

The Red Review

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From the Superintendent's Desk

By: Rich Lemburg

Now that the first quarter is behind us, I want to thank everyone for a great start to the 2026–27 school year. With all of the construction, classroom and office moves, and the sharing of spaces, it has certainly been a unique and memorable first quarter! I appreciate the patience, flexibility, and cooperation of our students and staff as we continue to work through the changes taking place at Clarkson Public Schools.

I always look forward to November because it is my favorite month of the year. I am a big fan of Thanksgiving—not just for the food, but also for the time spent with family and the spirit of gratitude that comes with it. I have always believed in staying optimistic and enjoying life, and Thanksgiving serves as a great reminder to pause and appreciate the people in our lives and everything we have to be thankful for.

As we move into November, we are also preparing for the colder part of the school year. Please make sure your children are dressed appropriately for riding the bus, playing outside during recess, and participating in other outdoor activities. Our elementary teachers will try to take advantage of opportunities for sledding when the snow arrives, so it is important that students are prepared to enjoy those experiences as well!

A yearly reminder about inclement weather and snow says as we head into the colder months, I want to share my annual reminder about inclement weather and snow days. When making decisions about school closures, I always choose to err on the side of caution. There is simply too much at stake when considering student drivers on the roads and staff members commuting from out of town in potentially hazardous conditions. I do my best to make these decisions as early as possible so parents have time to make arrangements for childcare and work obligations.

While I understand that school cancellations can create challenges for families, student and staff safety will always be my top priority.

As always, if we decide to hold school and you still have concerns about your child's safety because

of road or weather conditions in your area, please feel free to keep your child home for the day.

We understand that conditions can vary from one location to another, and you know your family's situation best.

Thank you again for your continued support, patience, and understanding as we work through an exciting year of changes at Clarkson Public Schools. I hope everyone has a wonderful November and enjoys time with family and friends as we approach Thanksgiving!

Happy Thanksgiving and Go Yotes!!

Notes From the Principal

By: Lee Schneider

It is hard to believe how quickly the school year is moving! Sweater and stocking cap season is here, so please make sure your children are dressed appropriately for their commute to school and outdoor recess as temperatures continue to drop.

As we wrap up fall sports, we are proud of our Coyote athletes and the hard work and dedication they showed throughout the season. Thank you to our coaches, families, and fans for supporting our students and helping create so many great memories!

Winter sports are just around the corner, so watch for schedule updates and changes. Check the school website and Facebook page for the latest game times and locations. We look forward to cheering on our Coyotes this season!

Construction on our school addition continues, and it is exciting to see the project taking shape. Our students and staff have done a great job adapting to multiple classroom moves, and we appreciate everyone's patience and flexibility. We're glad we got to share the old elementary building coming down with all students and staff.

Thank you to our students, staff, families, and community for your continued support and commitment to Clarkson Public Schools. Together, we are creating exciting opportunities for our students and building a bright future for our school. Go Yotes!

OCTOBER COYOTES OF CHARACTER RECIPIENTS



Ella Rolf



Brooklyn Konwinski



Nicholas Eagle



Student Section



Presley Wasser



Bailey Rios



Student Section

Clarkson Public School's National Honor Society is again collecting items for the Christmas for the Troops program with Pinnacle Bank in Columbus. If you would like to donate, items can be dropped off at the school before November 10th. If you have a family member in the service and would like them to receive a care package, please reach out to the school or Pinnacle Bank as soon as possible.



HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

Each year, Pinnacle Bank in Columbus, Nebraska, have the pleasure of organizing this annual holiday care package drive for our troops.

PROVIDE FINANCIAL SUPPORT

- Each box costs up to \$50 to send so any monetary contribution goes a long way.
- We also use extra monetary donations to purchase additional items as needed.

DONATE NEEDED ITEMS

Each box is carefully crafted to provide personal care, food and miscellaneous items while adhering to strict shipping restrictions and tariffs.

- Order gifts from our Amazon Registry for direct delivery:
- Amazon Gift Registry: bit.ly/4n2Lh5s
- Or shop for the items listed on the back of this page.
- Shop the list of items on the back of this page and drop off at Pinnacle Bank in Columbus by November 10.

SUBMIT NAMES

- Share the name of a service member and the address where they will be located from Thanksgiving to Christmas by November 2, 2026.

CONTACT OUR TEAM For more information or to coordinate pick up of your donation, call 402.562.9713 or email ChristmasForOurTroops@pinnbank.com.

**MAKE A
DONATION
SEPT. 11-
NOV. 10**

**SHOP OUR
REGISTRY**



2026 NEEDED DONATIONS:

FOOD ITEMS:

- ☐ Cereal (1.09 oz)
- ☐ Cookies (0.78 oz, 1.9 oz package)
- ☐ Drink Mixes (individual packets - 0.08 oz, 1.7 oz)
- ☐ Fruit Snacks (0.8 oz)
- ☐ Granola Bars (1.2 oz - 1.48 oz)
- ☐ Hot Chocolate Mix Packets (1.38 oz)
- ☐ Jerky (0.625 oz)
- ☐ Oatmeal Packets (7 oz)
- ☐ Pringles (3.97 oz)
- ☐ Microwave Popcorn (3 oz)
- ☐ To-Go Peanut Butter (0.75 oz)
- ☐ Pop Tart Bites (1.4 oz)
- ☐ Rice Krispie Treats (0.78 oz)

FOOD ITEMS (CONT.):

- ☐ Ramen Cups - Chicken, Beef, Shrimp (3 oz)
- ☐ Sunflower Seeds (2.75 oz)
- ☐ Trail Mix (2 oz)

PERSONAL CARE ITEMS:

- ☐ Bath Loofah (0.125 oz)
- ☐ Body Wash (1.8 oz)
- ☐ Deodorant (1.7 oz, 2.6 oz)
- ☐ Gold Bond Powder (1 oz)
- ☐ Lotion (1 oz)
- ☐ Q-Tips (Travel Size - 30 Count)
- ☐ Disposable Razors

Highlighted items most needed.

DROP OFF YOUR DONATIONS BY NOVEMBER 10 AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

COLUMBUS 210 E. 23rd St. 402.562.8936 • 2661 33rd Ave., 402.562.8935

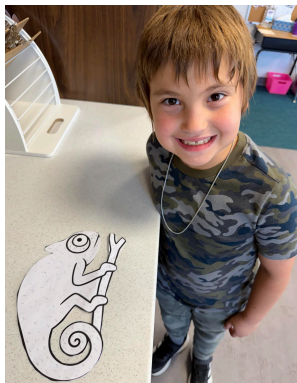
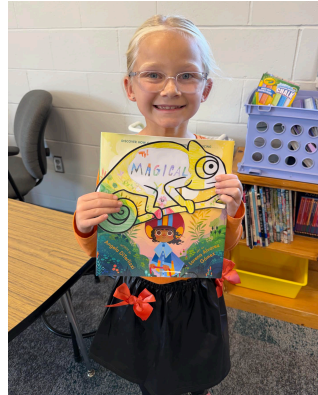
3rd Grade News

By Mrs. Abby Gall

I'm thrilled to share what our third graders have been exploring in science and math this month! This quarter, our classroom has been buzzing with curiosity as students learn about the wonders of camouflage in nature and dive into new multiplication strategies.

Science Spotlight: Camouflage in Nature - In science, we're learning about **camouflage** and how animals use it to blend into their environments for protection. Students are discovering the different types of camouflage, such as **color matching, mimicry, and blending colors**. Through hands-on activities, like creating camouflage designs for chameleons they hid within the classroom, students are seeing how camouflage can help animals hide from predators.

Math Focus: Associative Property of Multiplication - In math, we've been mastering **multiplication** using the **Associative Property**! This property tells us that the way numbers are grouped doesn't change the product; for example, $(2 \times 3) \times 4 = 2 \times (3 \times 4)$. Through games and group practice, students are learning how to make multiplication more doable by rearranging factors.



Preschoolers Field Trip to Poppy's Pumpkin Patch

By Mrs. Steph Rolf

Thirty preschool students had an unforgettable adventure at Poppy's Pumpkin Patch! The day was filled with laughter, excitement, and plenty of fun as the children zoomed down the big slides, soared across the zipline, bounced on the pumpkin jump, and explored the corn pit. They worked together as they made their way through the corn maze and had so much fun visiting all of the friendly animals. It was such a fun fall day filled with smiles, exploration, and lots of memories! A huge thank you to all of the parents who joined us and helped out! Your support and participation helped make the day run smoothly and made this adventure extra special for our preschoolers. We are so thankful for you!



1st Grade News

By Mrs. Karly Gall

It's hard to believe the first quarter has already come to an end! Our first graders have grown so much academically and socially, and we're so proud of all their hard work. October was full of learning and fun, from mastering addition and subtraction strategies to writing complete sentences, exploring fall in science, and celebrating Halloween together. We also enjoyed learning about fire safety during Fire Prevention, watching the demolition of our old elementary building, and getting to see our new playground being built right outside our classroom windows! It's been so exciting to watch these changes happening in our school community.

As we head into Quarter 2 and November, we'll be focusing on reading comprehension, place value in math, and learning about family traditions and gratitude as the Thanksgiving holiday approaches. Please continue reading at home each night and sending jackets for chilly days.



Kindergarten News

By Ms. Breanna Ruwe

It's hard to believe the first quarter has already come to an end! Our kindergartners have had an excellent start to the school year, spending the past few months learning, growing, and building strong friendships. We enjoyed spending time with our older students while completing a fun pumpkin activity! 🍁 It's always so exciting to see the connections and friendships that develop between our older and younger students. These moments make learning together extra special!

In addition to these special events, our students have been making great strides in both math and reading. Each day, they continue building confidence in their reading skills, which is exciting to see! Math is always a favorite part of the day as we continue to learn through games. Their curiosity, enthusiasm, and hard work shine through every day.

As we move into the second quarter, we look forward to continuing our learning journey together. We also invite family and community members to join us as guest readers. We always love welcoming new faces into the classroom. Here's to another fantastic month of learning and growth ahead!



Clarkson Public School Happenings

(Schedule Subject to Change)

(Please visit clarksonpublicschools.org for most up to date information.)

Monday, November 2nd - Juniors ACT Test Prep
Conference Honor Choir at Bancroft
Middle school students to attend the UNL Sportsmanship Pep Rally

Tuesday, November 3rd - FFA LDE work night 6:00-8:00 pm
Sophomores PreACT

Wednesday, November 4th - 10:00 late start - No AM Preschool - Teacher In-Service
VB State Championships

Thursday, November 5th - Staff Flu Shots 7:30 - 8:00 am
VB State Championships

Friday, November 6th - Juniors ACT Test Prep
VB State Championships

Saturday, November 7th - VB State Championships

Monday, November 9th - Juniors ACT Test Prep
PTA meeting at City Hall 5:30 pm

Tuesday, November 10th - FFA District Livestock Judging in Wahoo

Wednesday, November 11th - Veteran's Day Program at 1:30 pm in the new gym.
School Board Meeting in school library 6:00 pm

Thursday, November 12th - Juniors ACT Test Prep
Student Health Screenings beginning at 8:30 am

Friday, November 13th - JH Wrestling: at David City Invite 4:30 pm

Monday, November 16th - JH Girls Basketball: at Shelby-RC (Shelby) 4:00 pm
Juniors ACT Test Prep

Tuesday, November 17th - Conference One Act at Madison
Platte Valley Tech Day 8:00-2:00 pm for FFA

Wednesday, November 18th - Juniors ACT Test Prep
Revolution Assembly grades 7-12

Thursday, November 19th - JH Wrestling: at Newman Grove Tournament 4:00 pm
Juniors ACT Test Prep

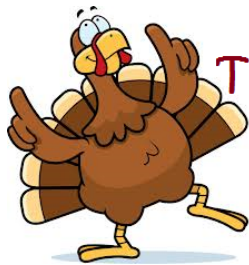
Saturday, November 21st - JH Boys Wrestling: at Howells-Dodge Tournament 9:00 am

Sunday, November 22nd - One Act Public Performance 6:30 pm

Monday, November 23rd - FCCLA Commissioner's Recognition at Lincoln

Wednesday, November 25th - Friday, November 27th - No School - Thanksgiving Break

Monday, November 30th - One Act Districts at Leigh
Varsity Girls & Boys Basketball: Jamboree at Wynot 5:30/7:00 pm
JH Wrestling Tournament at Neligh-Oakdale in Neligh 3:00 pm



Thanksgiving Break
No School

NO SCHOOL
Wednesday, November 25th -
Friday, November 27th

November Weekly Menu

**Monday
2nd**

Breakfast- Fruit Frudel
Lunch- Cheeseburger on a Bun,
Baked Beans
Salad Bar & Fruit



**Tuesday
3rd**

Breakfast- Pancakes & Meat
Lunch- Pepperoni Pizza, Broccoli
Salad Bar & Fruit



**Wednesday
4th**

Breakfast- late start--NO BREAKFAST
Lunch- Chicken Leg, Mashed Taters,
Cheesy Green Beans, Dinner Roll
Salad Bar & Fruit



**Thursday
5th**

Breakfast- Burrito
Lunch- Nacho Fries, Cinnamon Donut,
Salad Bar & Fruit



**Friday
6th**

Breakfast- Combos
Lunch- Scalloped Potatoes w/ Ham,
Dinner Roll
Salad Bar & Fruit



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November Weekly Menu

**Monday
9th**

Breakfast- Fruit Pastry
Lunch- Chicken Fajita Taco,
Refried Beans, Mini Long John
Salad Bar & Fruit



**Tuesday
10th**

Breakfast- French Toast & Meat
Lunch- Grilled Cheese or Chicken
Salad Sandwich, Creamy Potato Soup,
Salad Bar & Fruit



**Wednesday
11th**

Breakfast- Yogurt Parfait or
Apple Nachos
Lunch- Pork Patty on a Bun,
Baked Beans,
Salad Bar & Fruit



**Thursday
12th**

Breakfast- Breakfast Pizza
Lunch- Oriental Chicken, Crab Ragoon,
Fried Rice
Salad Bar & Fruit



**Friday
13th**

Breakfast- Breakfast Round
Lunch- Chicken Bacon Ranch Flatbread,
Cheesy Broccoli
Salad Bar & Fruit



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**Monday
16th**

Breakfast- Combos
Lunch- Hot Dog on a Bun,
French Fries,
Salad Bar & Fruit



**Tuesday
17th**

Breakfast- French Toast & Meat
Lunch- Thanksgiving Dinner



**Wednesday
18th**

Breakfast- Donut
Lunch- Salisbury Steak,
Baker Potatoes, Dinner Roll,
Salad Bar & Fruit



**Thursday
19th**

Breakfast- Breakfast
Sandwich
Lunch- Chicken Sandwich,
Baked Beans,
Salad Bar & Fruit



**Friday
20th**

Breakfast- Uncrustable
Lunch- Soft Taco,
Refried Beans,
Cinnamon Roll
Salad Bar & Fruit



November Weekly Menu

**Monday
23rd**

Breakfast- Empanada
Lunch- Hot Ham & Cheese
Sandwich, Fries,
Salad Bar & Fruit



**Tuesday
24th**

Breakfast- French Toast & Meat
Lunch- Deli Sandwich,
Potato Chips
Salad Bar & Fruit



**Wednesday
25th**

NO SCHOOL



**Thursday
26th**

NO SCHOOL

Happy
Thanksgiving



**Friday
27th**

NO SCHOOL



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