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Greetings from the Principal's Office

As we approach springtime, please remember to watch the weather forecast. Spring weather can become very volatile. Thank you for ensuring your children are sent to school dressed appropriately for the weather. Congratulations to our Girls Wrestling, Boys Wrestling, Girls Basketball, and Boys Basketball team on their successful seasons.

Upcoming Events:

February 21st: BBB Sub-Districts @ Litchfield vs. Pleasanton 6PM February 22nd: BBB Sub-Districts @ Litchfield TBD February 23rd: FKC Speech @ Litchfield February 23rd: 2:27 Dismissal February 23rd: JHBB vs. Pleasanton 3/4PM February 24th: BBB Sub-Districts @ Litchfield TBD February 25th: GBB District Finals vs. Humphrey/Lindsay Holy Family @ TBD February 28th: Speech Districts @ Bertrand 8:30AM February 28th: FCCLA Peer Ed. Conference @ Kearney February 28th: JH Quiz Bowl @ Amherst 4PM March 1st: JH Quiz Bowl @ ESU10 March 7th – 12th: State GBBB @ Lincoln March 10th: Last Day of 3rd Quarter March 11th: No School March 14th: Music Booster Mtg. 5:30PM March 14th: FCCLA Mtg. 6:30PM March 14th: School Board Mtg. 7:30PM

<u>Pre-K Registration</u>: Pre-School Registration days for the 2020-2021 school year are as follows:

Tuesday, March 15th Wednesday, March 16th Thursday, March 17th

Registration is for both our Pre-School (3-year olds) and Pre-Kindergarten (4-year olds) programs. Students must turn 3 or 4 by July 31st to be eligible to attend Pre-School. Registration will occur from 9-11:00AM & 1-2:30PM on these days. You will need to bring their official birth certificate from the State of Nebraska along with their current immunizations. If you are unable to attend these registration days, please contact me at school to set up another time. Students who are currently enrolled in the 3-year old program do not need to re-register for the 4-year old program.

<u>School Happenings</u>: It is that time of year again for testing. You might notice on the calendar that on March 21st, the NSCAS (state testing) window opens. This is the statewide assessment that all students grades 3-8 will be taking. The following subject areas are tested: Reading, Math, and Science. The Juniors will be taking the ACT on March 22nd as part of the statewide ACT testing for all Juniors. Student performance is vital on these assessments as we are compared with all other schools and students across the State. Please ensure that your students are well prepared during these testing periods with a good nights rest and balanced breakfast. The teachers have done a wonderful job providing our students with the information necessary to be successful on these assessments. Thank you for giving your best effort on the assessments.

Educationally yours,

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OVERTON HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SPOTLIGHT ABBY MONTEY



FUTURE PLANS College in Colorado Springs to be a Health Counselor

FAVORITE HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY Going to the Big Apple for Senior Day

ACTIVITIES INVOLVED IN

FUN FACT ABOUT YOU

I have a Heart Condition and had Heart Surgery at 4 Months Old

OVERTON HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

CESAR MORALES



FUTURE PLANS Going into Automotive

FAVORITE HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY

The First Time I Got Here & Getting To Meet New People

ACTIVITIES INVOLVED IN Truck Club

FUN FACT ABOUT YOU I Like Spending Time With Family & Friends



OVERTON HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SPOTLIGHT RILEY POOSCHKE

FUTURE PLANS Attend a 4-Year College

FAVORITE HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY Almost Blowing Up the Air Compressor in Shop Class

> ACTIVITIES INVOLVED IN FCCLA, FFA, and National Honors Society

FUN FACT ABOUT YOU I have a Tortoise

OVERTON HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SPOTLIGHT KAVEN RAASTAD



FUTURE PLANS Work

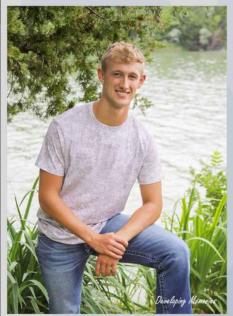
FAVORITE HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY Senior Day Hanging Out With Friends

ACTIVITIES INVOLVED IN Yearbook and Circle of Friends

FUN FACT ABOUT YOU I Know A Lot of Random Facts



OVERTON HIGH SCHOOL



FUTURE PLANS Hastings College & Playing Football

FAVORITE HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY Football & State Track

ACTIVITIES INVOLVED IN Football, Basketball, Track, FFA, FCA, Quiz Bowl, Student Council, & National Honors Society

> FUN FACT ABOUT YOU I Enjoy Going to the Lake



OVERTON HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SPOTLIGHT KENZIE SCHEELE



FAVORITE HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY State Volleyball 3x

> ACTIVITIES INVOLVED IN Volleyball and Basketball

FUN FACT ABOUT YOU I'm Obsessed With Sushi



MARCH SENIOR SPOTLIGH



W-I-N-N-E-R



The annual school spelling bee was held on February 15. Students in grades 3-8 could participate. Students started off spelling in a written round of 10 words. Scores on the written round determined how many came up on stage for the oral spelling.

Mrs. Lassen would like to thank those that helped

with the spelling bee: Marlene Blythe and Mary Cook-judges, and Mr. Christensen and Merle-sound, set-up, and clean-up.

Grades 3-4 Champion-Alexis Lessig, winning word: CANDLELIGHT

Runner-up- Jersey Elfgren



Grades 5-6 Champion- Daniel Teply, winning word: MUSCULAR



Runner-up-Halle Harvey

Grades 7-8 Champion Braelyn Florell, winning word ANTIDOTE

Runner-up-Eli Luther



FFA is hosting a Pancake Feed for the Overton Community!! Help us celebrate National FFA Week!! You only need to bring your appetite!!

PANCAKES!

FLAPJACKS!

HOTCAKES!

MARCH 5 • SATURDAY 8 AM TO 11 AM OVERTON HIGH SCOOL Little Eagles Learning Center & Overton Area Community Fund PRESENT TO YOU...

SNACKS provided

CASH BAR - provided by Overton Golf Club

5 rounds of 10 questions

Variety of categories

Prizes awarded to winners!

Reserve your table by February 19th & receive one topic category!

Gather friends & family For a night of fun!

TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday, March 19th

Overton Family Center

Doors open at 7:30pm

\$120 - round table (6 people) \$25 - individual person

Must be 21+ or older to participate

Call or text Paula at 308-455-0080 to reserve your table!



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BUSINESS EDUCATION

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2022 / MARCH 2022



During Personal Finance, students had to face the harsh reality that is the cost of living today. They ran through a 'reality check' with one of the UNL professors and talked about everyday expenses. Once this was done, the professor lectured on a variety of tools that students can implement in their own lives such as investments and loans. This was a very informational class period.

Our last class of the day, Economics, focused on allocation. Students learned about the importance of different allocation methods and we were able to play a lottery game to show that not all methods of allocation can be fair in the real world. They discussed a multitude of ways that allocation is shown and used today. The professor stressed the importance of economics, and I believe it was a great look at reality for these juniors.

After eating lunch on campus, we were given a short tour of UNL as well before heading back to Overton. Accounting Day was an overall success and we will look forward to taking students back next year.

ACCOUNTING CLASS TRAVELS TO LINCOLN

BY MISS KAYLEI BECKER

Our junior level Accounting course was given the amazing opportunity to travel to UNL on February 9th for Accounting & Economics Day. Students were given the chance to sit in on sample lectures for college level Accounting, Economics, and Personal Finance courses.

In the accounting class, students were given the opportunity to work in their group to come up with a business plan and account for all of the various expenses. Overton's group came up with an idea for a healthy alternative to an energy drink and created a successful plan to implement this entrepreneurial activity and pull a profit.



Let's keep our school Clean, Safe & Germ-Free!

6th Grade Counseling

lent a helping hand by cleaning classrooms and hallways.



Special Thank You Merle & Kimi Di & Vicki









FCCLA NEWS



DISTRICT STAR COMPETITORS

Aven Zimmerman- Gold Medal District Champion Repurpose and Redesign Level 3 Shaylee Lux- Silver Medal Runner-up National Programs in Action Level 3 Kiley Lawton- Bronze Medal Parliamentary Procedure Test Junior Gracyn Luther- Silver Medal Runner-Up Professional Presentation Level 2 Jaelynn Roberts- Silver Medal District Champion National Programs in Action Level 1 Abby Lawton- Gold Medal District Champion Job Interview Level 3 Jada Araujo- Gold Medal District Champion Chapter Service Project Portfolio Level 3 Jorja Raastad- Silver Medal Professional Presentation Level 3 Sydnie Brown- Bronze Medal Parliamentary Procedure Test Junior Daisy Ryan- Silver Medal District Champion Parliamentary Procedure Test Junior Stephanie Magnuson- Silver Medal District Champion Nebraska Health and Wellness Junior



Help us honor National FFA Week and National Ag. Week by coming to our Pancake Feed on March 5th, from 8am-11am at the school! Enjoy hotcakes and sausages in the school cafeteria to celebrate as a community!

In February, we had Emma Kuss, a State FFA Officer come and do some fun workshops on leadership in all of Mrs. Loudon's classes! It was a great day of trying new things.



We also saw the first class of state degree recipients for Overton FFA get interviewed at Centura High School. Congratulations to our senior members: Wyatt Ryan, Abby Lawton, Addy Luther, Cinch Kiger, and Dalton Carlson!



How to Raise a Resilient Child With Strong Coping Skills

1. Strike a Balance Between Supporting and Overprotecting

Let your child struggle with a problem — it **stretches your child's mind**, creating new connections and helping them develop solutions.



2. Help Children Identify Emotions and Appropriate Responses

Behind every behavior is an emotion. Recognize these emotions, label them, and then work through them to h**elp children develop skills** to deal with similar situations in the future.









3. Encourage Children to Solve Their Problems

Replace rescuing with coping skill education to help them **learn to help themselves**.

Provide a coping skills box with a list of activities or items to help soothe strong emotions a weighted blanket, puzzles, putty, and fidget toys.



4. Model the Skills and Behavior You Want Children to Exhibit

Take advantage of your own difficult moments to help children learn how to navigate big feelings. When traffic is making you late and you want / to rage, breathe. Tell your child what you are doing and why.



5. Help Children Determine Their Threshold and Set Their Boundaries

If you sense your child becoming overly frustrated, **identify physical symptoms** you see and offer supportive solutions.



Big life Journal

READ THE FULL ARTICLE HERE

READ TALK PLAY

Reading together is the single most important way you can help prepare your child to read. Starting from birth, shared reading increases vocabulary and general knowledge while helping children develop an interest in reading. Children who enjoy being read to are much more likely to want to learn to read themselves. Children learn language and other early literacy skills by listening to adults talk. As children listen to spoken language, they learn new words and what they mean while gaining important general knowledge about the world around them. This knowledge will help children understand the meaning of what they read. Children learn a lot about language through play. Children think symbolically when they play, which helps them to understand that spoken and written words can stand for real objects and experiences. Play also helps children to express themselves and put thoughts into words.

Read every day. Make time to enjoy at least one story with your child. Set aside a designated storytime.

2 Make shared reading interactive. Before you begin a book, ask your child to look at the cover and predict what it will be about. Allow your child to turn the book's pages. Ask questions as you read. When you finish the book, ask your child to retell the story.

3 Use books to help teach new words. Define unfamiliar words for your child as you read. Make sure your child has lots of opportunities to talk with you, not just listen while you talk.

2 Respond to what your child says and extend the conversation. "Yes, we did see a truck like that last week. It's called a bulldozer." Stretch your child's vocabulary by repeating and adding onto what they say. "You want a banana? That's a very healthy choice."

3 If English isn't your first language, speak to your child in the language you know best. This allows you to explain things more fluently so your child will learn more. Give your child plenty of playtime. Allow children to have unstructured time to use their imaginations to create stories about what they're doing.

2 Encourage children to engage in dramatic play. When children use puppets, dolls, or stuffed animals to make up stories, they develop important narrative skills which help them to understand that stories have a beginning, middle, and end.

Pretend to read a book. Have your child tell you a story based on the pictures in a book. Ask your child to "read" a familiar book and tell you the story.

WRITE SING

Reading and writing go hand in hand. Both represent spoken language and communicate information. Children can learn pre-reading skills by participating in writing activities like scribbling, drawing, and forming letters. Keep paper and crayons or markers on a table that children can access easily.

Writing begins with scribbles and other marks. Encourage this by provding many opportunities to draw and write.

2 Encourage children to "sign" their artwork; this practice will help them understand that print represents words. As they practice eye-hand coordination and develop their hand muscles, children can begin to write the letters in their names.

3 Talk to your children about what they draw, and write captions or stories together. This helps connect spoken and printed language. Songs are a wonderful way for children to learn about language. Singing also slows down language so children can hear the different sounds that make up words. This helps children when they begin to read printed language. Sing songs and play music for your child.

Sing the alphabet. This will help your child to learn about letters.

2 Sing nursery rhymes and other rhyming poems. This allows your child to hear the different sounds in words. Encourage your child to sing along with you.

3 Clap along to the rhythms in songs to help your child hear the syllables in words.





Simple Activities that Promote Early Literacy





Vitamin A is also

called retinol. It is necessary

for healthy vision and also

helps create strong bones

and teeth, as well as a

strong immune system.

You don't need much of them, but you can't live without them. Vitamins are a group of 13 substances that the body needs. For the most part, you get vitamins and minerals from the food you eat.

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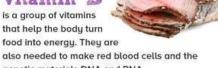
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Vitamin



that help the body turn food into energy. They are also needed to make red blood cells and the genetic materials DNA and RNA.



The vitamin B group includes: 'B1 (thiamin) B2 (riboflavin) B3 (niacin) 'B5 (pantothenic acid) *B6 (pyridoxine) 'B9 (folic acid) 'B12 (cobalamin) BIOTIN

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Vitamin D_{is} made by the body when it is exposed to the sun. The vitamin is also found in certain foods. Vitamin D helps the body absorb the mineral calcium. It also helps build strong bones and teeth.





Vitamin E

helps maintain healthy red blood cells and muscle tissue.



bones.



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> Vitamin K is necessary for blood to clot when you get a cut. Half of the vitamin comes from the food you eat; the other half is manufactured by bacteria in your intestines.





MINUTES OF THE OVERTON PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING February 14, 2022 7:30 p.m.

Board President called the meeting to order. Members Present:

Brennan Lassen Luther Meier Rudeen Walahoski

Notification: The February 14, 2022 meeting of the Overton Public School Board of Education was posted at the Overton Public School, on the Overton Public School website, Beacon Observer, Overton Post Office, and the Security First Bank.

Open Meetings Information: To be in compliance with LB 898, The Nebraska Open Meetings Act, Board President informed the public that a copy of the Open Meetings Law is posted near the LMC check-out counter.

Administration Present: Mark Aten, Superintendent, Brian Fleischman, Principal

Guests Present: Aaron McCoy, Alicia Lassen, and Chase Christensen

Public Comments: None

Reports: Mr. Christensen provide a presentation on the new Smartboards.

Communications: Resignation and NASB information

Other: None

Action Items:

- 1. **Agenda**: Moved by Luther, seconded by Brennan to approve the agenda of the February 14, 2022 regular monthly board meeting as presented. Motion 6-0. Yes (6) Brennan, Lassen, Luther, Meier, Rudeen, and Walahoski. No (0). Absent (0).
- 2. **Minutes:** Moved by Lassen, seconded by Meier to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2022 regular board minutes as presented. Motion 6-0. Yes (6) Brennan, Lassen, Luther, Meier, Rudeen, and Walahoski. No (0). Absent (0).
- 3. **Claims:** Moved by Brennan, seconded by Walahoski to pay the February General Fund bill roster in the amount \$75,643.03. Motion 6-0. Yes (6) Brennan, Lassen, Luther, Meier, Rudeen, and Walahoski. No (0). Absent (0).
- The board voted to: approve the contract with ESU 10 for Special Education Supervision, Physical and Occupational Therapy, and Audiology, Motion 6-0. Yes (6) Brennan, Lassen, Luther, Meier, Rudeen, and Walahoski. No (0). Absent (0), to

approve the contract for the principal, Motion 6-0. Yes (6) Brennan, Lassen, Luther, Meier, Rudeen, and Walahoski. No (0). Absent (0), approve Security First Bank and FirsTier Bank as the official depositories for all district funds, Motion 6-0. Yes (6) Brennan, Lassen, Luther, Meier, Rudeen, and Walahoski. No (0). Absent (0), accept Mrs. Lindsay Meier's resignation effective the end of the 2021-2022 school year, Motion 6-0. Yes (6) Brennan, Lassen, Luther, Meier, Rudeen, and Walahoski. No (0). Absent (0), adjourn at 9:31 p.m. Motion 6-0. Yes (6) Brennan, Lassen, Luther, Meier, Rudeen, and Walahoski. No (0). Absent (0), adjourn at 9:31 p.m. Motion 6-0. Yes (6) Brennan, Lassen, Luther, Meier, Rudeen, and Walahoski. No (0).

Board Reports and Discussion Topics:

1. Board Reports:

- a. Transportation:
- b. Facilities and Grounds:
- c. Negotiations:
- d. American Civics:
- e. Interlocal: Update on the fiber project

2. Discussion Topics:

- a. March Board Meeting scheduled for Monday, March 14, 2022 beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the LMC.
- b. Reviewed and discussed board policies: 3005 School Activities Fund, 3007 Review of Bills, 3008 Gifts, Grants, and Bequests, 3009 Audit, 3010 Insurance, 3011 Transportation, 3012 Meal Program and Meal Charges, 3013 Emergency Closings, 3014 Use of School Property, 3015 Time Away from School Activities, 3016 Use of Tobacco Products, 3017 Press Releases, 3018 Denying Access to School Premises or Activities.

Administrative Reports:

Principal's Report:

- a. Calendar Update
- b. Enrollment Update
- c. Teacher Evaluation Update
- d. Business Class Update (Personal Finance)
- e. Football Schedule

Superintendent's Report:

- 1. Enrollment Option Report
- 2. Option Enrollment -
 - Out a. In a.
 - b.

Change of Status a.

- 3. Financial Update
- 4. Projects Update (ESSER II and III)
- 5. Staffing Update

- Food Nutrition Budget Update State Aid Model Beef Boosters 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- Greenhouse(s) Status 9.

This is a condensed version of the minutes a full report is available in the superintendent's office.



March 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read Across America Week		1 JH Quiz Bowl @ ESU 10. SHARE Program 1:40-3:28, grades 8 & 9.	2 FCA 7:30AM. SHARE Program 1:40-3:28, grades 8 & 9. Ukulele Club 3:30PM.	3 FFA mtg. 7PM.	4 FBLA 7:30AM.	5
6	7 State GBBB. Students Council mtg. @ lunch, room 209. Ukulele Club 3:30PM.	8 State GBBB.	9 FCA 7:30AM. State GBBB. Ukulele Club 3:30PM.	10 State GBBB. Last day of Q3.	11 State GBBB. NO SCHOOL.	12 State GBBB.
13	14 Ukulele Club 3:30PM. Music Booster mtg. 5:30PM. FCCLA mtg. 6:30PM. FKC GBBB All-Conf. selection @ Elm Creek 7PM. School Board mtg. 7:30PM.	15 Pre-School Registration 9- 11:30 & 1- 2:30PM.	16 FCA 7:30AM. Pre-School Registration 9- 11:30 & 1- 2:30PM. Ukulele Club 3:30.	17 Pre-School Registration 9- 11:30 & 1-2:30. Spring Music Showcase 7PM.	18 NO SCHOOL — Teacher In- Service. State Speech @ Kearney.	19
20 AG Week.	21 NSCAS Summative Window opens. Spring Sports Pictures 10AM. Quiz Bowl @ ESU 10. Ukulele Club 3:30.	22 Statewide ACT Test for Juniors.	23 FCA 7:30AM. FKC Music Contest @ SEM. Ukulele Club 3:30PM.	24 GO @ Overton Quad 4PM.	25 TR @ Wilcox- Hildreth 10AM.	26
27	28 Ukulele Club 3:30PM. FKC Quiz Bowl @ Loomis.	29 TR @ Cozad 4:30PM.	30 FCA 7:30AM. Ukulele Club 3:30PM. GO @ Cambridge 10AM.	31 Juniors to Concordia. Athletic Booster mtg. 7PM.		

March 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Milk and fruit served each meal. ALT MEAL: Little Caesar's pepperoni pizza or Breaded chicken sandwich or Anytimer		1 Breakfast on a stick Super nachos	2 Cinnamon rolls & omelets Cheese pizza	3 Pretzel & cheese Goulash	4 Yogurt parfait & donut holes Fish sticks & macaroni & cheese	5
6 ALT MEAL: Chicken patty or Tuna salad or Anytimer	7 Apple muffin & sausage Beef & noodles	8 Chocolate donut & omelet Taco bar	9 Yogurt parfait & cereal Soup bar	10 Dutch waffles & sausage Donut & combos	11 NO SCHOOL.	12
13 ALT MEAL: Pork & veggie egg roll or Chef salad or Anytimer	14 Breakfast pizza Pepperoni pizza	15 Biscuits & gravy Sub sandwiches	16 Donut holes & ham Taco in a bag	17 Pancake & sausage Scalloped potatoes & ham	18 NO SCHOOL— Teacher In- Service.	19
20 ALT MEAL: Cheeseburgers or Taco salad or Anytimer	21 Apple freudel & yogurt Hot beef sandwich	22 French toast & ham Chicken patty sandwich	23 Breakfast sandwich Spaghetti & meat sauce	24 Breakfast on a stick Hot dog bar	25 Chocolate donuts & yogurt French toast & omelets	26
27 ALT MEAL: Pepperoni pizza or Protein box or Anytimer	28 Breakfast pizza Chef salad	29 Stuffed bagel & sausage Cheeseburger	30 Cinnamon rolls & ham Taco bar	31 Breakfast cookie & egg Chicken drummies		