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Greetings from the Principal's Office

January, as with August & September, is a very important month for our students. The first couple weeks after the break are some of the most crucial. It can be difficult for students to get back into the swing of classes, but getting themselves going sooner rather than later is critical. It takes a great deal more work to raise a grade than it does to lower one. Starting strong will help ensure a positive second semester. I look forward to the remaining five months of school this year.

Upcoming Events:

January 23rd: GBBB vs. Pleasanton 4:30/6/7:30PM
January 24th: JHBB vs. Kearney Catholic 1PM
January 24th: GBBB vs. Shelton 4:30/6/7:30PM
January 25th: FCCLA STAR Districts @ Mullen
January 27th: WR @ Central Valley 11AM
January 27th: GBBB vs. Elm Creek 4:30/6/7:30PM
January 28th: FKC GBBB Bunny Brackets TBD
January 30th: FKC GBB First Round TBD
January 31st: FKC BBB First Round TBD
February 1st: JHBB vs. Axtell 12:30PM
February 2nd: FKC/TVC WR @ Buffalo Co. Fairgrounds 10AM
February 2nd: FKC GBB Semi-Finals @ Viaero Event Center 6/7:30PM
February 3rd: FKC BBB Semi-Finals @ viaero Event Center 6/7:30PM
February 4th: Speech @ Gothenburg
February 4th: FKC GBBB Consolation & Finals @ Viaero Event Center 2/4/6/8PM
February 7th: GBBB @ Wilcox-Hildreth 4/5/6:15/8PM
February 8th: JHBB vs. SEM 12:30PM
February 9th: 11:30 Dismissal (P/T Conf. 1:30-7:30PM)
February 9th: FKC Honor Band @ Axtell
February 10th: No School

Honor Roll: Congratulations to all of the students who made the Honor Roll and Honorable Mention for 1st Semester. This is great honor and proves that your hard work has paid off. Keep up the good work. We had a record number of students make the Honor Roll this past semester. Thank you to Mr. Hoyt and his classes for making some new boards very quickly. A quick reminder that report cards are available on Powerschool for grades 5-12. These are not mailed home. If you need help accessing these reports, please contact me at school.

Thank you for your support of the school. If you have any further questions or comments, please feel free to contact me or stop by and visit.

Educationally yours,

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Parents Encouraging Parents (P.E.P.) Conference

The annual Parents Encouraging Parents (PEP) conference has been scheduled for March 16-18 this year at Younes Conference Center in Kearney, NE. This conference is open to all Nebraska parents who are raising a child with a verified disability and have an active IFSP or IEP. The purpose of PEP is to bring parents of children with disabilities together in an accepting environment. A major objective of the three day conference is to help parents realize that each is doing the best they can at this time along with sharing ideas, feelings and information. Another objective is to model how parents work with the professionals who are educating children with disabilities. There is no registration fee, but enrollment is limited to the first 100 participants to register. If you have attended a PEP conference in the last ten years please do not register. Please register by February 20, 2017. For more information or a brochure, please contact Hayley Ryan at 987-2424 ext. 108/ hayley.ryan@overtoneagles.org or stop into room 108 at the school. The brochure can be accessed at <http://www.education.ne.gov/sped/index.html>

Battle of the Books

Students in grades PreK-6 will be participating in the battle of the books in February and March. Students will hear the ten nominees for the Nebraska Golden Sower award and will vote on them in a tournament format. Each round the winning book will contest a new title, ending with an overall winner. The tournament book bracket is displayed in the hallway outside the library.

Blind Dates in the Library

In honor of Valentine's Day, students can check out a blind date in the library. Books are covered and display only the first line of the book. Some are old, some are new, but all have a catchy first line. Take a chance on falling in love at first line!!!



Box Tops For Education!!!

Did you know that the box tops that you can clip and save for the school help your elementary teachers purchase extra things for the classroom? Please help our students by bringing in your labels all year long!!! CLIP AND HELP US SAVE!!



The Spelling Bee will be held on Tuesday, February 14 at 1:00. This is for students in grade 3-8 that wish to participate. Join us to test the limits of their **A**ptitude, **B**rainpower, and **C**anny **D**etermination. The spelling bee will be held in the south gym.

ABC/PTO

Overton ABC/PTO is now on Facebook

Join on Facebook at Overton ABC/PTO.

Keep updated and get involved on all the happenings of the group.

We would love to have you join.

Currently we just had our latest reading reward activity. The students who made their AR goal were able to decorate cookies. Thanks to Paula Osborne, Lorna Lawton, and Kathy Potter for helping with this. January goal is a movie and popcorn! Keep encouraging your kids to read and return their reading logs.

Thanks to Alicia Luther, the Carlson's and all the parents who helped put on the teacher meal on January 16. The staff really appreciates your kindness.

We will be having a Sweetheart Valentine Raffle. Tickets will be coming home January 23 and are due February 7, Please help and make sure your student is selling their share of tickets.

We are going to start another HyVee receipt challenge. This challenge starts January 17 and goes through March 1. Top collecting class gets cookies and juice.

Remember all elementary parents are encouraged to become active in helping with this group. The students really enjoy seeing their parents help out at the various activities.

FCCLA STAR PROJECTS

Several members of the Overton FCCLA Chapter are currently working on completing STAR projects for their upcoming competition on January 25th in Mullen. There are 11 members competing in STAR this year. They will be having a presentation night on January 19th at 6:30 pm to prepare for the upcoming competition. All community members are invited to attend. The following are summaries of what some of the chapter members have been doing for these projects.

Where Does Our Food Come From?

Focus on Children STAR project, Abby Lawton

With Thanksgiving approaching, have you ever stopped to wonder where all that food on your plate came from? Abby Lawton, 7th grade student at Overton Public Schools recently visited the 3rd grade class to help them better understand where all the food their eat comes from. Abby gave a short presentation about food origins and then the 3rd grade class visited several websites to learn more about agricultural products that turn into ingredients in food we love. They investigated products like wheat, sugar beets, pumpkin, and butter. They learned that butter comes from milk that is churned, wheat is ground down into flour, sugar beets are boiled to produce sugar and pumpkins are grown for their seeds and yummy insides. Abby prepared this presentation as part of her Focus on Children STAR project and she is planning other food and nutrition related lessons to present to other elementary classes in the future.



Kindergarten Math

We have a new math series this year. It is called *Everyday Mathematics*. The lessons are taught through hands on activities and games. Here are a few pictures showing the kindergartners actively involved in learning different math concepts.

Sorting



Roll and Record - recognizing and writing numbers



Exploring Weight



Building Hexagons



Building Numbers



Senior Parents:

Just another reminder to schedule an appointment with EducationQuest to complete the FAFSA!

Continue to have your child apply for scholarships! I have shared all the ones I have on the Google Doc.

Start thinking about Graduation details such as how many announcements you will want to order through Jostens. More information will be sent out soon!

Susan T. Buffett Scholarship

The Susan T. Buffett Scholarship became available on November 1st and is due on February 1st.

Pennies for Patients

Students at Overton Public School are collecting donations for Pennies for Patients for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of Nebraska!!! Students may bring money (pennies, nickels, dimes quarters, or dollars) for their class jars through January 27th.

The classes in the elementary and middle school that collect the most money will celebrate with a class party! If anyone in the community has change that they would like to donate, you may send it with a student or bring it to the school for our collection. Thank you!

Providing Local Scholarships

Local businesses or groups wanting to offer scholarships to our Overton High School Seniors, please contact me so that I can share scholarship information with students in the next month.

Thank for supporting our students in their future endeavors!

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MINUTES OF THE OVERTON PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
January 9, 2017
7:30 p.m.

Board President called the meeting to order. Members Present:

Brennan
Johnson
Luther
Meier
Rudeen
Walahoski

Notification: The January 9, 2017 meeting of the Overton Public School Board of Education was posted at the Overton Public School, on the Overton Public School web site, Beacon Observer, 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: Hayley Ryan and Alicia Lassen

Public Comments: None

Reports: Sixth grade class members presented information on a tennis court line project they would like to do with the Village of Overton.

Communications: Resignation and letter for credit from Inland Truck Repair

Board of Education Election of Officers: Board of Education elected the following officers for the 2017 term: Board President, Keith Rudeen 4-2, Vice-President, Joel Meier 5-1, Secretary, Jared Walahoski 4-1-1, Treasurer, Doug Luther 4-1-1.

2017 Board Committees:

Americanism: Heather Brennan and Jared Walahoski
Transportation: Rex Johnson, Jared Walahoski and Doug Luther
Interlocal: Doug Luther and Joel Meier
Curriculum: Heather Brennan, Rex Johnson and Joel Meier
Facilities and Property: Keith Rudeen, Jared Walahoski and Joel Meier
Negotiations: Heather Brennan, Keith Rudeen and Jared Walahoski

Other: None

Action Items:

1. **Agenda** - Moved by Meier, seconded by Johnson to approve the agenda of the January 9, 2017 regular monthly board meeting as presented. Motion 6-0. Voting Yes: (6) Brennan, Johnson, Luther, Meier, Rudeen and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent: (0).
2. **Minutes** - Moved by Luther, seconded by Walahoski to approve the December 12, 2016 regular board meeting minutes. Motion 6-0. Voting Yes: (6) Brennan, Johnson, Luther, Meier, Rudeen and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent: (0).

3. **Claims** - Moved by Brennan, seconded by Luther to pay the January General Fund bills in the amount of \$63,267.73. Motion 6-0. Voting Yes: (6) Brennan, Johnson, Luther, Meier, Rudeen and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent: (0).
4. Moved by Rudeen, seconded by Johnson to approve the committee on Americanism committee members Heather Brennan and Jared Walahoski. Motion 6-0. Voting Yes: (6) Brennan, Johnson, Luther, Meier, Rudeen and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent: (0).
5. Moved by Johnson, seconded by Brennan to approve the superintendent to use facsimile signatures for the Board President, Treasurer and Secretary. Motion 6-0. Voting Yes: (6) Brennan, Johnson, Luther, Meier, Rudeen and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent: (0).
6. Moved by Brennan, seconded by Walahoski to approve the option enrollment limits as presented. Motion 6-0. Voting Yes: (6) Brennan, Johnson, Luther, Meier, Rudeen and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent: (0).
7. Moved by Luther, seconded by Meier to approve KSB as the law firm who are authorized to provide the school district with legal counsel. Motion 6-0. Voting Yes: (6) Brennan, Johnson, Luther, Meier, Rudeen and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent: (0).
8. Moved by Meier, seconded by Johnson to accept Tim Ronnenkamp's resignation effective the end of the 2016-2017 school year. Motion 6-0. Voting Yes: (6) Brennan, Johnson, Luther, Meier, Rudeen and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent: (0).
9. Moved by Luther, seconded by Walahoski to approve the 2015-2016 school audit. Motion 6-0. Voting Yes: (6) Brennan, Johnson, Luther, Meier, Rudeen and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent: (0).
10. Moved by Rudeen, seconded by Johnson to adjourn at 9:41 p.m. Motion 6-0. Voting Yes: (6) Brennan, Johnson, Luther, Meier, Rudeen and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent: (0).

Board Reports and Discussion Topics:

1. **Board Reports:**
 - a. Upcoming Meeting: Provided in Packet
 - b. Negotiations Committee: Negotiations Update
 - c. Interlocal: January 12, 2017 annual meeting
2. **Discussion Topics:**
 - a. February board meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 13, 2017 beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the LMC
 - b. 2017-2018 School Calendar
 - c. Possibility of developing an Agriculture Education program and sharing an Ag. teacher with Elm Creek

Administrative Reports:

- Principal's Report:**
 1. Calendar of Events
 2. Enrollment Update
 3. Review Teacher Evaluation Tool and Process
- Superintendent's Report:**
 1. Enrollment Option Report

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2. Option Enrollment-
 - a. Out -
 - a.
 - b.
 - b. In -
 - a.
 - b.
 - c. Change of Status
 - a. None
 3. Financial & Budget Summary Updates
 4. Projects Update

February 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 <i>*Cinnamon Little Johns & yogurt</i> Fish sandwich, fries, shredded lettuce, yogurt, pineapple, orange slices	2 <i>*Breakfast on a stick</i> Tater tot casserole, green beans, jello, peaches, dinner roll	3 <i>*Breakfast sausage wrap</i> Little Caesar's pepperoni pizza, salad mix, cottage cheese, cherry tomatoes, applesauce, carrot cake	4
5 ALT MEAL: Cheeseburger	6 <i>*Chocolate donuts & sausage</i> Potato soup, grilled cheese, relish tray, baked apples, pears	7 <i>*Biscuits & gravy</i> Super nachos, shredded romain, refried beans, salsa, jello, mandarin oranges	8 <i>*Griddle Sandwich</i> Spaghetti & meat sauce, green beans & cheese, peaches, apple slices, garlic toast	9 <i>*Breakfast pizza</i> NO LUNCH	10 NO SCHOOL	11
12 ALT MEAL: Corn dog	13 <i>*Cinnamon roll & ham</i> Chicken nuggets/drummies, mashed potatoes & gravy, corn, tropical fruit salad, peaches	14 <i>*Cheese stuffed pretzels & yogurt</i> Crispitos & cheese, shredded lettuce, salsa, diced tomatoes, applesauce, grapes	15 <i>*Banana muffins & sausage</i> Chicken stir fry, rice, baby carrots, oranges slices, pineapple	16 <i>*Cinnamon Little Johns & egg</i> Chicken & noodles, mashed potatoes, peas, cinnamon apples, mandarin oranges	17 <i>*Breakfast pizza</i> Walking tacos, salad mix, seasoned rice, salsa, yogurt, pears, fruit cocktail	18
19 ALT MEAL: Pork egg ross	20 <i>*Donut holes & sausage</i> Lasagna, salad mix, cottage cheese, apples, oranges, garlic toast	21 <i>*Oatmeal bar & yogurt</i> Taco bar, shredded romaine, salsa, refried beans, peaches, strawberries	22 <i>*Breakfast on a stick</i> Cheeseburger, sweet potato fries, pickles, green beans, grapes, mandarin oranges	23 <i>*Apple muffins & ham</i> Soup bar, grilled cheese, relish tray, celery & peanut butter, bananas, pears	24 <i>*Glazed donut & egg</i> Hot dog bar, baked beans, Coleslaw, Pineapple, fruit cup	25
26 ALT MEAL: Pizza	27 <i>*French toast sticks & eggs</i> Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes & gravy, corn, peaches, strawberries, biscuits	28 <i>*Funnel cake & sausage</i> Chicken patty sandwich, hash browns, green beans, jello, pears				



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5	6 Elementary K-4 Reading Incentive 12:30PM. Music booster mtg. 6PM. FCCLA mtg. 6:30PM.	7 GBBB @ Wilcox/Hildreth 4/5/6:15/8PM.	8 Jazz band 7:15AM. JHBB vs. SEM 12:30PM.	9 Rock band 7AM. FKC Honor band @ Axtell. 11:30 dismissal. P/T Conferences 1:30-7:30PM.	10 NO SCHOOL. WR Districts @ Amherst. GBBB @ SEM 5/6:15/8PM.	11 ACT test date. WR Districts @ Amherst. Alumni BB tourney for MS.
12 Sunday league @ Bertrand	13 School board mtg. 7:30PM.	14 Spelling Bee 1PM (grades 3-8). GBB Sub-Districts @ Holdrege.	15 Jazz band 7:15AM. JHBB @ Elm Creek 1PM.	16 Rock band 7AM. Cheer @ lunch. State WR @ Omaha. GBB Sub-Districts @ Holdrege.	17 FCA 7AM. Dance @ lunch. State WR @ Omaha. BBB @ Gibbon 6/7:15PM.	18 State WR @ Omaha.
19	20	21 BBB Sub-Districts @ Holdrege.	22 Jazz band 7:15AM. FKC Speech @ Amherst. JHBB @ Pleasanton 12:30PM.	23 Rock band 7AM. Cheer @ lunch. BBB Sub-Districts @ Holdrege.	24 FCA 7AM. Dance @ lunch. GBB District Finals.	25 Spring Music Showcase 6:30PM.
26 Sunday league @ Eustis/Farnam.	27 FCCLA Peer Ed. Conf. @ Kearney. 1st day of Spring practice.	28 BBB District Finals.				