



## Bobcats of the Month - December

### Angel Johnson

Angel is such a nice young lady. She is always kind to others, helps her peers, and works hard in the classroom and outside of it. Angel always would bring me my chair during class before I was even in the room, because she didn't want me to have to worry about moving it while pregnant and always offers to refill my water whenever needed. She is always willing to do whatever is needed and to jump in and help however she can. Angel is one of a kind and such a great addition to our school!

Mrs. Donegan



### Brianna Quitmeyer

Brianna is an excellent student. She works well with others, shares ideas, and takes part in discussions. She works hard for her grades and is a great writer. I feel lucky to have her in my class.

Mrs. Rush

### Ava Pandorf

Ava is a very hard worker and comes to class everyday with a positive attitude. She has a busy schedule but does not use it as an excuse. She always utilizes her class time well.

Mrs. Campbell



It is hard to believe that the school year is already half over. Just a reminder that the first day of school for students after Christmas break is Tuesday, January 3rd. Monday, January 2nd is a staff in-service day.

We have had some cold and bad weather already this year and we will have more as the school year goes on. Please understand that it is not always an easy decision to make. Our administrative team gets up early, monitors weather, listens to webinars, drives roads early in the morning and communicates with the national weather service. According to our handbook, "Parents may decide to keep their children at home in inclement weather because of personal circumstances." Ultimately we have to make decisions based on what is best for the majority of our students as safety of our students is our top priority!!

We have had illness going around school wide with a variety of symptoms. If your child is not feeling well please keep them home from school and school activities for 24 hours and only allow them to return when they are symptom free! Please do not give your child a bunch of medication and send them to school. We understand that this may be an inconvenience but this will allow us to keep our other students healthy and we appreciate your cooperation on this.

We will have parent teacher conferences coming up on February 9th and we will send out a reminder when we get closer to that date. If you ever have a concern, please contact your child's teacher as we are more than willing to visit with you.

We hope that you enjoy the time off with your children over the break. Hopefully you have a Merry Christmas and are looking forward to a great 2023!

Mr. Birkel

# CALLAWAY SCHOOL—JANUARY 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Teacher In-Service	3 5:30pm—Wrestling @ Dunning  Basketball @ Hershey 3:30pm-GJV 3:30pm-BJV 5:00pm- GV 6:45pm-BV	4	5 7:30am—Donuts with Team-mates  6:00pm—Wrestling @ Tryon  1:00pm -JH Basketball @ Arnold vs Sandhills Thedford Girls—Community Center Boys-Arnold School  Basketball @ Arnold vs Sandhills-Thedford NO JV GIRLS 4:00pm-BJV To follow- GV To follow-BV	6	7 10:00am—Wrestling @ Amherst  9:00am—Cheer Camp @ Callaway  Little Girl Cheer @ Varsity Games  Basketball @ Callaway vs Bertrand 3:30pm-GJV 4:30pm-BJV 5:30pm- GV 7:00pm-BV
8	9 7:00pm—FFA Meeting	10	11	12 12:30pm—FCCLA meeting	13 12:00pm-Wrestling @ SEM  Basketball @ Callaway vs Maxwell 4:00pm-GJV 5:00pm-BJV 6:00pm- GV 7:30pm-BV	14 10:00am—Wrestling @ Sandhills-Thedford  Little Girl Cheer @ Varsity Games  Basketball @ Arnold vs Brady 2:00pm-GJV 3:00pm-BJV 4:00pm- GV 5:30pm-BV
15	16 1:00pm -JH Basketball @ Ansley  FFA Work Night	17 7:30am—Donuts with Team-mates  6:00pm—Wrestling @ Overton  Basketball @ Callaway vs Arcadia-Loup City 4:00pm-GJV 5:00pm-BJV 6:00pm- GV 7:30pm-BV	18 8:00am-FCCLA District Star @ Thedford  8:00am—FFA Leadership Development @ Merna	19 Basketball @ Arnold vs Ansley-Litchfield 4:00pm-GJV 5:00pm-BJV 6:00pm- GV 7:30pm-BV	20 11:00-Wrestling @ Callaway  No School	21 Speech @ Broken Bow  9:00am- Youth Wrestling @ Callaway  Conference Basketball—TBA
22	23 Conference Basketball—TBA	24 Conference Basketball—TBA	25 1:00pm -JH Basketball @ Brady  2:40pm-Early Dismissal—Teacher In-Service	26 Conference Basketball @ North Platte—TBA	27 Conference Basketball @ North Platte—TBA  11:00-Wrestling @ Central Valley	28 Speech @ Ord  Conference Basketball @ North Platte—TBA
29	30 FFA State Degree Deadline  1:00pm—JH Basketball @ Merna	31				

\*All times are in Central Time Zone

\* Events are subject to change

\*Need more info? Call 308-836-2272

\*Basketball JV starting times are listed all Varsity games will follow immediately after JV games regardless of time listed

# Helping Students Learn®

Tips Families Can Use to Help Students Do Better in School

Title I-Educational Service Unit 10



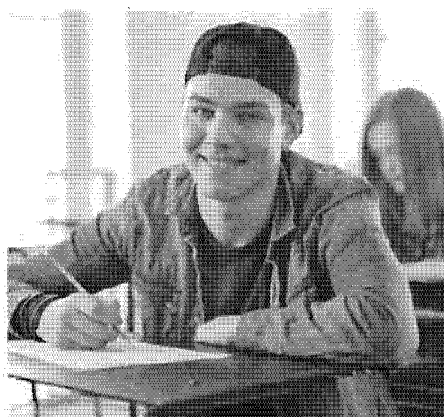
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## Discuss strategies for answering questions on any test

Preparing for a test makes it more likely that your teen will do well. But there are a few things besides the subject matter that your teen should study for the best results. Review some general test-taking strategies together that help students get every point they deserve.

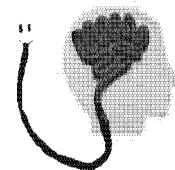
Remind your teen to:

- **Pay close attention** to the instructions. Your teen should reread them to get a clear understanding of exactly what to do.
- **Look over the whole test**, if possible, before beginning to answer questions. Then your teen can think about how much time it makes sense to spend on each question.
- **Scan for key words in questions** that explain what process to use. These include: *compare, list, describe, define* and *summarize*.
- **Answer easy questions first**, if the test allows. Your teen can circle and skip the more challenging questions and come back to them after getting every point possible for questions on familiar material.
- **Think about the answer** to a multiple-choice question before looking at any choices provided.
- **Leave time to double-check answers**. Did your teen answer every question? Do the answers address exactly what is being asked?



## Plug in to study power

Help your teen learn the difference between doing schoolwork and studying. Doing schoolwork means completing assignments. Studying means making an effort to learn, master and recall the material. Make sure your teen allows enough time to do both each day.



## Learning and play can mix

Studies show that today's teens may be even more stressed than their parents. Adding an element of play to study time can help your teen manage stress and boost brain function at the same time. Your teen could:

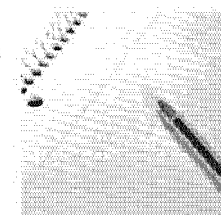
- **Act out a scene** from a book the class is reading.
- **Create a rap** about a science concept.
- **Design a logo** for each side in a historic conflict.

Source: K. Douma, "Playing to Learn in Middle and High School," Edutopia.

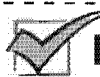
## Sharpen note-taking skills

Students who take clear, relevant class notes create a valuable learning tool for themselves. Share these tips with your teen:

- **Divide the page** into two columns. Take notes in one column, and write summarizing headings in the other.
- **Write by hand.** Studies show it helps students process information better.
- **Make a list of abbreviations.** Abbreviating common words will help your teen keep up.
- **Review notes after class.** Your teen can jot down questions or clarify points while the memory of the class is fresh.



Source: J. Gonzales, "Note-taking: A Research Roundup," Cult of Pedagogy.



## Remember three key ways to praise

When praise is genuine and used as positive reinforcement, it's an effective way to boost teens' motivation. But offering too much insincere praise can have the opposite effect.

Keep these three effective ways to praise in mind:

1. **Do it one-on-one.** A private word while you and your teen are in the car will mean more to your student than a public "Isn't my kid great?" Don't worry—your teen will find a way to let others know what you've said!
2. **State clearly** what your teen did right. "You rewrote that essay

in the ways your teacher suggested. It reads so much better now—and I am really proud that you kept at it."

3. **Help your teen recognize** how good it feels to do a good job. "How did it feel to turn in a paper you knew you had improved so much?"

Source: R. Lavoie, *The Motivation Breakthrough: 6 Secrets to Turning On the Tuned-Out Child*, Touchstone Books.

# JANUARY 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 French Toast Sticks Potato Soup	4 Tornados Wings	5 Monkey Bread Tacos	6 Pancake Wraps Fish Sandwich	7
8	9 Breakfast Pizza Corn Dogs	10 Glazed Donuts Loaded Nacho	11 Tornados Chicken Alfredo	12 Muffins Pig-n-Blanket	13 Waffles Pepperoni Cheese Sticks	14
15	16 Turnovers Chicken noodles	17 Brk Sandwich Pizza	18 Tornados Cheese Burgers	19 Tri-tator & Sausage Chicken Fried Steak	20 No School	21
22	23 Brk Burrito Spaghetti	24 Eggs & Bacon Grilled Chicken Sandwich	25 Tornados Hamburgers	26 Long Johns French Dip	27 Roller Bites Italian Meatballs	28
29	30 Cinnamon Rolls Chicken Enchiladas	31 Frudels Oven Fried Chicken				31

BREAKFAST  
INCLUDES:  
MILK, JUICE, OR  
FRUIT AND MAIN  
BREAKFAST ITEM.  
BREAKFAST WILL  
NOT BE SERVED  
ON 10:00  
STARTS.

Breakfast: \$2.25  
Lunch: \$2.70  
7-12: \$2.85  
Adults: \$4.00  
Extra Milk: \$.40  
Seconds: \$.75  
Extra Juice: \$.25

## Breakfast & Lunch Menu

Lunch Includes: Veggie/Fruit Bar and Milk

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# BOXHOLDER

## Callaway Public Schools Board of Education December Meeting Recap

Heath Birkel gave the athletic directors report highlighting the accomplishments of our student participants during the fall season.

### Discussion Items:

- ☐ Discussion regarding working with ESU 10 to provide a Licensed Mental Health Practitioner to Callaway Public Schools 1 day per week.
- ☐ Discussion of and review of annual subscriptions the Callaway Public Schools has to provide educational opportunities for students.

Action Item: Voted to approve the Negotiated Agreement with the Callaway Public Schools Certified Staff for the 2023-24 School Year.