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#### **Greetings from the Principal's Office**

It has been a great start to the new school year. Students remember to keep working hard to achieve great success. Success doesn't fall into your lap; you have to earn it through hard work. Remember that one way to earn success is to complete your homework on time. Thank you everyone for doing your part to continue down your path to success.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

September 18th: CC @ Franklin 4:15PM September 18th: VB @ Brady 5/6/7PM

September 20th: Freshmen to NCTA-Curtis

September 21st: VB @ Hi-Line (Amherst) 5/6/7PM September 21st: SB @ Kearney Catholic 5:45/7:15PM

September  $22^{\rm nd}$ : FB vs. Central Valley 7PM September  $23^{\rm rd}$ : VB @ Sutherland 10AM

September 25th: CC @ UNK 2:30PM

September 25th: JH & JV VB/FB @ Amherst 3/5PM

September 25th: SB @ York 5/6:30PM

September 26th: VB vs. Giltner & Shelton 5/6/7PM

September 27th: 11:30 Dismissal (P/T Conf. 12:30-6:30PM)

September 28th: No School - Teacher In-Service (VB vs. Alma & Southwest 5/6/7PM)

September 29th: No School

September 29th: FKC CC @ Overton Golf Course 12:30PM

September 29th: FB @ Elm Creek 7PM

October 2<sup>nd</sup>: 2:30 Dismissal (JH/JV VB/FB vs. Elm Creek 3/5PM)

October  $2^{nd}$ : SB Sub-Districts TBD

October 3rd: VB vs. Gibbon 5/6/7PM (Cozad VB announced between JV & Var. games) (Senior Night)

October 5th: CC @ Wilcox-Hildreth 1:30PM

October 5th: VB @ Loomis (Ansley-Litchfield) 5/6/7PM

October 6th: FB @ Ansley-Litchfield 7PM October 8th: Homecoming BBQ 5:30PM

October 9th, 10th, & 12th: FKC VB Tournament

October 13th: FB vs. Burwell 7PM (Homecoming) (Dance follows games till 12AM)

<u>StrivTV</u>: We have moved to Hudl TV to stream our events for the 2023-2024 school year. Live events may be watched our our Hudl TV Channel (<a href="http://www.team1sports.com/highschool/ne/?S=overtoneagles">https://www.team1sports.com/highschool/ne/?S=overtoneagles</a>) or our Overton Eagles Fan page for up to date events and highlights from past games (<a href="https://tinyurl.com/muu4y8hs">https://tinyurl.com/muu4y8hs</a>). Hopefully this will help us reach more of Eagle Nation throughout the year.

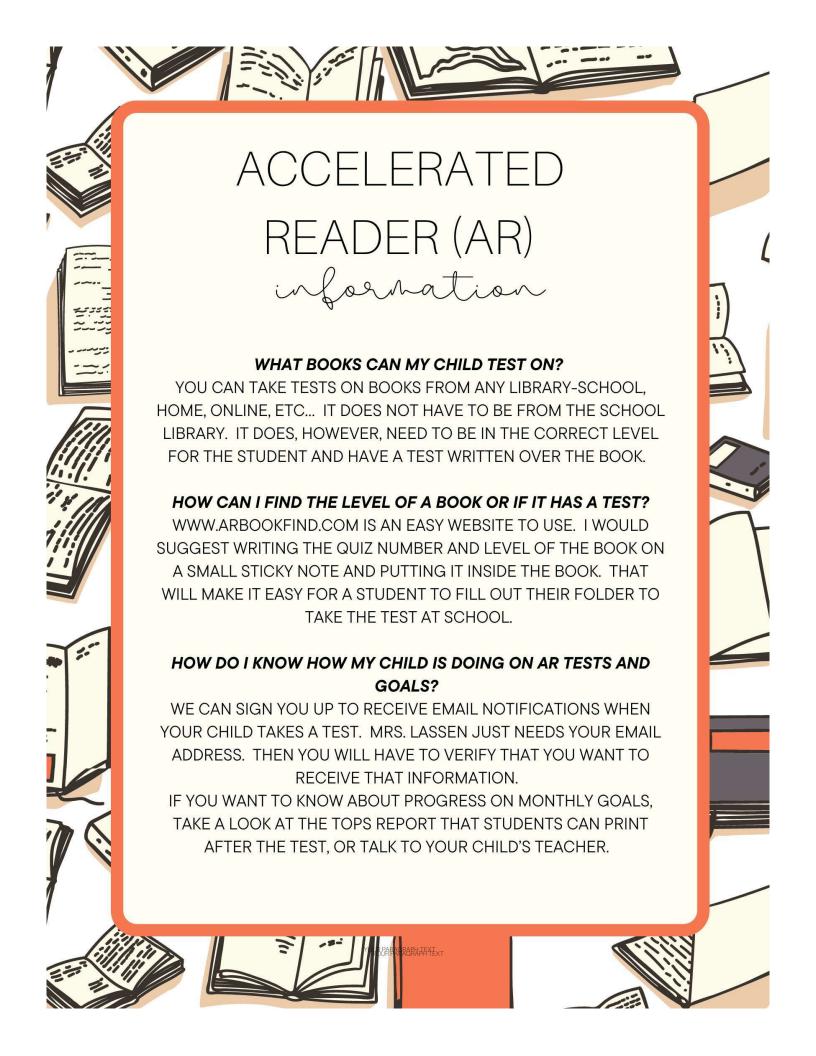
Attendance & Punctuality: Good attendance is one of the most important factors in a student's success in school. Students easily fall behind when they are repeatedly absent from school. Taking care of your health by getting a good night sleep, eating properly, and maintaining good hygiene is a great way to help improve attendance. As important as a student's attendance in school is their punctuality to school. Being on time indicates a level or respect for the event you are attending. This could be an appointment or simply being on time to school. The school day begins at 8:05. Thank you for making every effort to be on time to school. Punctuality is a life skill that is becoming lost in society. Let's break this cycle!

Educationally yours,

Mr. Brian Fleischman, Principal/AD

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# OVERTON BAND NEWS

#### **Much Marching Band**

Three high school marching band events are coming up soon on Sep. 30th, Oct. 7th, and Oct. 14th, those being the UNK Homecoming Parade, Harvest of Harmony, and Minden Bandfest. Make sure to support our marching eagles at one or all these events!



#### **Halloween Concert**

This Oct. 30th at 6:30, all the Overton bands from 5th to 12th grade will be performing a Halloween Concert. Students are encouraged to dress up in costumes that do not restrict their ability to play. We hope to have a fun and spooky night!

# Explore BOOKS

## READING ALOUD

for 15 minutes every day not only helps develop your child's brain, but also unlocks their hidden gifts.

Reading books on subjects that children love gives you something to share and discuss.



Learn more at ReadAloud.org



## Become a sponsor!

For \$60 you can gift a book to EVERY preschool student at Overton

With a gift of \$60 dollars, sponsors will be acknowledged with a placard in the book and will have the opportunity to read and present the gift to the preschool class. Looking for sponsors for August-May.

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# Healthy Steps September 2023

"It's better to walk alone than with a crowd going in the wrong direction." - Author Unknown

## Situational awareness: Are you safe?



It's not an overstatement to say that WE are distracted by our phones. We all are. In terms of personal safety, it creates a perfect opportunity to stumble into very dangerous situations. Why? Because we are not paying attention to our immediate surroundings. Learning the fundamentals of situational awareness can undisputedly save your life.

For example, if you are walking in an empty parking garage, **first** you need to know where you are in space – near an elevator or stairs, and on

which floor? **Secondly**, pay attention to what is happening around you. Is there noise – a door opening, or footsteps nearby? **Third**, establish a plan - this might include pulling out your phone to call a friend to tell them of your location, thereby possibly spooking the predator, or remotely opening your car door and moving quickly to the vehicle.

That's why putting away the phone is so important. You need to think on your feet. Walk with your head up, eyes scanning the environment and a mindset dialed into the present. Dangerous people target individuals who are easy prey – distracted, unaware, lost and vulnerable.

# **988**Suicide & Crisis Lifeline



September is National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month. Suicide is the 10th leading cause of death among adults in the U.S. and the 2nd leading cause of death among people aged 10-24, and these rates are increasing. Suicide leaves behind friends and family members to deal with the tragedy of loss.

If you or someone you know is struggling, **DIAL 988**. Help is available 24 hours a day.



Carrots were originally purple, not orange. You can still find delicious purple carrots around, even though they're not the most popular version.



Why is the math notebook sad? *Because it has a lot of problems.* 

# Peer pressure: What is it?

It's inevitable. As we grow up, we will want to spend less time with family and more time with friends, and recently - more time on social media. While teens may feel they have "grown up," their brains are still developing. One of the immature (or less developed) functions is judgment.

Teen peer pressure is a complicated influence on judgment. There are different types of peer pressure, negative and positive.

- Positive peer pressure can help teens develop the coping skills necessary for adulthood. It might encourage teens to become more active in athletics or to avoid risky behaviors, which can be especially helpful during tough times.
- Negative peer pressure can lead teens in bad directions. It could lead them to try alcohol or drugs, skip school or engage in other poor behaviors that could put their health at risk.

It's not always easy to resist negative peer pressure, but when you do, it is easy to feel good about it afterward. And you may even be a positive influence on your peers who feel the same way – often it just takes one person to speak out or take a different action to change a situation.





# Pasos saludables



Septiembre de 2023

"Es mejor caminar solo que con una multitud yendo en dirección equivocada." – Autor Desconocido

## Conciencia Situacional – ¿Esta Seguro(a)?



No es una exageración decir que NOSOTROS estamos distraídos por nuestros teléfonos. Todos estamos. En cuestión de seguridad personal, crea la oportunidad perfecta para tropezarnos con una situación muy peligrosa. ¿Por qué? Porque no estamos prestando atención a nuestros alrededores inmediatos. Aprender los fundamentos de conciencia situacional puede sin duda salvar su vida.

Por ejemplo, si está caminando en un estacionamiento vacío, primero debe de saber en dónde está – ¿cerca de un elevador o escaleras, y en

que piso? En segundo lugar, preste atención a lo que está sucediendo alrededor de usted. ¿Hay ruido — una puerta abriendo, o pasos cercanos? **Tercero**, establezca una plan – esto puede incluir sacar su teléfono para llamar a un amigo(a) y dejarles saber su ubicación, así posiblemente espantando al depredador o remotamente abriendo la puerta de su vehículo y moviéndose rápidamente hacia el vehículo.

Por esa razón guardar el teléfono es tan importante. Necesita pensar al instante. Camine con la cabeza en alto, ojos escaneando el ambiente y una mentalidad conectada en el presente. La gente peligrosa elije individuos que son presa fácil – gente distraída, inconsciente, perdida – y vulnerable.

# MARQUE 988 Prevención del Suicidio



Septiembre es el Mes de la Concienciación Nacional de Prevención del Suicidio. El suicidio es la 10ma (décima) causa principal de muerte entre adultos en los E.U.A y la 2da (segunda) causa principal de muerte entre gente de 10-24 y estas cifras están incrementando. El suicidio deja atrás a amigos y familiares a lidiar con la tragedia de su pérdida.

Si usted o alguien que usted conoce está luchando/batallando, MARQUE 988 – ayuda disponible 24 horas al día.

## Dato CURIOSO

Originalmente las zanahorias eran moradas, no anaranjadas. Aun puede encontrar zanahorias moradas deliciosas, aunque no son la versión más popular.



¿Por qué está triste el cuaderno de matemáticas?

Porque tiene muchos problemas.

# Presión Social: ¿Qué es y Quien está a Riesgo?

Es inevitable. Así como crecemos, queremos pasar menos tiempo con familia y más tiempo con amistades, recientemente - más en las redes sociales. La presión social adolescente es un tema complicado. Mientras los adolescentes piensan que "han crecido/madurado," su cerebro aún está desarrollándose. Una de las funciones inmaduras (o menos desarrolladas) es el juicio.

También existen diferentes tipos de presión social, negativa y positiva.

- La presión social positiva puede ayudar a los adolescentes a desarrollar capacidades de afrontamiento necesarias para la edad adulta. Puede motivarlos a ser más activos en deportes o a evitar comportamientos de riesgo, los cuales pueden ser especialmente beneficiosos durante tiempos difíciles.
- La presión social negativa puede llevar a los adolescentes en malas direcciones. Puede llevarlos a probar alcohol o drogas, faltar a clase o participar en otros comportamientos malos que pudieran poner su salud a riesgo.

No es siempre fácil resistir la presión social negativa, pero cuando lo haces, es fácil sentirse bien después. Y hasta puedes ser una influencia positiva para tus compañeros que sienten lo mismo — frecuentemente solo toma que una persona exprese su opinión o tome una acción diferente para cambiar una situación.





Harvest of the Month NEBRASKA

# APPLES

Our Nebraska Harvest of the Month item is apples! Apples in Nebraska are harvested from August to November, and if properly refrigerated, they can store for as long as 4 months! Some varieties are a hit when crunched into raw and others best baked with spices. Try adding thinly sliced apples to a sandwich, or add diced apples to a fresh salad.

## SELECTION, STORAGE & COOKING

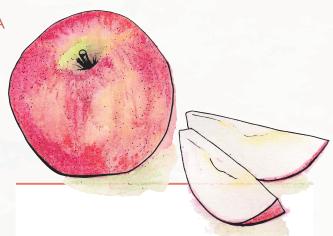
- Stored properly, apples can last for months. Keep at about 32 degrees, 90% humidity, and in the dark.
- Apples release a natural gas called ethylene that triggers other fruits like bananas, avocados and peaches to ripen. To prevent rapid ripening, apples are best stored separately from other fruit.

#### NUTRITIONAL TIP

Apples are a great source of fiber, vitamin C and potassium. Most antioxidants and fiber are found in the skin of an apple.

#### SEASONAL AVAILABILITY





# FRESH APPLE SALSA

#### **Ingredients:**

- · 2 cups diced apples
- 1/2 cup diced red bell pepper
- 1/3 cup fresh lime juice
- 1/4 cup diced red onion
- 1/4 cup minced fresh cilantro
- 1 TBL honey
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1/4 tsp freshly ground black pepper
- 1 jalapeño pepper, seeded and minced

#### **Directions:**

Combine all ingredients in a bowl, and let stand for at least 30 minutes. Use this as a condiment on your favorite taco recipe, or serve alongside pork, chicken or rice dishes.

From: www.myrecipes.com/recipe/ fresh-apple-salsa





# FUN WITH APPLES

## CONDUCT AN AT HOME APPLE TASTE TEST!



Grab two or more different types of apples and conduct an at home taste test!

1. Talk as a group about what senses you will use during this taste test (smell, sight, feeling, taste) and come up with a list of descriptors or adjectives to potentially describe the apples. An example list could be:

TART	LIGHT	SWEET	GRAINY
CRUNCHY	FRAGRANT	JUICY	DRY
ACIDIC	DELICATE	THICK-SKINNED	YELLOW

- 2. Cut apples into slices and put one variety per plate. Write the variety of apple on a piece of tape or paper and keep with the plate.
- 3. Have everyone in your group sample a slice and share what tastes, smells, sights, and feelings they are experiencing. Have a note taker write down everyone's responses on a sheet of paper.
- 4. Repeat for as many varieties as you have.
- 5. After you've tasted all varieties, go back and vote on your favorite.

## APPLE TRIVIA

Have you ever bobbed for apples? Apples float because they are less dense than water, in fact air makes up about \_\_\_\_ of an apple's volume.



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B. 25%

C. 50%

D. 75%

## APPLE TRIVIA

Don't toss the \_\_\_\_! Much of the fiber and antioxidants in apples are found in the \_\_\_\_ of the apple, so the next time you eat one, eat it \_\_\_ and all!

A. Seeds

B. Stem

C. Peel

## MINUTES OF THE OVERTON PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

September 11, 2023 7:30 p.m.

#### **Board President called the meeting to order. Members Present:**

Brennan Jeffries Lassen Meier Rudeen Walahoski

**Notification:** The September 11, 2023 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: Juliana Loudon.

**Public Comments:** No Public Comments.

Reports: No Reports.

Communications: No Communications.

Other: None.

#### **Action Items:**

- 1. **Agenda**: Moved by Brennan, seconded by Jeffries to approve the agenda of the September 11, 2023 regular monthly board meeting as presented. Discussion: Discussion was limited as there were no changes made to the agenda. Motion carried 6-0. Voting Yes (6): Brennan, Jeffries, Lassen, Meier, Rudeen, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (0).
- 2. **Minutes:** Moved by Jeffries, seconded by Walahoski to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2023 regular board minutes and the September 6, 2023 Budget of Expenditures hearing minutes as presented. Discussion: Discussion was limited as there were no corrections made to the minutes. Motion carried 6-0. Voting Yes (6): Brennan, Jeffries, Lassen, Meier, Rudeen, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (0).
- 3. Claims: Moved by Brennan, seconded by Meier to pay the September General Fund bill roster in the amount \$18,300.15. Discussion: Superintendent provided additional information on several of the bills. Motion carried 6-0. Voting Yes (6): Brennan, Jeffries, Lassen, Meier, Rudeen, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (0).
- 4. Moved by Lassen, seconded by Jeffries to approve the 2023-2024 Budget of Expenditures as advertised. Discussion: No discussion. Motion carried 6-0. Voting Yes (6): Brennan, Jeffries, Lassen, Meier, Rudeen, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (0).

- 5. Moved by Lassen, seconded by Brennan to approve the 2023-2024 Tax Request Resolution #2324 as advertised. Discussion: No discussion. Motion carried 6-0. Voting Yes (6): Brennan, Jeffries, Lassen, Meier, Rudeen, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (0).
- 6. Moved by Rudeen, seconded by Jeffries to approve the Overton Education Association (O.E.A.) as the official bargaining agent of the non-supervisory certificated staff for the 2025-2026 school year. Discussion: This is the first step in the negotiations process. Motion carried 6-0. Voting Yes (6): Brennan, Jeffries, Lassen, Meier, Rudeen, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (0).
- 7. Moved by Meier, seconded by Rudeen to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 p.m. Discussion: Limited discussion as the board agreed it was time to adjourn. Motion carried 6-0. Voting Yes (6): Brennan, Jeffries, Lassen, Meier, Rudeen, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (0).

#### **Board Reports and Discussion Topics:**

- 1. Board Reports:
  - a. Negotiations: Process begins in September
- 2. **Discussion Topics**:
  - a. October meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 11, 2023 beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the LMC.
  - b. Special Building Fund

#### **Administrative Reports:**

#### **Principal's Report:**

- a. Calendar update
- b. Enrollment update
- c. Math curriculum implementation update
- d. Staff schedule

#### **Superintendent's Report:**

- 1. Enrollment Option Report
- 2. Option Enrollment -

Out:

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#### Change of Status a.

- 3. Financial Information
- 4. Budget Review
- 5. Food Program Update
- 6. Instructional Units and Rule 10
- 7. HVAC Update



# October 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 2:30 dismissal.	3	4	5	6	7
Cheer 6PM.	One-act 6:45AM.	One-Act 6:45AM.	One-Act 6:45AM.	One-Act 6:45AM.	eSports 6:30AM.	JH/JV VB @
	Student Council mtg. @ lunch.	VB vs. Gibbon 5/6/7PM (Senior Night). Cozad	eSports 6:30AM.	CC @ Wilcox- Hildreth 1:30PM. (Franklin) (JH/	Literacy Day @ Concordia University (7th	Ansley-Litchfield Tourney 9AM.
	JH VB/FB vs. Elm Creek 3PM. JV VB/FB vs. Elm	VB announced between JV & VAR games.	FFA Land Evaluation @ Curtis.	HS).  VB @ Loomis	grade).  SB Districts TBD.	Harvest of Harmony Parade.
	Creek 5PM.	Viiit games.	Evaluation & Curus.	5/6/7PM (Ansley- Litchfield).	FB @ Ansley-	
	FFA mtg. 7PM.			Zitemieta).	Litchfield 7PM.	
	SB Sub-Districts TBD.					
8	9	10	11	12 One-act 6:45AM.	13	14
Dance 4PM.	One-Act 6:45AM.	One-Act 6:45AM.	One-Act 6:45AM.	Two Rivers	End of 1st Quarter.	Minden Band fest.
Homecoming	FKC VB @ Top 2	FKC VB Semi-	eSports 6:30AM.	Dental Clinic 8:30AM.	eSports 6:30AM.	FFA Hayrack
BBQ 5:30PM.	Seeds 5/6/7PM.	finals @ Kearney Catholic 6/7:30PM (880	FCA 7:30AM.  Picture retakes.	State SB @ Hastings.	State SB @ Hastings.	Rides 6PM.
		KRVN).	State SB @ Hastings.	FKC VB Finals & Consolation @ Kearney High	FB vs. Burwell 7PM. Homecoming, Pep Rally 1pm.	
			Two Rivers Flu shot Clinic 2PM.	6/7:30PM (880 KRVN).	(Senior Night) (Dance 9:30-12AM).	
			School Board mtg. 7:30PM.	CC Districts @ Cambridge.		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Dance 5PM.	One-Act 6:45AM.	One-Act 6:45AM.	One-Act 6:45AM.	NO SCHOOL.	NO SCHOOL.	
Cheer 6PM.	FCCLA mtg. 6:30PM.	Senior Class Picture Day.	eSports 6:30AM. FCA 7:30AM.	1st round FB Playoffs.	State CC @ Kearney.	
			FCCLA District Conference @ North Platte.	VB @ Kearney Catholic 5/6/7PM.		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Dance 5PM.	One-Act 6:45AM.	One-Act 6:45AM.	One-Act 6:45AM.	One-Act 6:45AM.	eSports 6:30AM.	ACT Test Date @ Overton.
Cheer 6PM.	VB Sub-Districts	VB Sub-Districts	eSports 6:30AM.		2nd Round FB	
	@ TBD.	@ TBD.	FCA 7:30AM.		Playoffs.	VB District Finals.
			FFA State Land Evaluation.			
29	30	31				
Dance 5PM.	One-Act 6:45AM.	One-Act 6:45AM.				
Cheer 6PM.	Sophomores to CCC-Hastings.					
	Halloween Concert 6:30PM.					

# October

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Friday	Egg & sausage tornado Cheese pizza	Banana muffin & yogurt Eagle Pockets	No School	27 Donut holes & omelet Pigs in a blanket		
Thursday	5 French toast &sausage Corn dogs	12 Cinnamon roll & eggs Goulash	19 No School	26 Apple frudel & yogurt Egg Rolls		Breakfaast is served with fruit and milk. Lunch served with choice of fruit, vegetable and
Wednesday	4 Chocolate chip muffin & eggs Chicken fried steak	Waffles & ham Chicken patty sandwich	18 Sausage biscuit Breakfast for lunch: French toast	25 Poptart & ham Potato soup		
Tuesday	3 Cereal bar & combo Shredded pork sandwich	10 Breakfast on a stick Mexican food- PreK-4- crispitos. MS/HS- tacos , fiestada	Bagel & combo Chicken pot pie	24 Breakfast pizza Manicotti w/ meat sauce	31 Halloween menu	
Monday	2 Breakfast cookie & ham Calzone	9 Little John & sausage Chili & 3 Sisters Chili	16 Breakfast casserole & toast	23 Funnel cake &eggs Chicken drummies	30 Pancakes & omelets Fish sandwich	
Sunday	1 Alternate: Egg Roll	8 Alternate: corn dog *Homecoming week!*	15 Alternate: chef salad	22 Alternate: hamburger	29 Alternate: pizza	Menu is subject to change.