



Dallas Center-Grimes Community School

Mustang Monthly



“Empowering Students to Take Charge of Their Future!”

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Letter from the Superintendent

Dear DC-G Family,

With the recent events throughout our nation, I would like to take time to reassure the DC-G families of the security procedures and protocols in place throughout our district. Whenever students or staff report an incident, we collaborate with principals and if necessary, law enforcement to assess the threat level and determine the best course of action to keep students and staff safe.

Our district has taken steps in the past few years to enhance our safety provisions. We have contracted with Employee Family Resources (EFR) for additional counseling. We have also made changes to our facilities that increase security. Building doors remain locked during school hours, and our schools utilize a buzz-in system for visitors. Three of our elementaries have magnetic strips, which can be used in a situation when a door needs to be locked quickly. Other buildings have doors that can be locked from the inside. We have updated the security cameras at Meadows and High School, providing us multiple views of inside and outside the buildings.

The district’s safety committee meets on a regular basis throughout the year. This year the group reviewed and updated our crisis plan. They have also assured that each staff member and substitute teacher were given an ID Badge that they are expected to wear regularly, and made sure that each building was completing their emergency drills in a timely manner.

The crisis plan is frequently reviewed and amended through the district’s safety committee and administrative team. In addition, safety drills are implemented at each building to allow students and staff to practice response time and processes in the event of an emergency.

The best strategy for safety is to remain vigilant in our classrooms, schools, and community. We encourage our staff and students to communicate any suspicious activity. The answers to this problem are complex as they seem to be a societal problem. Mental health, emotional dysfunction, anger, and isolation are part of our world today. The safety of our students and staff in the DC-G District is our primary concern; therefore, it is important that we continue to have dialogue, practice our safety procedures, and communicate to parents about the extensive measure our school has in place to address the needs of all children. In the April issue of the Mustang Monthly we will be reviewing our safety procedures with families and community members. I invite you to reach out to me at sgrimes@dc-grimes.k12.ia.us. If you would like to discuss this topic further.

Sincerely,
Scott Grimes
Superintendent

School Schedule at a Glance

Wednesday, April 11th- 1:00 p.m. Early Dismissal for Professional Development
Monday, April 23rd- No School



DC-G Students Win National Competition

Adam Koch and Tyler Cooney will receive \$5,000 from C-SPAN for their Grand Prize documentary, “Old Enough to Fight, Old Enough to Vote.”

C-SPAN announced the winners of the national 2018 StudentCam documentary competition awarding a total of \$100,000 in cash prizes to winning documentaries. Each year since 2006, C-SPAN partners with its local cable television providers in communities nationwide to invite middle and high school students to produce short documentaries about a subject of national importance. This year students addressed the theme, “The Constitution & You: Choose a provision of the U.S. Constitution and create a video illustrating why it's important to you.”

C-SPAN received a record 2,985 video submissions from over 5,700 students in 46 states and Washington, D.C. Students across the country engaged in conversation on the local level with elected officials, experts, community leaders and educators to explore how national issues impact their daily lives.

High School in Grimes, Iowa (Mediacom). Their winning documentary will air on C-SPAN at 6:50 a.m. ET and throughout the day on April 22.

The annual competition is sponsored by the C-SPAN Education Foundation. Videos were evaluated by a panel of educators and C-SPAN representatives based on the thoughtful examination of the competition’s theme, quality of expression, inclusion of varying sides of the documentary’s topic, and effective incorporation of C-SPAN programming.

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Class of 2014 Cumulative Records

It is time to clean out the storage room and cumulative records! The school keeps and maintains permanent records on every student forever, but only keeps cumulative records for three years. We will be disposing of cumulative records for the 2014 graduation year. If you or your student graduated in 2014 and would like your cumulative record, you may pick it up at the high school office. Please call the high school office at 515-986-9747. Any cumulative records remaining by spring of 2018 will be destroyed.

Nondiscrimination Statement (Continuous)

It is the policy of the Dallas Center-Grimes Community School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, age (for employment), marital status (for programs), or socioeconomic status (for programs) in admission or access to, or treatment in, its programs and activities or hiring and employment practices. There is a grievance procedure for processing complaints of discrimination. Any person having inquiries concerning the school district's compliance with the regulations implementing Title VI, Title VII, Title IX, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), § 504 or Iowa Code § 280.3 is directed to contact the district Equity Coordinator: Mrs. Angela Dvorak, Director of Student Services, 1414 Walnut St. Suite 200, Dallas Center, Iowa 50063, telephone: 515-992-3866, email advorak@dc-grimes.k12.ia.us who has been designated by the school district to coordinate the school district's efforts to comply with the regulations implementing Title VI, Title VII, Title IX, the ADA, § 504 and Iowa Code §280.3.

Director of the Office for Civil Rights U.S. Department of Education, Citigroup Center, 500 W. Madison Street, Suite 1475, Chicago, IL 60661-7204, Telephone: (312) 730-1560 Facsimilia: (312) 730-1576, Email: OCR.Chicago@ed.gov

Iowa Sex Offender Registry

Many communities in Iowa, including Dallas Center and Grimes, have residents living in the community that are on the Iowa Sex Offender Registry. We are aware of residents living in Grimes and in Dallas Center that are on the sex offender register, although we no longer receive any official notification. We want to make you are aware of the situation so you can discuss it with your child(ren).

The sex offender register is available online at <http://www.iowasexoffender.com/>. Parents are encouraged to be aware of this information by accessing this website. If you do not have access to the Internet, or need assistance in accessing this information, please contact 515-992-3866. If you are unable to access this information, we will provide the information verbally or send copies of the information in the mail.

Please be aware that this notification is to serve only as a means for the public to protect themselves. Any action taken by anyone against these individuals, including vandalism of property, verbal or written threat of physical harm, or physical assault against these individuals or their family can result in arrest and prosecution.

Student Assistance Program

Free, confidential program for DC-G students! The Student Assistance Program has counselors available 24 hours/day and seven days a week for a phone consultation and extensive hours for in person sessions. A student and/or their parents can make the contact that allows for three visits per year per issue. Call 515-244-6090.

Dallas Center-Grimes Community Schools Offices

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HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Academy Awards

The 24th Annual Academy Awards will be held on Wednesday, April 25th at 6:30 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. This event allows High School staff to recognize students in grades 10-12 for the gifts and talents they contribute to our school on a daily basis.

Each department at DC-G High School will be nominating five students per grade using the following criteria:

- Character
- Attitude
- Aptitude & Future Plans
- Attendance
- Grades in Specific Content Courses

Please join us for this exciting event where we can celebrate the many successes of our Dallas Center-Grimes High School students!

Spring Plant Sale

It's almost time to start planting! The DC-G Horticulture Class will be selling a variety of class-raised vegetables, flowers, hanging basket, and house plants on May 3, 4 and 7 from 3:45 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Greenhouse (behind the high school). Bedding plants, tomato and pepper plants, vegetables, succulents, and more for sale at great prices! Remember, Mother's Day is right around the corner on May 13th! Please contact Mr. Harwood at धारwood@dc-grimes.k12.ia.us with any questions.



Students of the Month

High School staff members are proud to recognize students who deserve to be celebrated for the work they are doing in class. Students below were selected for qualities such as leadership, work ethic, and peer support during the month of November.

Agriculture: Zane Mulder
Art: Rowan Collins
Band: Rachel Ihde
Business: Jaxon Gambrall
Family & Consumer Science: Caleigh Allen
Industrial Technology: Nicholas Towne
Language Arts: Deanna Channell
Math: Grace Pion
Physical Education: Noah Charlson
Science: Cody Hall
Social Studies: Austin James
Vocal: Sarah Frett
World Language: Savanna Smith

Congratulations to these students for all of their hard work!

Prom 2018 "Golden Meadows"

Preparations have been underway since last fall for the 2018 Prom to be held on Saturday, April 21st. With the convenience of having an on-site location for the dance, we have decided to come together as a group to transform Meadows into "Golden Meadows." The Grand March will be held in Meadows Gym at 5:00 p.m. Students will be able to have formal pictures taken at this time. All those attending Grand March to view the couples can give donations at the door.

After Spring Break, students will sign up for Prom and After Prom. As always, all students need to sign up before attending. This needs to be done by April 7th. Any guests who are being accompanied by a student outside of the DC-G School District will need to bring an ID the evening of Prom. No students over the age of 21 will be allowed to attend.

As always, we are looking for parent volunteers. Stuart Alexander Productions will be helping to decorate the Meadows Commons. We will need help setting up decorations Friday night starting at 4:00 p.m. and taking down decorations beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, April 24th. Please contact Amanda Berkley at aberkeley@dc-grimes.k12.ia.us if you are interested in helping!



Engaging Lessons

Relating lessons to real-world scenarios is a great way to engage students in dialogue and work on their problem-solving skills. AP Comp students have been having high level conversations about the standards of poverty. Is there a solution to the problem?

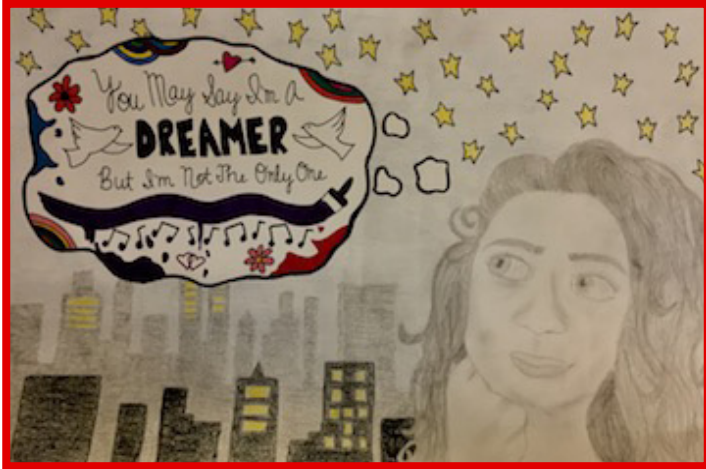
Other high school students have been learning about digital citizenship, an increasingly important topic in today's digital world. It can be insightful to take a look at the digital footprint we are leaving and what our own online presence looks like.



MEADOWS NEWS

Artist of the Month

The April Meadow's Art Spotlight is a self-portrait created by America Petatan. She did a great job of using a meaningful song lyric, then creating a facial expression and background that all ties together to tell a story about herself. Great work, America!



Building Relationships Throughout Our Community

Dallas Center-Grimes Meadows and North Ridge Elementary students are working on writing creative stories with residents at Kennybrook. On Friday, May 4th students will be celebrating their work, reading the tall tales to the residents, and giving the residents a copy of their story.



Students Writing for GVSS

Grimes Volunteer Support Services is a volunteer organization in town. They provide needed services without charge to individuals in the Grimes area assisting them to remain in their home. They have a monthly newsletter that is sent out to all of the volunteers and members of the organization. Each newsletter includes a spotlight about volunteers in the organization.

Meadows students have written many of the spotlights featured this year. Students have the opportunity to interview the volunteers and create a feature column that highlights their work with the organization as well as some information about themselves. This provides students the opportunity to create work that is published each month.



MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

DC-G Student Named Iowa's National Geographic State Bee

DC-G Middle school student, Dante' Chittenden, has been notified by the National Geographic Society that he is one of the semifinalists eligible to compete in the 2018 Iowa's National Geographic State Bee. The contest will be held at the campus of University of Northern Iowa on Friday, April 6, 2018.

This is the second level of the National Geographic Bee competition, which is now in its 30th year. School Bees were held in schools with fourth- through eighth-grade students throughout the state to determine each school champion. School champions then took a qualifying test, which they submitted to the National Geographic Society. The National Geographic Society has invited up to 100 of the top-scoring students in each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Department of Defense Dependents Schools and U.S. territories to compete in the State Bees.

To celebrate the 30th annual National Geographic Bee, the cash prize for the top three students in each state has doubled. Each state champion will receive \$200, the National Geographic Visual Atlas of the World, 2nd Edition and a trip to Washington, D.C., to represent their state in the National Geographic Bee Championship May 20-23, 2018. Students that come in second place will receive \$150, and those that come in third will receive \$100. The first-place national champion will receive a \$50,000 college scholarship, a lifetime membership in the Society, including a subscription to National Geographic magazine, and an all-expenses-paid Lindblad expedition to the Galápagos Islands aboard the new National Geographic Endeavour II. Second and third-place finishers will receive \$25,000 and \$10,000 college scholarships, respectively.

Congratulations to Dante' for making it this far in the competition and goodluck as he continues! National Geographic will stream the final round of the National Geographic Bee Championship starting May 24, 2018, at www.natgeobee.org.

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

ISU Field Trip

Sixth and seventh grade ELP students recently attended STEM Day at Iowa State University as part of Engineering Week. The students were greeted by college students upon arrival and were introduced to a variety of design challenges. Accompanied by Ms. Kluender, they went straight into Design Challenge One, which was to build the tallest tower they could with a limited amount of paper and tape.

Our ELP students then saw a presentation using ISU's Virtual Reality program. This included a demo of a John Deere combine and a Boeing airplane on an aircraft carrier. The students especially enjoyed being able to experience the presentation in a college lecture hall.

Design Challenge Two was to build a bridge out of straws and tape. DC-G students excelled, taking first and second place. Students were then shown science experiments performed by a professor and ISU chemistry students. All demonstrations showed different chemical reactions.

Design Challenge Three required students to think about acceleration and problem solving by making a rocket with a balloon and a plastic bag. Lastly, the students were able to build a helicopter out of paper and predict how long it would take to get to the ground. DC-G students had a great time learning about the many STEM programs ISU has to offer!



Next Generation Science Standards

DC-G Middle School science teachers have been working on implementing Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) in class and in professional development this year.

While students in Mr. Jaspering's and Ms. Scott's 7th grade science classes were learning about the nervous system, an interesting headline appeared in the news stating that despite their different colors, Skittles actually are all flavored the same. Some articles suggested that the Skittles are actually scented differently, but contain the same flavor. Other headlines went on to say that although most gummy candies have different colors, they are also all flavored the same. Since we were learning about the senses, we decided to have the students test out this theory.

Students were given skittles, gummy bears, and a blindfold. They designed and conducted their own experiments. After completing the experiment, the results were compiled. Based on their data, 25% of 7th grade students believe all Skittles taste the same while 75% believe they taste differently. On the other hand, the gummy bears produced different results; 49.7% of the students believe gummy bears are flavored the same while 50.3% believe they are different. The students had a great time doing this NGSS inquiry lab. Try it out yourself and see what your results are!



Band and Choir Solo Contest

Congratulations to the sixth grade band and choir students on an excellent Solo Contest, held at DC-G MS on Tuesday, February 27th. The Outstanding Choir Performance(s) in Centers were: Colin O'Bryne (Solo), Vanessa Bickford (Solo), and Shae Allers & Izzy Pullen (Duet). The Outstanding Band Performance(s) in Centers were: Colin O'Bryne (Percussion), Jack Crilly (Trumpet), Emily Henigan (Trumpet), & Jenna Kalk (Clarinet). What a wonderful night of musical talent. Congratulations to all who performed!



ELEMENTARY NEWS

2018 Jump Rope for Heart

DC-G Elementary students in first through fifth grade recently participated in Jump Rope for Heart during their physical education classes. Jump Rope for Heart is a nationwide event in which students learn about the benefits of regular physical activity and heart health while they raise funds to support vital research and educational programs. The money raised will help people in our community learn how to avoid heart disease and stroke and live longer, healthier lives. This year, students raised over \$14,000 for the American Heart Association. Thank you to the students, parents, relatives, and friends who supported and contributed to this event!

Dallas Center Elementary Vocal Concert

Dallas Center Elementary fourth and fifth grade students will perform Broadway Beat on Thursday, April 5th at 7:00 p.m. Students will perform a variety of musical theater songs from the 1920's to today. The sounds of Broadway will be on display in Dallas Center Elementary Gym. Students are encouraged to dress up in a nice outfit for this performance.

Heritage Elementary Vocal Concert

The members of the 2017-18 Heritage Elementary fourth and fifth grade classes would like to invite you to their upcoming music program entitled "Broadway Beat".

Students will be celebrating celebrating some of the musical highlights of theatre, with excerpts spanning over a century of song and dance. Students will be performing favorites from musicals such as Hairspray, The Music Man, Wicked, Rent, and Grease. These are the sounds that dreams are made of. These are the sounds of Broadway!

The program will be held on Thursday, April 5th at 6:30 p.m. in the Heritage Elementary Gym. We look forward to seeing you there!

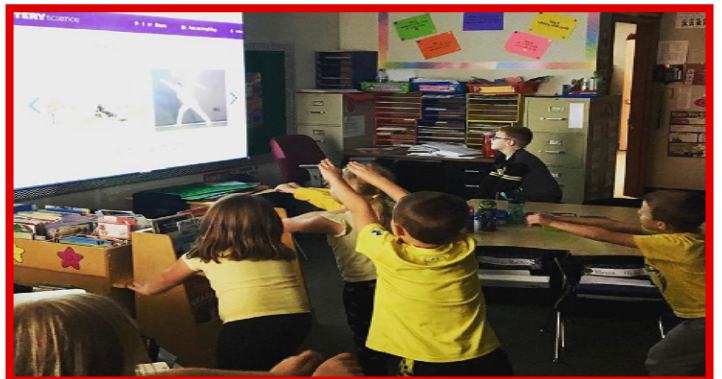
Science Curriculum

The Elementary Science Curriculum Team has been working through the New Generation Science Standards (NGSS) and what this looks like in the classroom. The NGSS identify scientific and engineering practices, crosscutting concepts, and core ideas in science that students should master in order to prepare for success in college and 21st century careers.

These standards allow teachers to teach how students learn best—in a hands-on, collaborative, and integrated environment that focuses on inquiry and student discovery. Teaching based on the NGSS calls for more student-centered learning that enables kids to think on their own, problem solve, communicate, and collaborate with their peers—in addition to learning important scientific concepts. Science committee members are taking these new standards and trying out lessons in their classrooms. Teachers are doing less whole class lecture and providing of information. Instead, students are conducting investigations, solving problems, and participating in class discussions with teachers' guidance.



Second graders feed and observe a praying mantis earlier this year as they learn about the life cycle of insects.



Push! Pull! Lift! These kindergarteners are learning about force and machines! They acted like excavators to learn about work words we find in our world!



These 4th grade scientists had their thinking caps on as they explored the patterns of volcanoes!



In kindergarten, students used a model of a mountain, a small village, and a boulder. They used push pins to represent poles so they could divert a falling boulder and avoid striking the village.

ACTIVITIES

2018 Mustang Basketball Camps

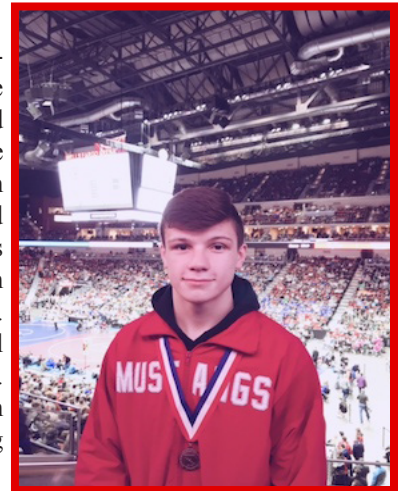
- Option A: Mustang Camp for students entering ninth grade. June 11th, 12th, 14th, 15th at Meadows from 10 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (Wednesday off for Booster Club Tournament)
- Option B: Mustang Camp for students entering seventh and eighth grades. June 11th, 12th, 14th, 15th at Meadows from 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. (Wednesday off for Booster Club Tournament)
- Option C: Mustang Camp for students entering first and second grades. June 18th-June 22nd from 8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m. at North Ridge
- Option D: Mustang Camp for students entering 3rd/4th, June 18th-22nd (Mon.-Thurs), 10-12:00 p.m. at North Ridge
- Option E: Big Man Post Camp for students entering grades 5-12. July 2nd, 3rd, 5th from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Meadows
- Option F: Mustang Camp for students entering grades 10-12. July 9th-12th from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at DC-G High School
- Option G: Mustang Camp for students entering fifth and sixth grades. July 9th-12th from 1 p.m.-3:00 p.m. at Meadows
- Option H: Mustang Shooting Camp for students entering grades 7-12. June 25th-28th from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at Meadows
- Option I: Mustang Shooting Academy for students entering grades 3-6. June 25th-28th from 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m. at North Ridge
- Option J: Mustang Competition League for students entering grades 3-5. On Fridays (June 8th, June 22nd, June 29th, July 6th, July 13th) from 10 a.m.-11:00 a.m. at Meadows
- Option L: Mustang Competition League for students entering grades 6-8. On Fridays (June 8th, June 22nd, June 29th, July 6th, July 13th) from 11 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at Meadows

For more information or to register, please visit dcgcamps.com.



Wrestling Records

Zane Mulder becomes DC-G's first ever four time state placewinner! Zane placed third at the 2018 3A state wrestling tournament in weight class 160. He placed fifth as a junior at 152, third as a sophomore at 132, and fifth as a freshman at 113 pounds. Zane also set a new school record with 165 career wins. Congratulations to Zane on an outstanding DC-G wrestling career!



DECA Goes International

On February 25th and 26th, DC-G DECA competed in the Iowa DECA State competition. DC-G DECA qualified 33 members to compete with over 550 other Iowa DECA members for the honor to compete in the International DECA competition, April 21st-24th in Atlanta, Georgia with over 18,000 students.

A DECA competition consists of each student taking a 100 question marketing related exam. Students then completed two role plays in which they read a case study and present their solutions to a judge. The role play results are combined with the test score to establish the final rankings. DC-G placed 10 students in the top five in their competition with two students qualifying for the International conference by receiving a top 3 finish in their event. Here are the results:

Drew Cross, Senior, International Qualifier
1st Place Overall, Entrepreneurship Event

Jaxon Gambrall, Sophomore, International Qualifier
3rd Place Overall- Apparel and Accessories Marketing

Presley Bauman, Sophomore, Apparel and Accessories Marketing
5th Place Overall

Reece Boardman, Sophomore
5th Place Overall- Entrepreneurship

Mallory Schmitz- Sophomore
3rd Place Overall Test Score- Food Marketing

Missy Rose and Kiley Bianchi, Sophomores
4th Place Overall- Hospitality Service

Garrett Skalnik, Senior, and Dillon Belzer, Sophomore,
4th Place Overall- Marketing Management

ACTIVITIES



Large Group Speech All-State Honors

The students pictured were selected for All-State Honors in Large Group Speech. This is the highest honor a student can receive in Large Group Speech. Only seven percent of students who begin the season receive this honor. Congratulations to the recipients!

Rho Kappa in Kansas City

On February 23rd, Rho Kappa took a trip to Kansas City. The day included a trip to the World War I Museum, and participation in a White House Decision Center simulation at the Truman Library and Museum.



2017-2018 Boys Basketball Season Highlights

- District Runner-Up
- 13-10 Overall Record, 7-7 in Raccoon River (4th Place)
- Top 10 Schedule in 3A
- Ranked in top 10 early in season
- Ended season ranked 19th in State (BCMoore)
- #11 in Defense in State (52.18)
- Broke Record for Best Free Throw % in a Season (68.3%, 284/416)
- 3.59 Team GPA
- 159-58 in last eight years 73% winning percentage
- Sweeps over Newton ,Grinnell, Pella, Ballard
- Wins over Carlisle, Perry, Oskaloosa
- 4A wins over Newton (2), Indianola, SE Polk, Urbandale
- District win over Ballard

Varsity Letter Winners: Cole Benson, Justin Biegger, Steve Borneman, Tyler Borneman, Damon Clapper, Tyler Cooney, Jordan Humphreys, Devon Johnson, Trenton Meggers, Gabe Peterman, Justin Protzman, Jacob Reis, Kade Rosa, Jacob Waymire

Varsity Cumulative GPA= 3.59

Managers: Hannah Barnett, Mackenzie Bennethum, Kaitlyn Dalbey, Megan Holiday, Colin Korsching, Megan Kurth, Lauren Stevens, Reagan Stokely

Video Coordinator: Trenton Meyeraan

Varsity Spirit Award: Devon Johnson

Brody Freking Perseverance Award: Cole Benson

Student Athlete Awards: Freshman- Alex Thomas, Sophomore- Cody Hall, Junior- Caleb Rhoads, Senior- Cole Benson

Varsity Sportsmanship Award: Jacob Waymire

Coaches Awards: Freshman- Ben Ver Ploeg, Sophomore- Chase Stratton, Junior Varsity- Caleb Rhoads, Varsity- Steve Borneman

IBCA Team First Award: Jacob Waymire

Varsity Most Improved: Justin Protzman

Little Hawkeye All Conference Selections: Steve Borneman- 1st Team, Damon Clapper- Honorable Mention, Jordan Humphreys- Honorable Mention

All-District: Steve Borneman

IBCA All-Star Game Participant: Steve Borneman- Southwest

DC-G Records: Broke Record for Best Free Throw % in a Season (68.3%, 284/416)

Change of Address?

If your family has recently moved or plans to move, please contact the office at your child's school. It is important that we maintain updated contact information for families. This information also helps us to plan transportation and other services. Thank you!

DC-G Education Foundation Updates

The DC-G Education Foundation hosted 120 people at the Grimes Meeting Center on Friday, February 16th to enjoy breakfast, social time and to hear renowned business world keynote speaker and trainer Alan Feirer's inspirational talk on the topic of Leading by Influence. Alan wove a tale of how a young high school freshman managed, with classmates' help, in a difficult dilemma and came full circle an hour later of how those events as a freshman molded the adult leader she has become.

This second annual event benefited the Foundation's General Scholarship Fund to the tune of \$2,500.00. Already plans are in the works for a third breakfast with support from the business community within the DC-G School District.

Save the date of November 3, 2018 for the First Annual Raising Education Dollars (RED) Dinner and Auction with prominent former Register columnist Chuck Offenburger featured as the evening's MC. The RED Dinner and Auction will feature both live and silent auctions hosted that evening at the Grimes Community Center. Stayed tuned for more announcements as this evening of fun and frivolity approaches.

Stay Connected and Follow Us!

We encourage you to follow us on Facebook and Twitter to get the latest updates about the great things happening in our schools. See photos, get reminders about early dismissal and other important dates, and more! Handles for our accounts can be found below! Use #dcgexcellence to share and explore all of the great things happening at DC-G!

Facebook:

Dallas Center - Grimes CSD
Dallas Center - Grimes High School
Dallas Center - Grimes Meadows
DCG Middle School
DCG South Prairie Elementary
DCG North Ridge Elementary
DCG Dallas Center Elementary
DCG Heritage Elementary

Twitter:

@DCGDistrict
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@DCGMeadows
@DCGMS
@DCGSPrairie
@NorthRidge_Elem
@DC_Elementary
@DCGHeritageElem

DC-G eBackpack

Can't find the bottom of the backpack for handouts? When are the athletic and fine arts camps? We have the answer!

A new link on the school website is DCG eBackpack. No longer will you wonder if your child has lost an important handout! All information regarding upcoming fundraisers, camp registrations, library programs, youth sports camps, and much more can be found by visiting the DCG eBackpack page for your child's specific school building. You can access the direct link from the right side menu or by clicking the "Parent Info" tab along the top of this page. You can subscribe to the eBackpack for your child's school to get automatic email updates every time new information is published.

Driver's Education

We will continue to offer four sessions of driver's education each year, if we have enough interest. The cost at present time is \$325 for each session. Students must be at least 14 years old and have a permit to sign up, as well as a signed parent permission slip. Eighth through twelfth graders may sign up for each session. Usually the fall and spring session are the busiest. Below you will find information regarding the fall and winter sessions. Fee's for out-of-district students are \$375.



Spring Session 2018- The spring session will begin after spring break and end in May. There will be a meeting before spring break to hand out information and collect payment. Classroom days are Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 6:45 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. Most students will drive during their study hall times. If this can't be worked out, before or after school driving may be arranged. All students who drive during study halls will drive at least once on Saturday for 2 hours in downtown Des Moines. Shuttle bus service from Dallas Center will also be available in the morning to bring students in early for classroom work. Class size is limited to 40 students. Home school students are welcome. Classrooms will be held in the Meadows Media Center.

Summer Session 2018- The summer session is held during the months of June and July. Class time will begin Monday, June 5 and end on Friday, June 23. Classes will be every day for the first three weeks from 7:00-9:00 a.m. Driving times will be 6 two-hour periods with a driving partner. Driving times will be scheduled until 3:30 p.m. and may be on a Saturday. If you live in Grimes, your child may be picked up at a central location such as Casey's, True Value, or Kum and Go, and be dropped off there when the driving lesson is over. This needs to be prearranged with the instructor. Driving groups will be able to change times with other groups if necessary. Students will draw numbers for driving times the first day of class. They will choose their own driving partner and driving times. The class limit will be 48 students. Home school students are welcome.

For more information regarding driver's education 2017-2018 sessions or to sign up for one of these programs, please call Meadows school office at 515-986-0105.

2018-2019 Registration Information

Kindergarten & Optional Kindergarten FAQ

WHAT DOES THE PRESCHOOL PROGRAM CONSIST OF?

Our curriculum offers a balance of individual, small group, and large group activities with an emphasis on learning centers and child self-selection. The classrooms are planned to stimulate aspects of development by acknowledging each child's individual development, age-related development, and cultural background. Your child will learn by doing, imitating, observing, exploring, examining, experimenting, and questioning in activities and experiences planned according to his or her interests and home experiences. Language and literacy experiences, storytelling and story sharing, creative dramatics, and music are integrated throughout the program as well as numbers, science, and outdoor activities. We also focus on social emotional learning with an emphasis placed upon sharing, belonging to a group, and forming friendships with other children and adults.

HOW OLD DOES MY CHILD NEED TO BE TO ATTEND PRESCHOOL?

For the 3 year old preschool program, your child must be three by September 15th, 2018.

For the 4 year old preschool program, your child must be four by September 15th, 2018.

WHEN SHOULD I REGISTER MY CHILD FOR PRESCHOOL?

The preschool registration window is open between March 1st and March 18th, 2018. Registration will still be available after March 18th, but we cannot guarantee a spot for your child if registered after the March 18th deadline. Please note that for the 3 year old program only, limited spots are available and a random drawing will be used for placement.

WHICH SCHOOL BUILDINGS OFFER PRESCHOOL CLASSES?

Heritage Elementary in Grimes, Grimes Child Development Center (Brighter Beginnings), and Kids Korner in Dallas Center will be the locations for the 4 year old preschool program. Heritage Elementary will be the only location for the 3 year old preschool program.

WHICH BUILDING WILL MY CHILD WILL BE IN?

Most Grimes students will be placed at Heritage Elementary, with a few being placed at the Grimes Child Development Center (Brighter Beginnings) along with the students who attend daycare there. Dallas Center students will be placed at Kids Korner in Dallas Center. Once the building and section decisions are finalized, families will be contacted by email, letter, or phone regarding their assigned location and section.

IF I LIVE OUTSIDE OF THE DC-G SCHOOL DISTRICT, CAN I STILL REGISTER MY CHILD FOR PRESCHOOL?

Resident students of the Dallas Center-Grimes School District and siblings of current open-enrolled students will be considered first for enrollment into the preschool program. If there is room available when school starts, we may fill the openings with out-of-district students. Please call the Heritage Elementary office at (515) 300-9627 in the meantime to be put on a waiting list, but please do not register online.

WHEN ARE PRESCHOOL CLASSES HELD?

4 days per week – Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

Morning Class (AM) meets from 8:10-11:10 AM. (3 year olds and 4 year olds)

Afternoon Class (PM) meets from 12:15-3:15 PM. (4 year olds)

The preschool calendar runs on the same schedule as the Dallas Center-Grimes Community School district calendar regarding vacation days, early outs, and snow days. However, preschoolers will start school one week later than K-12 students. Home visits by the preschool teachers will be conducted during the week prior to the first day. Teachers will contact you to set up a time and/or there will be a sign-up sheet at the open house prior to school starting.

CAN I CHOOSE WHICH SECTION MY CHILD WILL BE IN (AM/PM)?

Since we always have more interest for the morning sections, and we need to balance the classes, you are not able to choose a preference at this time. Students attending the major daycare centers such as First Steps, Imagine Learning Center, Tender Years, Traditions, Learning Tree, Tender Hearts, etc. will automatically be placed in the afternoon section.

HOW DO I REGISTER MY CHILD FOR PRESCHOOL?

Please refer to the Registration Webpage and follow the process for either an existing family or a new family to the district.

HOW DO I REGISTER MY CHILD IF I DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO A COMPUTER OR HAVE AN EMAIL ADDRESS?

There will be registration kiosks available at South Prairie Elementary, North Ridge Elementary, Heritage Elementary, Dallas Center Elementary, Middle School, Meadows, and DC-G High School. Please come between 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM starting on March 2nd, 2018.

Kindergarten & Optional Kindergarten FAQ Continued

I HAVE OLDER CHILDREN ALREADY ENROLLED AT DC-G SCHOOLS. CAN I REGISTER THEM ALL AT ONCE WITH MY PRESCHOOLER?

Yes! Please refer to the Registration Webpage and follow the process for an existing family. Just be sure to add your preschool-aged child to the list of students you're registering for the upcoming school year.

WHAT PAPERWORK SHOULD I HAVE READY BEFORE REGISTERING MY CHILD FOR PRESCHOOL?

Existing families with Parent Portal accounts will need a digital copy of your child's birth certificate and your child's immunization record. New families will need the paperwork listed above, as well as a digital copy showing proof of residency (example: a scanned copy of a utility bill with your name and address).

WHAT IS THE COST FOR MY CHILD TO ATTEND PRESCHOOL?

The current cost for the 3 year old program is \$175/month. However, this amount could be subject to change. At this time, the Statewide Voluntary Preschool Program funds our district's 4 year old program, and there is no cost to register for preschool. We are unable to fully guarantee this funding for next year.

WHEN WILL I KNOW THE LOCATION AND CLASSROOM ASSIGNMENT FOR MY PRESCHOOLER?

Due to increasing enrollment within our district, you will not find out until mid-July at the earliest. You will receive an email, letter, or a phone call once the decisions have been made.

IS MY CHILD GUARANTEED A PRESCHOOL SLOT IF I REGISTER BEFORE MARCH 18TH?

As long as you register online before the deadline, you should be fine for the 4 year old classes. If we have more registrations than anticipated, however, we will create a wait list that will allow us to fill the spots when available. The 3 year old classes are filled by a random drawing system only, so your child is not guaranteed a slot.

I JUST REGISTERED MY PRESCHOOLER. WHY DON'T I SEE THEM IN MY PARENT PORTAL?

Your preschooler will not be visible in your Parent Portal until the 2018-19 school year begins on July 1, 2018. You will not be able to pay monthly tuition fees (3 year old program) until this time either.

WHO SHOULD I CALL IF I HAVE MORE QUESTIONS?

If you have additional questions, please contact Kristin Gillis at the Heritage Elementary office by phone at (515) 300-9627 or by email at kgillis@dc-grimes.k12.ia.us.

Bring Some Bags and Get a Bag!

April is Earth Month. This April, Metro Waste Authority is shining a light on the negative affect plastic bags have on our environment.

During the month of April, bring your used plastic grocery bags to Grimes City Hall or Grimes Library. When you bring in a bag of bags, you'll get a reusable grocery tote courtesy of Metro Waste Authority (one tote per household-while supplies last)! This is a great opportunity to keep those plastic bags from turning into litter that pollutes our prairies, waterways and pantries!

Metro Waste Authority focuses on plastic bags because as much as nine percent of what goes into our landfill is plastic film. Imagine if you stopped putting used grocery sacks in your trash. You would save space at your house and Metro Park East Landfill!

So where do those plastic bags go if not to the landfill? To Plastic Recyclers of Iowa Falls to be turned into a beautiful, all-weather park bench that our city could win! Recycling programs such as Iowa Falls or through local grocers are the only way to recycle plastic bags, they cannot be placed in your Curb It! cart.

Throughout the month, Metro Waste Authority will weigh the bags collected from each member community. At the end of April, the city with the most weight per capita will win a bench to be placed in their hometown!

For more information, visit www.WhereItShouldGo.com/bag-swap.
Mustang Monthly





Dallas Center - Grimes Community School District School Calendar for 2018 - 2019

AUGUST						
M	T	W	T	F		
		1	2	3		
6	7	8	9	10		
13	14	15	16	17		
20	21	22	23	24	2	
27	28	29	30	31	7	

SEPTEMBER						
M	T	W	T	F		
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17	18	19	20	21	21	
24	25	26	27	28	26	

OCTOBER						
M	T	W	T	F		
1	2	3	4	5	31	
8	9	10	11	12	36	
15	16	17	18	19	41	
22	23	24	25	26	44	
29	30	31			47	

NOVEMBER						
M	T	W	T	F		
			1	2	49	
5	6	7	8	9	54	
12	13	14	15	16	59	
19	20	21	22	23	61	
26	27	28	29	30	66	

DECEMBER						
M	T	W	T	F		
3	4	5	6	7	71	
10	11	12	13	14	76	
17	18	19	20	21	81	
24	25	26	27	28	81	
31					81	

JANUARY						
M	T	W	T	F		
	1	2	3	4	83	
7	8	9	10	11	88	
14	15	16	17	18	92	
21	22	23	24	25	97	
28	29	30	31		101	

FEBRUARY						
M	T	W	T	F		
				1	102	
4	5	6	7	8	107	
11	12	13	14	15	112	
18	19	20	21	22	117	
25	26	27	28		121	

MARCH						
M	T	W	T	F		
				1	122	
4	5	6	7	8	126	
11	12	13	14	15	126	
18	19	20	21	22	131	
25	26	27	28	29	136	

APRIL						
M	T	W	T	F		
1	2	3	4	5	141	
8	9	10	11	12	146	
15	16	17	18	19	151	
22	23	24	25	26	156	
29	30				158	

MAY						
M	T	W	T	F		
		1	2	3	161	
6	7	8	9	10	166	
13	14	15	16	17	171	
20	21	22	23	24	176	
27	28	29	30	31	180	

CALENDAR LEGEND						
No School - Work Day / PD						
Beginning / End of Quarter						
1:00 Early Dismissal						
No School Break / Holiday						
Parent/Teacher Conferences						
Student Days (Running Total)						
First Day of Preschool						

1:00 EARLY DISMISSALS	
Aug 29	Sep 12, 26
Oct 10	Nov 7
Dec 5	Feb 6, 27
Mar 27	Apr 10
May 1, 15	

2:30 EARLY DISMISSALS	
Oct 23, 25	Mar 12, 14

August	13, 14, 15	New Teacher Orientation
	16, 20-22	All Day Staff PD
	23	First Day of School (OK-12th)
	29	1:00 Dismissal
	30	First Day of Preschool
September	3	Labor Day - No School
	12	1:00 Dismissal
	26	1:00 Dismissal
October	10	1:00 Dismissal
	19	End of 1st Quarter
	22	No School - Teacher Work Day
	23	Beginning of 2nd Quarter
	23, 25	2:30 Dismissal for P/T Conferences
	26	No School - Teacher Comp
November	7	1:00 Dismissal
	21-23	Thanksgiving Break - No School
December	5	1:00 Dismissal
	22-31	Winter Break - No School
January	1-2	Winter Break - No School
	11	End of 2nd Quarter
	14	No School - Teacher Work Day
	15	Beginning of 3rd Quarter
	21	No School - Staff PD
February	6	1:00 Dismissal
	15	No School - Staff PD
	27	1:00 Dismissal
March	12, 14	2:30 Dismissal for P/T Conferences
	15	No School - Teacher Comp
	18-22	Spring Break - No School
	26	End of 3rd Quarter
	27	1:00 Dismissal
	27	Beginning of 4th Quarter
April	10	1:00 Dismissal
	22	No School - Staff PD
May	1	1:00 Dismissal
	15	1:00 Dismissal
	24	High School Graduation
	27	Memorial Day - No School
	31	Last Day of School
June	3	No School - Teacher Work Day

Last day of school with no snow days will be May 31st
School Board Approved: January 22, 2018



Don't forget to eat your vegetables.

Dallas Center Grimes Lunch Menu

Fresh Vegetable Choices and Seasonal Fruit are Offered Daily on the Fruit & Vegetable Bar

April 2018

MONDAY

Move More Month AHA (2)
Popcorn Chicken Bites
Mashed Potatoes and Soft Pan Roll

OR Chef Salad
OR Deli Sub

Dessert Pizza

TUESDAY

Eat The Rainbow (3)
French Toast Sticks and a Sausage Patty or Egg

OR Chicken Caesar
OR Deli Sandwich

Breakfast Potato

WEDNESDAY

Beefy Nachos with Homemade Cheese Sauce

OR Yogurt Pack

Roasted Corn

THURSDAY

Pulled Pork Sandwich on Ciabatta
OR Southern Chicken Biscuit Sandwich
OR Taco Salad

Baked Beans & Coleslaw

FRIDAY

Cheese Bread w/Marinara Sauce

OR Pretzel Bites with Cheese Cubes

Garden Salad

HOM Snow Peas (9)
Sweet & Sour Chicken Rice and a Bread Stick

OR Pretzel Bites with Cheese Cubes

Spring Peas

Gardening Week (10)
Soft Shell Tacos with Lettuce, Cheese, Salsa

OR Munchable

Spiced Pinto Beans
Seasoned Tater Tots

Cheeseburger
OR Lemon Herb Chicken and French Bread

OR Chef Salad

Potato Wedges

Pizza Parlor Pizza

OR Yogurt Pack
OR Chicken Caesar Salad

Roasted Broccoli

Toasted Cheese Sandwich

OR Deli Sub

Tomato Soup
Chocolate Chip Cookie

Breaded Chicken Basket
OR Golden Corn Dog

OR WG Chips, Salsa, Cheese Cubes

Pickle and French Fries

HOM Nutmeg, Blueberry (17)
Pancakes with Sausage and Pumpkin Apple Muffin Blueberry Topping

OR Deli Sub

Breakfast Potato
Garden Salad

Crispy Chicken Nuggets & French Bread Slice

OR Taco Salad

Mashed Potatoes Gravy

Walking Tacos, Lettuce, Tomato and Salsa

OR Turkey BLT Salad

Brown Rice
Black Beans

Macaroni and Cheese

OR Pretzel Bites with Cheese Cubes
Treat
Peas & Carrots

No School (23)

National Picnic Day (24)
Chicken Tender Picnic Basket and a Breadstick
OR Cheeseburger Picnic Basket
OR Chef Salad

"Treat"
Kettle Chips & Pickle Slice

National Pretzel Day (25)
Pulled Pork on a Pretzel Bun
OR Sloppy Joe

OR Pretzel Bites w/Cheese Cubes
Baked Beans
Tater Tots

Popcorn Chicken
OR Salisbury Steak
French Bread

OR Turkey BLT Salad

Mashed Potatoes and Gravy

Tony's Cheese Pizza

OR BBQ Rib Sandwich

OR Deli Sub

Raisins
Kale Salad

Chicken Tenders
OR Home-Style Meatballs in Bread Bowl

OR Deli Sub

Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, WG Roll

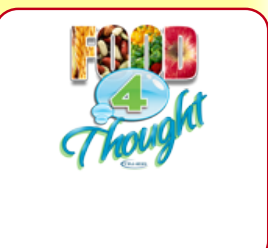
May Day Breakfast (1)
French Toast w/Blueberry Topping with Sausage or Egg

OR Chef Salad

Breakfast Potato
Cinnamon Apples

Chicken Sandwich on WG Bun

OR Pretzel Bites with Cheese Cubes
Oven Fries
Baked Beans



PRICES

Regular	\$2.65
Reduced	\$0.40
Milk	\$0.50
Adult	\$3.55
Extra Entrée	\$2.25

HARVEST OF THE MONTH



EXTRA INFO

Milk choice of 1% White, Skim or Chocolate Skim is included with lunch.
Entree Salads are served with Dinner Roll
For questions or comments, contact Food Service Office at 515-986-9747 x162 or email dsevenich@dc-grimes.k12.ia.us



2017-2018 School Calendar

	M	T	W	TH	F	DAYS	2017-2018	EVENTS
Aug	7	8	9	10	11		Aug 11,14,15	New Teachers Orientation
	14	15	<16>	<17>	18	0/0	Aug 16,17,21,22	All Day Staff Prof.
	<21>	<22>	23	24	25	3/3	Aug. 23	School Begins - Option K thru 12
	28	29	<30>	31		4/7	Aug 30	1:00 Early Dismissal - Staff Prof.
							Aug 31	1st Day of Preschool
Sept					1	1/8		
	4	5	6	7	8	4/12	Sep. 4	Labor Day - No School
	11	12	<13>	14	15	5/17	Sep. 13,27	1:00 Early Dismissal - Staff Prof.
	18	19	20	21	22	5/22		
	25	26	<27>	28	29	5/27		
							Oct. 2	No School - Staff Development Day
Oct	<2>	3	4	5	6	5/32	Oct. 11	1:00 Early Dismissal - Staff Prof.
	9	10	<11>	12	13	5/37	Oct. 20	End of 1st Qtr (42 days)
	16	17	18	19	20	5/42	Oct. 23	No School-Teacher Workday
	<23>	24	25	26	27	3/45	Oct. 24	2:30 Early Dismissal K-12 P/T Conferences
	30	31				2/47	Oct. 26	2:30 Early Dismissal K-12 P/T Conferences
							Oct. 27	No School - TchComp
Nov			1	2	3	3/50		
	6	7	<8>	9	10	5/55	Nov. 8	1:00 Early Dismissal - Staff Prof.
	13	14	15	16	17	5/60		
	20	21	22	*23*	24	2/62	Nov. 22-24	No School-Thanksgiving Break
	27	28	29	30		4/66		
Dec					1	1/67		
	4	5	<6>	7	8	5/72	Dec. 6	1:00 Early Dismissal - Staff Prof.
	11	12	13	14	15	5/77		
	18	19	20	21	22	5/82		
	25	26	27	28	29	0/82	Dec. 23-Jan. 2	No School - Winter Break
Jan	*1*	2	3	4	5	3/85	Jan. 10	1:00 Early Dismissal - Staff Prof.
	8	9	<10>	11	12	5/90	Jan. 12	End 2nd Qtr (48 days) Semester (90 days)
	<15>	16	17	18	19	4/94	Jan. 15	No School-Teacher Workday
	22	23	<24>	25	26	5/99	Jan. 16	Beginning of 2nd Semester
	29	30	31			3/102	Jan. 24	1:00 Early Dismissal - Staff Prof.
Feb				1	2	2/104		
	5	6	<7>	8	9	5/109	Feb. 7	1:00 Early Dismissal - Staff Prof.
	12	13	14	15	<16>	5/114	Feb. 16	No School - Staff Development Day
	19	20	21	22	23	5/119		
	26	27	<28>			3/122	Feb. 28	1:00 Early Dismissal - Staff Prof.
Mar				1	2	2/124	Mar. 6,8	2:30 Early Dismissal K-12 P/T Conferences
	5	6	7	8	9	4/128	Mar. 9	No School-Compensatory Day
	12	13	14	15	16	0/128	Mar. 12-16	No School - Spring Break
	19	20	21	22	23	5/133	Mar. 28	1:00 Early Dismissal - Staff Prof.
	26	27	<28>	29	30	5/138	Mar. 28	End of 3rd Qtr (45 days)
April	2	3	4	5	6	5/143		
	9	12	<11>	12	14	5/148	Apr. 11	1:00 Early Dismissal - Staff Prof.
	16	17	18	19	20	5/153		
	<23>	24	25	26	27	5/158	Apr. 23	No School - Staff Development Day
	30					1/159		
May		1	<2>	3	4	4/163	May 2	1:00 Early Dismissal - Staff Prof.
	7	8	9	10	11	5/168		
	14	15	<16>	17	18	5/173	May 16	1:00 Early Dismissal - Staff Prof.
	21	22	23	24	25	5/178	May 25	Graduation
	28	29	30	31		2/180	May 28	Memorial Day
							May 30	Last day with no snow days.
June					1		June 4	End 2nd Sem (90 days)/End of 4th Qtr(45 days)
	4	<5>	6	7	8		June 5	No School-Teacher Work Day
	11	12	13	14	15			

LEGEND	
::	New Teacher Days
┌───┐	Qtr. Begins
< >	Staff Prof.
└───┘	Qtr. Ends
**	Holiday
■	No School
▭	P/T Conf Early Out 2:30
══	Early Out
SchoolTimes: Start Time 8:10 End Time 3:15	
Please Note	
Three "snow days" built into calendar. These three days are additional days included at the end of the school year, but are not included in the count for school days. If the three "snow days" are not used, students' last day would be Wednesday, May 30, 2018.	
Snow days after the built in days may be added to the end of the school year. The following are additional days that may be considered for snow make-up days (In no order of preference): April 23 - Staff Prof. days or Two days of planned spring break.	
177 student contact days, plus three Prof. Dev. days to provide for 180 school days.	
Graduation Date: May 25th	
Special Contract Days - Staff	
Aug. 16	Teacher Workday
Aug. 17	Staff Development Day
Aug. 21	District Meetings
Aug. 22	Collaboration Day
Oct. 2	Staff Development Day
Oct. 23	Teacher Workday
Oct. 27	Teacher Comp Day
Jan. 15	Teacher Workday
Feb. 16	Staff Development Day
Mar. 9	Teacher Comp Day
Apr. 23	Staff Development Day
June 5	Teacher Workday

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April Activities Calendar



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>2 4:30pm Track & Field-B/High School Away vs. Ames @ Ames High School</p> <p>5:30pm Soccer-B/High School Away vs. Nevada @ SCORE Recreation Athletic Complex</p> <p>5:30pm Soccer-G/High School (H) vs. North Polk @ DCG Stadium</p>	<p>3 4:30pm Track & Field-B/High School Away vs. Adel DeSoto Minburn @ ADM High School</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-G/High School Away vs. Adel DeSoto Minburn @ ADM High School</p> <p>4:45pm Soccer-B/High School Away vs. Norwalk @ Norwalk Warrior Stadium</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 Iowa Jazz Championships</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-B/High School Away vs. Indianola @ Indianola Middle School</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-B/8th Grade Away vs. Johnston, Pella, Urbandale @ Johnston High School</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-B/7th Grade (H) vs. Urbandale @ DCG Stadium</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-G/8th Grade Away vs. Johnston, Urbandale @ Johnston High School</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-G/7th Grade (H) vs. Urbandale @ DCG Stadium</p> <p>6:30p DC Elem 4th and 5th Grade Concert @ Dallas Center Elementary Gym</p> <p>6:30p Heritage 4th/5th Grade Concert @ Heritage Elem Gym</p>	<p>6 5:00pm Track & Field-G/High School Away vs. Ballard @ Ballard Middle School</p> <p>7:00p 8/9 Musical @ DCG HS Auditorium</p>	<p>7 TBD Soccer-G/High School Away vs. Council Bluffs Thomas Jefferson @ Council Bluffs Stadium</p> <p>10:00am Soccer-B/High School Away vs. Urbandale @ Frerichs Field - Urbandale High School</p> <p>7:00p 8/9 Musical @ DCG HS Auditorium</p>
<p>9 4:30pm Track & Field-B/High School Away vs. Norwalk @ Norwalk Warrior Stadium</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-B/7th Grade (H) vs. Ames, Fort Dodge, Indianola, Marshalltown, Norwalk, Urbandale @ DCG Stadium</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-G/High School Away vs. Norwalk @ Norwalk Warrior Stadium</p>	<p>10 4:30pm Track & Field-G/8th Grade Away vs. North Polk @ North Polk High School</p> <p>4:45pm Soccer-B/High School (H) vs. Newton @ DCG Stadium</p> <p>5:30pm Soccer-G/High School Away vs. Newton @ Newton HA Lynn Stadium</p>	<p>11 Dismissal at 1:00-Staff Development LHC Math Day</p>	<p>12 4:30pm Track & Field-B/8th Grade Away vs. Urbandale @ Frerichs Field - Urbandale High School</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-G/High School Away vs. Waukee @ Waukee Stadium - Waukee High School</p> <p>4:45pm Soccer-G/High School (H) vs. Johnston @ DCG Stadium</p> <p>6:30p Northridge 5th Grade Concert @ DC-G Northridge Elem. gym</p>	<p>13 FOFA Glo-Fa Run</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-B/High School Away vs. Adel DeSoto Minburn @ ADM High School</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-B/8th Grade Away vs. Winterset @ Winterset High School</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-B/7th Grade Away vs. Winterset @ Winterset High School</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>16 4:30pm Track & Field-B/8th Grade Away vs. Adel DeSoto Minburn @ ADM High School</p> <p>5:00pm Track & Field-B/High School Away vs. Waukee @ Waukee High School</p> <p>5:30pm Soccer-B/High School Away vs. Oskaloosa @ Lacey Sports Complex</p> <p>5:30pm Soccer-G/High School (H) vs. Oskaloosa @ DCG Stadium</p>	<p>17 9:00a-11:00a Diversity Awareness Fair @ Dallas Center Grimes Middle School</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-G/High School (H) vs. Adel DeSoto Minburn, Ballard, Carlisle, Creston Community, Earlham, Grinnell, Indianola, Norwalk, Saydel Community @ DCG Stadium</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-G/8th Grade Away vs. Urbandale @ Frerichs Field - Urbandale High School</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-G/7th Grade Away vs. Urbandale @ Frerichs Field - Urbandale High School</p> <p>5:00pm Track & Field-B/High School Away vs. Ballard @ Ballard Community High School</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 4:30pm Track & Field-B/High School Away vs. Waukee @ Waukee High School</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-B/8th Grade Away vs. Carlisle @ Carlisle High School</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-B/7th Grade Away vs. Carlisle @ Carlisle High School</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-G/High School Away vs. Carroll Community @ Denison High School</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-G/8th Grade Away vs. Nevada @ Nevada High School</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-G/7th Grade Away vs. Nevada @ Nevada High School</p> <p>5:30pm Soccer-B/High School (H) vs. Gilbert @ DCG Stadium</p>	<p>20 5:00pm Soccer-G/High School Away vs. Grinnell @ Grinnell - Ahrens Park</p>	<p>21 Jr/Sr Prom</p> <p>7:45a SCIBA MS Large Group Band Contest @ DCG HS Auditorium</p> <p>9:00am Soccer-B/High School Away vs. Urbandale @ Frerichs Field - Urbandale High School</p> <p>1:00pm Soccer-G/High School Away vs. Urbandale @ Frerichs Field - Urbandale High School</p>
<p>23 No School Professional Development</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-B/High School Away vs. Valley @ Valley High School</p> <p>4:45pm Soccer-B/High School Away vs. Adel DeSoto Minburn @ ADM High School</p> <p>4:45pm Soccer-G/High School (H) vs. Adel DeSoto Minburn @ DCG Stadium</p>	<p>24 4:30pm Track & Field-G/High School Away vs. Adel DeSoto Minburn @ ADM High School</p> <p>5:30pm Soccer-B/High School (H) vs. Grinnell @ DCG Stadium</p>	<p>25 6:30p High School Academy Awards</p>	<p>26 4:30pm Track & Field-B/High School (H) vs. Carlisle, Chariton, Gilbert, Indianola, Perry Community, Urbandale, Winterset @ DCG Stadium</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-B/7th Grade Away vs. Woodward Granger @ Woodward-Granger High School</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-G/High School Away vs. Clarke Community @ Clarke Community High School</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-G/7th Grade Away vs. Woodward Granger @ Woodward-Granger High School</p> <p>5:30pm Soccer-G/High School Away vs. Indianola @ Indianola Middle School</p>	<p>27 4:30pm Track & Field-G/8th Grade Away vs. Winterset @ Winterset High School</p> <p>7:00p Spring Play @ DCG HS Auditorium</p>	<p>28 TBD Soccer-B/High School Away vs. Des Moines Christian @ Des Moines Christian High Schools</p> <p>7:00p Spring Play @ DCG HS Auditorium</p>
<p>30 4:30pm Track & Field-B/8th Grade (H) vs. Adel DeSoto Minburn, Ankeny Centennial, Indianola, Johnston, Norwalk, Stilwell MS, Urbandale @ DCG Stadium</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-B/7th Grade Away vs. Urbandale @ Urbandale High School</p> <p>4:30pm Track & Field-G/7th Grade Away vs. Urbandale @ Urbandale High School</p> <p>7:00p 10-12 Vocal Concert @ DCG HS Auditorium</p>					

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Art Spotlight: South Prairie

Congratulations to the South Prairie Art Spotlight Artists! Korb in kindergarten created this unique monster after learning about the primary colors. First grader, Kennedy Fasse made this story quilt after reading the story Tar Beach and looking at the author/artist Faith Ringgold. Tyler Moffat in second grade studying realistic drawing techniques and made an underwater scene using realistic images for inspiration. In third grade, after studying Keith Haring and talking about body proportion and movement, Ajna Kazic made this great figure drawing using oil pastels. In fourth grade, we discussed the color wheel and all the levels of colors that can be created using the three primary colors. Hayden Wagner made this beautiful twelve step color wheel using acrylic paint. Fifth grader, Kaden James, drew from a bug's perspective and used foreshortening to make this drawing of Dr. Who. Wonderful job by all the artists at South Prairie!

