



## Bobcats of the Month -December

### Ben Linden

Ben is a hard worker that does what he is asked of. He goes above and beyond and he's very polite. We appreciate his leadership in stepping up to get tasks done fast.

Mrs. Doggett



### Briawna Sherbenaut

While at recess Briawna is kind and inclusive. She makes everyone feel like they can take part in games and goes out of her way to accommodate how they choose to play games. I enjoy seeing her smiling face and getting to know her kind spirit.

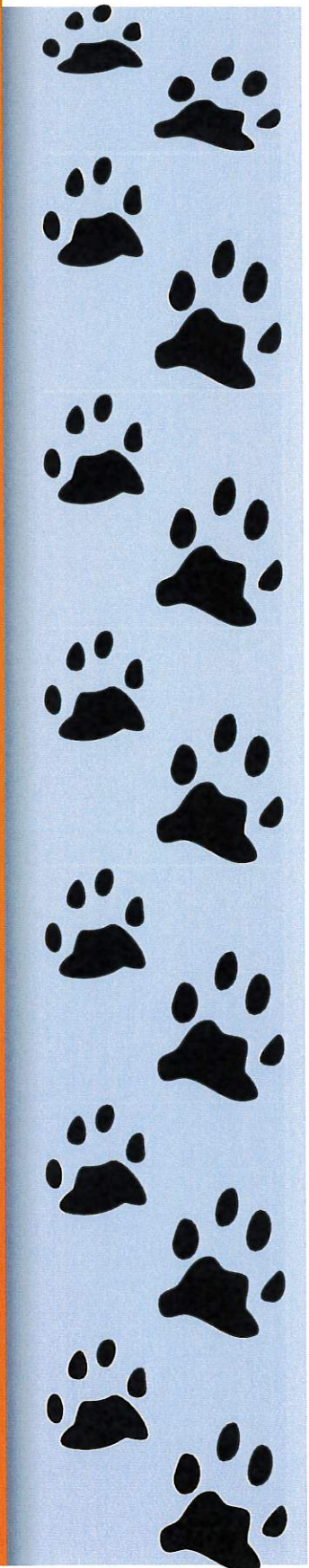
Mrs. Beck



### Amelia Pandorf

Amelia has been extremely helpful in the classroom, on the playground, and in the hallways. She is the first to volunteer her time to help others, whether that is helping her classmates on challenging assignments or helping her teacher find her lost phone on the football field! I appreciated everything she does to keep our classroom running.

Miss Reish



# Callaway Public Schools December Board of Education Meeting Recap

## Discussion:

Contract format and template regarding the superintendent hiring process.

## Action Item:

Renewed a CD at First Interstate Bank.

## Reports:

State assessment results from 2023 were able to be shared with the board.

## Principals Reports:

Testing dates and accomplishments of our students.

## Superintendent Report:

ALICAP Insurance Visit Review- Very positive feedback regarding the condition and management of the school facility.

Kitchen Health Inspection- The inspection went well. We will be making some plumbing updates and as we transition out cabinets we will be going to stainless steel.

## Next BOE Meeting:

January 8, 2024

5:00 PM Special Meeting- Superintendent Search.

7:00 PM Organizational and Regular Board Meeting.

## Board Report:

Jim Phelps and Rhonda Pandorf spoke about NDE State Education Conference.

Vince Guthrie informed the board that he will be moving from the area before being able to fulfill his term, but that the move is not immediate.

# **Callaway Public Schools**

**Mon Jan 1, 2024**

All day No School- Christmas Break

■ All day BB Practice @ Callaway

■ 4pm BB Practice

**Tue Jan 2, 2024**

All day No School- Christmas Break

■ All day BB Practice @ Callaway

■ 4pm Basketball @ Callaway vs Hershey

■ 5:30pm Wrestling Tri @ Arnold

**Wed Jan 3, 2024**

All day No School- Christmas Break

■ All day BB Practice @ Callaway

All day No School- Teacher In-Service

**Thu Jan 4, 2024**

■ All day BB Practice @ Callaway

All day School Resumes

■ 4pm Basketball @ Sandhills/Thedford

**Fri Jan 5, 2024**

■ All day BB Practice @ Callaway

**Sat Jan 6, 2024**

■ 9:30am Wrestling @ Amherst

■ 4pm Basketball @ Bertrand

**Mon Jan 8, 2024**

■ All day BB Practice @ Arnold

All day FCCLA Officer Lunch Meeting

5pm BOE Special Meeting- Superintendent Search

7pm BOE Meeting- Regular

**Tue Jan 9, 2024**

■ All day BB Practice @ Arnold

# **Callaway Public Schools**

**7:30am FFA Meeting**

**Wed Jan 10, 2024**

 **All day BB Practice @ Arnold**

**Thu Jan 11, 2024**

 **All day BB Practice @ Arnold**

**All day FCCLA Chapter Lunch Meeting**

**Fri Jan 12, 2024**

 **All day BB Practice @ Arnold**

 **11am Girls Wrestling @ Ord**

 **12pm Wrestling @ SEM**

 **4pm Basketball @ Maxwell**

**Sat Jan 13, 2024**

 **10am MNAC Wrestling @ Dunning**

 **2pm Basketball @ Brady**

**Mon Jan 15, 2024**

 **All day BB Practice @ Callaway**

 **1pm JH Boys & Girls Basketball @ Callaway vs Ansley-Litchfield**

**7pm FCCLA Star night**

**Tue Jan 16, 2024**

 **All day BB Practice @ Callaway**

 **4:30pm Basketball @ Arcadia vs Arcadia/Loup City**

 **6pm Wrestling Dual @ Arnold**

**Wed Jan 17, 2024**

 **All day BB Practice @ Callaway**

**Thu Jan 18, 2024**

 **All day BB Practice @ Callaway**

 **4:30pm Basketball @ Ansley-Litchfield**

**Fri Jan 19, 2024**

 **All day BB Practice @ Callaway**

## **Callaway Public Schools**

**All day No School- Teacher Workday**

 **All day Wrestling Parent's Night**

 **11am Wrestling @ South Loup - Callaway**

**Sat Jan 20, 2024**

**All day Speech @ Broken Bow**

**Mon Jan 22, 2024**

 **All day BB Practice @ Arnold**

 **All day Boys Basketball MNAC - TBA**

**All day FCCLA District STAR**

**Tue Jan 23, 2024**

 **All day BB Practice @ Arnold**

 **All day Girls Basketball MNAC - TBA**

**Wed Jan 24, 2024**

 **All day BB Practice @ Arnold**

**8am Connecting the Dots Career Day@ Kearney**

 **1pm JH Boys & Girls Basketball @ Arnold vs Brady**

**2:40pm Dismissal- Professional Development**

**3:45pm MTSS Team Meeting**

**Thu Jan 25, 2024**

 **All day BB Practice @ Arnold**

 **All day MNAC Basketball**

**Fri Jan 26, 2024**

 **All day BB Practice @ Arnold**

 **All day MNAC Basketball**

 **11am Wrestling @ Greeley vs Central Valley**

**Sat Jan 27, 2024**

 **All day MNAC Basketball**

**All day Speech @ Ord**

## **Callaway Public Schools**

■ 9:30am Girls Wrestling @ Amherst

**Mon Jan 29, 2024**

■ All day BB Practice @ Callaway

All day FCCLA Officer Meeting Lunch

■ 1pm JH Boys & Girls Basketball @ Arnold vs Anselmo-Merna

**Tue Jan 30, 2024**

■ All day BB Practice @ Callaway

**Wed Jan 31, 2024**

■ All day BB Practice @ Callaway

1pm HSQB @ Merna

■ 1:30pm JH Boys & Girls Basketball @ Sandhills/Thedford

# JANUARY 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 No School	2 No School	3 No School	4 Cinni Sticks Chicken Strips	5 Grab & Go Taverns	6
7	8 Tornados Chicken Fried Steak	9 Pancakes on a Stick Beef Enchiladas	10 Breakfast Sandwich Chicken Noodle Soup	11 Long Johns Cavatini	12 Grab & Go Potato Bar	13
14	15 Sausage & Tri- Tators Sliders	16 Breakfast Burritos Pigs-in-a-Blanket	17 Breakfast Pizza Chili	18 French Toast Sticks French Dip	19 No School	20
21	22 Tornados BBQ Rib on Bun	23 Long Johns Popcorn Chicken Bowls	24 Grab & Go Potato Soup	25 Breakfast Sandwich Spaghetti	26 Grab & Go Walking Taco	27
28	29 Sausage & Tri- Tators Hot Ham & Cheese	30 Cinnamon Rolls Beef & Noodles	31 Biscuits & Gravy Pizza Sticks	1 Cinni Sticks Chicken Stuffing Casserole	2 Grab & Go Tacos	

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

Breakfast: \$2.35  
Lunch: \$2.80  
7-12: \$2.95  
Adults: \$4.10  
Extra Milk: \$.40  
Seconds: \$.75  
Extra Juice: \$.25

## Breakfast & Lunch Menu

Lunch Includes: Veggie/Fruit Bar and Milk

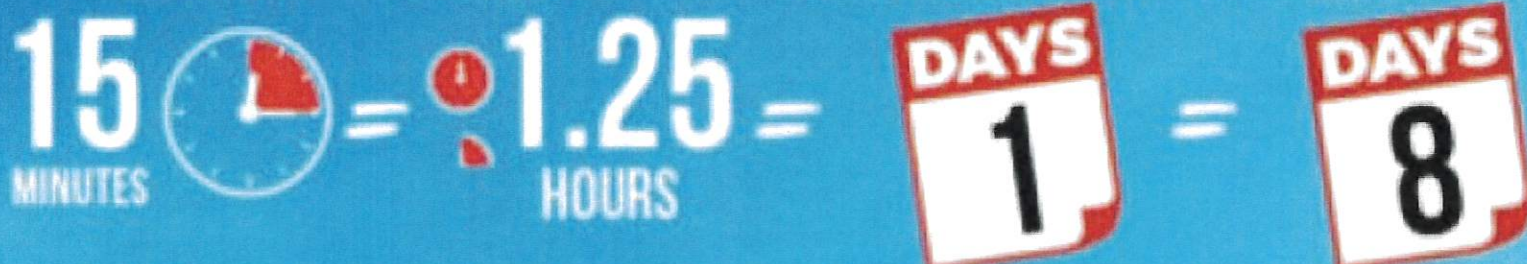
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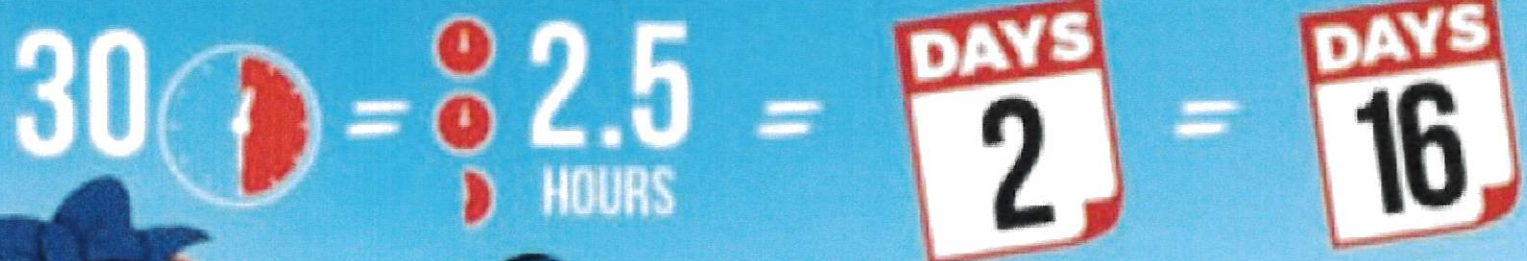
# STAY in the GAME

Attendance MATTERS - ALL DAY, EVERY DAY

ONE DAY → ONE WEEK → ONE MONTH → ONE YEAR



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every minute counts!



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# Helping Children Learn<sup>®</sup>

Tips Families Can Use to Help Children Do Better in School

Title I-Educational Service Unit 10

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



December 2023

## Help your elementary schooler prepare to do well on tests

"We will have a test on this next week." When teachers announce a test several days in advance, they expect students to use the time to prepare for it. But how should your child get ready?

Help your elementary schooler:

- **Clarify what the test** will cover. If your child is unsure about the topics that will be on the test, suggest asking the teacher. Your child can also ask about the format (fill in the blanks, multiple choice, short answer, etc.).
- **Create a study plan.** Studying works best when it's done repeatedly in short sessions spread out over time. Help your child block out study time on a calendar.
- **Practice recalling the material.** Your child could work with flash cards or think of questions the teacher might ask and then answer them. You could quiz each other on the material.
- **Arrive at school on time every day.** Students who are absent or arrive late will not get the benefit of in-class review sessions. On test day, arriving on time will help your child stay relaxed.
- **Keep up healthy habits.** In addition to studying, your child needs enough rest and nutrition to perform well on tests. Maintaining a regular bedtime and making sure your child eats breakfast will help.



## Conduct a daily review

Reviewing your child's schoolwork and talking about it together every day is important in every grade. It sends the message that learning is important. When you review:

- **Ask questions.** Which work did your child most enjoy doing? Was it easy or challenging?
- **Praise effort.** Compliment work that is neat, complete and accurate.

## Help your child be a giver

Children love *receiving* gifts. If your family celebrates a holiday with gifts, help your child experience the pleasure that also comes from *giving* them. Explain that the most meaningful gifts are made with love. Your child could:

- **Make and decorate a list,** such as "My 10 Favorite Things about Grandpa."
- **Bake cookies** and deliver them to someone who may not receive many homemade gifts.
- **Create a calendar** for 2024, including artwork geared to the seasons.



## Let your child practice making choices

Making lots of little decisions now will ensure your child has the skills to make more important ones later, about school and life. To help:

- **Show that you trust** your child with decisions. Regularly offer choices you believe your child can handle. Set guidelines, then accept your child's decision.
- **Ask questions.** If your child has a big project due soon and wants to go to a friend's house, look at a calendar together. Ask, "Do you have enough free nights left to finish your work?" "Would you have more fun together if your project were already finished?"
- **Ask if your child** wants help deciding before giving advice. If not, help your child learn from the consequences of a poor choice.
- **Do activities together** that involve decision-making. Play board games, discuss book characters' choices, and hold friendly family debates.

Sources: W. Stixrud, Ph.D. and N. Johnson, "Teach Your Kids How to Make Their Own Decisions," *Our Children*, National PTA; "Teaching Youth Decision-Making Skills through Activities," Rachel's Challenge.

## Check up on attendance

How has your child's attendance been so far this year? If you are unsure, contact the school to find out. Students who miss too much school are at risk academically. That's because:



- **Absences add up** to lost learning.
- **Missing school** becomes a habit.
- **Students who are** frequently absent in the early grades are less likely to do well in middle and high school.

It's not too late to get your student back on track for a strong year—and school career.

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## **JH/HS BBALL RULE CHANGE BEGINNING 2023-24 SEASON**

- **FOULS: NO MORE 1-1 FREE THROWS**
  - BONUS WILL ALWAYS BE 2 SHOTS
  - BONUS BEGINS AT 5 TEAM FOULS
- **TEAM FOULS - RESET EACH QUARTER**
  - SCOREBOARD WILL SHOW A MAX OF 5 FOULS PER QUARTER

THIS RULE CHANGE COMES FROM NFHS. IT WILL  
TAKE SOME GETTING USED TO. PLEASE BE  
PATIENT WITH OFFICIALS & SCOREBOARD OPERATORS.