

BISON BANNER

Congratulations to the Central City Softball Team and Coaches on winning districts and qualifying for state competition in Hastings, NE. This was the first time in school history we have qualified for state softball.



November Newsletter

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H.S. Principal
- Justin Anderson,**
Activities Director
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EducationQuest Awards Grants to 22 High Schools

Funds will help increase college-going rate

(LINCOLN, Nebraska, September 22, 2014) – EducationQuest Foundation has selected 22 Nebraska high schools as recipients of *College Access Grants* – a program designed to increase the number of students who go to college. The high schools will share \$670,000 in grant funds over the next four years. The amount each school receives is based on enrollment.

Central City High School, David City High School, Logan View Public School, North Bend Central High School, Raymond Central High School, and West Point-Beemer High School will each receive \$5,000 a year for four years.

Bancroft Rosalie Community School, Blue Hill High School, Diller-Odell Secondary School, Garden County High School, Harvard High School, Kenesaw High School, Santee High School, and Weeping Water High School will each receive \$2,500 a year for four years.

The high schools use the grants to fund programs and activities such as college visits, financial aid sessions, scholarship searches, career exploration, ACT test preparation, and completion of college applications. The grant program also promotes involvement with families and businesses to help ensure the program's success.

Eric Drumheller, EducationQuest Assistant Vice President of Grants and Scholarships, said the recipient schools have set goals to increase their college-going rates by approximately 10 percentage points over the next four years.

EducationQuest awards *College Access Grants* to Nebraska high schools every two years. Eighty-one grants have been awarded since the program began in 2006.

In 2016, EducationQuest will select additional Nebraska high schools to receive *College Access Grants* funding.

EducationQuest Foundation is a private, nonprofit organization with a mission to improve access to higher education in Nebraska. Headquartered in Lincoln, EducationQuest provides free college planning services, need-based scholarship programs, grants that help high schools increase their college-going rate, and outreach services for community agencies statewide. For more information, call 800.303.3745 or visit EducationQuest.org.



**November 11
11:30 dismissal**

**November 26
11:30 dismissal**

**November 27
& 28
No School**



Central City High School National Honor Society Induction

On October 7, 2014 seventeen additional juniors and seniors were recognized for their academic success in high school when they were inducted into the Central City High School Chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS). These outstanding students became part of a tradition that has existed since 1925. Mr. Shawn McDiffett, CCHS Principal, gave the welcome. Mrs. Debra Anderson, NHS Advisor and Guidance Counselor, opened the ceremony by going over the qualifications for NHS. NHS officers then gave informative speeches concerning the purpose of NHS and described character traits which are to be reflected by the members. New members were recognized individually by current members in the ceremony where they signed the NHS book, and received a NHS certificate and a yellow carnation. The ceremony was followed by a reception cookies, punch, and coffee.

A special thank you goes out to Shawn McDiffett, Suzanne Philippi, Dale Soll, Doug Soll, Sherree Stahn, Jennifer Lani, and the current members who contributed food and beverages for the reception. We would also like to thank Suzanne Philippi for playing beautiful introductory music, Jordan Supik for photographing the event, and the parents who served at the reception: Nicole Brummet, Sharon Gilg, Nancy Gathje, Deb Thayer, and Donnette VanPelt. Submitted by ~ Mrs. Anderson



NHS Seniors from the Class of 2015:

Front: Shayleen Hubbard, Abby Maresh, Jill Gathje, Lindy Eberle, Katherine Benner, Kayla Wagner, Hannah King, Makala Reeves, Valerie Fousek, Shelby Schnitzler

Back: Jonah Peterson, Jeremiah Ohlman, Thomas Geiger, Jerad Paup, Andrew Lee, Micah Carlson, Matthew Gilg, Tyler Djernes

NHS Juniors from the Class of 2016:

Front: Taylor Lenz, Caitlyn Anderson, Emily Beaver, Katrina Gomez, Jaeden Beyer, Courtney Dittmer, Amanda Macke

Back: Amber Erickson, Dylan Catlett, Kordell Hamer, Aaron Vencill, Bradley Schoch, Taylor Beck, Jasmine Wilson

Not Pictured: Rumbidzai McHargue



Circle of Friends is a new peer mentoring organization at the high school. Students are selected to be in the group. The purpose of Circle of Friends is to provide social skills immersion with peers on a daily basis and promote feelings of belonging in the school community. The program focuses on promoting a culture of acceptance and fostering meaningful friendships. The group meets twice a month during school and then does a monthly activity. The Circle of Friends group recently just went bowling at Super Bowl in Grand Island.

Submitted by ~Miss Gogan



During the first couple weeks of October, after learning about economics and the business cycle, the CCHS Marketing class worked on writing children's stories that teach about the four phases of the business cycle. They first presented their stories to the rest of their Marketing class. They then went to Mr. McPhillips's 5th grade classroom and read the stories to the 5th graders. It was a great opportunity to do a project to use the information learned in class and then to teach younger



students about business concepts. The 5th graders and high schoolers all had a great time with this project!

Submitted by ~ Mrs. McPhillips

October Fire Safety Month

The Kindergarten classes enjoyed a visit from the Central City Volunteer Firefighters on Tuesday, October 7th. The students learned about the equipment that the firefighters use to stay safe in a fire. It's important for the young children to see what a firefighter looks and sounds like in the event of a real fire so they know not to be scared of the firefighter. The children were asked by the firefighters to go home and talk with their families about smoke detectors in their house, as well as, an escape route they might have. Also during Fire Prevention Week the children learned about playground, stranger, and traffic safety.



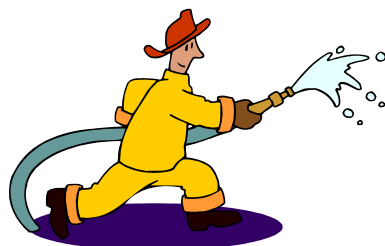
Nurse *Notes*

If your child becomes ill during the school day and cannot continue their classes, he/she should ask permission to go to the office. They should not visit the nurses' office during a passing period. In addition, they should NOT leave the building until he/she first checks with the nurse. If a student leaves school with a temperature greater than 100 degrees, they need to stay home until they are fever free for 24 hours without medication.

Students, their parents, and employees of the Central City Public School District No. 4 are hereby notified that this school district does not discriminate on the basis of sex, national origin, handicap, or race and is required by Title IX, Section 504 and Title VI not to discriminate on the basis of sex or handicap in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in its programs and activities. Any person having inquiries concerning Central City Public School District No. 4's compliance with Title IX and Section 504 and Title VI is directed to contact: Central City Middle School Principal, Phone: (308) 946-3056, who has been designated by Central City Public School District No. 4 to coordinate the school district's efforts to comply with Title IX, Section 504, and Title VI. Reference – Board of Education Policy 103 R3.

Firefighters Are Our Heroes

Second Graders want to say a big THANK YOU to the Central City Firefighters. The students were honored to have a tour of the new fire barn. It was AWESOME! Chief Brad Wells, with some of his firefighters, talked to the students about fire safety during Fire Prevention Week. Also, the students learned about the different equipment and trucks the firefighters use when fighting fires and saving lives. The highlight of the tour was a ride back to school on top of a fire truck. The firefighters asked the students to please check their smoke alarms at home to make sure they work. If their smoke alarm is over ten years old, they need to get a new one. Also, they told students to make sure they know their address. Remember to say thanks to our firefighters for all the hard work they do for us!



Elementary Parents

Fall is here and with it brings the cooler temperatures. This is a friendly reminder to be sure to dress your child in layers. Central City Elementary School students will be outside for recess when the wind chill is above 20 degrees. This means children will need warm coats, hats, gloves and appropriate shoes each day. It might be a good idea to send an extra hat and gloves to even keep in your child's locker. It's always better to be prepared when we can.

Thank you to all of the grandparents and parents who were able to attend our Grandparents' Day celebration this month. We had over 400 people in attendance and it was a wonderful way to honor our grandparents as well as connect with our community.



With the cooler temperatures, we begin to see illness. We've already seen some of this at the elementary school. Please remember that your child needs to be fever-free for 24 hours before coming back to school. This time of year we see a lot of illness and missed days of school. Because kids miss school for illness it is important to plan routine dentist and doctor appointments around school hours if at all possible.

Thank you to parents for being partners with us in your child's education. Please don't hesitate to call me at school if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child.

Mrs. Moser, Elementary Principal

Middle School Parents

We are rolling into the second half of the first half of the school year. We've transitioned from fall activities to winter so our girls are dribbling and shooting basketballs and our fellas are shooting takedowns and applying pinning combinations. Our kids did a great job in the fall competing hard, earning victories, and establishing the foundation for years of progression on the court, field, and running path. We are working hard to encourage all students to participate in activities. Not only does this help us to suit up a competitive team, studies show that when kids are more connected to their school, by participating in extracurricular activities, they perform better in the classroom. It is more challenging in this day and age to get kids to sacrifice and to put down their e-devices and gaming systems for some exercise. In middle school, we of course want all kids to try everything they can. School years are the only opportunity in their entire lives for kids to play competitive sports. Once they graduate, 99% of athletic careers come to an end. Please encourage/expect your child to take advantage of the extracurricular activities offered at CCPS. It just may be the best decision they make to help them raise their Math grade!

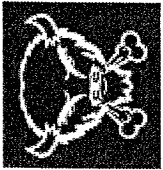
Mr. Arlt, Middle School Principal

Timberlake Adventure Day



Middle School Students Challenge Themselves with Teamwork

Where can you experience a combination of both personal and group challenges, all while spending time with your Homeroom HERD and possibly getting a little dirty in the process? Timberlake Adventure day of course! Central City Middle School students attended their annual Adventure Day at Timberlake Ranch Camp on a sunny day in September. Throughout the day students are presented with challenges that both build character and unity amongst students. Some events are purely personal challenges: try climbing the Power Pole, rock wall, or zip line; while others must be completed as a group. Each year students experience something different in their day at Timberlake. This year that included cheering on the 8th graders and staff as they used the Blob to launch each other into the lake. The staff and students appreciate the help of the parents who came to facilitate the relays at lunch time as well as our planning team. If you are interested in viewing more pictures, please contact Mrs. Detlefsen at adetlefs@esu7.org.




Central City

November, 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1 DECA: Scottsbluff District Competition 2:00pm PAC @ Central City Performing Arts Center	2 DECA: Scottsbluff District Competition DECA: Scottsbluff District Competition	3 Veterans Day (11:30am Dismissal)	4 One Act Performance (Public) @ Central City Performing Arts Center 4:30pm BB-G/8th Away vs. Northwest 4:30pm WR-B/Middle School Away vs. Grand Island Central Catholic	5 One Act (Goldenrod Conference) @ Central City Performing Arts Center TBD FB-B/Varsity Away vs. TBD 4:00pm WR-B/Middle School Away vs. Walnut Middle	6 7:00pm Kindergarten Fall Program @ Central City Performing Arts Center	7 TBD FB-B/Varsity Away vs. TBD	8 FFA National Convention
9 4:30pm WR-B/Middle School Central City vs. Multiple Schools 4:30pm BB-G/7th St. Paul 5:30pm BB-G/8th St. Paul	10 Start Of Winter Practice	11 4:30pm BB-G/8th Away vs. Northwest 4:30pm WR-B/Middle School Away vs. Grand Island Central Catholic	12 4:30pm BB-G/8th Away vs. Boone Central 5:30pm BB-G/8th Away vs. Boone Central 7:00pm FFA	13 4:00pm BB-G/8th Sandy Creek Junior / Senior vs. Multiple Schools 4:00pm BB-G/7th Sandy Creek Junior / Senior vs. Multiple Schools	14 TBD FB-B/Varsity Away vs. TBD	15 12:30pm BB-G/8th Away vs. York 12:30pm BB-G/7th Away vs. York	
16 4:30pm BB-G/7th Away vs. Twin River 5:30pm BB-G/8th Away vs. Twin River	17 4:30pm BB-G/7th Away vs. Twin River 5:30pm BB-G/8th Away vs. Twin River	18 Thanksgiving Holiday Break	19 Thanksgiving Holiday Break	20 Thanksgiving Holiday Break	21 Thanksgiving Holiday Break	22 Thanksgiving Holiday Break	
23 4:30pm BB-G/7th Away vs. Twin River 5:30pm BB-G/8th Away vs. Twin River	24 4:30pm BB-G/7th Away vs. Twin River 5:30pm BB-G/8th Away vs. Twin River	25 Early Dismissal (11:30am)	26 Thanksgiving Holiday Break	27 Thanksgiving Holiday Break	28 Thanksgiving Holiday Break	29 Thanksgiving Holiday Break	
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November Breakfast



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	18 days = \$32.40					1
2	3 Assorted Cereals Pears	4 Banana Bread Peaches	5 Chicken Breakfast Sandwich Pineapple	6 Breakfast Pizza Mandarin Oranges	7 Pancakes Applesauce	8
9	10 Assorted Cereals Mixed Fruit	11 Muffin Pears	12 French Toast Mandarin Oranges	13 Omelet Peaches	14 Sausage Biscuit Pineapple	15
16	17 Assorted Cereals Applesauce	18 Egg Breakfast Sandwich Peaches	19 Uncrustable Sandwich Pears	20 Waffles Mandarin Oranges	21 Pancake & Sausage Bites Mixed Fruit	22
23	24 Assorted Cereals Pineapple	25 Flat Bread Pizza Peaches	26 Yogurt Parfait Applesauce Cups	27 NO SCHOOL HAPPY THANKSGIVING	28 NO SCHOOL	29
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All meals are subject to change.


Cereal, yogurt and fruit are served everyday.

Choice of milk and juice are offered daily.

High School Breakfast :
Features a fresh fruit or 100% juice, carton of milk, WG pop tarts, or cereal. Student must have three items to count as a meal. A la carte items are also available for students with money in their accounts and approval for a la carte items.

November Lunch



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	EL 16 days = \$40.00 MS/HS 16 days= \$41.60				USDA IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNI- TY PROVIDER AND EMPLOYER	1
2	3 Hamburger on Bun French Fries Baked Beans	4 Fiestada Corn Cookie	5 Meatball Sub Carrots	6 Meat Loaf Baked Potato Dinner Roll	7 Chicken Nuggets Green Beans Bread & Jelly	8
9	10 Ham & Cheese Roll-Up Hash Brown Patty Chocolate Chip Cookie	11 NO LUNCH Early Dismissal	12 Pizza Peas & Carrots MS/HS Garlic Bread Stick & Marinara Sauce	13 Super Nachos Black Beans Corn	14 Chicken Patty on Bun Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	15
16	17 Teriyaki Chicken Rice Green Beans Egg Roll	18 Cheesy Bread & Marinara Sauce Carrots	19 Turkey Medallions Mashed Potatoes & Gravy & Stuffing Pumpkin Bar	20 Chicken Fried Steak Broccoli & Cheese Dinner Roll	21 Pulled Pork on Bun Baked Beans	22
23	24 Mini Corndogs Baked Beans Peas	25 Mandarin Orange Chicken Rice Broccoli Dinner Roll	26 NO LUNCH Early Dismissal	27 NO SCHOOL Happy Thanksgiving	28 NO SCHOOL	29
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Elementary Lunch Choices
Kindergarten & Gr 1
Peanut Butter/Jelly
Sandwich as alternate
main meal every day.
Grades 2-4 alternate
main menu is Peanut
Butter/Jelly Sandwich
on Mon/Wed/Fri
Chef Salad on
Tues/Thur.

Fruit/Veggie Bar & Milk
Choices
**All meals are served
with choice of fresh and
canned fruit and
vegetables. Choice of
milk available also.**

**ALL MEALS ARE
SUBJECT TO
CHANGE.**

Adults who wish to eat
lunch should notify the
school office before
9:00 a.m.