:30 pm

Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup> – PreK-12<sup>th</sup> grade Teacher's meeting 7:45 am

Marathon BB vs. Lutheran High NE at Clarkson 4:30 pm

Elite Dance team to perform at game.

Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup> – Speech meet at North Bend

JH Girls BB tournament at Bancroft 9:00 am

Girls & Boys C team BB tournament at Wisner-Pilger 9:00 am

Varsity Wrestling tournament at Neligh-Oakdale 10:00 am

Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup> – Jam the Gym dance at Columbus

Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup> – Friday, January 25<sup>th</sup> – Nebraska School Lunch Week

Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup> – JH Boys BB vs. Howells-Dodge at Dodge 6:00 pm

Girls & Boys C team BB at West Point Beemer HS 6:00/7:00 pm



Tuesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> – Marathon BB vs. Wisner-Pilger 4:30 pm  
 Wednesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> – Speech meet at Howells-Dodge  
 Thursday, January 24<sup>th</sup> – FFA District Livestock Judging at NECC  
     JH Boys BB at Norfolk Catholic 4:30 pm  
 Friday, January 25<sup>th</sup> – EHC Conference Girls BB tournament, TBD  
     Newsletter article deadline  
 Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup> – EHC Conference Boys BB tournament, TBD  
     EHC Conference Wrestling tournament at West Point 9:00 am  
 Monday, January 28<sup>th</sup> – JH Boys BB vs. St. Edward at Leigh 2:30 pm  
     EHC conference Girls BB tournament, TBD  
 Tuesday, January 29<sup>th</sup> – JH Boys BB at Schuyler Middle School 4:30 pm  
     EHC Conference Boys BB tournament, TBD  
 Wednesday, January 30<sup>th</sup> – FCCLA District STAR events at High Plains  
     FFA Night for State Degrees/Proficiency Reviews  
 Thursday, January 31<sup>st</sup> – JH Boys BB at Wayne HS 6:00 pm  
     EHC Conference Girls BB tournament, TBD



Menus are subject to change.

	<b><u>Breakfast</u></b>	<b><u>Lunch</u></b>
January 8	breakfast sausage	pizza
January 9	egg, sausage, & cheese on a biscuit	chicken fried steak
January 10	homemade burrito	hamburgers
January 11	biscuits & gravy	hot dogs
January 14	egg, ham, & cheese on a croissant	spaghetti & meat sauce
January 15	pancake & sausage on a stick	turkey and cheese sandwich
January 16	breakfast mini bagels	Oriental chicken on rice
January 17	breakfast tornados	quesadilla
January 18	oatmeal	hot ham & cheese sandwich
January 21	egg, sausage, & cheese on a bagel	pork patty
January 22	waffle & sausage	chicken fajita
January 23	roller bites	chicken salad croissant or ham sandwich
January 24	breakfast hot pocket	chicken patty sandwich
January 25	Clarkson bakery roll	Philly steak sandwich
January 28	pancake, egg, & sausage	scalloped potatoes and ham casserole
January 29	breakfast pizza	meatball sub
January 30	egg, ham, & cheese English muffin	chicken nuggets
January 31	muffin	Stromboli

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