

The Red Review

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From the Superintendent's Desk

By: Rich Lemburg

As we head into November, I would like to thank everyone for a great first quarter to the 2019-2020 school year. The school year is off to a fantastic start and I truly appreciate the hard work and effort from the students, staff, parents and everyone involved so far this year. It is a great way to begin!

With the changing seasons, I will give the yearly reminders about the upcoming flu season and snow days. Every flu season is unique as when and what type of sicknesses we get hit by. It is important to please remember if your child has been sick with a fever you wait 24 hours after they are fever free (without medication) 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 and other viruses as much as we possibly can at school. We also do extended work at school with cleaning and doing all what we can do stop the spread of any germs.

I also want to inform parents to meet our school's requirements for the state department and health organizations, when you call your child in sick we are required to ask what your child is sick with so we can provide information to help track student absences. It may seem a little strange but there is a reason for the question.

Now the reminder about dealing with inclement weather, it is my belief when making a decision on snow days to err on the side of precaution. There is too much at stake with putting young drivers on the road and asking teachers to drive in from out of town in bad weather. I try and make the call as early as possible to make sure it helps our parents with daycare and their work obligations. 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.

Notes from the Principal

By: Lee Schneider

Hello! 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. I hope that the cold weather stays away as long as possible but each day is an adventure.

With the change of weather, we also will enter into the cold and flu season. Please make sure to notify the school if your student is sick and will not make it to school. It helps us to keep track of why students are gone. We also ask that if your student has a fever, they do not come to school until they are fever free for 24 hours with out medication. That is when a sick kid is the most contagious. Hopefully this is a mild year but with the way things have started it doesn't appear to be heading that way.

Keep an eye out as we enter into our winter sports for 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 in our fall sports in football and volleyball as their "second" or postseason has begun!
Go PATS!

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Spanish News

By Vicki Miller

¡Hola! We have been very busy in the Spanish room, and we are constantly improving our proficiency skills and adjusting our goals.

Spanish 1 just finished a unit called Reflejando en Retratos (Reflecting on Portraits). After studying a little bit about what different colors & objects may represent in (self)portraits of famous Hispanic artists like Frida Kahlo, Diego Rivera, and Botero, students watched a how-to video about drawing faces and tried to draw their own self-portrait with objects that represented something about themselves. Students also drew like Picasso by rolling a dice and following directions to draw each feature to create really silly-looking people. Then they wrote a description of their “Picasso”. We hung up three pictures with a single description and students identified which picture matched the description. I was really impressed by the quality of their self-portraits!



(Here are the autorretratos (self-portraits) that the Spanish 1 class made.)

Spanish 2 is nearing the end of Comparando casas y otros hogares (Comparing houses and other homes). They have looked at some really unique homes such as chozas, homes made out of reeds that float on Lake Titicaca in Bolivia or Spanish castles. They compared features like outlets, mailboxes, toilets, fridges and light switches from a variety of countries and were surprised at how much more similar than different most of them were. They investigated azulejos, little hand-made tiles used to decorate homes and other buildings and made azulejo designs of their own. They compared the mansions of three famous Hispanics. They even looked at several housing problems and creative solutions such as a

neighborhood in Medellin, Colombia where they installed escalators so that the mountainside homes are more accessible. As the unit winds down, they are creating a real estate ad for homes in Spanish-speaking countries.

Spanish 3 is in the Reimaginando la moda (Reimagining fashion) unit. They have been giving their opinion about recent fashion trends, learning a bit about some famous Hispanic designers as well as exploring some other jobs connected to the fashion industry, and comparing Hispanic stores and brands. Soon they will discover a lot about Fashion Week and give their take on it and make a new fashion design of their own combining elements of traditional Hispanic clothing from various Spanish-speaking countries with recent fashion trends. I look forward to seeing what they come up with!

The 8th graders have moved from merely working with a vocab list each week to projects using their vocab. Students chose a Spanish-speaking country and gave a national weather forecast for it. They made videos of their rooms, describing where objects are and what they are like. The 8th graders are currently beginning a zoo animals unit, the most highly-requested topic by junior high students! Since we are approaching the end of our trimester, they will be using a lot of review vocab and listening for new cognates (words that look and/or sound alike in 2 languages) to identify zoo animals. For example, they might be able to identify an eagle by hearing simbolo nacional. ¡Hasta pronto!

Money Raised for Emma Gehring

Clarkson students held a penny drive to benefit Emma Gehring, granddaughter of retired librarian, Maggee Alt. Emma continues to battle a brain tumor and the side effects of her many treatments. National Honor Society students encouraged Patriot Period groups and elementary classes to bring in donations of any amount. In total, \$838.64 was raised for the Emma Gehring family. Thank you to the Clarkson Bank for also donating and contributing to this cause and for counting the change. For updates, please read the emmastrong.com website.



ASVAB, PSAT and Pre-ACT

Juniors took the ASVAB on Tuesday, October 22nd. The ASVAB is the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery test used by the military for potential placement if a student decides to pursue military service. Upon return of the scored test, juniors will also be able to complete a career interest component that is very beneficial for students examining future career options. Parents should watch for these to come home with their son or daughter sometime in November.

Juniors will also be able to take the PSAT on Wednesday, October 30th. This is a voluntary test for students expressing an interest in a four-year college, especially if there is the possibility that the student will want to eventually take the SAT. The SAT serves the same purpose as the ACT but it is structured differently and some colleges have preferences over one test or the other.

Sophomores will be completing On To College test prep the month of November and December to prepare for the Pre-ACT. The Pre-ACT helps sophomores prepare for the mandatory ACT that is taken junior year. The Pre-ACT will be taken in December and gives students a feel for the ACT and the subject tests.

Clarkson-Leigh Music Department

By Cindy Settje

The Music Departments at both Clarkson and Leigh have already been busy this first 9-weeks. The High School groups have been busy at home ballgames with the Band playing for the football games and the Choir singing the National Anthem at a few of the volleyball games. Also in October, Leigh's 7th grader, Alisyn Lich, participated in the Fremont

Middle School Honor Choir. The Honor Choir was under the direction of Jennifer Grenier with guest Clinician, Alex Hoefling.

Mrs. Settje held auditions for 4th and 5th graders who were interested in trying out for the Nebraska All-State Children's Choir. Selected to represent Leigh are Soleece Hill and Addison Held. The Concert will be held during All-State on November 21st in Lincoln, NE, at the Lied Center beginning at 4:00.

Auditions were also held for high school students interested in participating in the East Husker Choral Clinic. Local judges selected students to participate in the honor choir with another set of judges selecting the East Husker Elite group. Special congratulations to Rylee Olson and Drew Beeson who made the Elite 8 Choir and to Mitch Beeson for being selected 1st Alternate. Only 32 students in the entire East Husker Conference were chosen for this honor. Students also selected for the East Husker District Choir were:

Sopranos - Alicia Holmberg, Abbi Brabec, Ashly Guillen, Hazel Mundt, Natalie Brabec, and Joy Mapel

Altos - Rylee Olson, Makenna Held, Lexie Schroeder, Bailie Graybill, Cassie Brabec, and Taya Gross

Tenor - Darian Ober-Brown

Basses - Drew Beeson, Mitch Beeson, Sawyer Kappel, Kyle Holmberg, and Audie Tekjl

We are very proud to have such a large group selected from our choir. The concert will be held on November 4th at Pender High School beginning at 7:00. The entire Clarkson-Leigh choir will also be one of the featured choirs to perform individually that evening. East Husker passes will be accepted to attend the concert.

All music students will also be performing at the Veteran's Day Programs held in both schools on November 11th. Please come support our talented musicians at any or all of these performances. If you are interested in keeping up with the various music activities, please feel free to like our new Clarkson-Leigh Music Facebook page.

Business News

By: Matt Murren

Talk about a fast start to the year! We are flying along in the business world as we integrate new learning techniques and learn new content. We've got a great pace going in the courses as students have done a great job daily in being ready for class and participating in class. Classes become much more fun for everyone involved when discussion happens and we get full interaction!

Accounting I and II are both getting into the meat and potatoes of Accounting. We just got done journalizing and posting transactions in Accounting I. We are now getting into the cash management systems and will be going into adjusting and financial statements after that. In Accounting II we start with a review of the prior year so we have completed that throughout the first four sections. We are now into inventory costing methods and estimating ending inventory. In class, we try to use as many real-life examples to allow students to relate the concepts to the real world.

Personal Finance has so much valuable content that students will encounter throughout their lives. We cover topics such as financial goal setting, gross/net pay, checking account, savings account, taxes, budgeting, investing, insurance, credit and careers. We started this year with financial goal setting to see how much money students will need to have for future goals. We then learn where we will make the money and are now onto our checking and savings sections. We've had great class input so far and look forward to many more great class periods.

Multimedia just moved onto their 1st/3rd person film. It is a great film that the kids produce and cannot wait to see the finished product. They have completed their silent film and documentary so far. Be sure to check it out on our school YouTube channel: clarksonpublicschool. We post these all to our school Facebook page and school website as well.

Our Video Production has been very busy to start the year. We've created Newscast and a song! We are now working on our video for the Elks Contest. Stay tuned for the videos to be uploaded.

Remember to check out our YouTube channel, Clarkson-Leigh Athletics, where all our home events are streamed. To go along with that we created a website to access all of our information at www.clpatsathletics.com. If you go to this site you can find our YouTube channel, access live and past streams, and access all of our athletics calendars.

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

Save Those Coca-Cola Product Lids For FBLA!

Clarkson-Leigh FBLA is still collecting Coca-Cola Product lids! Instead of going out and selling items or asking for donations we will be collecting lids of any kind of Coca Cola products (any pop sold by Coca Cola, Powerade, Gold Peak Tea, Dasani Water, or Minute Maid). All you have to do is save the lids, we do not need the bottles. Also, it doesn't matter on the size of the container it just has to be a Coca Cola product. They also put codes on the boxes from buying them in 12 or 24 packs.

You are probably wondering why we want lids from Coca Products. Every lid has a code on it and for every code/lid we turn in our chapter get 5 cents. To turn in lids you can drop them off at either school in Clarkson (Mr. Murren) or Leigh (Mrs. Sayers), send them in with your kids, or give them to any FBLA member.

Make sure to tell all of your family and friends about this and help out the Clarkson-Leigh FBLA. Also, watch out for us to be renting out seats during football/volleyball/basketball games or even a tire toss or free throw shot during games.

Thank you for all your support,
The Clarkson-Leigh FBLA Chapter



Elementary Spanish

By Brenda Cropp

Halloween is upon us and where has the first semester gone? In our elementary Spanish classes we are celebrating Día de los Muertos. We always color Día de los Muertos skull pictures and display them. We decorate skull cookies, which the students then get to eat and we watch the movie Coco to better understand the holiday.

The 3rd and 4th graders in keyboarding classes are learning keyboarding vocabulary words and they are continuing to learn how to keyboard without looking at the keyboard.

In the 4th and 5th grade writing classes, the students are learning several different types of poetry. They will then write 3 poems, one for Halloween, one for Thanksgiving, and one for Christmas. These poems will be sent to Student Treasures Publishing, where they will be published into a book. The students seem to be very excited about their words being published and I am very proud of them for all their hard work. Have a very safe and happy Halloween.

EducationQuest Foundation College Planning Bulletin

*A monthly college planning guide for
Nebraska high school students*

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 to 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. You'll need it to access and sign the FAFSA. [Click here](#) for instructions.
- Review our [FAFSA Checklist](#) for a list of items to gather before you start the form.
- Complete the FAFSA at fafsa.gov. You may also complete it via the myStudentAid app for iOS and Android.
- For *free* help with the FAFSA, see [FAFSA Tools](#) at EducationQuest.org.

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 with your applications. If not, [here are steps](#) you should take to apply.

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 [Finding the Right Fit section](#) at EducationQuest.org.

This app will help you stay on track to college

Download the EducationQuest app for easy access to tools like *Activities Resume*, *College Profiles*, *College Timeline*, *Reality Check*, and *ScholarshipQuest*. There's also a calendar that will guide you through college-planning steps - and you can personalize it with your own tasks.

Download the app and encourage your friends to do the same!

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.
- ___ Download the [EducationQuest app](#).
- ___ [Register](#) by November 8 for the December 7 SAT.
- ___ [Register](#) by November 8 for the December 14 ACT.

Juniors...complete these tasks:

- ___ Research colleges that interest you.
- ___ Take a prep course for the ACT college entrance exam.
- ___ Download the [EducationQuest app](#).

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Clarkson Public School Happenings

(Schedule Subject to Change)

Friday, November 1st – NO SCHOOL – FALL BREAK

Monday, November 4th - Conference Honor Choir at Pender, Concert at 7:00 pm

Tuesday, November 5th – FCCLA meeting 6:15 pm in Leigh

Wednesday, November 6th – Football Playoffs 2nd round

Thursday, November 7th – Dance team practice 5:30-7:00 am in Leigh

Volleyball State Championships in Lincoln

Friday, November 8th - Volleyball State Championships in Lincoln

Saturday, November 9th - Volleyball State Championships in Lincoln

Monday, November 11th – Veteran’s Day Program 1:30 pm in the new gym.

School Board meeting 6:00 pm

Tuesday, November 12th – Football playoffs

Thursday, November 14th – Dance team practice 5:30-7:00 am in Clarkson

Friday, November 15th – PreK-12th grade teacher’s meeting 7:45 am

JH Wrestling David City Invite 4:00 pm

Monday, November 18th – Football playoffs

Start of Winter sports practice

Tuesday, November 19th – 8th graders to visit NECC

Thursday, November 21st – Dance team practice 5:30-7:00 am in Clarkson

JH Wrestling Newman Grove Invite 3:00 pm

Saturday, November 23rd – JH Wrestling Howells-Dodge Invite 9:00 am

JH Girls BB tournament at Humphrey High 9:00 am

Monday, November 25th – Football State Championships in Lincoln

Tuesday, November 26th – Football State Championships in Lincoln

BB Jamboree game at Wynot 6:00 (Girls Varsity to play followed by Boys Varsity)

Wednesday, November 27th – Friday, November 29th – NO SCHOOL – THANKSGIVING BREAK

A graphic for Thanksgiving Break featuring a cartoon turkey on the left and the words "Thanksgiving Break" in a large, bubbly, orange-to-yellow gradient font on the right. The background is a light gray and white checkerboard pattern.

Thanksgiving Break

NO SCHOOL - NOVEMBER 27th - 29th



November Menu
Menus are subject to change.

	Breakfast	Lunch
November 1	No School Fall Break	
November 4	Muffin	Pork Steak on a Bun
November 5	Egg, Sausage, & Cheese on a Biscuit	Hamburger on a Bun
November 6	Waffle and Ham Slice	Chicken Tenders
November 7	Breakfast Sausage	Chicken & Rice Bake
November 8	Breakfast Empanadas	Biscuits and Gravy for Lunch
November 11	French Toast and Sausage	Taco Salad
November 12	Homemade Burrito	Chicken & Gravy on a Biscuit
November 13	Donut	Sub Sandwich
November 14	Breakfast Pizza	Thanksgiving Meal
November 15	Egg, Ham, & Cheese on a Bagel	Calzone
November 18	Breakfast Combos	Cheese Crunchers
November 19	Pancake and Sausage	Cheeseburger Casserole
November 20	Roller Dogs	Breaded Chicken Patty on a Bun
November 21	Omelet and Ham	Grilled Cheese or Chicken Salad Sandwich
November 22	Clarkson Bakery	Corn Dogs
November 25	Yogurt Parfait	Oriental Chicken and Rice
November 26	Egg, sausage, cheese & English Muffin	Pizza
November 27	No School HAPPY THANKSGIVING	

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