



BOBCAT BITS

NOTES FROM MR. NINGEN, SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

2009-2010 - "Turning it up a Notch"

It's always tempting to try and be poetic or whimsical when trying to get our students and staff excited about the beginning of school. Perhaps this year, making a point or two more directly will do instead. We all need to increase our efforts.

We will be exploring ways to immerse and involve our students and staff in education as never before.

1. Anticipating the School Year
2. Extra Help is Available
3. Additional Ways to Challenge Our Students
4. Technology Improvements
5. Tracking and Advising Progress
6. Incentives for Learning

Our school year begins with some anticipation and I want parents, teachers, and students to do what they can to stay in that mode throughout the year. Hemingford and our surrounding area is home to some bright, motivated kids, and to some outstanding teachers and para-professionals.

It's too easy to fall behind in homework or studies and then feel there is no help in sight, or it's also too easy to become bored if the work isn't challenging enough. I'm here to tell you that all the help in the world is right here, but our students sometimes don't ask, and our teachers sometimes don't reach out enough. We will be working on that this year again. As far as those kids who don't feel challenged, efforts are going to be made to provide even more curricular and research material than ever before in our school.



HEMINGFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

August 2009

Special points of interest:

- ☺ School Supply Lists P-6th Grade.
- ☺ Activity Passes
- ☺ Football, volleyball, cross country schedules
- ☺ Birth Certificate Information

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Mr. Ningen-"Turning it up a Notch"-Cont.



Secondary students will be assisted in some new ways this fall and spring that will act to engage them more than in recent years. Faculty will be asked to reach deeper and farther to make this happen. Students will be encouraged and supported in some new ways that will be explained in the next few months. From a technological standpoint, greater educational access and higher electronic information transmission speeds than ever before will be available to our students and staff.

This will be an exciting year for every student and every faculty member in our school system. Better tracking and better planning will result in better results. I want to stress the word "engaged", because that is something that will be at a much higher level this year than the past few. In District 10, our goal will be to be engaged in learning this year as never before.

There will also be discussion of some novel incentives for learning and retaining.

There are limitless educational possibilities for us together, and this year we will be reaching as parents, teachers, and students for some new heights.

Your increased efforts will be appreciated. **Turning it up a notch will be worth it!**

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

Our phone numbers here are: Elementary - 487-3330; High School - 487-3328, and fax: 487-5215. *Mr. Ningen, Hemingford School Superintendent.*

Immunizations

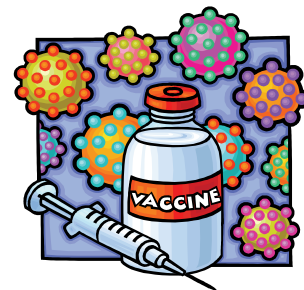
Students entering school for the first time (K or 1st Grade) or students entering 7th Grade or transfer students from outside the State of Nebraska, regard-less of grade (includes any foreign students) are required to have the following immunizations:

- 3 doses** of DTaP, DTP, DT, or Id vaccine, one given on or after the 4~ 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.
 - 2 doses** separated by at least one month. If given at over 13 years of age. Written documentation (including year) of varicella disease from parent, guardian, or health care provider will be accepted.
- (For the 2009-2010 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 4th 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 2009-2010 school year).



Thayer's Thoughts

New classmates, 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 provides this type of 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 **Tuesday, August 11, 2009 beginning at 7:00 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.

Supervised Study Time (SST)

Starting the first full week of school, August 24th, SST will be available for all students. I want to encourage all students to use this time for extra help, computer use, study time or relaxed reading in the library. Teachers are available from the final bell until 4:00 pm Monday through Thursday. Activity practices will begin at 4:00 pm. Teachers still encourage students to come in and receive help in the morning if needed.

New Program for Parents and Students to check Grades

The school is switching over to a program called PowerSchool which should allow students and parents to check attendance and grades with more ease. We will be teaching each student how to access the information on the first day of school. We will also provide information and training for parents. The dates for parent training will be forthcoming. Parents will need internet access, a log-on and password to access their child's account. One advantage of the new system is that when teachers enter a new grade from an assignment or test it automatically flows into the grade book program and is immediately available for student or parent viewing.

PowerSchool

Materials Coming Home the First Day

Parent/Student Handbook

Please take time to read through the student handbook. There have been minor changes this year, mainly information about SST. The handbook outlines the policies and expectations for your son/daughter. Please sign and return the form stating that you did review the student handbook. It is located on the last page. A student signature is also needed.



Thayer's Thoughts-Cont.



Computer Acceptable Use Policy

Hemingford High School stresses 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.

Events to Start off the Year

Big Red BBQ

Mark your calendar for the Big Red BBQ sponsored by the Hemingford Booster Club. It will be hosted in the Fairgrounds Multipurpose Hall beginning at 6:00 pm on Thursday, August 27th. The Booster Club has participated in a number of great activities and provides support for our school. Thank you!



World Strides Taco Feed/ FB Scrimmage/Back to School Dance

Friday, August 28 has a full slate of activities—Taco Feed begins at 5:30 pm followed by the football scrimmage at 7:00 pm and the Back to School Dance from 9:00-11:30 pm.

Hunter Safety Course

Have you signed up? Two-day event—on Friday, August 28th from 4:00-8:00 pm and again on Saturday 9:00 am-5:00 pm. The course will be held in the High School FCS room. Participants will enter from the east HS door.

Organizational Meetings

Many meetings ie: Junior High Football and Volleyball will be held the first week of school. They will be posted in the morning announcements. A FFA meeting is set for Thursday, August 20th at 6 pm up in the Ag Shop.

Student Appearance



Tank tops, shorts and warm weather seem to go together, but please remember that clothing that has been worn during the summer may not be appropriate for school. The general rule of thumb is that the short length should touch finger tips when arms are at side. The student handbook, page 28, states appropriate length is mid-thigh. Shirts should provide coverage of bare skin (midriffs, spaghetti straps, and cleavage) and contain appropriate messages. The office does have clothing that students may borrow if changing is deemed appropriate. Please help us monitor student clothing, so not to have your son or daughter feel embarrassed if they are asked to change. The most comfortable I could think of is a pair of athletic shorts and a bobcat t-shirt. In addition it would be a super way to show school spirit.



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 5th year as your principal. I hope everyone had a restful and relaxing summer break. I hope everyone feels recharged 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 some 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!

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.

NEW SIDEWALK



We have a new sidewalk that runs diagonally through the front yard of the elementary. It is our hope that kids will use this path instead of cutting through the grass. Please we need your cooperation in reminding your child not to walk on the grass.

Let's continue to take pride in our school and its grounds.

UPCOMING DATES OF INTEREST

August 19th First day of school (1:00 p.m. dismissal)

August 20th Regular day

August 21st Regular day

September 7th – No School – Labor Day

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.

COMMUNICATION

Together we can make a difference for kids ☺

Call us with any questions at 487-3330.



Hemingford Public School Staff Directory 2009-2010

Board of Education

April Casey— President
Trish Schumacher—Vice
President
JD Sutphen —Secretary
Bob Haas — Member
Alan Roland — Member
Randy Wood — Member
Joyce Klemke — Board
Treasurer

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
Joel Cullan - Second Grade
Nancy Zajic — Second Grade
Pamela Huddle —Third Grade
Michelle Osmotherly -Fourth
Grade
Cindy Lanik- Fifth Grade
Robyn Prochazka —Sixth Grade
Dee Hannaford- Sixth Grade
Sally Engelhaupt-Title 1
Brianna Moudry— Pre School
Jeanette Chasek-K-6 Resource
Gina Benda-K-6 —Comp/Tech
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
Cathy Fingar—English
Nancy Giorgi- K-9 Physical
Education
Brandy Stark —Business/Tech
Coordinator
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 /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-Sth
Music/Reading
Judy Stewart—Nurse/ Health
Education
Kelly Thompson - 7—12
Resource
Marla 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
Tobie Buchheit— Aide
Christy Ningen - Aide
Pat Vogel - Aide
Shawn Phillips - Aide

Custodians

Lynn Weldon — High School
Mary Spath—Maintenance
Sandy Haas—Lunch
Accounts/Main. Aide
Rozie Wax—Elementary
Karla Mapes — Gym

Food Service Personnel

Nancy Yardley — Manager
Dorothy Rowe — Baker
Kim Yardley — Aide
Brenda Robb-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
Phyllis Jesse — Route & Act.
Tre Surbeck — Route & Act
Pat Vogel – Route & Act.
Kim Wills—Route & Act

Class Sponsors

Class of 2010 — Seniors,
Patrick Robinson, Kelly
Thompson; Class of 2011 —
Juniors, Dennis Zajic. Suzanne
Neefe; Class of 2012 —
Sophmores, Brad Olson, David
Chatelain; Class of 2013—
Freshman, Kay Horstman, Sue
Shaver; Class of 2014- Eighth
Grade, Ramona Hucke, Joe
Collins, Class of 2015- Seventh
Grade- Brandy Stark, Randy
Hiemstra

Activities

Athletic Club — Randy Hiemstra,
Tim Lanik
Instr. Music —Ann Chesley
Asst Marching— 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- TBA
Quiz Bowl — Maria Wade
SIP—C. Fingar, J. Gasseling
Skip N Cats — Nancy Giorgi
Speech — Judy Stewart
Assistant Speech — Staff
Student Council — Brigit Harris
World Strides — Maria Wade
Yearbook— Kay Horstman
Cheerleading-Suzanne Neefe,
Shelly McConville

Coaches

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



Activity Passes

Activity passes for all regular home games will be available at the High School 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 3rd. ***If you have not previously ridden the bus or have not been called by August 3rd, 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 High School Office for Activity Passes. You can mail this with payment to:

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

Please circle 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:

Total Amount Paid \$ _____

_____ I will pickup of the passes.

_____ Please mail passes to the address below.



**HEMINGFORD ELEMENTARY
2009-2010 BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS**

Students are encouraged, but not required, to bring classroom supplies and items need to benefit from courses including but not limited to pens, pencils, paper, erasers, etc. Specific class lists for each grade can be found below. If the student/parent chooses not to furnish back to school classroom supplies, these items will be made available by the school district.

PLEASE LABEL ALL SUPPLIES AND SEND WITH YOUR CHILD ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

HEMINGFORD ELEMENTARY-PRESCHOOL

MRS. MOUDRY

Paint Shirt (large t-shirt)
Small blanket or towel
Snacks to share
6-7 glue sticks
Small box of washable markers

OPTIONAL

Clorox wipes, hand soap, Playdough, CD's (free AOL, CD's etc.) paper towel tubes.

HEMINGFORD ELEMENTARY - KDG.

MRS. FOLKERTS -MS. MORRISON

Two pencils (#2 lead) (No plastic coated ones)
One Box Ziploc bags (preferable gallon or snack size)

Or

One container of sanitizer wipes
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 or colored glue)
Backpack
1 empty frosting container (empty and washed)
Old paint shirt (a big T-shirt works the best)
A box of snacks (crackers, raisins, etc.) for morning snack time.
One bag of disposable cups
NO pencil cases, please!!

HEMINGFORD ELEMENTARY - 1ST GRADE

MRS. BENZEL

1 box of 24 crayons
1 pair of scissors
3 boxes of Kleenex
2 boxes of Ziplock bags
3 pocket folders
1 one subject **Wide ruled** notebook
2 containers of Clorox Wipes
1 larger eraser
8 -#2 lead pencils
4 glue sticks
1 bottle of white glue
3 snack items (cookies, crackers, fruit snacks, etc.)

MRS. GASSELING-1ST GRADE

2 boxes of 24 crayons (one for each semester)
1 pair of scissors
8-#2 pencils
1 box of Ziplock bags
8 glue sticks
1 one subject **Wide ruled** notebook
2 large erasers
1 pocket folder
2 boxes of Kleenex
A paint shirt
1 bottle of white glue
1 container sanitizer wipes (any brand)



**HEMINGFORD ELEMENTARY
2009-2010 BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS**

HEMINGFORD ELEMENTARY-2ND GRADE

MRS. CULLAN- MRS. ZAJIC

- 2 boxes of #2 pencils
- 2 large erasers
- Box of 24 crayons
- Scissors with metal blades
- 2-4 oz. Bottle of Elmer's School Glue (white)
- 8-glu 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

HEMINGFORD ELEMENTARY-3RD 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
- 1- highlighter
- 3-boxes of Kleenex (250 ct.)
- 2-composition books
- 1-box of Ziploc (any size) or
- Container of disinfecting wipes

We DO NOT want the students to bring TRAPPER KEEP-ERS, MECHANICAL PENCILS, PENCIL SHARPENERS, INK PENS OR PENCIL BOXES.

HEMINGFORD ELEMENTARY-4TH 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 or
- Container of disinfection wipes
- Pencil bag

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

Please don't bring a Trapper Keeper

HEMINGFORD ELEMENTARY-5TH & 6TH 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
- Highlighter (1or2) for highlighting notes
- 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**



FAA Events August 2009



The Hemingford FFA chapter will hold two events in the month of August. On Thursday August 20th there will be an FFA meeting in the AG classroom at 6:00 pm. The next morning we will put on the annual welcome back breakfast for all staff. FFA members are reminded that membership dues are set at \$20.00 and are due by August 31st. I hope everyone had a great summer.

Wade's World



WORLDSTRIDES- The students have been very busy this summer, as always. It is amazing how fast the trip to D.C. comes up. We are excited to be accepted for the Wreath-Laying Ceremony again at Arlington Cemetery. That means some of our students will be awarded the opportunity to present the wreath for the ceremony - a great honor! Please mark **August 28** on your calendar. That will be the night of the football scrimmage followed by the Back-to-School Dance at 9:00 p.m. Indian Tacos will be served at the field. My thanks to Linda Folkerts for all her work this summer. She and husband Dennis will escort the group to D.C. in March 2010.

QUIZ BOWL - The Quiz Bowl teams will be getting right to work this year. We will meet on Thursday evenings after school for practice sessions. There is really no way to "study" as the questions are random and any topic. For the team, I look for students who are well-read and try to have a group with different strengths to balance each other. A strong background in literature/vocabulary, math, sciences and/or current events is a plus! We hope to find some adults who are willing to have their knowledge challenged for some practice rounds. We will host Panhandle Conference in March.

REDUCE-REUSE-RECYCLE -Once again, your efforts with recycling paid off. Each student will come home with an insulated backpack and a McDonald's coupon for gathering almost 500 bags of plastics last spring. You may have noticed the plastic recycling dumpster is no longer west of the school. We strongly encourage you to continue with the recycling using either the SWANN bins by the city shop or the bins provided by KAB in Alliance. If you have numerous bags, call 762-1729 to set up an appointment to drop them at the recycling center. KAB will be offering a contest in a different area this year - watch for the details. As the saying goes, we did not inherit the Earth from our parents, we borrow it from our children.



Giorgi's Gym

Water Aerobics in PE!

August 1, 2009

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 1st- 6th, and 9th. 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 the first week of school, Thursday and Friday, August 20 and 21. 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.

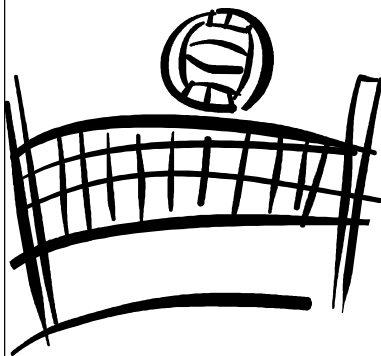
Grade	Thursday & Friday
6 th	9:00 - 9:30
5 th	9:30 - 10:00
9 th	10:18 - 11:12
1 st	1:00 - 1:30
2 nd	1:30 - 2:00
3 rd	2:00 - 2:30
4 th	2:30 - 3:00

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
487-5591



Volleyball 2009-Varisty



Those girls interested in playing volleyball for the 2009-2010 school year, conditioning practice will begin on August 10th at 7 AM. We will meet in the parking lot west of the school. You will need to bring your outside running shoes. Volleyball two-a-days will begin on August 17th in the gym at 6 AM. I am looking forward to an exciting season of Bobcat volleyball.

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Thurs. Sept 3	Mitchell (F-JV-V)	Away	5:00 P.M.
Tues. Sept. 8	Banner Co/Hay Springs(Var)	Home	5:00 P.M.
Sat. Sept. 12	Gordon-Rushville Inv. (JV-V)	Away	8:00 A.M.
Mon. Sept. 14	Morrill (F-JV)	Home	4:30 P.M.
Tues. Sept. 15	Kimball/Gordon-Rushville	Home	4:00 P.M.
Thurs. Sept. 17	Edgemont (JV-V)	Away	6:00 P.M.
Sat. Sept. 19	Hemingford Inv. (Var)	Home	9:00 A.M.
Mon. Sept. 21	Hay Springs (JV)	Away	5:00 P.M.
Tues. Sept. 22	Alliance/Chadron (F-JV)	Alliance	4:00 P.M.
Thurs. Sept. 24	Banner County (JV-V)	Away	5:00 P.M.
Sat. Sept. 26	Mitchell Inv. (JV-V)	Away	TBA
Tues. Sept. 29	Bridgeport/Bayard (Var)	Home	5:00 P.M.
Tues. Oct. 6	Crawford (JV-V)	Away	5:00 P.M.
Thurs. Oct. 8	Hay Springs (JV-V)	Home	5:00 P.M.
Thurs. Oct. 15	Morrill/Bayard (Var)	Morrill	5:00 P.M.
Sat. Oct. 17	Panhandle Conference	Edgemont	TBA
Mon. Oct. 19	Gordon-Rushville (F-JV)	Home	5:00 P.M.
Tues. Oct. 20	Crawford/Hay Springs (JV)	Crawford	4:30 P.M.
Sat. Oct. 24	WTC	Bayard	TBA
Tues. Oct. 27	Crawford/Sioux County	Home	5:00 P.M.



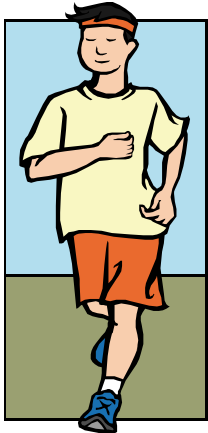
Volleyball 2009-Junior High

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Thurs. Sept. 3	Morrill	Home	4:00 P.M..
Thurs. Sept. 17	Bridgeport	Home	4:00 P.M.
Sat. Sept. 17	Alliance Inv.	Away	8:00 A.M.
Sat. Sept. 26	Panhandle Conference	Edgemont	TBA
Mon. Sept. 28	Gordon-Rushville	Home	5:30 P.M.
Thurs. Oct. 1	Crawford	Away	TBA
Mon. Oct. 12	Hay Springs	Away	5:00 P.M.
Thurs. Oct. 15	Bayard	Away	5:00 P.M.

Cross Country 2009

Cross Country practice will begin Monday, August 17, 2009. We will meet at the golf course at 4:00 p.m. Come in your running clothes.

All physicals must be completed prior to participation. If you have not yet had your physical then you need to get it scheduled.



DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Fri. Sept. 4	Gering Inv. (JH/Var.)	Gering	TBA
Fri. Sept. 11	Kimball Inv. (JH/Var)	Kimball	TBA
Sat. Sept. 19	Alliance Inv. (JH/Bar)	Alliance	TBA
Tues. Sept. 22	Scottsbluff Inv. (JH/Var)	Scottsbluff	4:45 P.M.
Fri. Sept. 25	Torrington Inv. (JH/Var)	Torrington	TBA
Thurs. Oct. 1	Bayard Inv. (JH/Var)	Bayard	TBA
Fri. Oct. 9	Western Trails Conf. (JH/Var.)	Gordon	TBA



2009 Football Information

Welcome back to school and another exciting year of HHS athletics! In this portion of the newsletter, please find important dates and information for the upcoming football season. We hope you find this season as enjoyable as last year, and we are excited about our prospects at every level of competition.

Conditioning schedule:

Tuesday, August 11 through Friday, August 14 starting at 4:15 p.m.

Practice begins:

Monday, August 17 at 4:15 p.m.

Big Red BBQ:

Thursday, August 27 at 6:00 p.m. at the multi-purpose hall.

Parent Meeting and Night scrimmage:

Our preseason parent meeting will take place at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, August 28 in the main gym. This is a great opportunity to meet the coaches and discuss the football program. If you are unable to attend the parent meeting, I would be happy to meet with you at a more convenient time. Following the meeting, our preseason scrimmage will be under the lights at the football field at 7:00 p.m. Please bring a non-perishable food item for "admission" to be delivered by players to the Hemingford food pantry.

Volunteers needed:

We are planning once again to offer a meal and hospitality to our visitors and our own players after every home varsity game this fall. If you have the time and can help in any way, please contact Barb Jespersen to volunteer your talents.

Junior Bobcats Flag Football:

Flag football will be offered this fall to all interested boys and girls in grades 3 through 6. Last year's participation was great, so let's keep things going!

All the players and coaches would like to thank you in advance for all the help, support, and encouragement offered to our athletes. With you, we will be successful!

Patrick Robinson

Randy Hiemstra

Randy Wood

Joe Collins

Brad Olson

Ron Wood



2009 Football Schedules

Varsity

Friday, September 4	Edgemont	Away	7:00 p.m.
Friday, September 11	Mullen	Home	6:30 p.m.
Friday, September 18	Banner County	Away	7:00 p.m.
Friday, September 25	Leyton	Home	7:00 p.m.
Friday, October 2	Crawford	Away	7:00 p.m.
Friday, October 9	Potter-Dix	Home	7:00 p.m.
Friday, October 16	Garden County	Home	7:00 p.m.
Friday, October 23	Creek Valley	Away	7:00 p.m.

Junior Varsity

Tuesday, September 8	Crawford	Away	6:00 p.m.
Monday, September 14	Leyton	Away	5:30 p.m.
Monday, September 21	Hay Springs	Away	6:00 p.m.
Monday, October 5	Alliance	Home	5:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 15	Gordon-Rushville	Home	6:00 p.m.

Junior High

Thursday, September 15	Gordon-Rushville	Home	5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, September 22	Alliance	Away	5:00 p.m.
Saturday, September 26	Hay Springs	Home	10:00 a.m.
Thursday, October 1	Crawford	Away	5:00 p.m.



Junior Bobcat Flag Football!

We are again excited to offer you the opportunity to play flag football with us this fall! All boys and girls that will be in grades 3 to 6 are welcome to join us for practices and games on Saturday mornings next fall! Registrations will be accepted until the end of the season.

Who: boys and girls grades 3 to 6

When: Saturday mornings in September, 2009

Where: Hemingford High School Game Field

Sponsored by: the HHS Varsity Football Team

Cost: \$15.00 per player/family

no player will be denied the chance to play

Please return this interest form to your teacher or Coach Robinson

Name _____ **Grade** _____

Address _____ **Age** _____

Mom's and Dad's Names _____

Telephone number for Mom _____

Telephone number for Dad _____

Emergency Contact Name and Number



Hemingford Cheerleaders Bring Home Trophy!



Hemingford Cheerleaders Josie Fletcher, Molly Oetken and Cassie Elder attended a UCA Cheerleading camp in Morrill July 15th and 16th. The first day all three attended and they performed a cheer they learned that day. They received an excellent ribbon. The second day Cassie was the only one that attended. Cassie performed our school song routine and received a Superior. She also joined the Kimball Cheerleading team and performed the game day routine including the Xtreme dance and other cheers

she learned during camp. She also received a Superior! In the end, Cassie was awarded with her efforts as she won a trophy for Hemingford Cheerleaders for one of the schools that improved the most during camp. Great job Cassie!!!

FCCLA Days to Remember:

August 10th: Chapter officer meeting at 3 pm in the FCS room. Bring your ideas for the year!

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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 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) -- \$32.00 or ACT Plus Writing -- \$47.00. Our school code number is 281-075.

ACT Test Dates 2009-2010

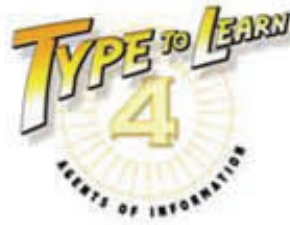
Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Required
September 12, 2009	August 7, 2009	August 8-21 2009
October 24, 2009	September 18, 2009	September 19-Oct. 2, 2009
December 12, 2009	November 6, 2009	November 7-20, 2009
February 6, 2010	January 5, 2010	January 6-15, 2010
April 10, 2010	March 5, 2010	March 6-19, 2010
June 12, 2010	May 7, 2010	May 8-21, 2010

The mind is a bit like a garden. If it isn't fed and cultivated, weeds will take it over. Erwin G. Hall



Type to Learn

BRAND NEW WEB-BASED



Hemingford Public Schools is offering TTL4 to all students K-12!

This web-based program can be downloaded at home, and students can learn to type on the same program we use at school.

Starting September 1st, if anyone is interested in downloading this program please email Gina Benda (K-6) or Brandy Stark (7-12). We will send you the information and the website needed to download and install the program to your home computer.

gbenda@panesu.org

bstark@panesu.org

This is your chance to learn to type!

Child Find

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.



School Lunch Program

Breakfast is served at 7:45 AM each morning, with hot meals being served 3 times a week. Breakfast is a great way to get the mind ready for learning. Both breakfasts and lunches qualify for free and reduced price meals. Grades 5 through 12 get 3 choices for lunches, a Main Entrée meal, Alternative meal, Salad Bar. If you are in 2nd Grade through 4th Grade you still get to choose the Main Entrée or salad with the tray. Parents can join their students for lunch, but please call the school and inform them so that enough food can be prepared.

The Hemingford School District will continue to provide great start breakfasts and hot nutritious lunches to students through the National School Lunch Program the school district requires meals to be paid for in advance. Breakfast prices for meals are \$1.05 for grades K-12, and \$1.30 for adults. Lunch prices for meals are \$1.45 for grades K-6, \$1.75 for grades 7-12, \$2.55 for adults and \$.25 for afternoon milk.

Applications for free and reduced price meals will be sent home with students on the first day of school. You must file for free or reduced meals each year. Students who were on free and reduced lunches last year have until September 29th to reapply and can still receive free or reduced meals until September 29th. New applications should be returned as soon as possible as the free or reduced meals begin the day you submit it. However applications may be submitted anytime during the school year if your income changes.

Parents will have until September 14th to put money into their family account. If you wish to have your children in separate accounts, you must inform Sandy before school begins. Parents may establish accounts before school begins by contacting Sandy Haas in the Administration office.

Attention: Remember the changes to our Hot Lunch program this year. All accounts need to have a positive balance before your child can eat the first day of school. Also, there will be no extras after \$10.00 owed and no tray will be served if your account is a negative \$20.00 or more.

HOT LUNCH REMINDERS; Parents, please have money in your child(rens) accounts for the first day of school. Prices will remain the same as last year.



Birth Certificate

Birth Certificate Requirements

State law requires that a certified copy of a student's birth certificate be used when enrolling a new student in school. If your child is registering with Hemingford Public Schools for the first time, you may obtain this document from the Bureau of Vital Statistics in the state in which your child was born. Assistance in obtaining birth certificates may be obtained from Health Records Management, P.O. Box 95065, Lincoln, NE 68509-5065. Internet access go to Nebraska Health and Human Service <http://vitalrec.com/ne.html> you can order online or mail order. The cost is \$12.00 a birth certificate.

Please note: The document parents receive from the hospital looks like a birth certificate, but it is not a certified copy. A certified copy has the raised seal of the state of Nebraska on it and is signed by the director of vital statistics.

Parents: *Please if you don't already have a certified copy, your child will need one to obtain photo ID's for airline, bus, etc. Also to obtain a drivers license the State is requiring certified birth certificates, they will no longer accept school documentation. For your convenience a application is enclosed in the newsletter.*



COMMUNICATION SOURCES

HEMINGFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

EMPOWERING individuals to become RESOURCEFUL, RESPECTFUL, AND RESPONSIBLE... partners in education

Casper Ningen, Superintendent
Mrs. Peggy Thayer, High School Principal
Mr. Ron Foster, Elementary Principal
Mrs. Mandy Plog, Special Education Director

PO Box 217
911 Niobrara Avenue
Hemingford NE 69348

Phone: 308-487-3328 High School
Phone: 308-487-3330 Elementary
Phone: 308-487-Distance Learning
Fax: 308-487-5215

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

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), and Mobius web site (www.bbc.net).**

SCHOOL MESSENGER

If you have not been contacted by "School Messenger" our web based calling system to alert parents of school cancellations, late starts or any other events, please contact the school. You may have changed phone numbers, or disconnected numbers the school is unaware of. Also, if you don't want to be contacted please notify us so we can take you off of the calling list. Please call the school of any changes at 487-3330.



APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED COPY OF BIRTH CERTIFICATE

This office has been registering births for persons born in Nebraska since 1904.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY

Full name at birth _____
(If adopted, list adoptive name)

Month, day and year of birth _____

City or town of birth _____ County of birth _____

Father's full name _____
(If adopted, list adoptive father's name)

Mother's full maiden name _____
(If adopted, list adoptive father's name)

Is this the record of an adopted person? Yes No

For what purpose is this record to be used? _____

If this is not your record, how are you related to the person named on the record? _____

Delayed Birth Certificate - Legislation passed in 1941 provides for the filing of delayed birth certificates for persons who were born prior to 1904 OR for persons whose births were not recorded at the time of birth.

Is this a delayed birth certificate? Yes No

WARNING: Section 7-1-649, Nebraska Revised Statutes: It is a felony to obtain, possess, use, sell, furnish, or attempt to obtain any vital record for purposes of deception.

SIGNATURE _____

Type or print name _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone Number: _____

Today's Date _____

(Please enclose a **photocopy** of your photo ID [i.e. driver's license] when mailing this request in).

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Check MO Cash

Amount Received _____

Date Received _____

By Whom Received _____

PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION;

DL STATE ID OTHER

Fees are subject to change without notice. Please call our 24-hour recorded message at (402) 471-2871 to verify fees.

Number of certified copies _____ x \$12.00 each + \$ _____ Total
(Please make checks payable to Vital Records)

Mail to:
Vital Records
PO Box 95065
Lincoln, NE 68509-5065
(Please enclose a stamped, self-addressed business size envelope.)

Bring to:
Vital Records
1033 O Street, Suite 130
Lincoln, NE 68508-3621



Hemingford Public Schools

August 2009

Breakfast Menu

Milk is served with all meals

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17 	18 Teacher Work Days	19 Student's First Day 	20 CEREAL Muffin Fruit or Juice	21 BREAKFAST PIZZA Fruit or Juice
24 CEREAL Granola Bar Fruit or Juice	25 PANCAKE & SAUSAGE on a STICK Fruit or Juice	26 SAUSAGE GRAVY Fruit or Juice	27 CEREAL Muffin Fruit or Juice	28 CINNAMON ROLL Fruit or Juice
31 CEREAL Granola Bar Fruit or Juice				

Menus are subject to change

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The cost of a lunch is as follows: PreK - 6 Lunch - \$1.45 7 - 12 Lunch - \$1.75 Adult Lunch - \$2.55

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Lunch Menu

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	4	5	6	7
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17 	18 Teacher Work Days	19 CRISPITO Corn Peaches Roll & Butter	20 CHICKEN SAND. Carrots Applesauce Cookie Alt. Ready Rib Sand.	21 MAC & CHEESE Green Beans Pineapple Roll & Butter Alt. Quesadilla
24 CHICKEN FRIED STEAK Mashed Potatoes Fruit Cocktail Roll & Butter Alt. Salisbury Steak	25 BURRITO Lettuce Salad Pears Roll & Butter Alt. Bk. Potato	26 CORNDOG Green Beans Fresh Fruit Roll & Butter Alt. Pizza	27 HAMBURGER French Fries Peaches Dill Slices Alt. Hot Ham	28 CHICKEN NUGGETS Corn Applesauce Roll & Butter Alt. CRISPITO
31 PIG in a BLANKET Corn Pears No Bake Cookie Alt. Pizza				

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Calendar Events September 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1 Red Day	2 White Day	3 Red Day 4:00 PM JH VB Morrill @ Home 5:00 PM F JV V VB @ Mitchell	4 White Day JH V CC @ Gering Inv. 7:00 PM V FB @ Edgemont	5 8:00 AM JV V VB @ Gordon/R'ville Invite
	7 Labor Day - No School	8 Red Day 5:00 PM V VB Triangular Bcy/H/Sp @ Home 6:00 PM JV FB @ Crawford	9 White Day FFA-Impact@SBluff	10 Red Day	11 White Day JH V CC @ Kimball Inv. 6:30 PM V FB Muller @ Home	12 8:00 AM JV V VB @ Gordon/R'ville Invite
	14 Red Day FCCLA Leadership 4:30 PM F JV VB Morrill @ Home 5:30 PM JV FB @ Layton	15 White Day Elementary Picture Day FFA Range Judge 4:00 PM V VB Triangular Kimball/G-R'ville @ Home	16 Red Day High School Picture Day	17 White Day 4:00 PM JH VB B'port @ Home 5:00 PM JH FB Gordon/R'ville @ Home	18 Red Day 7:00 PM V FB Muller @ Banner County (Harrisburg)	19 JH V CC @ Alliance Inv. 8:00 AM JH VB @ Alliance Invitational 9:00 AM V VB Henn Ingford Invite
	20 White Day 5:00 PM JV VB @ Hay Springs 6:00 PM JV FB @ Hay Springs 7:00 PM School Board Mtg.	22 Progress Reports Sent Home Red Day 4:00 PM F JV VB Triangular @ Alliance w/ Chadron 4:45 PM JH V CC @ Scottsbluff Inv. 5:00 PM JH FB @ Alliance	23 White Day	24 Red Day FCCLA Lunch w/Rep 5:00 PM JV V VB @ Banner County 6:00 PM FFA Meeting	25 White Day JH V CC @ Torrington Inv. 7:00 PM V FB Layton @ Home	26 JV V VB @ Mitchell Invitational JH VB Parhandle Conference @ Edgemont 10:00 AM JH FB Hay Springs @ Home
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