



The Bobcat

April 24

Bobcats of the Month - March

Grayson Walker-Lopez

Grayson is a great kid. He is helpful and kind in the preschool room. He is willing to learn new things and tries his best at everything. Keep up the great work Grayson!!

Mrs. Hickenbottom



Emmett Phelps

Emmett is a great friend to others in his class. He recently advocated for a student who needed support handling an issue. Emmett is aware of how others are feeling.

Mrs. Jessep

It is hard to believe that we are in the spring season and soon school will be out for the summer. The spring is always a fun time filled with so many activities but it also brings about our NSCAS Growth state assessments for grades 3-8 and Map Growth assessment for grades K-2. The NSCAS Growth testing schedule has been included on the newsletter calendar for each grade. Dates have been carefully selected that abide by our district testing rules and on dates that we feel give students the best chance for success. You can assist us in this process by ensuring your child gets a good night's rest and eats a good breakfast that morning. We are so excited and proud of our students and cannot wait to see them shine on these assessments!

As I mentioned earlier, spring is the time for many fun activities. Students will be going on many field trips during this time. Please continue to monitor papers coming home with your child so a permission slip does not get missed.

We have had so much fun the past couple of months with our attendance and IXL competition. We will continue our attendance challenge in April and we will be adding a reading challenge. This was a huge hit last year! Students were put onto teams consisting of students from different grade levels K-6. They then received points based upon books/minutes read, reading time in the morning, and weekly participation from all team members. April 2nd will be our kickoff day for our reading challenge.

On April 18th we will be holding a "Step Up Day". This is where students in grades PK-3 will step up to the next grade for a short time. This allows them to meet the teacher and experience their new learning environment. On the evening of the 18th we will have our parents meeting for incoming Kindergarten parents and our Preschool Open House. Watch for information coming home about this.

We will be offering our Summer Learning Camp during the month of June. Information on this will be coming out soon. Summer Learning Camp is available to any students in grades K-5. On a final note, if your child attends Discovery Zone the last day for the 2023-2024 school year will be May 2nd. We have enjoyed running the program this year.

Thank you for all your support,

Brittany Jesseph
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Students in grades K-6 have been participating in an IXL challenge during the month of March. They competed to see which grade can have the most proficient skills. In addition, the top individual scorer in each grade won a prize.

The winner was.....Kindergarten with 757 skills!!!

Here are the individual grade winners:

K=Hank Svoboda/Hadley Brogan (138)

1st=Wyatt Brogan (58)

2nd= Ryker McDaniel (132)

3rd=Piper Hoesel (17)

4th= Griffen Belling (39)

5th=Kennedy Eggleston (120)

6th=Rowdie Lynch/ Cruz Mason / Amelia Pandorf (23)



Senior Spotlight

Delaynie Laible

1. Plans after high school
**I plan to move to Lincoln and
work as much as possible.**

2. Three words to describe you
Outgoing, Determined, Free-spirited

3. Favorite quote
**Courage is being scared to death,
but saddling
up anyway - John Wayne**

4. Advice for underclassmen
The due date is the do date

5. Favorite Memory
National FFA



Lane and Kyah Hogg



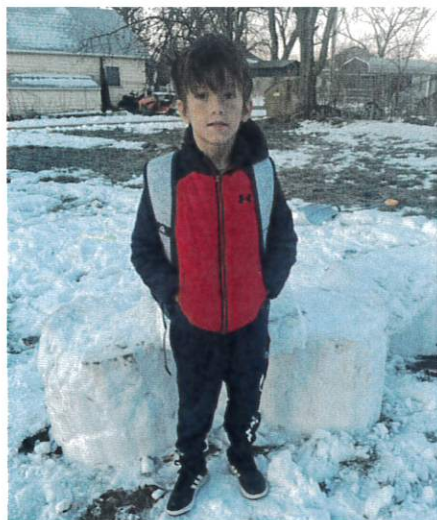
Jaxon, Carson, Ryker,
and Kyler McDaniel



Reagan Johnson



Ellie and Rae Williams



Beau, Hunter,
and Fayth Duckett



Maggie Mae Burkkel

Nickname: Mags

What has been the best and worst part of your senior year?

Worst: motivation to do just anything in general **Best:** knowing after all this I will be done with high school **FOREVER**

Which teacher had the most impact on you, and what will you remember about them?

Mr. Ellis always pushed me to be the best and do the best. He's super funny, and you have to know that he's joking or teasing you because most of the time, he's not serious.

What was your favorite extracurricular activity and why?

One acts because it allowed me to be creative and branch out of my comfort zone

With whom did you have your most meaningful relationships during your senior year?

Aubrie and I really grew closer and formed a stronger bond together as sisters. She helped me get through the horrible parts of high school

How would you describe your overall high school experience in three words?

Fun, fast, and challenging

6. Have you had senioritis? What has it looked like?

YES BIG TIME - lack of motivation and really wanting to graduate but knowing I'm not there yet

Interviewer: Nyachay Haidle



Joslyn Marie Reiff

Name:

Joslyn Marie Reiff

Nickname:

Josie, Jo, Jos

Parents Names;

Mike & Erin Reiff



As a young girl, what was your dream in life?

I am unsure but I believe I wanted to be a dancer.

Who has been your role model throughout life?

My mom has been my role model.

What has been your favorite high school memory?

I would have to say making it to state track my sophomore year.

What is your favorite quote or verse?

Do your best because your best is enough.

Where do you see yourself in 5 years?

I will have graduated from college and have a job.

What advice would you give to upcoming freshmen?

Enjoy life to the fullest. Also, set your GPA because there is no going back once you set it.

How has Callaway High School prepared you for your future?

The advanced classes have taught me not to procrastinate on work.



2024-2025 Preschool/ Kindergarten Roundup

APRIL 18, 2024



PRESCHOOL - 5:30-6:30

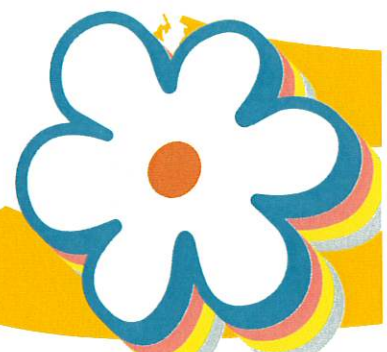
KINDERGARTEN - 6:00



Preschool: Come let your student explore the classroom while they get registered. Students must be 3 by July 31st to register.

Kindergarten: Incoming Kindergartners are welcome to come experience the classroom from 12:30-1:30.

Parents/Guardians: Please attend our informational meeting in the Kindergarten classroom at 6:00 pm.



APRIL 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 No School	2 Sausage/Tri-tators Chicken Strips	3 Breakfast Sandwich Spaghetti	4 Cinni/Apple Sticks Nacho Bar	5 No School	6
7	8 Pancakes on a Stick Taverns	9 Biscuits & Gravy Crispy Chicken Wrap	10 Breakfast Pizza BBQ Rib on a bun	11 Tornados Pigs n a Blanket	12 Grab & Go Fish Sticks	13
14	15 Sausage & Tri- Tators Taco Burgers	16 Breakfast Burritos Popcorn Chicken	17 Grab & Go Fiestada	18 Long Johns Chicken Alfredo	19 Grab & Go Sub Sandwiches	20
21	22 French Toast Sticks Pulled Pork Sand- wich	23 Breakfast Sandwich Chicken Quesadilla	24 Grab & Go Breakfast for lunch	25 Tornados Hot Ham & Cheese	26 Grab & Go Tacos	27
28	29 Combo Bar Pizza Sticks	30 Biscuits & Gravy Hamburgers	1 Breakfast Burrito Chicken Mesquite Sandwich	2 French Toast Sticks Beef & Noodles	3 Grab & Go Walking 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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Callaway Public Schools

Mon Apr 1, 2024

All day No School- Easter Monday

Tue Apr 2, 2024

7pm Cheer Parents Meeting @ Callaway

Wed Apr 3, 2024

All day State FFA

7pm Spring Coaches Meeting MNAC @ Thedford

Thu Apr 4, 2024

All day State FFA

Fri Apr 5, 2024

All day No School- Teacher Workday

All day State FFA

10am Golf @ Arnold

10am Track @ Arnold

Sun Apr 7, 2024

All day FCCLA State Leadership Conferenece

Mon Apr 8, 2024

All day FCCLA State Leadership Conferenece

All day 2/3 Bowling in Broken Bow

Tue Apr 9, 2024

All day FCCLA State Leadership Conferenece

6:30am Cheer practice @ Callaway

7:30am FFA Meeting

8am ACT

4:30pm Golf @ Broken Bow Country Club

Wed Apr 10, 2024

8am Pre ACT

10am JH Track @ Hershey

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Thu Apr 11, 2024

6:30am Cheer practice @ Arnold

10am Golf @ Hershey

Fri Apr 12, 2024

8am Bear's Bank

10am Track @ Burwell

Mon Apr 15, 2024

All day Book Fair

All day District Music @ Gothenburg

10:08am 7th Grade NSCAS

10:30am SMILES - dental check

11:50am 8th grade NSCAS

Tue Apr 16, 2024

All day 3/5/6 Grade NSCAS

All day Book Fair

9am Track @ Overton

10:08am 7th Grade NSCAS

11:50am 8th grade NSCAS

4pm Midwest Nebraska Track Classic Jr. High

7pm Cheer practice @ Callaway

Wed Apr 17, 2024

All day 3/4/5/6 Grades NSCAS Testing

All day Book Fair

10am JH Track @ Sutherland

2:40pm Dismissal- Professional Development

3:45pm MTSS Team Meeting

Thu Apr 18, 2024

All day 4/5 Grades NSCAS testing

All day Book Fair

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6:30am Cheer practice @ Arnold

10am Golf @ Thedford

Fri Apr 19, 2024

All day 5th Grade NSCAS testing

All day Book Fair

10:30am Muffins w/Moms

12:15pm Muffins w/Moms

Sat Apr 20, 2024

All day Prom @ Callaway

Mon Apr 22, 2024

9:12am 8th grade NSCAS

3:30pm JV Golf Tri @ Arnold

Tue Apr 23, 2024

All day 3/4/5/6 Grades NSCAS

10am JH Track @ Arnold

10am MNAC Golf @ Broken Bow (Merna)

7pm Cheer practice @ Callaway

Wed Apr 24, 2024

All day 3/4/5/6 Grades NSCAS

Thu Apr 25, 2024

All day 3/4 Field Trip to Halsey

9am BD Tour -Juniors and Seniors

9:12am 8th grade NSCAS

6:30pm Cheer practice @ Arnold

7pm FFA Banquet

Fri Apr 26, 2024

8am Bear's Bank

9am Golf @ Overton

10am JH MNAC Track @ Arnold

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10am MNAC Track @ Arnold

2pm JV Golf @ Mullen

Sat Apr 27, 2024

All day Cheer Tryouts @ Arnold

11am Teammates Red/White Game

Mon Apr 29, 2024

8:21am 8th grade NSCAS

9:12am 7th Grade NSCAS

7pm High School Spring Concert

Tue Apr 30, 2024

All day FCCLA End of the Year Banquet

9:12am 7th Grade NSCAS

3pm Best of the Midwest @ Sutherland

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Tips Families Can Use to Help Students Do Better in School
Title I-Educational Service Unit 10



April 2024

Have your teen try 'interleaving' when doing assignments

When it comes to doing homework, most high school students take it one subject at a time. But recent research shows that this is less effective for long-term learning than a technique called *interleaving*.

When interleaving, students mix several subjects up, doing a little of each before returning to the first. Instead of AAA-BBB-CCC, they might do ABC-ABC-ABC. To put interleaving to work, your teen could do the first seven or eight of 20 math problems, then move on to do some reading and some Spanish, and then go back to math.

After changing subjects, students have to work a little harder to remember what they know. (What is the Spanish word for *try* again?) That effort actually helps them recall the material in the long term.

It's important that students don't just use interleaving as an excuse to quit when something seems hard. Instead, they should keep returning to the subject until they feel a sense of accomplishment.

Remind your teen that even if this study technique seems to require more work, stronger recall power is worth it. As one teacher says, "It may feel worse now, but it will feel better when they take the test!"

Source: G.M. Donoghue and J.A.C. Hattie, "A Meta-Analysis of Ten Learning Techniques," *Frontiers in Education*, Frontiers Media S.A.



Absent students lose out

No matter the kind of absence—excused, unexcused, partial day, etc.—the result is the same: lost learning time. Being absent for as few as two days a month means a student will miss 10 percent of an average school year. And this kind of chronic absence sets a pattern that is hard to recover from. Don't let your teen miss out. Insist on attendance in every class, every day.

Encourage volunteering

Teens want to make the world a better place and believe they can do it. A volunteer job can help your teen put that belief into action. To boost the benefits to your teen:

- **Point out the links** between schoolwork and volunteer work—skills, concepts, etc.
- **Encourage your teen** to focus on activities in one area of strength and deepen experience in it. This will have more impact on a résumé later.



Nurture interest in learning

When teens are motivated by curiosity and an inner desire to learn, they are more likely to stick with tasks, keep learning and retain knowledge. To encourage this:

- **Offer opportunities** for your teen to display knowledge. Ask your teen to teach you skills learned in school.
- **Ask what your teen hopes** to learn from projects and assignments.
- **Help your teen recognize** how good it feels to accomplish something. "You've done a lot of research for that paper. You are becoming a real expert!"



Source: P.Y. Oudeyer and others, "Intrinsic Motivation, Curiosity, and Learning: Theory and Applications in Educational Technologies," *Progress in Brain Research*, Elsevier.



Foster reading comprehension skills

To really understand what they are reading, students must think about more than just the words on the page. They must also consider more abstract concepts. Encourage your high school student to spend time thinking about:

- **The author's purpose.** Why did the author write this? Was it to inform? To entertain? To influence thinking?
- **The sequence of events.** What happened first? What happened next? What was the result?
- **The main idea** and supporting details. What is the author's basic message? What elements does the author include in the writing
- that strengthen and support this message?
- **Figurative language.** "The ocean sang to me," doesn't mean the water had a voice. It means the author felt connected to it.
- **Relationships between** events or characters or plot points and how they affected the outcome.
- **The characters' feelings.** How did they affect their decisions?

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Callaway Public Schools March Board of Education Meeting Recap

Discussion Items:

Bryon Hanson's Superintendent Evaluation was completed

Candidates for the open Board of Education position were given the opportunity to speak

Action Items:

ESU 10 Contract was Approved for the 2024-25 School Year

2024-25 School Calendar was approved

A non-functioning freezer was declared surplus

Cooperative agreement for boys and girls basketball and wrestling was approved

Rebecca Eggleston was selected to fill the open board position

Personnel:

Maddison Huppert was hired as a Speech Language Pathologist

Hannah Beck resigned from her position as an ELA Teacher

April Board Meeting will be held on Monday the 8th at 8:00 PM