



# Black Hawk School District

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## November 2023

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# Black Hawk Student Council



## Homecoming

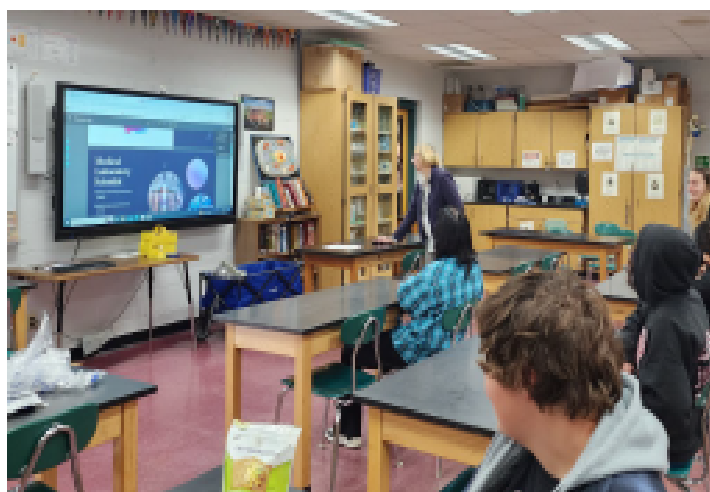
This year, we had a successful homecoming, with many activities that got students involved. Students participated in dress up days, decorating the halls and floats, and games like musical chairs.





## **Socktober**

Every friday this October students are wearing their crazy socks, and bringing \$1 to donate to Kindness for Carson.



## **Career Day**

On October 20, our student council helped with career day. Members guided the speakers to their rooms and assisted them. Career day was a great learning experience!

# Thank you!

The Booster Club would like to give a big shout-out to everyone who supported the football concessions and 50/50 ticket sales during the football and volleyball season! Your support and generosity was greatly appreciated! Thank you to the following individuals who took time to help during the junior varsity/varsity football concessions, sold 50/50 tickets during football games in South Wayne: Tracy Lange, Marlene Hartwig, Glenda Grossen, Brenda Peterson, Emilie Edler, Cameron Edler, Melissa Pickett, Mary Lou Pickett, Tonya Milz, Nikki Komprood, and Jaqui Haldiman. We appreciate your helping hand and friendly smiles! Another "SHOUT OUT" to Reichers Meats, in South Wayne where we purchased the Hamburgers for the football concessions as well as the Pork Chops for our Homecoming Concessions! We had great feedback from many of you about the sandwiches!! If anyone has any ideas for future football concession items or Booster Club fundraisers, please let us know or even better, join us at our Booster Club Meetings!! Meetings are held on the FIRST Wednesday of the month at 6pm at the Vault! We are always looking for something new to try and can always use an extra hand to help! If you are interested in helping sell 50/50 tickets during Girls or Boys Basketball games please contact Val, Linda, or Joni for the available games left! Thanks again for your support! ~Black Hawk Booster Club~

2023-2024 Booster Club Officer Team

President Val Dunlavey

Secretary Linda Figi

Treasurer Joni Marty



Thank you for  
supporting the  
Black Hawk  
Booster Club!

## November – National Healthy Skin Month

It's time to pay attention to your skin. National Healthy Skin Month each November is sponsored by the American Academy of Dermatology. You may not realize it, but your skin reveals a lot about your overall health. This month makes you aware of what it takes to keep your skin healthy as well as understanding how to treat and prevent common skin problems. National Healthy Skin Month stresses how to correctly use sunscreen and offers helpful tips on how to check your skin periodically to prevent skin cancer.

## HOW TO OBSERVE NATIONAL HEALTHY SKIN MONTH

### 1. Chill out

Put your feet up and manage your stress. Stress makes your skin break out and can make skin conditions like psoriasis much worse. Get your rest — between seven and nine hours a day. Exercise in the fresh air from time to time and breathe.

### 2. Hydrate daily

Sometimes the simplest actions give you the greatest benefits. Hydrating your entire body by drinking eight glasses of water daily is another cool way to moisturize your precious skin. Add lemons and other fruit to make your daily drinks even more refreshing. If plain water is boring, try adding cucumbers as well. Water clears out the dangerous toxins that hurt your skin.

### 3. Check your skin for spots and blemishes

Since November is National Healthy Skin Month, winter is an especially good time to check yourself carefully for spots with unusual shapes or colors that might indicate skin cancer. Look for moles that seem to appear. People with darker complexions aren't exempt from skin cancer. Although skin irregularities are not often apparent on darker skin, people of ethnic backgrounds tend to die more often from skin cancer.

## 4 FACTS THAT GIVE YOU "THE SKINNY" ON YOUR SKIN

- 1. Here's the thick and thin of it** Did you know that your feet are padded with the thickest skin on your body and your eyelids have the thinnest?
- 2. You shed** Some sources say that just like our dogs and cats, almost half of the dust we shed in our home is dead skin.
- 3. We renew monthly. Just** like clockwork, our skin renews itself every 28 days.
- 4. Pay attention to your skin** Skin changes may indicate health changes.

## WHY NATIONAL HEALTHY SKIN MONTH IS IMPORTANT

- 1. Skin problems impact everybody** At some point in our lives, we all have trouble with our skin. National Healthy Skin Month lets us review the common problems and some of the treatments. For example, eight out of 10 Americans suffer with acne at some point in their lives. Acne is a skin disorder that causes pimples to form blackheads or whiteheads from clogged passageways between your oil glands and your skin's pores. Other skin problems include eczema, dermatitis, and psoriasis.
- 2. Skin cancer inspired National Healthy Skin Month** Skin cancer, the most common form of cancer, affects almost 20 percent of the population. For this reason, the American Academy of Dermatology remains committed to informing the public about the danger skin cancer presents. The two most common forms of skin cancer are squamous cell carcinoma and basal cell carcinoma. However, the majority of skin cancer-related deaths are due to melanoma.
- 3. Apply sunscreen all year long** Sunscreen is a powerful weapon against skin cancer. Without sunscreen, those pesky ultraviolet rays can do irreparable damage to your skin. Apply your sunscreen even during the winter months. It's recommended that you use an SPF 30 daily in any kind of weather. It also protects against aging and as the commercials put it, "the ravages of time."



On Monday, Oct 16th, the junior class had the opportunity to attend the Wisconsin Educational Fair at UW-Platteville. Students were able to walk around the fair and obtain information from several post-secondary institutions. There were representatives from 2 year, 4 year, military branches, trade schools, financial aid agencies and UW Help staff. This event was a great way for students to get on a college campus and gain more knowledge about life after high school. While in Platteville, students briefly walked around the campus, attended the fair, enjoyed lunch and lastly walked up 258 steps to the top of the "Big M". Ask your son/daughter about their favorite part of this field trip.



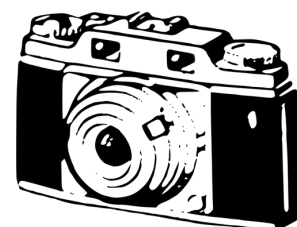
## School Pictures are Ready!

Pictures are online please click on the link below.  
View and order at <https://shop.jostenspix.com/login>



### BLACK HAWK SCHOOLS

Elementary Event Code: FE39123  
Middle School Event Code: FE161323  
High School Event Code: FE161223



**\*Picture Retakes (4k-12) are November 2nd, 2023**



## **Black Hawk/Warren “Future Warriors” 2023 Flag Football Program**

There were over 50 players, in 2nd grade through 6th grade, that participated in the Black Hawk/Warren “Future Warriors” flag football program this fall. The players were coached by the high school football players. The players and coaches did a fantastic job again this fall and we’re already looking forward to next season.



Ms. Kammes took some of her High School Art students to Frank Lloyd Wright's Taliesin where they did a tour and participated in an activity to create their own stained glass designs. After, we went to Dr. Evermore's Sculpture Park.



Back Row: Ashlynn Eckermann, Ms. Kammes, Cierra Green  
Front Row: Dani Martin, Sammi Prescher, Freya Haas



# **Warrior Youth Wrestling**



What: Youth Wrestling Program

Who: Boys & Girls, 4K-8th Grade

Where: Gratiot Community Building (Old School)

When: Practices -Tuesdays & Thursdays 4:00-5:30pm

- Wrestling develops athleticism.
- Wrestling promotes personal responsibility.
- Wrestling develops mental and emotional resilience.
- Wrestling develops leadership skills.
- Wrestling teaches discipline and accountability.
- Wrestling brings people together from all backgrounds and cultures.
- Wrestling promotes self mastery and focus.
- Wrestling teaches self-defense.

Wrestling meeting and sign up will be on Tuesday November 14th at 6:00pm at the Gratiot Community Building in the gym. Warrior Youth Wrestling Program is open to any boy or girl that is 4 years of age up to the 8th grade. The program is open to all surrounding communities that wish to participate. First practice will be Tuesday November 28th.

Please join us on November 14th for sign-ups. If you have any questions reach out to Mackenzie McCauley. 608-214-0853, [kenzie\\_1108@hotmail.com](mailto:kenzie_1108@hotmail.com)

***(Black Hawk wrestlers will be able to ride the shuttle bus from school in South Wayne to Gratiot for practice.)***



# HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD TAKE CARE OF THEIR TEETH



Let them choose their toothbrush.  
Always select a small head with  
soft bristles



Let them pick their favorite  
toothpaste. Look for fluoride or  
hydroxyapatite as an ingredient



Use a timer to ensure they brush  
for 2 minutes



Floss on a handle making the job  
easier for small hands



Read books, watch videos, play songs  
that talk about teeth and toothbrushing



# TEEN *of the* WEEK

AT BLACK HAWK HIGH SCHOOL IS 17-YEAR-OLD



## *Peyton Downing*



DAUGHTER OF LINDSAY DOWNING & BRIAN BUSSAN



### SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Future Business Leaders of America-President, FFA, Varsity Volleyball Captain.

### HONORS

High Academic Honors 9th-10th, Distinguished Honors 11th.

### ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL

I attend the Engineering Summer Program at UW-Madison this past summer, I stayed in the dorms for three weeks, took classes & participated in activities while there.

### HOBBIES

Fishing

### VOLUNTEERING

I student volunteer in my High School. I help in the math classroom & I help our FBLA advisor with tasks such as setting up our school store & preparing for concessions.

### FUTURE PLANS

I want to be an Engineer. I strive to solve problems & improve our society.

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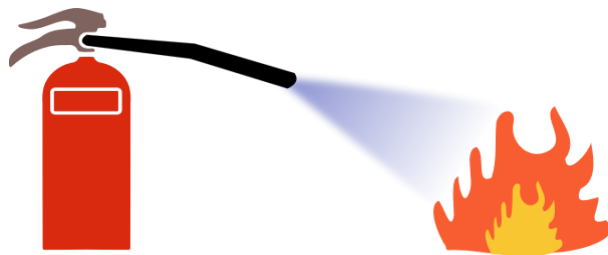


## Woodford State Bank

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# October was Fire Safety Month and Black Hawk students enjoyed a trip to the fire station.



The 4th and 5th graders enjoyed Rural Safety Days at the Lafayette Fairgrounds on September 21st. There were sessions on electrical safety, water safety, weather, Internet safety, mental health, ATVs, animals, chemicals, and skid loaders. Thank you Lafayette County for a great day!



# Elementary Staff Halloween Fun!!



# SAVE THE DATE



## *Bring on the* **BOOKJOY**



**#ScholasticBookFairs**

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**When: November 6th-10th**

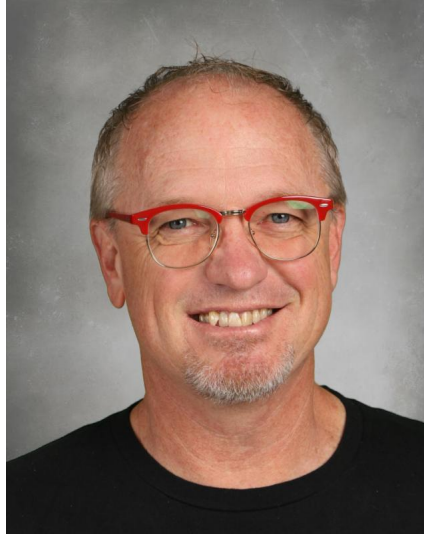
**Where: Black Hawk Library**

**Visit our Book Fair website for more information**

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/blackhawkelementaryschool10>

# September Employee of the Month

Eric Erickson



Please Congratulate Eric Erickson on being selected as the September Employee of the Month. Eric was selected, and received numerous nominations, for his outstanding work as our new athletic director. Additionally, Eric is a positive educator with a happy demeanor and creates a welcoming and productive learning environment for his students.

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## School Board of Education

The Board holds a regular business meeting on the second Wednesday of each month, beginning at 6:00 pm. Meetings are held in South Wayne. All board meetings are open public meetings unless otherwise noted. Residents are encouraged to attend and can call (608) 439-5400 for information.

President-Dee Paulson  
Vice President-Jim Baumgartner  
Treasurer-Val Dunlavey  
Clerk-Jason Figi  
Member-Kerry Holland  
Member-Clayton Ruegsegger  
Member-Mindy Stauffacher

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## Revtrak

Pay fees online! You can pay your fees online. Visit Rev Track <https://blackhawk-k12.revtrak.net/> to pay lunch money, school fees, sports fees, instrument rentals and more. If you have any questions, please call the school office at 608-439-5371.





# FFA NEWSLETTER

## October 2023



### FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

The officers attended the Fall Leadership Conference on October 2nd. At the conference, the officers attended a variety of workshops where they learned about ways to fulfill their roles and duties as officers. The officer team had such a great time and learned so much!



### HALLOWEEN SAFETY

Every year the officer team goes to the elementary to discuss being safe while out trick or treating. On October 26th the officers will visit each classroom along with the South Wayne sheriff. We discuss with the students what to wear, what to bring, and what to watch for while out trick or treating to ensure that they stay safe. We also will play a few fun games with them to then receive some candy which every kid loves! It is always such a fun productive day with the classes that will help the kids be safe while out trick or treating this Halloween!

A big thank you to all the teachers who let us come visit their classrooms we appreciate your time and help with making the day a success for your students!

## NATIONAL CONVENTION

On October 31st our group attending National Convention will start making their way to Indianapolis, Indiana. We have seven members attending those members are Payton Stietz, Alyssa Broge, Keira Brunner, Allyse Troemel, Lilly Schultz, Makayla Kammes, and Gavin Smith. The group is so excited about the trip as they have a variety of fun events, educational stops, sessions, and many more fun things planned.

In next month's newsletter, there will be a more in-depth section about National Convention and all the group did. they are all excited about the trip and we look forward to hearing how it goes!



## UPCOMING EVENTS IN NOVEMBER

**Oct. 31-Nov. 4**

National Convention

**Nov. 8**

Meeting in Ms. Nehs's  
room

**Nov. 15**

Food for America

**Nov. 29**

Big Buck Contest & Potluck



Sincerely, your  
2023-2024 FFA  
Reporter,  
Allyse Troemel



## STATE TESTING

### ACT Plus Writing---All Juniors

Black Hawk students in grade 11 will take the ACT with writing® which includes Reading, Math, English, Science, and Writing. The ACT is an in-person assessment that will be administered at school.

*Save the date for March 12th or March 26th, 2024 (We can now choose between these two dates, if we take the later date the Make-up window will be on April 9) We will be making the decision by January so students can plan accordingly.*

### PreACT—All Freshman and Sophomores

The PreACT is a summative assessment that measures what students have learned in the areas of: English, Reading, Math, and Science. The PreACT is an online assessment that may help to predict how a student will perform on the ACT when they reach 11th grade and their readiness for college-level coursework.

*March 18th-April 26th-Dates will be finalized by February*

### Forward Exam Testing Window

The Forward Exam is designed to gauge how well students are doing in relation to the Wisconsin Academic Standards. These standards outline what students should know and be able to do in order to be college and career ready. The Forward Exam is administered online in the spring of each school year at:

- grades 3-8 in English Language Arts (ELA) and mathematics,
  - grades 4 and 8 in Science and,
  - grades 4, 8, and 10 in Social Studies.

*Grades 3-8 & 10th---March 18-April 26, 2024*

For further information visit the accountability section of the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.

<https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment>

Mrs. McCauley,

District Assessment Coordinator

# Black Hawk “Running Club”

## 2023 TURKEY TROT

**When: Tuesday, November 14th**

**Time: After School-4:15 P.M.**

All students who need rides must be picked up by 4:20P.M.

Distance is ~ 2 miles outside

**\*\*Please consider that when signing up younger students\*\***

Event will be held inside– or be canceled– IF there is inclement weather!

A small snack will be provided after completion of the event.

**Please Return completed form by Thursday, November 9th.**

**NO COST**

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I give my child \_\_\_\_\_ permission to stay after school for the “**Turkey Trot**” and will pick them up no later than 4:20pm or have them walk home. I understand my child should dress appropriately for the weather if it is held outside.

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Parent Signature

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Date

Grade of Student:\_\_\_\_\_ **Children below 5th grade must be accompanied by an older sibling, classroom teacher, or another adult. We will meet in the lower commons at 3:30 pm for a short warm-up and stretch. Then, we will head out for our run.**

Any food related allergies (please list):

## Warrior Backpack Program

The Warrior Backpack program served 215 food bags and 158 snacks to students in the month of September. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make this happen for our school!!

I will be stepping down as the Backpack Program Coordinator. Unfortunately, no one has expressed interest in continuing the program. The last week your child will be bringing home food bags will be November 6th-10th. If someone comes forward to continue the program, an email will be sent out to notify you.

Thank you,  
Summer Stietz

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The **Black Hawk Area Food Pantry** serves families of the Black Hawk school district.

\*Just a reminder that the Food Pantry is open every **third Thursday** of the month during the hours of **3:00 pm to 6:00 pm**.

**We are located at:**  
102 West Center St.  
South Wayne, WI



## **Riding The School Bus**

If you are relying on the Black Hawk School District for transportation to and from school, it is imperative that you understand the expectations and rules that go along with being on our school buses. Failure to comply with the following directives, **WILL** result in removal from the bus route. Transportation from school is not a given, and a school district does not have to provide transportation for students. It is so important that you go over these bus rules with your children before the first day of school. We do have functioning cameras on each of our buses.

1. Be at your designated bus stop pick-up on time. It is the responsibility of the family to be ready to get on the bus. Our drivers cannot sit and wait. Please have your student ready to board the bus 10 minutes prior to expected pick up time. The student(s) should be visible to the drivers as they approach the pick up location.
2. Food and beverages will NOT be allowed on the school bus.
3. Students are assigned to a specific seat by grade level. If an older sibling is desired to sit with a 4K or 5K student, parents should notify the school upon receiving the seating chart for your bus. Students must absolutely remain seated during the bus ride. There will be no changing or jumping of seats on the school bus.
4. During the trip, each student shall:
  - Remain seated while the bus is in motion;
  - Keep head, hands, arms, and legs inside the bus at all times;
  - Not litter in the bus or throw any object from the bus;
  - Be courteous to the driver and other adult riders
  - Not eat or drink beverages on the bus
  - Not tamper with the bus, seats, or any of its equipment
5. Students are subject to the Black Hawk Schools Code of Conduct and Step System. Acts of harassment, bullying, vulgar language, abuse will result in students being referred to the building principal for behavioral consequences and plans. Students may be suspended or expelled from bus routes for consistent misbehavior.

**1st notice - Family contact, review of expectations.**

**Progressive discipline system if school violations occur on the bus.**

**2nd notice - Temporary suspension from bus route for up to 2 school days.**

**3rd notice - Temporary suspension from bus route for up to 5 school days.**

**4th notice - Temporary suspension from bus route for up to 10 school days.**

**5th notice - Removal from bus route.**

## **Black Hawk Family Meal Accounts - Helpful Reminders:**

Automated calls go out every Thursday, one call to families that have \$5 or less remaining in their account, and another call for family accounts that are negative.

You can check your family meal account balance on Skyward Family Access, or by calling or visiting the school office. Payments can be made to the office by cash or check, or don't forget about online payments through the Revtrak Online Payments link on the school website.

Applications for Free or Reduced pricing can be completed anytime throughout the school year. If your financial situation has changed & you are looking for assistance, forms & instructions can be found on the school website, or by asking the school office.

If your account is negative, and you are unable to send in lunch money at this time, please send your children with a cold lunch from home. Families are supposed to stay in a positive balance & staff do not want to turn away any children in the cafeteria line.

If you are a community member and would like to help families in need, you can make donations to Black Hawk Schools, to be applied to negative family accounts.

If you are in need of financial assistance, or if you have any questions on Family Meal Accounts, please feel free to contact Melissa Pickett in the Black Hawk School office at 608-439-5400 ext 105, or email [picmel@blackhawk.k12.wi.us](mailto:picmel@blackhawk.k12.wi.us)

***\*MS/HS Snack Break is charged ala carte prices and are  
NOT part of the Free/Reduced Meal program.***

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The Black Hawk/Warren football team donated \$400.00 to “Kindness for Carson” and \$1,400.00 to UW Kids Cancer Fund. The team held a miracle minute bucket pass during the Pink Out game versus Benton/Scales Mound/Shullsburg and raised \$800.00. The \$800.00 was split between UW Kids Cancer Fund and Kindness for Carson. The team donated the other \$1,000.00 for UW Kids Cancer Fund from their card fundraiser.

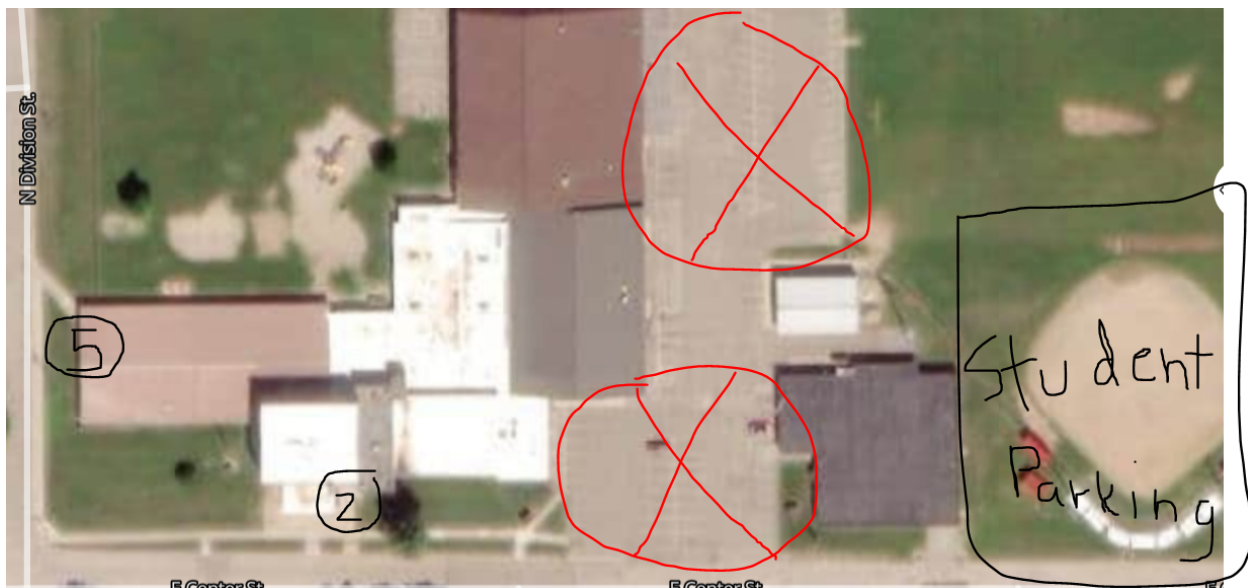


(Pictured are Jamie and Heath Hartwig from Kindness for Carson with Coach Breadon, Drew Stietz, Quincy Adams, Jaryn Fonseca, Lane Marty, and Andrew Figi.)

**School District of Black Hawk**  
**Student School Drop Off and Pick Up Procedure**  
**Changes Due To Construction**

As we begin the excitement of a new school year at Black Hawk and the new remodeling and additions that are being added to our school, we will need to adjust some of the changes to our drop-off and pick-up routines here at the school. **Our parking lot will be completely inaccessible to students and visitors at the beginning of this school year.**

1. We have two entrances to the school building in the morning and two exits from the building in the afternoon. Door 2 (E. Center Street) and Door 5 (N. Division Street).
2. The school parking lot is not accessible for entrance or parking.
3. Door 2 and 5 will open at 7:45 a.m. If you drop students prior to 7:50 a.m., please make this a prudent drop-off. Our buses will be pulling into E.Center Street for a 7:50 a.m. drop.
4. Students who drive to school must park in the gravel parking lot, west of the Meske Center, where the old baseball diamond was located.



5. High school students **MUST** park in the student parking area if driving to school. You will not be allowed to park off school grounds. School consequences will be invoked for those who do not follow this expectation, including the extreme of banishment from driving/trespassing violations for repeat offenders who refuse to follow this procedure. High school students who drive, will enter the building at Door 2.
6. Buses will drop off students on East Center Street at Door 2 , around 7:50 a.m. Persons dropping students off at school must adhere to state and local traffic laws involving school buses. School buses have priority to East Center Street during drop off and pick up times. Please respect the amber and red lights of the school buses. Do not enter into this area when the bus lights are on and students are being dropped off and picked up. The area in front of Door 2, should be clear of buses around 7:55 a.m.
7. Once buses have cleared, students may be dropped off on East Center Street at Door 2.
8. Additionally, students may be dropped off on N. Division Street at Door 5 on the **near end (east end of the street), adjacent to the school building**. We would like to avoid students having to cross the street on Division Street. We kindly ask that cars do not permanently park on N. Division Street, taking up space. We ask that individuals do a quick drop of students and then maneuver off of Division Street to make room for additional vehicles who are

dropping off students.

9. 4K, 5K, 5th and MS/HS school students will enter and exit the building at Door 2.
10. 1st - 4th grades will enter and exit the building at Door 5.
11. Visitors to the school during the instructional day (8:05 a.m. - 3:26 p.m.) will need to park in the gravel parking lot, or find temporary parking off of school grounds.
12. Families picking up students after school must NOT park in the bus area of E. Center Street in front of Doors 2 and 3. You may be allowed to temporarily park on Division Street to pick up your student(s) at Door 5. Please adhere to the village parking restrictions in front of the fire station. Fire trucks need to be able to access Division street in emergencies.
13. Staff are not allowed to park on Division Street or in the bus drop off area of E. Center Street. Staff will need to find parking off school grounds or in the gravel parking lot.
14. Small deliveries will be made at Door 5. Large deliveries will be determined.
  - If there are changes to your child's bus schedule, please provide a note with your children for both their classroom teacher and the bus driver. If a permanent adjustment is needed, we will require one notification at the beginning of the school year. Otherwise, notification is required in writing every time your child needs to ride a bus to a location after school.
  - The district will not adjust our bus driver's regular routes to make special stops for student drop off.
  - We respectfully ask that you be sensitive to your child's peers when scheduling birthday parties, or other friend gatherings at your home. **Large parties of children riding a non-scheduled bus will not be permitted.** Please don't send invitations or letters with your child to hand out at school to their friends. This creates an unpleasant environment for some children, and is a major distraction to our instructional objectives of the day.
  - No student will be able to ride an unscheduled bus route without a permission slip.

We greatly appreciate your assistance in providing a safe and positive atmosphere at Black Hawk Schools.

### Visitors During School Day / Parent Pick-Up Procedures

- Door 5 will be the entrance to the school building during the school day. Visitors to the building will have to buzz in at Door 5 for screening. When admitted to the school building, we ask that you transition directly to the school office to sign in.
- Please do not transition directly to your child's classroom and interrupt the instructional process. Please do not linger in the hallways. Proceed directly to the office.
- We respectfully ask that parents/guardians please report to the office to sign your elementary child in or out of the building during instructional hours (8:05 a.m. – 3:24 p.m.). MS/HS students can sign themselves out in the office and meet authorized individuals outside of the building.
- Teachers will begin getting Ech – 5K students ready for bus departure and parent pick-up at 3:15 p.m. 1<sup>st</sup> grade through 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will begin preparing for bus departure and parent pick-up at 3:20 p.m.
- We ask that parents who are picking their children up from school, meet their children at the south end of the building on **East Center Street at Door 2.**, and escort them to your vehicle. If picking up at Door 5, please park on the school side of the street (East), to avoid students having to cross the road.
- Be visible so your child sees you as they exit the building.
- Please avoid coming into the school to pick up your child, unless it is absolutely necessary. The purpose of this request is to avoid hallway clutter and maintain safety at the end of a school day.

## Recycling and Other Dumpsters

(Dumpsters are located next to Riechers Meats)

As always the staff and Board thank everyone who has donated to the metal/aluminum can drive. The funds have proven to be beneficial to the staff and students of the school district. The district greatly appreciates the efforts of Powers Auction Service in providing this opportunity.

A couple of notes that we would like to make:

- Please do not place items with Freon/coolant in the recycling dumpster
- Please do not place TV's or Computer/Related technology in the dumpster
- Please do not place trash in the recycling dumpster
- The other dumpsters (serviced by Faherty) are for school uses only

We do appreciate the donations. Improper use of the dumpsters costs the district and may result in a net loss.

Sincerely, Willy Chambers

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**\*\*If you have any old pens, pencils, or decks of cards you are not using, please drop them off for Mr. Petitjean.**

***\*Decks of cards do not need to be complete decks or in good condition.***

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A big thank you to the **Booster Club** for purchasing a new recumbent bike for the weight room!  
The Matrix Recumbent bike is a great addition for athletes, students, and staff.





# Black Hawk Middle/High School Schedules

## Regular Schedule

7:45	Door Open
8:05-8:49	1 <sup>st</sup> Period
8:52-9:36	2 <sup>nd</sup> Period
9:39-10:23	3 <sup>rd</sup> Period
10:23-10:32	Snack Period
10:35-11:17	4 <sup>th</sup> Period
11:20-12:02	5 <sup>th</sup> Period
12:05-12:49	6A/MS Lunch/Activity
12:49-1:19	6B MS Short/HS Lunch
1:22-2:06	7 <sup>th</sup> Period
2:09-2:53	8 <sup>th</sup> Period
2:56-3:26	Flex/Intervention/Advisory
4:15	Doors Locked

## Early Release Schedule

7:45	Door Open
8:05-8:34	1 <sup>st</sup> Period
8:38-9:02	2 <sup>nd</sup> Period
9:06-9:30	3 <sup>rd</sup> Period
9:34-9:58	4 <sup>th</sup> Period
10:02-10:26	5 <sup>th</sup> Period
10:30-10:54	6 <sup>th</sup> Period
10:58-11:22	7 <sup>th</sup> Period
11:26-11:56	8A/MS Lunch
12:00-12:30	8B/HS Lunch

## 2 Hour Delay/Late Start

9:45	Doors Open
10:05-10:25	1 <sup>st</sup> Period
10:28-10:48	2 <sup>nd</sup> Period
10:51-11:11	3 <sup>rd</sup> Period
11:14-11:34	4 <sup>th</sup> Period
11:37-11:57	5 <sup>th</sup> Period
12:00-12:35	MS/HS Lunch
12:38-1:22	6 <sup>th</sup> Period
1:25-2:09	7 <sup>th</sup> Period
2:12-2:56	8 <sup>th</sup> Period
2:59-3:26	Flex/Intervention/Advisory
4:15	Doors Locked

## Early Release-Wednesday Professional Development Days

7:45	Door Open
8:05-8:38	1 <sup>st</sup> Period
8:42-9:15	2 <sup>nd</sup> Period
9:19-9:52	3 <sup>rd</sup> Period
9:56-10:29	4 <sup>th</sup> Period
10:33-11:06	5 <sup>th</sup> Period
11:10-11:43	6 <sup>th</sup> Period
11:47-12:20	7 <sup>th</sup> Period
12:23-12:55	8A/MS Lunch
12:58-1:30	8B/HS Lunch

# **Parents Club**

THANK YOU to all who have supported and participated in our fundraisers this Fall!!  
We really appreciate the support!!

Parent's Club meets in the upper commons at 6:00 pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month (we do NOT meet every month), the rest of our 2023-2024 meeting schedule is as follows:

*Feb 1st 2024*

*April 4th 2024*

*May 2nd 2024*

*\*subject to change\**

A few things you can do to support the Parent's Club throughout the year:

- Scan your box tops.. if you haven't downloaded the APP, please do so, it's a super easy way to help!
- The scrip program, grab some gift cards for birthdays, weddings, showers, or just for yourself, it's a great opportunity to support the Parent's Club (keep a lookout, these sheets will be coming home in your child's backpack)!
- Keep an eye out for future fundraisers and activities! A great way to do this is to follow our Facebook page (Black Hawk Parent's Club)

As always, thank you for your support! We cannot do our part in providing the things we do for our faculty and students if not for your support!



[www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com)

**Your 2023/2024 Parent's Club officer team:**

**President-Haley Larse**  
**Vice President-Courtney Grossen**  
**Treasurer-Nicole Lewis**  
**Secretary-Chris Ruegsegger**

# Hartzell's



Dear Family and Friends:

We are excited to inform you that we are participating in an incredible program that allows us to earn **FREE** classroom equipment and supplies!

## Here's How You Can Help!

- Shop at Hartzell's IGA from September 2023-April 2024
- Shave your receipts and send them to school with your child
- Your receipts will earn us points for free classroom equipment donated by the store!

Please submit your receipts to school by **April 2024** in an envelope marked

**Attention Mrs. Pickett.** Thank you!

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## Administration Contact Information

Throughout the year, members of the community have ideas they would like to share with administration. We welcome both positive feedback and concerns. Preferably, we'd like to hear from you during business hours, but we'll get back to you at other times if necessary. Our contact information is:

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Two autumn leaves, one red and one yellow, are positioned on either side of the text "Happy Thanksgiving".

Happy  
Thanksgiving

# School District of Black Hawk

## Regular Meeting

### September 13, 2023



The School Board meeting of the School District of Black Hawk was called to order at 6:00 pm in the FAB Room By President Dee Paulson. The following members were present: Kerry Holland, Jim Baumgartner, Dee Paulson, Mindy Stauffacher, Clayton Ruegsegger, Val Dunlavey and Jason Figi. Also present was Administration of Willy Chambers and Cory Milz, Bookkeeper Tammy Zimmerman and Guest.

Motion by Figi and seconded by Holland to consent to agenda which includes the August 9, 2023 minutes with the following changes to the teacher's settlement for 2023-24 that includes steps and lanes for those who qualify and remove vacation day payout and also support staff the following changes for 2023-24 and also included steps for those who qualify. The motion carried on a voice vote.

CHAMBERS: The General Fund investments the district has made using the services provided by PMA between the dates of April 20 and August 31, 2023, have made \$17,205.42 for the district. Thank you to Mrs. Dunlavey for pushing for the district to look at options for investments.

The most recent statement for the investment through PMA is attached. The statement includes the totals for the General Fund investments, the BCPL Loan investments, the bonds from the referendum, and a refunding account which is part of the original bond investment.

- The BCPL loan has been officially refinanced for 20 years at a 5.25%. We have the amortization schedule in hand as well.
- Also please know that the district has paid out about \$459,000 out of proceeds towards project expenses.

Mrs. Kaster wrote a grant and received \$5,607 to use for opioid prevention. The notification letter from the DPI is attached.

I have not done anything with bus 60 yet. We did need it for the shuttle route on one occasion. Bus 65 had a leak and a part that was needed took a couple of days to come in.

The cross country co-op is on the agenda and we will talk about the concept at that time. We have some time to get a better handle on the golf co-op and would like to get further information before making that an action item for the Board. Mr. Ercikson indicated based on initial feelers that there is real interest in golf.

MILZ:

#### 1. Initial Enrollments

? Elementary Enrollment 2023 (9/13/23) 169 students; 7 new students.

? MS Enrollment 2019 (9/13/23) 75 students; 8 new students.

? HS Enrollment 2019 (9/13/23) 111 students; 2 new students.

? 355 students (360)

? 12 HS students enrolled in dual-credit or advanced standing courses. 2 of those students are paying for the courses themselves, as they have exceeded the allowed 18 credits.

? 5 HS students enrolled in dual credit courses and are being taught through JAMSB-B. 3 in physics, and 2 in statistics.

2. Would like to thank all of our faculty and staff for their hard work in putting together a successful Back To School orientation night.

3. We would like to thank our substitute teachers who have already graciously helped serve our students in this early school year. Donna Gabel – Jill Berg – Sally Mellenburger – Stephanie Eastwood – Deb Gorr – Meghan Scott – Mariah Brynes – Gary Burkhalter – Don Hawkinson  
Sub Teacher Appreciation Week - Thank you card, free beverages, and 1 free lunch.

Additionally- want to thank Jason Figi and Scott Cernek for helping out as sub bus drivers.

5. Mr. Burke and Mrs. Ruegsegger took the 8th graders to the Platteville Historical Reenactment on Friday, Sep. 8.

6. This Friday, Sep. 14, Mrs. Flanagan will be taking the 4th graders to a Darlington Historical Society event in Darlington.

7. Our Seal a Smile dental program will begin again this year, starting on September 18.
8. On September 21, our 4th and 5th graders will be attending Rural Safety Days at the Lafayette County Fairgrounds.
9. On September 28, the 4K will be going to Vesperman Farms in Lancaster for a Fall Pumpkin patch trip.
10. Congratulations to the following students for being selected for the 2023 Homecoming Court  
9th – Conner Herbst and Maddy Place / 10th – Tre LaDow and Kirsten LaDown / 11th – Griffin Komprood and Molly Edler / 12th – Gavin Smith and Sophia Winters / King – Lane Marty, Queen – Veronica Cheatham
11. On Sep. 29 will be a pep rally @ 8 p.m., fireworks @ 9 p.m. Sep. 30 – Parade @ 11 a.m., Game @ 2 p.m., and dance @ 7 p.m. Huge thank you to the following people/organizations for donating money to make the Fireworks display possible: BH Booster Club – BH Parent’s Club – Steve Monson and Pecatonica Co-op - Deb/Dan Powers and Power Auction Service – Mike Marty and Ace Material Placing

ERICKSON: The first month of fall sports is under our belts. The coaches have done a great job of staying positive and helping the student/athletes grow in their respective sports.

We have 14 girls participating in MS Volleyball - we do have some 8th graders rotate in with the 7th. The number of girls playing does create a little concern for the future.

We have 16 boys from BH participating in MS Football - that coop is overseen by Warren. Eight of the boys are 8th graders and make up the majority of the 8th-grade boys.

The high school football teams have been successful. The JV team lost a contest because Parkview/Albany was unable to field a JV team. There are several teams that have created similar scenarios for varsity teams in the area. I am currently working to fill our week 2 of the 24 and 25 seasons. Otherwise, we have those schedules complete. Next year we move to the Ridge and Valley football conference.

I attended the Six Rivers Conference AD meeting which was a large gathering. Many of the other football schools were in attendance. In 2024 the football-only conferences begin and the Six Rivers will be divided into a couple of different groups. As stated, BH/Warren will be in the Ridge and Valley Conference along with Potosi/Cassville, Boscobel, Wauzeka-Steuben/Seneca, Iowa Grant, Pec/Argyle, Riverdale, and Madison Abundant Life. Most of the discussion revolved around scheduling and an individual “sportsmanship” award in each sport.

Our workers have been great although I would like to get a few more in the pipeline to have some subs available.

I had a discussion with Pec and Argyle about cooperatives in several sports. The dates to approve coops are

Fall Sports - October 1--Winter Sports - February 1 -- Spring Sports - May 1

The particular interest that we have had involves golf, cross country, and our existing spring sports.

My conclusion is that there is interest in the MS level for CC but not a lot at the HS level. I would recommend that we try to get a MS CC team started in the fall of 2024. Then we can see how the interest sticks.

There is considerable interest in boys' golf. The ADs from both schools were open to having kids play JV this year but we would need to work out details. I communicated with the coach from Argyle/Pec today and he gave me more insight. He is very open to having more kids involved. There are only 5 boys who play varsity and 5 that play junior varsity for each match. Fees are split by the schools and include a course usage fee at Yellowstone where they practice and host a tournament. The biggest conversation that I think Black Hawk needs to have is how we will transport kids who are interested.

Thank you for your continued support. Eric

Public Comment was called for: None

Motion by Figi and seconded by Dunlavey to approve policy revisions as presented the policy went over the changes at a policy committee meeting on August 9, 2023. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Stauffacher to approve changes to Athletic Code Grade Check Procedure. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Ruegsegger and seconded by Holland to approve Coaches Handbook for 2023-24. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Holland and seconded by Baumgartner to approve Faculty Handbook for 2023-24 as noted with changes. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Dunlavey and seconded by Baumgartner to approve the Flex Waiver to include juniors. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Figi and seconded by and seconded by Dunlavey to approve having a regular meeting on October 23, 2023, after the annual meeting. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Dunlavey and seconded by Holland to approve having a regular board meeting on October 25, 2023, with WASB on Board Roles and responsibilities. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Ruegsegger and seconded by Baumgartner to appoint Val Dunlavey to Legislative Liaison. Thanks to Val for volunteering. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Holland and seconded by Stauffacher to approve adding a Future Business Leaders of America-FBLA for the Extra Curricular Position Schedule. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Figi and seconded by Holland to go into executive session at 6:56 p.m. President Announcement of the purpose of the executive session under 19.85(1) items b, c, and f Wisconsin State Statutes. The motion passed on a roll call vote- YES -Holland, Figi, Dunlavey, Ruegsegger, Stauffacher, Paulson, and Figi. NO-None

The Board returned to open session at 7:49 pm

Motion by Ruegsegger and seconded by Stauffacher to approve head cook pay increase of \$.50 per hour for 2023-24 school year. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Fig and seconded by Baumgartner to approve increasing shuttle bus route pay to \$50/day for 2023-24 school year. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Dunlavey and seconded by Holland to approve Staff Member Leave of Absence. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Baumgartner seconded by Ruegsegger to approve curriculum modifications for 5 students as presented. Chambers will draft a letter to students/parents on behalf of Board letting them know it was approved. The motion carried on a voice vote.



Motion by Holland and seconded by Baumgartner to adjourn at 7:52 pm Motion carried on a voice vote.

The next regular meeting will be on October 11, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

Submitted by,

Jason Figi, Clerk



# November 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1  345p Esports  <b>3p Ground Breaking Ceremony</b>	2  <b>Picture Retakes (4k-12)</b>  5p MS BBB @ Monticello	3  7p Level 3 Playoffs @ Potosi/Cassville   <b>End of 1st Qtr</b>	4
6	7  5p MS BBB (H) Argyle @ Gratiot  <b>*Butter Braid Orders Due</b>	8  6p Board Meeting  345p Esports  <b>Bridging Brighter Smiles</b>	9  Parent/Teacher Conferences 5-8p  5p MS BBB @Pec	10  <b>No School</b>  Parent/Teacher Conferences 9-12p	11  9a GBB @ Stoughton
13  <b>9a Veterans Day Program</b>  530p MS Conference Choir @ Barneveld	14	15  <b>130p Early Release</b>  345 Esports	16  8th Grade Conference Band @ Monticello	17  540p GBB @ Brodhead	18  Esports TBA Fall Championship
20  6p GBB (H) Shullsburg	21  6p BBB @ Belmont	22  <b>No School</b>	23  <b>Thanksgiving</b> 	24  <b>Break</b>	25
27	28  6p GBBB @ Dodgeville	29	30  6p GBB (H) Darlington		

# Breakfast Menu

Milk Choice 1% White, Fat Free chocolate or Strawberry  
Whole Wheat Peanut Butter & Jelly Served Daily  
WG-Whole Grain

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Pancake Wrap Fruit Cocktail Milk	2 Waffles Granola Bites Apple Milk	3 Breakfast Pizza Applesauce Milk
6 Pop Tarts Granola Bites Apple Milk	7 Berry French Toast Applesauce Milk	8 Mini Maple Pancakes Applesauce Milk	9 Strawberry Bagel Peaches Milk	10 <b>No School</b>
13 Muffins Granola Bites Apple Milk	14 Blueberry Waffle Peaches Milk	15 French Toast Fruit Cocktail Milk	16 Sausage Breakfast Bagel Yogurt Apple Milk	17 Sausage Patty Egg English Muffin Apple Milk
20 Banana Bread Cheese Stick Orange Milk	21 Donut Juice Milk	22 <b>No School</b>	23 <b>No School</b>	24 <b>No School</b>
27 Cereal Yogurt Juice Milk	28 French Toast Sticks Granola Bites Pears Milk	29 Pancakes Granola Bar Peaches Milk	30 Cinnamon Waffles Mixed Fruit Milk	



# Lunch Menu

Milk Choice 1% White, Fat Free chocolate or Strawberry

Whole Wheat Peanut Butter & Jelly Served Daily

WG-Whole Grain

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Chicken Patty/Bun Cheetos Puffs Cauliflower Pears Milk	2 French Bread Pizza Cheese Stick Broccoli Applesauce Milk	3 Cod Square/Bun Cheese Stick Corn Orange Milk
6 Chicken Nuggets Granola Bites Broccoli Strawberry Cup Milk	7 French Toast Sausage Patty Cheese Stick Hashbrown Juice Milk	8 Hot Ham Sandwich Yogurt Cheetos Pineapple Tidbits Cauliflower Milk	9 Brat/Bun Green Beans Apple Milk	10  <b>No School</b>
13 Pulled Pork/Bun Baked Cheetos Broccoli Strawberry Cup Milk	14 Chicken Strips Granola Bites Green Beans Juice Milk	15 Hot Dog/Bun Baked Beans Peaches Milk	16 Turkey Mashed Potatoes Gravy Dinner Roll Mixed Fruit Pie Milk	17 Hamburger/Bun French Fries Cheese Slice Applesauce Milk
20 Mac & Cheese Cheese Stick Carrots Apple Milk	21 Pizza Dippers/Sauce Cheezits Broccoli Fruit Milk	22  <b>No School</b>	23  <b>No School</b>	24  <b>No School</b>
27 Mini Corn Dogs WG Doritos Green Beans Juice Milk	28 Sloppy Joe/Bun Cheese Stick Cauliflower Peaches Milk	29 Tacos Baked Scoops Broccoli Apple Milk	30 Pork Patty/Bun Green Beans Fruit Milk	



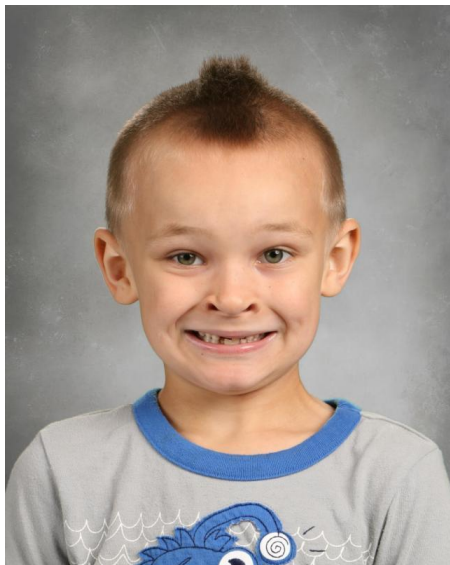
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# *September*

## Student of the Month

### *Elementary*



Luke Leverton  
Kindergarten

### *Middle School*



Payton Martin  
7th Grade

### *High School*



Peyton Downing  
12th Grade

