

OCTOBER 2025

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Hemingford Public Schools





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Empowering
individuals to become
Resourceful,
Respectful, and
Responsible lifelong
learners.

P/T CONFERENCES
OCTOBER 15TH
1- 7PM

NO SCHOOL - FALL BREAK OCTOBER 15TH - 17TH

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S STANDPOINT OCTOBER 2025

By Dr. Travis MIller

One of the guiding principles of our district's strategic plan is Student and Staff Well-Being. Within this pillar is Strategy 3.2, which focuses on providing social-emotional and behavioral supports district-wide, integrated through our Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS). The goal is to fully realize the potential of these resources and align them with a unified, student-centered learning initiative.

As part of this work, our staff has been developing an intentional, tiered system of support to meet the needs of our students.

Since adopting our strategic plan just over three years ago, Hemingford Public Schools has taken significant steps to strengthen its support systems. We have expanded our school counseling department to include two full-time school counselors serving students at all grade levels. Working collaboratively with teachers, administrators, and other professionals, our counselors help students successfully navigate personal, academic, social-emotional, and career challenges.

Together, our counselors have identified several ways to improve the support systems we provide. One of the most significant additions is the adoption of the CharacterStrong program, a research-based framework that enhances students' skills and resiliencies through a tiered support model.

This system includes:

- · Instruction for all students focused on character development, emotional regulation, and social skills
- · Universal screening to help identify students who may benefit from additional support
- Collaborative intervention involving teachers, families, and external support partners when needed

Through our partnership with ESU #13, we've been able to offer expanded access to professional support services, including a licensed mental health practitioner and a school psychologist. We are also working with parents and local service providers to ensure coordinated care when appropriate.

In line with Nebraska statute, we've designated key Behavioral Health Points of Contact—staff members trained to connect students and families with available resources:

- Mrs. Samantha Gilkerson, K–12 School Counselor
- Mrs. Bridget Johnston, K–12 School Counselor
- Mrs. Katie Kimball, K-12 School Nurse
- Mrs. Mandy Plog, Director of Instructional Services

These staff members are here to help families access both school-based and community-based behavioral health services when needed.

I'm also excited to announce a unique opportunity that has emerged from this important work. Hemingford Public Schools will partner with ESU #13 to host the Western Nebraska School Mental Health Conference in the coming year. This regional event will bring together educators, mental health professionals, and community partners to share best practices and build momentum around student mental health initiatives.

Save the Date: October 12, 2026. Details about registration will be available this coming summer, and we encourage anyone interested, including educators, parents, and community members, to consider registering to attend.

As always, if you have ideas or suggestions about how we can better support our students, please don't hesitate to call, email, or stop by my office. I value your insight and appreciate the opportunity to work together for the benefit of all Bobcats.

Keep striving, keep caring—and as always, Get Up, Bobcat Nation!



"A well-educated mind will always have more questions than answers."
-Helen Keller

Upcoming Events

End of 1st Quarter: Friday, October 10th

Parent Teacher Conferences:

Wednesday, October 15th 1:00-7:00

Fall Break for Students: October 15th-17th

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HIGH SCHOOL UPDATES

Josh Redden

The end of the first quarter is quickly approaching. The back-to-school honeymoon has worn off, and we've successfully made it through Homecoming week. Now is a great time to help students finish strong. Encourage them to work closely with their teachers if they're struggling in any area. Missing work continues to be the biggest reason behind grade concerns, so checking in regularly can make a big difference. If you haven't logged into PowerSchool recently to monitor your student's progress, now is a good time to do so before the quarter wraps up. If you need any assistance accessing PowerSchool, please reach out to the high school office, we're happy to help.

Homecoming week was packed with activities, including a special presentation from Mr. Jay Martin, the NDE School Safety & Security Director. He spoke with students about the dangers of social media, artificial intelligence, and how online algorithms can shape behavior, culture, and even mental health for both teens and adults. His message was powerful and full of practical information. I encourage you to ask your student about what they took away from the presentation, it's a great opportunity to continue the conversation at home.

ELEMENTARY EXCERPTS

Mr. Eric Arneson



Bobcat Branch News



Mark your calendars! Bobcat Branch is kicking off on October 7th. Reminder: A permission slip is required to participate. You can get one from Molly in the Elementary office.

Parent-Teacher Conferences



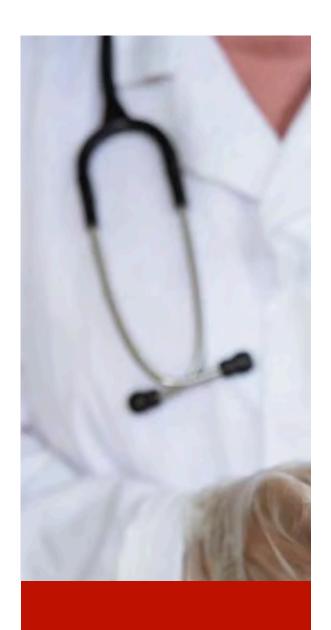
Get ready for our upcoming Parent-Teacher Conferences on October 15th. These conferences are a vital part of our partnership, allowing us to discuss your student's progress and set goals for the school year. Please be on the lookout for a letter that will come home with your student to schedule your meeting time.

NSCAS Reports Coming Soon iii



We're excited to announce that NSCAS reports will be coming home soon. These reports provide valuable insights into your student's academic performance on the state-wide test. We encourage you to review them carefully with your student. We look forward to a successful and productive month ahead! 🐾

Conference will be held on October 15



HOSA Fall Leadership Conference: Monday, October 13th

Health Screenings Day: Monday, October 20th.

NURSING NEWS

Written by Nurse Kimball

HOSA-Future Health Professionals:

Hemingford High School now has our very own HOSA-Future Health
Professionals chapter! This organization provides students with opportunities to build self-esteem, attend educational seminars, job shadow health professionals, attend leadership conferences, access to members-only scholarship and internship opportunities, and much more. HOSA prepares students for college and the health profession of their choice. Students interested in pursuing careers in health professions are encouraged to join.

Nebraska HOSA Fall Leadership Conference:

Monday, October 13, 2025 in Scottsbluff 9:00 am - 2:45 pm

Health Screenings Day:

Monday, October 20th Kindergarten through 4th, 7th, and 10th will be screened for the following:

- vision
- hearing
- · dental health
- height
- weight



MUSIC NOTES

BY MRS. ARNESON

K-12 Music Teacher

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2025 MUSIC DEPARTMENT DATES

Please be sure you have signed up for the Remind class your student is enrolled in to continue receiving the most current information.

Optional Event: Sat, Oct 4th: Sidney OKtoberfest Parade 50th Anniversary

Consider: Fri, Oct 17 Football Game During Fall Break Arrive 6:30pm

Nomination only: Weds, Oct 29: PANCO Music Clinic Band Year @ Hay Springs

All School Veterans Day Program: Tuesday, November 11th at 10am

Auditioned: Mon, Nov 17th WTC Honor Choir @ Hemingford for 9-12

Consider: Fri, Dec 5th: Home Basketball Game Consider: Fri, Dec 12th: Home Basketball Game

Winter Concert: Thursday, December 11th

5-5:45pm Soup & Solos in Red Zone w/ Fine Arts & Culture Club

6pm K-6 and HS Choir Performance in HS Gym

7pm 5-12 Band Performance in HS Gym

Backup Winter Concert Date: Monday, December 15th

High Plains Audition Info is found on Google Classroom.

Class C All-State
Audition Due Dec 19th





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MUSIC REMIND CODES

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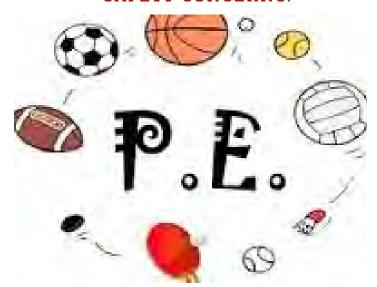






ELEMENTARY PE NEWS

DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, STUDENTS WORKED ON COOPERATIVE GAMES, FOOTBALL SKILLS, AND EXPECTATIONS. THE FOCUS OF THE COOPERATIVE GAMES WAS TEAMWORK AND SPORTSMANSHIP. DURING THE FOOTBALL UNIT, STUDENTS WORKED ON PASSING, CATCHING, KICKING, PUNTING, AND FOOTBALL TERMINOLOGY. SOME EXPECTATIONS THAT WERE FOCUSED ON DURING SEPTEMBER, WERE INCLUDING ALL CLASSMATES AND USING POSITIVE LANGUAGE WITH OUR PEERS. PLEASE HELP YOUR STUDENT BE SUCCESSFUL FOR PE CLASS BY WEARING TENNIS SHOES OR BRINGING TENNIS SHOES TO CHANGE INTO FOR PE CLASS. TENNIS SHOES ARE THE SAFEST AND MOST EFFECTIVE FOOTWEAR FOR PE CLASS. SANDALS, FLIPFLOPS, CROCS, DUDES, AND BOOTS CAN CREATE TRIPPING HAZARDS AND SAFETY CONCERNS.



RED PE DAYS

MRS. ANDERSON
MRS. CLARK

4TH GRADE-BOTH CLASSES
3RD GRADE-BOTH CLASSES
KINDERGARTEN-BOTH CLASSES

WHITE PE DAYS
MS. FAILOR
MRS. STAUDENMAIER
2ND GRADE-BOTH CLASSES
1ST GRADE-BOTH CLASSES

IF YOU AREN'T SURE ON THE RED/WHITE DAYS, CHECK THE SCHOOL CALENDAR ON THE WEBSITE. THE RED/WHITE DAYS ARE MARKED ON THERE.



NEWS FROM TITLE I READING

A meeting for parents of Title I Reading students will be held Tuesday, October 7, 2025 at 3:00 pm in the Cafeteria. The purpose of this meeting is to explain the Title I program, answer any questions you may have, and give you ideas on how to work with your student at home. The meeting will be brief, so you may pick up your students on time.

THE MOST MARVELOUS ART MEMO OCTOBER '25



Artist of the Month: Marcel Duchamp

In October, we will be exploring the Duchamp's use of the element of Form and the principle of repetition in his art of the Dada movement and his unique "Readymades."

INVITATION

As part of the introduction to the unit, High School will be viewing a "Gallery of Questionable Objects," and discussing what makes art, ART. We are looking for donations of random, oddball items for use in this activity (if you are familiar with Duchamp, you probably know what I'm looking for - if not, it can be ANYTHING! A broken toaster, a shoe that you can't find the match to, an old velvet cat painting...) We'll need these by October 3rd so I can prep them for our intro on Monday, October 6th. Students will be using them later to create their own "Readymade" inspired art. Your trash is our treasure!



Annual Celebrate Creativity Field Trip!

October 13-15, members of the HHS Fine Arts & Culture Club have the opportunity to travel to Omaha to attend an annual event hosted by the Joslyn Art Museum & Omaha Symphony. Students will participate in 2 workshops of their choice in categories of Visual Art, Dance, Theater or Music; as well as enjoy a private interactive Symphony concert. We will also enjoy a tour of UNL's Innovation Campus on our return trip!



Fine Arts & Culture Club Remind Code

I added the phone numbers of everyone that signed up as new members for the club this fall. If you are an existing member and haven't been getting Remind messages, join our REMIND class using code: @gubnfacc



Class Remind Codes

Each Art Class has a REMIND code. Parents, please join the class your student is in for important updates on assessments, soft & hard due dates and other information and announcements.

Art I: @gubnart1 Art II: @gubnart2 Art III @gubnart3 Art IV: @gubnart4

8th Grade Art: @gubnart8-1

Our Upcoming Events

The Fine Arts and Culture Club will be hosting its annual "Empty Bowls"

Event in conjunction with the Elementary Winter Concert on

DECEMBER 11 from 5:00-5:45 p.m.

Band students will provide entertainment with solo performances.

100% of the proceeds are donated to the Hemingford Food Pantry to assist families here in our community experiencing food insecurity.



HIGH ABILITY LEARNERS

The High Ability Learners Program, HAL, is a service provided to students who consistently receive a 95% or above on national test scores in the areas of Reading, Math, or Science. Services provided may differ based on the individual student needs or motivations. All students are considered for the program at the beginning of the school year and if a new student transfers into the district. If you wish to be considered for the HAL program at Hemingford, please contact Mrs. Arneson or Mrs. Plog for more information.

ELEMENTARY HAL

Please plan on meeting in the Music Room for Elementary HAL meetings this year.

- 1st mtg was September 26th
- 2nd mtg is Friday, Oct 10th @ 2-3pm
- 3rd mtg is Friday, Nov 21st @ 2-3pm

HIGH SCHOOL HAL

For High School HAL Please meet in Mrs. Shanahan's Room

Check High
 School
 Announcements
 for mtg dates



OCTOBER 2025

HEMINGFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS BREAKFAST MENU



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
			1 Waffle Sticks Cold Cereal fruit or Juice	2 Breakfast Sandwich PB&J Fruit or Juice	Tator Tots w/gravy Cold Cereal Fruit or Juice	4
5	6 French Toast Sticks Cold Cereal Fruit or Juice	7 Cinn. Rolls PB&J Fruit or Juice	8 Bagel w/cream cheese Cold Cereal Fruit or Juice	9 Burrito PB&J Fruit or Juice	Yogurt & Muffin Cold Cereal Fruit or Juice	11
12	Quasidilla Cold Cereal fruit or Juice	Pancake & Sausage PB&J Fruit or Juice	15 No School	16 No School	No School	18
19	20 Biscuits & Gravy Cold Cereal Fruit or Juice	21 Breakfast Casserole PB&J fruit or Juice	Pancake Wrap Cold Cereal fruit or Juice	23 Breakfast Pizza PB&J Fruit or Juice	Omelet w/Hashbrown Cold Cereal Fruit or Juice	25
26	27 Long Johns Cold Cereal Fruit or Juice	28 Dutch Waffles w/strawberries PB&J Fruit or Juice	29 Scramble Eggs & Toast Cold Cereal Fruit or Juice	30 French Toast Casserole PB&J Fruit or Juice	31 Bagel Twist Cold Cereal Fruit or Juice	

Menus are subject to change
Milk, fruit and vegetables are served with each meal

USDA is an equal opportunity provider & employer.

The Hemingford Public School provide s lunches in accordance with the National School Lunch Program.

The cost of a breakfast is as follows: PK-12 Breakfast (\$3.00), Adult Breakfast (\$3.50) Milk- \$0.55

The cost of a lunch is as follows: Pre-School Lunch (\$3.50), K-6 Lunch (\$3.50), 7-12 Lunch (\$4.00), Adult Lunch (\$5.50)

Milk \$0.55 Additional Entree/Meat (\$2.00)

OCTOBER 2025

HEMINGFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS LUNCH MENU



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
			1 Cheese Dunkers Corn	2 Chicken Fried Steak Dinner Roll Mashed Potato Gravy	3 Hot Ham And Cheese Sandwich Mixed Veggies	4
5	6 Cheeseburger Calzone Green Beans	7 Burrito Corn	8 Chicken Strips Carrots	9 Mac and Cheese Dinner Roll Peas	10 Chicken Sandwich Mixed Veggies	11
12	13 Beefy Nachos Carrots	14 Corndog Corn	15 No School	16 No School	17 No School	18
19	20 Pizza Green Beans	21 Crispitoes Corn	22 Sweet and Sour Chicken over Rice Brocolli	23 Taco Pasta Bake Peas	24 Hotdog on a Bun Mixed Veggies	25
26	27 Hamburgers Carrots	28 Lazagna Roll up Green Beans	29 Chicken Bowls Corn Mashed Potatoes	30 Chicken Bacon Ranch Bake Peas	31 Rib Sandwich Mixed Veggies	

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12	FFA D12 Livestock Judging Contests Red Day 4:00pm: Volleyball: Girls JH vs. Hay Springs Public (Away) 6:00pm: Football: Boys JV (Rescheduled from 09-08-25) vs. Bayard (Home) 7:00pm: School Board Meeting	7:45am: Bobcat Branch 5:00pm: Volleyball: Girls JV vs. Bayard (Home) 6:00pm: Volleyball: Girls Varsity vs. Bayard (Home)	15 1:00pm: October 15 - No School for Students - P/T Conferences 1: 00-7:00	October 16-17 - No School - Fall Break 2:00pm: Cross Country: Varsity vs. TBD">Multiple Schools (Away)	October 16-17 - No School - Fall Break 6:00pm: Football: Boys Varsity vs. Perkins County (Home)	9:00am: Volleyball: Girls Varsity vs. TBD">Multiple Schools (Away)
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Help Your Son/Daughter Before, During & After Competition

Before:

- Know their goals, roles & needs accept them
- Release them to the game, their coach & team

During:

- Model poise, confidence & correct behavior
- Focus on all our team members

After:

- Give them time & space
- Be a builder of confidence & your relationship

Six Powerful Words: "I Love to Watch You Play"





HEMINGFORD BOBCATS



ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

VARSITY FOOTBALL

Aug. 15 Big Red BBQ Scrimmage

Aug. 28 South Loop-Callaway 7:00

Sept. 5 Hyannis 7:00

Sept. 12 Bayard 2:00

Sept. 19 Kimball 7:00

Sept. 26 Morrill 7:00 - Homecoming

Oct. 2 Sutherland 6:00 Oct. 10 Bridgeport 7:00

Oct. 17 Perkins County 6:00 - Parent's Night

Oct. 23 1st Round Playoffs

Oct. 31 2nd Round Playoffs

Nov. 7 Quarter Finals Playoffs

Nov. 14 Semi Finals Playoffs

Nov. 24 Finals - State Championship

JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL

Aug. 25 Bridgeport 5:00

Sept. 8 Bayard 5:00

Sept. 22 Kimball 5:00

Oct. 6 Hay Springs 5:00

JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL

Sept. 9 Kimball 5:00

Sept. 11 Hay Springs 5:30

Sept. 22 Gordon/Rushville 5:00

Sept. 25 Bayard 5:00

Sept. 30 Hyannis 3:00

Oct. 6 Crawford 4:00

HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

Aug. 15 Big Red BBQ Scrimmage

Aug. 21 Varsity Jamboree - CSC 4:00

Aug. 28 Kimball/Gordon-Rushville Tri (JV-V) 3:00

Aug.30 Craw/Olerichs Tri @ Crawford 9:00 AM

Sept. 4 Mitchell (JV-V) 5:00

Sept. 5 Hyannis (JV-V) 4:00

Sept. 9 Crawford/Lusk Tri @ Crawford (JV-V) 3:00

Sept. 11 Banner Co/Leyton Tri 4:00

Sept. 13 Chadron JV Quad 9:00 AM

Sept. 15 Mitchell JV Quad 4:00

Sept. 16 Edgemont (JV-V) 5:30

Sept. 20 WTC @ Gordon/Rushville 10:00 AM

Sept. 23 Bridgeport/Morrill Tri (JV-V) 2:30

Homecoming

Oct. 2 Hemingford Invite (V) 10:00 AM

Oct. 6 Crawford (JV-V) 6:00

Oct. 11 Valentine Quad (V) G/R & Cozad 9:00 AM

Oct. 14 Bayard (JV-V) 5:00 - Parent's Night

Oct. 18 JV Quad @ Gordon/Rushville 9:00 AM

Oct. 18 PAC Tournament (V) @ Morrill 9:00 AM

Oct. 20 Minatare/Kimball Tri @ Minatare 4:00

Oct. 20 JV Tri @ Bridgeport w/ Morrill 4:00

Oct. 28 Subdistricts

Nov. 1 Districts

Nov. 5-8 State

JUNIOR HIGH VOLLEYBALL

Sept. 9 Kimball 3:00

Sept. 15 Morrill 2:00

Sept. 18 Bridgeport 4:00

Sept. 22 Gordon-Rushville 3:00

Sept. 25 Bayard 2:00

Sept. 27 Panhandle Conf. @ Sioux Co. 9:00 AM

Sept. 30 Hyannis 3:00

Oct. 4 Hemingford Inv. 9:00 AM

Oct. 6 Crawford 3:00 Oct. 13 Hay Springs 4:00

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JUNIOR HIGH/HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Aug. 289 Scottsbluff Inv. 5:00

Sept. 5 Gering Inv. 9:30 AM

Sept. 12 Chadron Inv. 9:00 AM

Sept. 16 Bridgeport Inv. 4:00

Sept. 19 Chadron Inv. 9:00 AM

Sept. 20 Alliance Inv. 9:00 AM

Sept. 25 Gordon/Rushville Inv. 3:00

Sept. 29 Kearney TBA

Oct. 2 Bayard Inv. 2:30

Oct. 6 WTC @ Mitchell 9:00 AM

Oct. 16 Districts TBA

Parent's Night - Oct. 17 @ Football Game

Oct. 24 State @ Kearney TBA

UNIFIED BOWLING

Nov. 4 Alliance Inv. 2:00

Nov. 8 Bridgeport Inv. 9:00 AM

Nov. 15 Scottsbluff Inv. 9:30 AM

Dec. 2 Districts TBD 11:00 AM

JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS BASKETBALL

Nov. 13 Morrill 3:00

Nov. 14 Hay Springs 2:00

Nov. 18 Crawford 4:00

Nov. 21 Sioux County 4:00

Nov. 24 Bayard 4:00

Dec. 2 Gordon-Rushville 4:00

Dec. 8 Hyannis 2:00

Dec. 9 St. Agnes 4:00

Dec. 11 Bridgeport 2:00

Dec. 16 PAC Tournament @ Hyannis 9:00 AM

SPEECH

TBA

ONE ACT

TBA

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Nov. 24 Jamboree @ Crawford 2:00

Dec. 5 Gordon-Rushville (G-B-G-B) 3:00

Dec. 6 Hyannis (B-G-B) 1:00

Dec. 12 Bridgeport (G-B-G-B) 3:00

Dec. 13 Oelrichs (G-B-G-B) 1:00

Dec. 16 Hay Springs (G-B-G-B) 3:00

Dec. 18 Mitchell (G-B-G-B) 3:00

Dec. 20 Leyton (G-B-G-B) 4:00

Jan. 3 Perkins Co (G-B-G-B) TBA

Jan. 5 Niobrara Co. (G-B-G-B) 2:00

Jan. 8 Garden Co. (G-B-G-B) 3:00

Jan. 9 Lingle-Fort Laramie (G-B-G-B) 3:00

Jan. 16 Bayard (G-B-G-B) 4:00

Jan. 17 Crawford (G) @ Sioux Co. (B) 1:00

Jan. 19-24 PAC Tournament @ Hay Springs TBA

Jan. 27 Cody-Kilgore 2:00

Jan. 30 South Platte (G-B-G-B) 3:00

Jan. 31 Edgemont (G-B) 1:00

Feb. 5-7 WTC Tournament @ WNCC TBA

Feb. 10 Morrill (G-B-G-B) 4:00

Feb. 13 Kimball (G-B-G-B) 3:00 - Parent's Night

Feb. 20 Crawford (B-B) 6:00

Feb. 17-21 Girls Subdistricts

Feb 24-28 Boys Subdistricts

Feb. 22 Girls Districts

March 1 Boys Districts

March 4-7 Girls State

March 11-14 Boys State

JUNIOR HIGH BOYS BASKETBALL

Jan. 12 Crawford 3:00

Jan. 15 Hay Springs 2:00

Jan. 22 Mitchell 4:00

Jan. 26 Morrill 4:00

Feb. 2 PAC Tournament @ Hay Springs 9:00 AM

Feb. 9 St. Agnes 4:00

Feb. 12 Gordon-Rushville 4:00

Feb. 14 Bridgeport 9:00 AM

Feb. 21 Bayard Inv. Tournament 9:00 AM

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HIGH SCHOOL BOYS WRESTLING

Dec. 4 Hemingford Inv. 1:00 - Parent's Night

Dec. 5 Custer Inv. 9:00 AM

Dec. 12 Niobrara County Inv. 9:00 AM

Dec. 20 Bridgeport Inv. 9:00 AM

Jan. 9 Crawford Dual 5:00

Jan. 10 Garden County Inv. 9:00 AM

Jan. 16 Mullen Quad 5:00

Jan. 17 Sandhills-Thedford Inv. 8:30 AM

Jan. 23 Bayard Inv. 1:00 Jan. 29 Morrill Quad 5:00

Jan. 30 Mitchell Inv. 9:00 AM

Feb. 5 WTC Tournament @ Bridgeport 9:00

Feb. 13-14 Districts TBA

Feb. 19-21 State @ Omaha TBA

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS WRESTLING

Dec. 4-5 Cozad Tri. TBA

Dec. 12 Gordon/Rushville Inv. TBA

Dec. 16 Maxwell Inv. TBA

Dec. 19 Bridgeport Inv. TBA

Dec. 27 SEM Inv. TBA

Jan. 9 Sidney Inv. TBA Jan. 10 Garden Co. Inv. TBA

Jan. 17 Gering Inv. TBA

Jan. 23 Hemingford Inv. 11:00 AM - Parent's Day

Jan. 24 Chadron Inv. TBA

Jan. 30 Mitchell Inv. TBA Feb. 6-7 Districts TBA

Feb. 17-18 State @ Omaha TBA

JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS WRESTLING

Jan. 17 Gering Inv. 11:00 AM

Jan. 24 Lingle/Fort Laramie Inv. TBA

Jan. 29 Mitchell Inv. 1:00

Feb. 3 Bayard Inv. 9:00 AM

Feb. 9 Kimball Inv. 9:00 AM

Feb. 14 Scottsb luff Inv. 9:00 AM

Feb. 24 Hemingford Inv. 10:00 AM



JUNIOR HIGH BOYS WRESTLING

Oct. 31 Banner County Inv. 9:00 AM

Nov. 6 Gordon-Rushville Inv. 1:00

Nov. 13 Hemingford Inv. 10:00 AM Nov. 15 Niobrara County Inv. 10:00 AM

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Nov. 21 Morrill Inv. 9:00 AM

Nov. 25 Scottsbluff Quad 5:00 PM

Dec. 1 Bayard Inv. 9:00 AM Dec. 8 Mitchell Inv. 1:00 PM

HIGH SCHOOL GOLF

April 14 WTC Tournament @ Mitchell 9:00 AM

April 16 Bridgeport Inv. 9:00 AM

April 24 Alliance Inv. 9:00 AM

April 30 Chadron Inv. 9:00 AM

May 4 PAC Tournament @ Hyannis 9:00 AM

May 12 Bayard Inv. 9:00 AM

May 14 Crawford Inv. 9:00 AM

May 18 Districts @ Ogallala TBA

May 27-28 State TBA

HIGH SCHOOL TRACK

Mar. 20 Alliance Inv. 9:00 AM

Mar. 28 Morrill Inv. 9:00 AM

April 3 Bayard CD 9:00 AM

April 7 Creek Valley Inv. 8:30 AM

April 9 Mitchell Inv. 9:00 AM

April 16 WTC @ Bayard 9:00 AM

April 24 Chadron Twilight Inv. 2:00

April 28 Best of the West (Scottsbluff) 4:30

May 1 PAC @ Morrill 9:00 AM

May 4 Alliance Inv. 3:00

May 5 Bayard BCD 9:00 AM

May 14 Districts TBA 9:00 AM May 22-23 State @ Omaha 9:00 AM

JUNIOR HIGH TRACK

April 11 Chadron Inv. 9:00 AM

April 13 Bayard Inv. 9:00 AM

April 16 WTC @ Bayard 9:00 AM

April 23 Kimball Inv. 9:00 AM

April 28 Best of the West (Scottsbluff) 10:00 AM

May 1 PAC @ Morrill 9:00 AM

May 5 Morrill Inv. 9:00 AM

May 16 State @ Gothenburg

RED DENOTES HOME GAMES

ASK YOURSELF:

WHAT WOULD GREAT LOOK LIKE RIGHT NOW?

YOU CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN!

#GUBN

The Bobcat CARE (Community Action Reaching Education) Fund

Living in a small community, we understand the importance of working together and relying on one another for success. However, resources can sometimes be limited. During tough times, parents and families may struggle to provide their children with everything they need. The Bobcat CARE Fund steps in to assist families by offering supplies, clothing, shoes, toiletries, school lunch, milk, and even support for CNA certifications.

How it Works

The Bobcat CARE Fund operates in a straightforward manner. When teachers or parents identify a student's needs, they reach out to the Principals at Hemingford Elementary and High School. These needs, such as winter coats, tennis shoes, or assistance with school lunch, can be addressed through the CARE funds. The specific needs can be posted on our Facebook page and website. If someone wishes to donate an item, they can comment or message on Facebook or contact the school directly. Donations, whether items or funds, can be dropped off at the school and will be distributed to the students in need. This program is entirely confidential, and no student names are ever disclosed.

To request help:

Contact our Elementary or High School Principals by completing the form at this link:

<u>Bobcat CARES Referral/Request Form</u>

Or

Contact Us:

Mr. Arneson, Elementary School Principal: (308) 487-3330 Mr. Redden, High School Principal: (308) 487-3328

We will gather the necessary information based on what is needed or can assist in finding resources for you to reach out to. As part of this process, you are also encouraged to visit with your student's teacher about items your child may need.

To support our fund:

Donate items/funding through your business. Also, feel free to post our information page in your business to help us spread the word about The Bobcat CARE Fund.

Donate items/funding personally through HCF (taxable deductions)

Here's a link to the Hemingford Public Schools Facebook Page and the Hemingford Community Foundation. Like us and keep up to date on how we are building better communities!

COMMUNICATION SOURCES

Contact us

Dr. Travis Miller - Superintendent
Mr. Josh Redden - Secondary Principal
Mr. Eric Arneson - Elementary Principal
Mrs. Mandy Plog - Director of Student Services

PO Box 217 911 Niobrara Ave Hemingford, NE 69348 High School Phone: 308-487-3328 Elementary School Phone: 308-487-3330

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 School App (Android) (Apple)
Our school website: http://www.hemingfordschools.org
PowerSchool for attendance, grades and other notes.

Remind

Facebook

The Alliance Times-Herald
Our monthly newsletter (Bobcat Bits)
Notices sent home with students
Phone calls to students' homes when necessary
Breakfast and lunch menus can be accessed through the app
Instagram

X

Youtube

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Lunch Account System

Access your current account information online at https://foodservice.edutrak.com/ If you do not have access, please reach out to Karla Mapes. (487-3330)

Inclement Weather and other announcements

The Superintendent of schools is authorized by the Board of Education to close public schools in case of severe weather. The Superintendent will notify local news media when inclement weather warrants such action. The information will be transmitted by the Remind App, the School's Facebook page, X, and the Hemingford Public Schools App.

School notifications will also be posted through Remind, Facebook, and X.

Safe2Help Nebraska

Apple App



"We know the struggle is real, that's why we're here. SAFE 2 HELP What you know matters. Make an anonymous report." Download App Or Call 833-980-7233

Android App

Safe2Help Website

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.

IN AN EMERGENCY TAKE ACTION



HOLD! In your room or area. Clear the halls.

STUDENTS

Clear the hallways and remain in room or area until the "All Clear" is announced Do business as usual

ADULTS

Close and lock the door Account for students and adults Do business as usual



SECURE! Get inside. Lock outside doors.

STUDENTS

Return to inside of building Do business as usual

ADULTS

Bring everyone indoors Lock outside doors Increase situational awareness Account for students and adults Do business as usual



LOCKDOWN! Locks, lights, out of sight.

STUDENTS

Move away from sight Maintain silence Do not open the door

ADULTS

Recover students from hallway if possible Lock the classroom door Turn out the lights
Move away from sight
Maintain silence
Do not open the door
Prepare to evade or defend



EVACUATE! (A location may be specified)

STUDENTS

Leave stuff behind if required to If possible, bring your phone Follow instructions

ADULTS

Lead students to Evacuation location Account for students and adults Notify if missing, extra or injured students or adults



SHELTER! Hazard and safety strategy. STUDENTS ADULTS

Use appropriate safety strategy for the hazard

Hazard Tornado Safety Strategy

Evacuate to shelter area

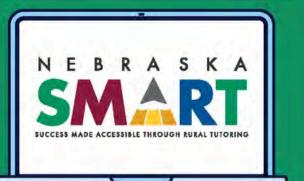
Hazmat Seal

Earthquake Tsunami Seal the room
Drop, cover and hold
Get to high ground

Lead safety strategy Account for students and adults Notify if missing, extra or injured students or adults



NEBRASKA SMART IS A FREE VIRTUAL TUTORING PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES K-12.



Teacher education candidates from Chadron State, Peru State, and Wayne State Colleges remotely tutor students in rural Nebraska. This program is currently offering services to:

- All NRCSA member school districts
- Educational Service Unit 1
- Educational Service Unit 4
- Educational Service Unit 13
- Other select smaller rural school districts

Visit our website for the full list of school districts served.

HOW IT WORKS

Nebraska students in grades K-12 have free access to online tutoring with a qualified Tutor in English, math, science, and social studies. Parents must first register their child. Once registered, students can request pre-scheduled appointments with a Tutor or log in and request on-demand tutoring to be connected with the next Tutor available in the queue. Students should provide homework for which they wish to receive help or topics that they would like to cover.





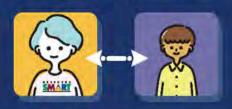
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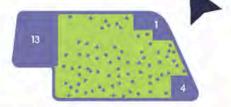


OUR TUTORS

Tutors are full-time students at Chadron, Peru, and Wayne State Colleges who have been admitted to the teacher education program, have completed background checks, and received training through their teacher education program coursework.



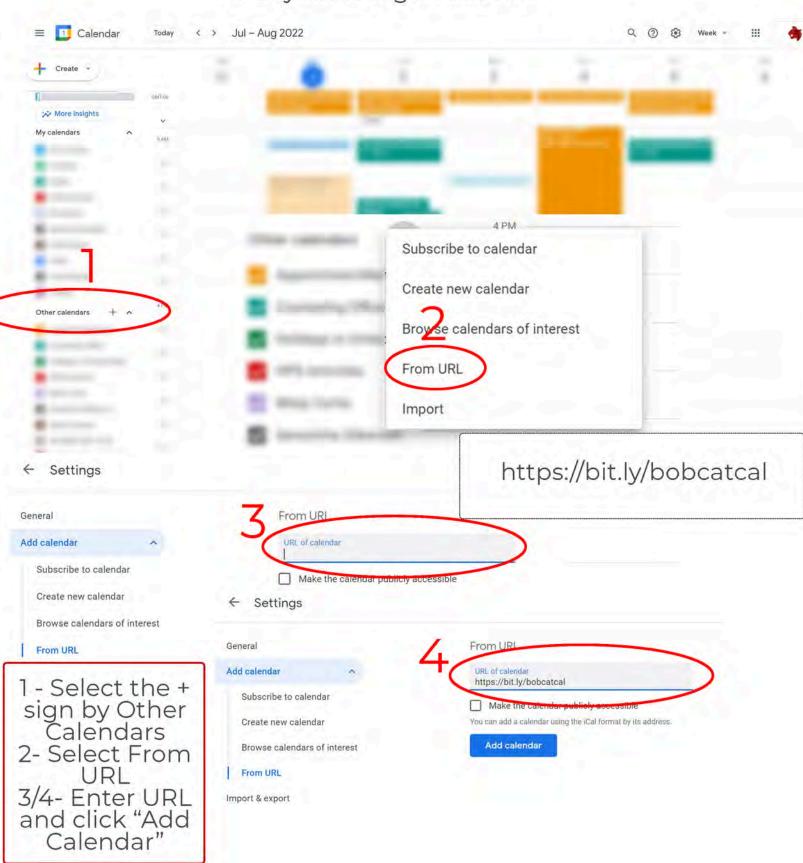
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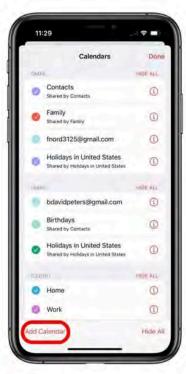
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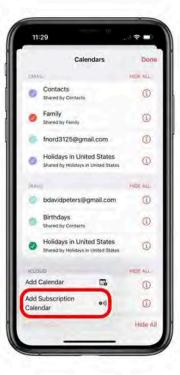


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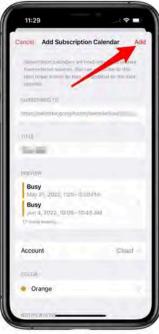




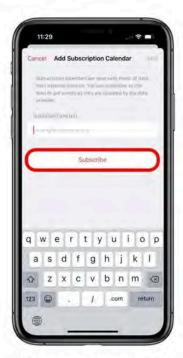
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Tap Add Calendar.



From the small menu that opens, tap Add Subscription Calendar.



Type the URL: https://bit.ly/bobcatcal

The Calendar app will show you some information on this specific calendar, to confirm the subscription, tap Add.

Download Our app

Search for Hemingford Public Schools in the Apple App store or the Google Play store to download our app.

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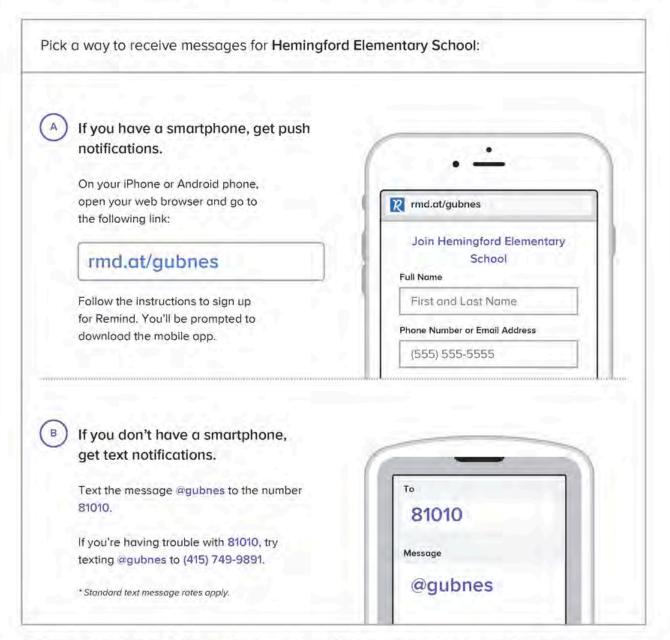






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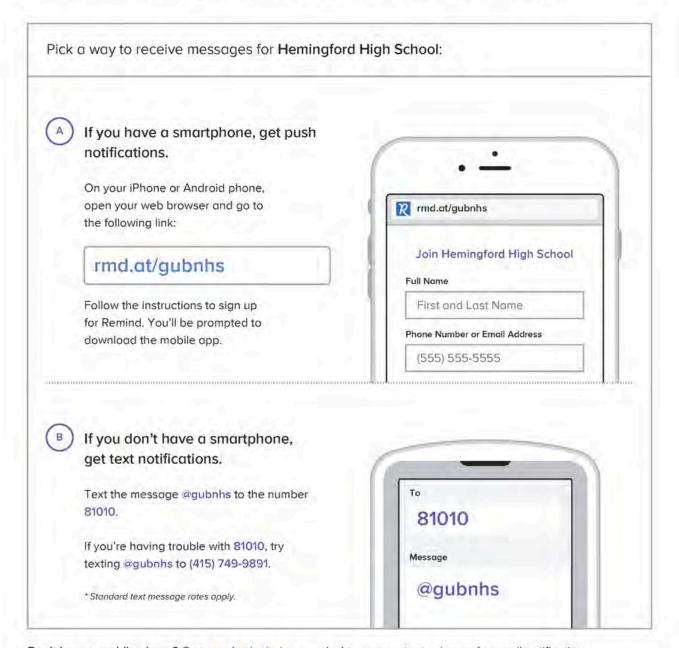
Get information for Hemingford Elementary School right on your phone—not on handouts.



Don't have a mobile phone? Go to rmd.at/gubnes on a desktop computer to sign up for email notifications.

HIGH SCHOOL REMIND

Get information for Hemingford High School right on your phone—not on handouts.



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LET'S GO CASHLESS!!!



You can now use your credit card, ApplePay, or GooglePay to buy tickets or at the concession stand.



You can also buy your tickets in advance using the GoFan app on our Activity Scheduler page.

Card users will pay a convenience fee.

September Awards

Bobcat of the Month

-Dawn Runkle

DAWN IS A SHINING EXAMPLE OF HOW ONE PERSON CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE. SHE CAN **BE SEEN CONSISTENTLY** OFFERING A HELPING HAND, **ENCOURAGING WORDS, AND A** WELCOMING SMILE. SHE IS **CREATING A REPUTATION FOR** TREATING EVERYONE WITH RESPECT AND COMPASSION. WHETHER SUPPORTING CLASSMATES, ASSISTING STAFF, OR SIMPLY SPREADING POSITIVITY IN THE HALLWAYS, DAWN EMBODIES THE SPIRIT OF KINDNESS THAT MAKES OUR **SCHOOL COMMUNITY** STRONGER. WHAT A GREAT ASSEST TO OUR SCHOOL!

Mini Bobcat of the Month

-Daxton Davies

THERE IS NEVER A DULL
MOMENT WITH THIS YOUNG
MAN, AND THAT'S NOT A BAD
THING. DAXTON SPREADS LOTS
OF LAUGHS AND JOY AROUND.
I ENJOY THE TIMES I GET TO
TALK WITH THIS YOUNG MAN
1-ON-1. HE IS GENUINE IN
THOSE CONVERSATIONS.
RECENTLY A COACH TOLD ME
HE REALLY KNOWS HIS STUFF IN
PRACTICE, AND THAT
DEDICATION WILL LEAD TO
POSITIVE THINGS. PROUD OF
YOU DAXTON!

Optimist Bobcat Club



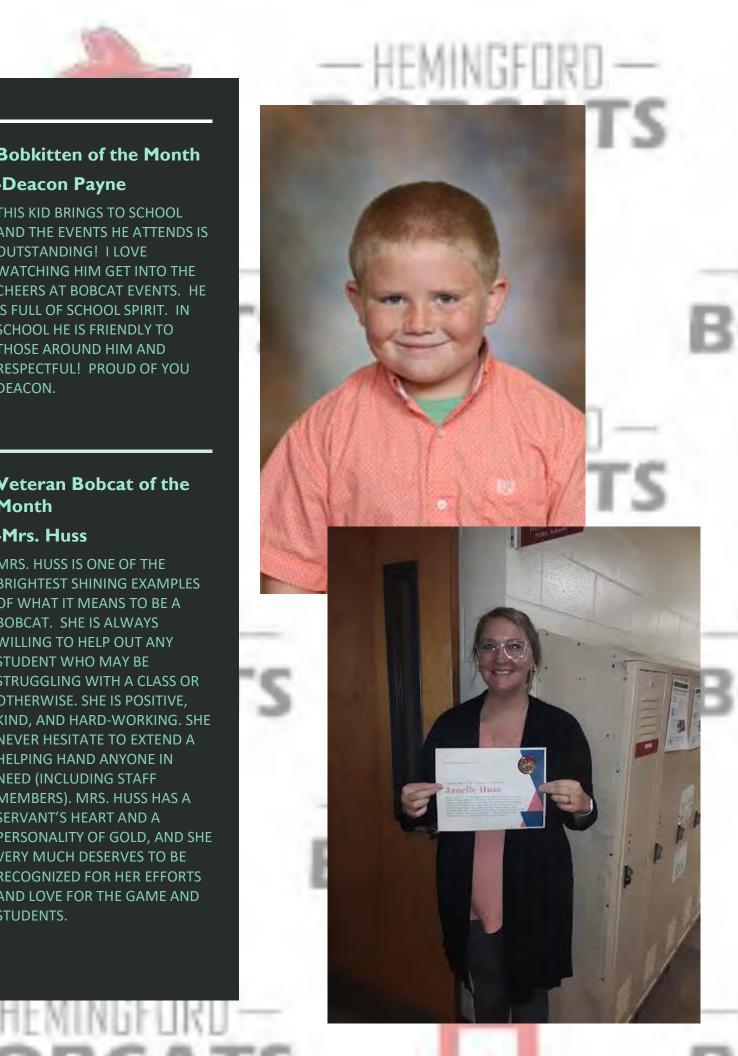
Bobkitten of the Month -Deacon Payne

THIS KID BRINGS TO SCHOOL AND THE EVENTS HE ATTENDS IS **OUTSTANDING! I LOVE** WATCHING HIM GET INTO THE CHEERS AT BOBCAT EVENTS. HE IS FULL OF SCHOOL SPIRIT. IN SCHOOL HE IS FRIENDLY TO THOSE AROUND HIM AND RESPECTFUL! PROUD OF YOU DEACON.

Veteran Bobcat of the Month

-Mrs. Huss

MRS. HUSS IS ONE OF THE **BRIGHTEST SHINING EXAMPLES** OF WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A **BOBCAT. SHE IS ALWAYS** WILLING TO HELP OUT ANY STUDENT WHO MAY BE STRUGGLING WITH A CLASS OR OTHERWISE. SHE IS POSITIVE, KIND, AND HARD-WORKING. SHE **NEVER HESITATE TO EXTEND A** HELPING HAND ANYONE IN **NEED (INCLUDING STAFF** MEMBERS). MRS. HUSS HAS A SERVANT'S HEART AND A PERSONALITY OF GOLD, AND SHE **VERY MUCH DESERVES TO BE RECOGNIZED FOR HER EFFORTS** AND LOVE FOR THE GAME AND STUDENTS.



Counselou Conner



Monthly Focus:

During October, our counseling lessons will focus on responsibility—making good choices, following through on commitments, and taking ownership of our actions.

Students will learn practical ways to show responsibility at school, at home, and in their community.

October Fact

October is National Bullying
Prevention Month — a
perfect time to talk with
students about
responsibility, kindness, and
standing up for others.

Stop! Support! Report!

Wellness Tip

Recognizing Emotions

Help you child name their emotions and talk about how they feel. Teaching them healthy ways to express emotions, like journaling or talking to someone they trust, builds emotional strength.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct. 15-17 - Fall Break Oct. 31 - Happy Halloween!

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Responsibility Overview

This month we are talking about Responsibility. One way to define Responsibility is "taking action and understanding the impact of our choices." Taking action can mean doing the right thing or completing the tasks you have been assigned. Understanding the impact of our choices means that our actions matter. Positive and responsible actions can help people and irresponsible actions can hurt others.

Responsibility is 1 of 3 traits we will focus on throughout the year that helps students **Be Strong**.

Across grade levels students will be developing skills like focusing, organizing, and goal-setting.

Conversation Starters



- Can you share or show what it means to be Responsible?
- How can we help each other practice being more Responsible?

PurposeFull Pursuits

Have some fun connecting as a family this month while practicing Responsibility. Here are 2 "PurposeFull Pursuits" you can complete together!

#1

As a family, think of ways in which you might make someone's life a little easier by helping a neighbor or family friend with 1 of their Responsibilities. Could you bring the garbage to the chute or out to the curb? Could you carry things in from the grocery store? Could you invite someone over for a meal or a show?



#2

Review Responsibility as a family! Responsibility is taking action and understanding the impact of our choices.

Choose 1 household chore (or more!) that requires multiple steps. Then have each member of the family select 1 step to complete to help get the job done! Maybe it's washing the dishes, doing laundry, cleaning the living room, or unloading the groceries – whatever it is, see who can be the quickest or most effective at their task!

LAST DAY TO SIGN UP OCTOBER 3rd!

Girls on the Run! FALL 2025

Girls on the Run moved to Fall season for the 2025-2026 school year! We will be doing a week long "Camp"! If your girl is interested in signing up, please contact Coach Ammie Frost!

afrost@gubn.org or 308-207-5180

ONE

Coaches: Bryner and Jespersen 308-760-1120 Auditions October 7 @ 7pm, Big Gym

Join HHS One Act Remind for updates!

text ef66ea6 to the number 81010

Important Dates

Competitions

Panhandle Conference

11/20 in Hemingford

Western Trails Conference

11/25 in Gordon

Public Performance/ Soup Supper

11/30 at Home (Big Gym)

Districts

12/6 in North Platte

State

12/11 in Norfolk (must qualify)

Auditions

10/7 @ 7p (Big Gym)

Parents Meeting

TBD

Staging Rehearsals start

10/21 (Big Gym)

DULLSVILLE IN STERY

Synopsis: Dullsville a town on the brink of terminal boredom. But when a crime of teenage angst explodes, the town is catapulted into an epic whodunit. Who can fathom this most heinous of crimes? How can anyone in their right mind steal another person's gym shorts? No one can be safe in their homes and no one is innocent.

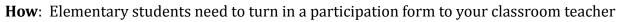
What: Walk to School Day

Who: Hemingford students, parents, teachers,

community members

Date: October 8th, 2025

Time: 7:30 am



or Mrs. Neefe by Monday, October 6th, 2025

Some Bus routes may be dropping students off.

Please discuss this with your bus driver and let them know that you would like to participate.

Everyone: Show up at 7:30 at the Body Shop Basketball court. We will all walk together as a group by 7:45 am to get to school on time.

Why: Celebrate National Walk to school day, be fit and have fun! **Sponsored by** the Hemingford FCCLA, Body Shop, and Panhandle Public Health

	give my permission for (student)o school activity on October 8th, 2025.
Please list student's name	and grades below that will be participating:
Bus riders: Please indica	e the bus you ride on.:
I understand that Heming or damaged items.	ord FCCLA or the Body Shop will not be responsible for any lost

Please dress your students according to the weather and stay home if you are sick!

Note: We are encouraging everyone to Walk. Bikes are more difficult to manage with our large group!



HEMINGFORD FCCLA NEWS/UPDATES

SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER FCCLA NEWS:

Mrs. Suzanne Neefe

FCCLA hosted the following events:

- -Beginning of the year "Make your own Pizza" activity night.
- -September Big brother/sister
- -Cabbage Burger Fundraiser
- -Fall Leadership Conference in Kearney

October Upcoming events:

- September 29th at 6:30- Activity Night
- · October 7- Chocolate Sales Start
- Oct. 8th- Walk to school day
- October 23rd- Big brother/sister
- October 23rd- Activity night





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LANEY DAHLBERG ATTENDED THE FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN KEARNEY



COATS

Warm Coats Available at Parent-Teacher Conferences

Did you know the coats collected last year are available for all families? If your student or family member needs a warm coat, please feel free to stop by and pick one out.

Who: All students and their families are welcome.

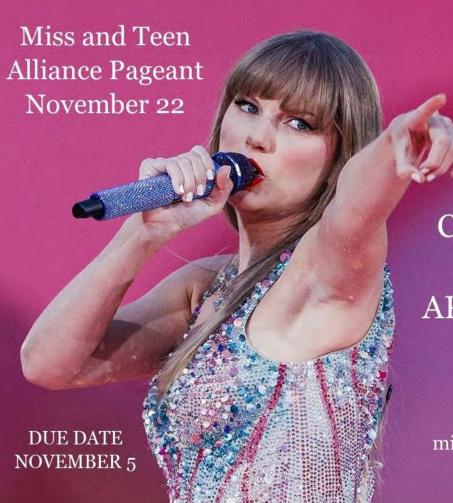
What: Gently used coats for all ages and sizes.

When: PT Conferences (October 15th from 1pm-7pm)

Where: The Red Zone

All coats are free and available on a first-come, first-served basis.





Are you ready to enter your MISS ALLIANCE Era??

CONTESTANT AND
LITTLE SISTER
APPLICATIONS NOW
AVAILABLE!

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