



HEMINGFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## Bobcat Bits

*Back to School Issue*

*August 2008*



### Notes from Mr. Ningen, Superintendent of Schools “Opportunities Await Us”

“Are we ready for school to start?” That is a question that gets asked a lot this time of year. Perhaps it’s because summer seems to pass so quickly. It is one that students may not want to think about yet, but many parents and all faculty members are already gearing up for the fall semester, contemplating the opportunities that await our children as they return to classes August 14<sup>th</sup>.

This theme may seem to be one you’ve heard me speak and write about before, but it’s always worth repeating. No single month is as important as the first one in any school year. During that first month, good study habits, good eating and sleeping patterns, and good attitudes help to make the rest of the year a success, or a game of catch up if we don’t get off to a solid start.

All of us can relate to that feeling we have when a job or an assignment is completed early and done well. All of us can also remember the feeling we had when something didn’t go as planned, when we were late in completing a task, or were not satisfied with the quality of our work. With our first month of school nearly here, I believe that to ensure the very best effort and outcome from our students, a heightened level of communication between school and home is needed.

Don’t wait to hear from teachers or students if you are a parent. Ask your son or daughter specific questions at the dinner table. Encourage their efforts as often as possible. Stop in and say hello to that new teacher, or drop them an e-mail or note. There is so much good that can be done by “preparing the path” ahead of time. If teachers and parents can work together in sharing information, then our students will have a greater chance to excel.

Our school is here to provide the very best possible education for our children that we can. Of course that task will be more successful if we keep in touch and support each other. As superintendent, it is my job to oversee the efforts of all of our staff members, and support them to the fullest in their efforts to teach and work with our children. I would ask that any concerns that may come up be addressed first to the staff member involved, and then follow up with principals, and then myself, if there is still a need.

Stop in at ***your school*** anytime, or visit us on the web at <http://www.hemingfordschools.org>

Our phone numbers here are: Elementary Principal Ron Foster- 487-3330 and High School

Principal Peggy Thayer - 487-3328 , our fax number is: 487-5215.

I can be reached in the Superintendent's office by dialing either of those numbers.

My e-mail address is [cningen@panesu.org](mailto:cningen@panesu.org).

I look forward, as always, to a productive, successful school year, thanks to everyone’s efforts.

*Mr. Ningen, Hemingford School Superintendent.*

## Thayer's Thoughts

New classmates, New teachers, New class schedules, New lockers, New faces, New opportunities for success---Yes it is the start of a New School Year. It is so exciting to begin fresh.--where else in society provide this opportunity??. Everyone begins with a clean slate. Students can make the decision and commit to earn better grades, to be active in more activities or take on a new hobby. School is a great place to practice skills needed in life. I know that I am anticipating an excellent school year with a group of great students.

### 7th Grade and New Student Orientation

In conjunction with the Guidance Department, a night has been set aside for 7th grade students as well as any new student to become more familiar with the school and their class schedule. This is an opportunity to walk the halls and ask questions. A parent or guardian should plan on accompanying the student. The date has been set for Monday, August 11, 2008 beginning at 6:00 pm. The plan is to begin in the band room for general questions then allow time for students whom may wish find classrooms and walk through their schedule.



### Materials Coming Home the First Day

#### Parent/Student Handbook

Please take time to read through the student handbook. There have been a few changes since last year, hoping to make some of the policies more clear. The handbook outlines the policies and expectations of your son/daughter. Please sign and return the form stating that you did review the student handbook. It is located on the last page.



#### Computer Acceptable Use Policy

We stress at Hemingford High School that a computer and the Internet is a teaching resource (not a toy), and students will be responsible for their actions. The purpose of internet use is for research and presentation. Access privileges may be revoked when deemed necessary. Both parent and student signatures are required on this form.

#### K12 Planet – Student and Parent Access

All students are able to access their grades via the internet. Teachers are required to post updated grades by Monday noon. Changes to K12 planet take affect each morning after the upload scheduled for 7:30 am. Parents that would like access the system need to have an email account. If you would like to an account, please call the office. Those with current accounts, you may continue to use your same user name and password.

#### Email Contact Form

Is it easier for you to communicate through email? Sometimes just a quick note to or from a teacher helps resolve a question or gives you an update. This may be one option for you. The school is beginning to compile a data base for parent email.

#### Insurance Applications and Hot Lunch Forms

Please refer to the information that is provided with these forms.

## Thayer's Thoughts cont.

### New Staff Members Joining HHS

New faces in the classroom include Mr. Joe Collins whom will be teaching in the Social Science area including a junior high class, American History, and World Geography/World History. Mr. Collins was a Hemingford graduate. In the Business/Technology arena, Mrs. Brandy Stark will take on business courses as well as working in keeping technology running at HHS. She is a graduate from the Alliance school system. Manning the front office this year will be Mrs. Lisa Haas. I feel very fortunate in having these quality individuals join our staff.



### Band Practice

Band under the guidance of Mrs. Ann Chesley is beginning summer practice. Band will continue to be last period of the day. As stated earlier, some of the reasons behind this change is that it is warmer in the afternoon to practice marching. If needed, students can spend an additional 10 minutes on the field after school then go to other activity practices. Bus students will be excused at the normal time. An additional reason is students can set up for concerts and sports events at the end of the day, thus leaving the gym available for the day time activities and finally the number

of classes interrupted for sports activities is minimized.

### Big Red BBQ

Mark your calendar for the Big Red BBQ sponsored by the Hemingford Booster Club. It will be hosed in the Fairgrounds Multipurpose Hall beginning at 6:00 pm on Thursday, August 21st. The Booster Club has participated in a number of great activities for our school.



**ChildFind** is a community wide effort to provide opportunities for children with disabilities. The purpose of Child Find is to identify children between birth and 21 years of age who may have individual needs that result from disabilities. The local school district works in cooperation with the medical community and other service agencies to locate children with disabilities in our area. Services are available for any eligible child including those who are home schooled. Any information you provide regarding a child will be kept confidential as required by local, state, and federal law. If you live within the Hemingford School District and have or know of a child who may benefit from special education or related services, please contact Mandy Plog, Hemingford Special Education Director, at 487-3330 for details on the referral process.

## Fostering Education

### IS IT REALLY TIME TO START SCHOOL?

I can't believe that we are getting ready to begin another year of school, my 4<sup>th</sup> year as your principal. I hope everyone had a restful and relaxing summer break. I hope everyone feels re-charged and ready to have a great school year. I'm looking forward to seeing all of the kids, I've really missed them. We've had several new kids register for our school. The maintenance and custodial staff have been busy putting on the finishing touches to the buildings. The school looks great. Welcome back everyone. Let's have a great year!

### UPCOMING DATES OF INTEREST

**August 14<sup>th</sup> First day of school (1:00 p.m. dismissal)**

**August 15<sup>th</sup> Regular day**

**September 1<sup>st</sup> – No School – Labor Day**

### New Staff

I would like to welcome two new teachers to our staff in the elementary. Kerri Morrison will be teaching one of our kindergarten sections and Dee Hannaford will be teaching one of our 5<sup>th</sup> grade sections. Please make these two individuals feel welcome.

### BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Please remember to save the box tops that are found on many different food items. They allow us to earn money for our school. This is another great way to help our school.

### 5 Ways to Raise a Reader

1. Make stories come alive for your child when you read. Be animated and use different voices.
2. Be patient – let your child read aloud at his or her own pace. Offer help only when needed.
3. Discuss what you read together. Ask questions, and listen attentively to your child's answers.
4. Continue reading together even after your child learns to read.
5. Take along your child's favorite books wherever you go.

### QUOTES TO THINK ABOUT ☺

Success starts small, but the more you feed it and water it with a winning attitude, the bigger and faster it grows.

What you do today will determine where you stand tomorrow. If the roots are weak, the tree will fall down. Create a strong foundation.

Never look down on anybody unless you're helping them up.

### COMMUNICATION

**Together we can make a difference for kids ☺**

Call us with any questions at 487-3330.

# COUNSELOR'S

## ORNER

Once again I will be in the elementary classrooms once a week every other month. Grades K – 2 September, November, January, and March. Grades 3 – 6 October, December, February, and April. K – 2 will be working on a Manners unit during the month of September.

Juniors and seniors planning to go to college need to register for the ACT test. Register Online for the ACT. Register @ [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

You must use a valid credit card to register online. Register by mail to pay by check or money order. Basic fee per test option is ACT (No Writing) -- \$31.00 or ACT Plus Writing -- \$46.00.

### ACT Test Dates 2008-2009

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Required
September 13, 2008	August 12, 2008	August 13-22 2008
October 25 2008	September 19, 2008	September 20-Oct. 3, 2008
December 13, 2008	November 7, 2008	November 8-20, 2008
February 7, 2009	January 6, 2009	January 7-16, 2009
April 4, 2009	February 27, 2009	February 28-Mar. 13, 2009
June 13, 2009	May 8, 2009	May 9-22, 2009



As parents, students, and educators, we need to remember to treat each other with respect so that we can receive respect back.

## Immunizations

Students entering school for the first time (K or 1st Grade) or students entering 7th Grade or transfer students from outside the State of Nebraska, regardless of grade (includes any foreign students) are required to have the following immunizations:

**3 doses** of DTaP, DTP, DT, or Id vaccine, one given on or after the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday,

**3 doses** of Polio vaccine,

**2 doses** of MMR vaccine, given on or after 12 months of age and separated by at least one month,

**3 doses** of pediatric Hepatitis B vaccine or 2 doses of adolescent vaccine if student is 11-15 years of age.

**1 dose** of varicella (chicken-pox) if given on or after 12 months of age and prior to 13 years of age. If given at over 13 years of age,

**2 doses** of varicella, separated by at least one month. Written documentation (including year) of varicella disease from parent, guardian, or health care provider will be accepted.

(For the 2008-2009 school year this includes students in grades kindergarten, 1st, 2nd 7th, 8th and 9th plus all out of state transfer students).

All students not listed above in grades 1 through 6 and 8 through 12 are required to have the following immunizations:

**3 doses** of DTaP, DIP, DI, or Td vaccine, one given on or after the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday,

**3 doses** of polio vaccine

**2 doses** of FVIMR vaccine, given on or after 12 months of age and separated by at least one month,

**3 doses** of pediatric Hepatitis B vaccine or 2 doses of adolescent vaccine if student is 11-15 years of age.

Varicella is not required.

(Varicella is required for kindergartners, 1st, 2nd, 7th, 8th & 9th graders for the 2008-2009 school year).



## Activity Passes

Activity passes for all regular home games will be available at the Superintendent's Office. Prices will be: Adults \$30.00, Students Not In Activity \$20.00, Students In Activity—\$10.00, Family \$85.00, and Single Parent Family \$60.00. (This pass is intended for those parents who are in a single parent family situation.)

Activity gate prices will be:

### **Varsity Contests:**

\$3.00 for adults, and \$3.00 for students.

### **Junior Varsity and Junior High Contests:**

\$2.00 for adults, and \$1.00 for students.

### **Invitational Tournaments:**

\$5.00 for adults, and \$3.00 for students.

No activity or conference passes accepted for tournaments!

Please use the activity pass order form included with the newsletter for ordering passes. Please use first and last names and make sure to list all family members on order form for family pass.



## **Bus Routes**

Bus drivers will call students who ride their bus. Routes have been established, and drivers will then contact the families concerning approximate times to expect the bus by August 4th. ***If you have not previously ridden the bus or have not been called by August 4th, please contact Marv Spath at the school (487-3330) to place your name on the bus list.***

## **Activity Pass Order Form**

Please fill out this form and return it to the Office of the Superintendent for Activity Passes. You can mail this with payment to:

Hemingford Schools  
Attn: Activity Passes  
PO Box 217  
Hemingford, NE 69348

### **Please check Type of Activity Pass needed**

**Adult** —\$30.00

**K-6 Student** —\$20.00

**Student 7-12 In Activity** —\$10.00

**Student Not In Activity** —\$20.00

**Family** —\$85.00

**Single Parent Family** —\$60.00

NAMES:

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Total Amount Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I will pickup of the passes.

\_\_\_\_\_ Please mail passes to the address below.



# HEMINGFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL STAFF DIRECTORY 2008-2009

## **Board of Education**

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## **Hemingford Administration**

Casper Ningen — Superintendent  
Peggy Thayer—Secondary Principal  
Ron Foster — Elementary Principal  
Mandy Plog—Director of Special Education

## **Hemingford Elementary Teaching Staff**

Linda Folkerts — Kdg.  
Kerri Morrison — Kdg.  
Sue Benzel —First Grade  
Jennifer Gasseling- First Grade  
Joi Cullin - Second Grade  
Nancy Zajic — Second Grade  
Pamela Huddle —Third Grade  
Michelle Osmotherly -Fourth Grade  
Dee Hannaford— Fifth Grade  
Cindy Lanik- Fifth Grade  
Robyn Prochazka —Sixth Grade  
Sally Engelhaupt-Title 1  
Brianne Moudry— Pre -K  
Jeanette Chasek-K-6 Resource  
Gina Benda-K-6 Computer/Tech Coordinator  
Ramona Hucke — K-12 Counselor  
Ann Chesley— K-6 Music & Elem. Band  
Nancy Giorgi - K-9 Physical Education  
Sue Shaver- K-12 Media Specialist  
Judy Stewart—Nurse/Health Education  
Michael Olson—K-12 Speech Pathology

## **Hemingford High School Teaching Staff**

Cindy Ahrens— Intro. Math  
David Chatelain—Social Studies  
Ann Chesley—Band/ Choir  
Joe Collins— Social Studies  
Cathy Fingar—English  
Nancy Giorgi- K-9 Physical Education  
Randy Hiemstra — Activities Director/PE  
Kay Horstman—Computer & Business  
Ramona Hucke—K-12 Counselor/ Transitions  
Lisa Janssen—Advanced Math  
Gordon Kamey—Vocational Agriculture Ed  
Tim Lanik - Life Science & I-IS PE  
Suzanne Neefe—Family Consumer Science  
Brad Olson— Advanced Science  
Michael Olson—7-12 Speech Pathology  
Patrick Robinson—English  
Sue Shaver- K-12 Media Specialist  
Sue Shaver -7th-12th Music/Reading

Brandy Stark —Business/Tech Coordinator  
Judy Stewart—Nurse/ Health Education  
Kelly Thompson - 7—12 Resource  
Maria Wade—Art & Spanish  
Dennis Zajic— 7-9 Int. Science

## **Secretaries and Aides**

Joyce Klemke—Business Manager  
Lisa Haas—Secondary Secretary  
Deb Campbell—Elementary Secretary  
Brenda Davies—Elem. Library Aide  
Tobie Buchheit— Resource Aide  
Amanda Chancellor— Resource Aide  
Jeanette Hucke— Resource Aide  
Christy Ningen - Resource Aide  
Pat Vogel - Classroom Aide  
Shawn Phillips - Classroom Aide  
Kassy Broadway— Classroom Aide

## **Custodians**

Lynn Weldon — Head/High School Cust.  
Mary Spath—Maintenance Supervisor  
Sandy Haas—Lunch Accounts/Asst. Maintenance  
Rozie Wax—Elementary Custodian  
Karla Mapes — Gymnasium Custodian  
**Food Service Personnel**  
Nancy Yardley — Manager  
Dorothy Rowe — Baker  
Kim Simmons — Aide

## **Bus Drivers**

Mary Spath—Transportation Director  
Brenda Davies— Route & Act.  
Bob Haas - Activities  
Brad Haas—Activities  
Sandy Haas—Route & Act.  
Tim Lanik - Activities  
Karla Mapes — Route & Act  
Brenda Schleicher — Route & Act.  
Tre Surbeck — Route & Act  
Pat Vogel - Activities  
Kim Wills—Route & Act

## **Class Sponsors**

Class of 2009— Seniors- Cindy Ahrens, Cathy Fingar; Class of 2010 — Juniors- Patrick Robinson, Kelly Thompson; Class of 2011 — Sophmores- Dennis Zajic. Suzanne Neefe; Class of 2012 — Freshman-Brad Olson, David Chatelain; 2013—Eighth Grade, Kay Horstman, Susan Shaver, 2014— Seventh Grade— Ramona Hucke, Brandy Stark

## **Activities**

Athletic Club — Randy Hiemstra, Tim Lanik  
Instr. Music —Ann Chesley  
Asst Marching Band— Sue Shaver  
Health Council — Judy Stewart  
FFA — Gordon Karney  
FCCLA - Suzanne Neefe  
Nat. Honor Soc,— Cathy Fingar  
1 Act & 3 Act — Tabi Bryner

Assistant One Act - Kelly Thompson  
Assistant Three Act— Kelly Thompson  
Quiz Bowl — Maria Wade  
SIP—Cathy Fingar, Jennifer Gasseling  
Skip N Cats — Nancy Giorgi  
Speech — Judy Stewart  
Assistant Speech — Staff  
Student Council — Cathy Fingar  
World Strides — Maria Wade  
Yearbook— Kay Horstman

## **Coaches**

FOOTBALL: Head: Patrick Robinson;  
Assistants:Joe Collins.; Randy Hiemstra;  
JH: 7th-Brad Olson, 8th- Randy Hiemstra  
VOLLEYBALL: Head: Lisa Janssen; Assistants:Dave Chatelain; JH: 7th- Jennifer Gasseling, 8th- Cindy Ahrens  
CROSS COUNTRY: Cindy Lanik and Tim Lanik  
WRESTLING: Head: Gordon Kamey;  
Assistants Chris Weber; JH 7th- Gordon Karney, 8th- Chris Weber  
GIRLS BASKETBALL—Head-David Chatelain;Assistants-Lisa Janssen, JH—7th-Cindy Ahrens, 8th— Kim Haas  
BOYS BASKETBALL—Head —Randy Hiemstra., Assistant —Joe Collins, JH—7th— Kim Haas, 8th-Patrick Robinson  
TRACK—Head—Cindy Ahrens, Tim Lanik  
Assistants— Kay Horstman, Lisa Janssen  
GOLF—Brad Olson/Patrick Robinson  
Activities Director — Randy Hiemstra & Tim Lanik



## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

### HEMINGFORD ELEMENTARY-PRESCHOOL

#### MRS. MOUDRY

Paint Shirt (large t-shirt)  
 Small blanket or towel  
 Snacks to share  
 6-7 glue sticks  
 1 bottle Elmer's Glue  
 Small box of washable markers

#### OPTIONAL

Clorox wipes, hand soap, Kleenex, Playdough, CD's (free AOL, CD's etc.), tin foil or wax paper, paper towel tubes, scrap yarn/fabric remnants.

### HEMINGFORD ELEMENTARY - KDG.

#### MRS. FOLKERTS -MS. MORRISON

Two pencils (#2 lead)  
 One Box Ziploc bags (any size)  
 Box of 8 crayons (regular size)  
 One spiral notebook  
 A beach towel for rest time  
 One box of 250 count Kleenex  
 Scissors (Fiskars brand)  
 3 glue sticks (no gel sticks)  
 Backpack  
 1 empty frosting (ready to spread) container  
 Old paint shirt (a big T-shirt works the best)  
 A box of snacks (crackers, raisins, etc.) for morning snack time.

### HEMINGFORD ELEMENTARY - 1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE

#### MRS. BENZEL-MRS. GASSELING

1 box of 24 crayons  
 2 boxes (one for each semester) Mrs. Gasseling's class  
 1 pair of scissors with metal blades  
 2 boxes of Kleenex  
 2 boxes of Ziploc bags- Mrs. Benzel's class  
 1 box of Ziploc bags (any size)- Mrs. Gasseling's class

### MRS. BENZEL-MRS. GASSELING CONT.

2 large erasers  
 8 - #2 lead pencils  
 8- glue sticks  
 1 bottle of white glue  
 1 pocket folder  
 1 one subject wide ruled notebook  
 1 paint shirt  
 1 empty frosting( ready to spread) container-Mrs. Benzel's class

### HEMINGFORD ELEMENTARY -2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE

#### MRS. CULLAN- MRS. ZAJIC

#2 lead pencils  
 Large eraser  
 Box of 24 crayons  
 Scissors with metal blades  
 1-4 oz. Bottle of Elmer's School Glue (white)  
 4-glue sticks (white only)  
 Box of colored pencils (8-12 per box)  
 Hard plastic pencil box  
 2-80 page wide ruled spiral notebooks  
 2-large boxes of Kleenex  
 1-box of Ziploc bags (any size)  
 Paint shirt

**PLEASE LABEL ALL SUPPLIES** with your name and brought to school the first day of second grade..





## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

### HEMINGFORD ELEMENTARY-3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE

**MRS. HUDDLE**

1- box #2 lead pencils-sharpened  
 Crayons-1 box of 24 only  
 Notebook Paper- 2 pkgs. of loose leaf wide ruled notebook paper  
 2-erasers  
 7- glue sticks  
 3-boxes of Kleenex (250 ct.)  
 2-composition books  
 1-box of Ziploc (any size)

We **DO NOT** want the students to bring **TRAPPER KEEPERS, MECHANICAL PENCILS, PENCIL SHARPENERS, INK PENS OR PENCIL BOXES.**

### HEMINGFORD ELEMENTARY-4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

**MRS. OSMOTHERLY**

1-package 8 ½" x 11" wide ruled loose leaf notebook paper  
 Spiral notebooks- one of each color: yellow, red, blue, green or teal, purple and two other colors of your choice  
 3- pocket folders- of your choice  
 1-box #2 WOODEN pencils- extra pencils may be needed later in the year  
 Ball point pens, **blue or black**, for daily work  
 Erasers- (**NO** toys pretending to be erasers)  
 Scissors  
 3-boxes of Kleenex  
 1-box of Ziploc bags  
 Pencil bag

**Suggested to have at home; a good collegiate dictionary and thesaurus**

*Please don't bring a Trapper Keeper*

### HEMINGFORD ELEMENTARY

**5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> GRADE**

**MRS. C. LANIK – MRS. HANNAFORD**

**MRS. PROCHAZKA**

Spiral notebooks- one of each color: yellow, red, blue, green or teal, and two other colors of your choice  
 3-pocket folders of your choice  
 #2 pencils, WOODEN (**extra pencils** should be brought and kept at school for use)  
 Ball point pens, **blue or black**, for some daily work and other **legible** colors for grading  
 Erasers (**NO** toys pretending to be erasers)  
 pink pearl or kneaded gum is the best  
**Colored pencils**, for map work, art and color illustration  
 Pencil bag  
 1-box of Kleenex

**Suggested to have at home**

**Good collegiate dictionary and thesaurus**



## 2008 Bobcat Football Information

### Equipment check-out

Sunday, August 10

Seniors 7:00p.m.

Monday, August 11

Juniors: 2:30-2:45

Sophomores: 2:45-3:00

Freshmen: 3:00-3:15



**Conditioning** from August 11 to August 15 @ 4:00p.m. on the practice field

**Full practice** begins Monday, August 18 @ 4:00p.m. on the practice field

**Big Red BBQ** on Thursday, August 21 @ 6:00 p.m. Multi-purpose Hall

**Junior Bobcat Flag Draft** on Saturday, August 23 10:00 a.m. in the main gym

**Night Scrimmage** on Friday, August 29 @ 7:00 p.m. on the game field

## HHS VARSITY FOOTBALL (2008)

Day	Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Friday	Sept. 5	Edgemont	HOME	7:00
Friday	Sept. 12	Mullen	Away	7:00
Friday	Sept. 19	Banner County	HOME	7:00
Friday	Sept. 26	Leyton	Away	7:00
Thursday	Oct. 2	Crawford	HOME	6:00
Friday	Oct. 10	Potter-Dix	Away	7:00
Friday	Oct. 17	Garden County	Away	7:00
Thursday	Oct. 23	Creek Valley	HOME	7:00

Interest forms are still being accepted for the Junior Bobcat Flag League starting this fall. All boys and girls in grades 3 through 6 are invited to participate. Call Coach Robinson at school, 487-3328, or at home, 760-9077, or stop in and see Lindsey or Amy at Raben's if you need a form.

## Giorgi's Gym

### Water Aerobics in PE!

August 1, 2008



Another school year is about to start, and the Hemingford Physical Education classes have a way to stay cool for the first few days and still give those muscles a workout. We will be including a water aerobic class in the curriculum again this year for grades 1<sup>st</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup>. This class is an exercise class done in the swimming pool and adaptations are easily made for non-swimmers. Thanks to the Village of Hemingford and the school administration, we will be using the pool for water aerobics on Friday through Tuesday, August 15, 18, and 19. There will be no swimming the first day of school due to the early out. Students will need to bring a towel and a swimming suit - shirts and shorts are acceptable, but no jean cutoffs will be allowed in the pool.

The following is a tentative water aerobic schedule but times are subject to change.

Grade	Friday - Tuesday
6 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 - 9:30
5 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 - 10:00
9 <sup>th</sup>	10:18 - 11:12
1 <sup>st</sup>	1:00 - 1:30
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1:30 - 2:00
3 <sup>rd</sup>	2:00 - 2:30
4 <sup>th</sup>	2:30 - 3:00

If there is a reason that your child cannot participate in the water aerobic program, please send a note to school stating the reason. I am really excited to see everyone again and to be able to use the pool for PE!

Nancy Giorgi

## Wade's World



Recycling – Hemingford received a 2<sup>nd</sup> place award in the state for its recycling efforts in the spring of 2008. Great job. I think everyone, young and old, learned a lot about the possibilities of recycling. Reduce – Reuse – Recycle. We want to continue the good habits the children exhibited and encourage them to keep up the good work. We have found a place to store plastic bottles so students may still bring them in or leave them at my house. We will hear on the national contest in mid-September. Pasha Gonzales and Deb Dopheide with Keep Alliance Beautiful were very optimistic about our standings based on a comparison of last year's number.. Hope you see the posters at the fair displayed in the school art building.

WorldStrides – Harvest came and the students worked hard at the wheat shack. The schedule for the grandstands clean-up at the fairgrounds is set. If the kids do not have one, please contact Mrs. Wade at 487-3891. The all-village yard sale is September 6. Please make your plans. I will have a meeting with the students when school starts to see who wishes to be involved.

Art classes – Art 1 is being offered with a different curriculum this fall. The first semester will be traditional art with drawing, shading, composition and perspectives stressed. Second semester, Mrs. Horstman will teach computer art/graphics in the computer room. This is a great addition to the curriculum with all the jobs opening up in the computer area. The motto in the art room is: "ART IS A VERB". We are looking forward to this new adventure. Again, be sure to check out the school art building at the Box Butte County Fair. Best in the State in 2008!!

Spanish – Spanish 1 focuses on vocabulary and basic structure of the language as well as verb conjugations in present tense. In Spanish 2, I try to get the students to speaking more and comprehending when they hear the language spoken. We learn more tenses including preterit, imperfect, and irregular stem-changes. Spanish 2 builds on what the students learned in Spanish 1 so we do spend the first 3 weeks or so reviewing.

I look forward to seeing the students and hearing about their summer endeavors. Our best wishes to the 2008 graduates as they begin this new milestone of their lives.

Marla Q. Wade



## Marching Band 2008-2009– Mrs. Chesley

It's that time of year already! The Box Butte County fair is coming right up. We will be marching in the Parade on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August. We will continue reviewing songs and marching techniques. Just three practices left in August!

### AUGUST

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>.....7:00 p.m.

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> .....7:30 a.m.

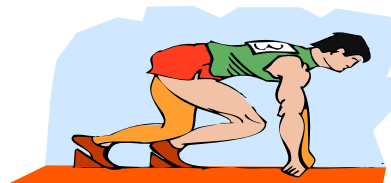


## Cross Country-Mrs. Lanik



Cross Country Meeting-Thursday, August 14<sup>th</sup> after school in Mrs. Lanik's room. If you cannot be there then please talk to Mrs. Lanik before the meeting.

Cross Country Practice will begin on Monday, August 18<sup>th</sup> after school.



## Volleyball-Ms. Janssen



Volleyball conditioning starts on Monday, August 11 from 7:00 a.m.—8:30 a.m.

August 12 from 7:00 a.m.—8:30 a.m.

August 13 from 7:00 a.m.—8:30 a.m.

August 14 from 6:30 a.m.—7:30 a.m.

August 15 from 6:30 a.m.—7:30 a.m.

**August 18– First Practice 4:00 p.m.**

**Gatorade Scrimmage-August 28 @ 6:00 F-JV-V**

**Mrs. Thayer will be in the office on Tuesday, August 5<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. for any schedule changes.**



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# HHS FOOTBALL

**We cleaned out the attic this summer, and guess what we found? Football jerseys!! Starting September 2 and ending September 26 (just in time for Homecoming Week), there will be a silent jersey auction/sale. Some jerseys were worn in the mid-1990's, while others were worn as recently as the 2007 season. Keep your eyes on the school website for further details!**

**[www.hemingfordschools.org](http://www.hemingfordschools.org)**

**GO  
CATS!**



**BOB-**

## HEMINGFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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## COMMUNICATION SOURCES

In an effort to maintain all possible communication links, Hemingford Public Schools will offer numerous ways for parents, students, community members and all other interested citizens to stay abreast of happenings at the schools. Some ways to communicate are: Hemingford Public Schools Website  
<http://www.hemingfordschools.org>

Hemingford Ledger - Important information is posted in the Briefs. Sports info and other needed school info can be found here as well.

Monthly newsletter - Mailed to every patron in the district each month.

Also can be found on the webpage.

Notices sent home with students

Information sent home with reports cards.

Phone calls to students' homes when necessary.

K-12 Planet for attendance, grades and other notes to students and parents found on the Hemingford Schools webpage.

## EQUAL OPPORTUNITY OPPORTUNITY

Hemingford Public School District #10 will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, or marital status in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in its programs and activities



## INCLEMENT WEATHER

The Superintendent of schools is authorized by the Board of Education to close public schools in case of severe weather. The Superintendent's will notify local news media when inclement weather warrants such action. The **information is broadcast regularly by radio stations, (KCOW AM 1400, KQ 106 & 97.5 FM, KMOR 92.9 FM), our web site ([www.hemingfordschools.org](http://www.hemingfordschools.org)), and Mobius web site ([www.bbc.net](http://www.bbc.net)).**

The ultimate purpose of education is to help each student become an effective citizen in a democracy. Developing and accepting the responsibilities and obligations of good citizenship will help students to participate in our varied activities and thus find those things within our school that will prepare them to live a better life and finally take their place in this complex society. Their success at Hemingford Public Schools will be directly proportional to their efforts.