



# Growing Creative Minds & Caring Hearts

# Heusner Elementary

## A Note from the Principal

As part of the Visible Learning journey at Salina Public Schools, our teachers are focused on being clear in their expectations and instruction to support student learning. Teachers use learning intentions and success criteria as a way to communicate and help your child understand:

- What am I learning today?
- Why am I learning this?
- How will I know that I learned it?

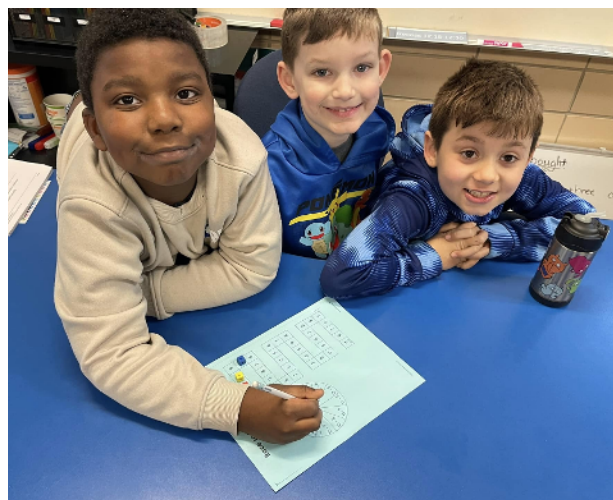
Learning becomes more visible for students when there is a connection to what they are expected to learn (learning intentions) and what successful learning looks like (success criteria).

Celebrate learning with your child by asking what they learned this week and how they knew they learned it.

Teachers' use of learning intentions and success criteria combined with families talking about learning - helps grow stronger learners. Your conversations supports Heusner Elementary's focus on developing students who are strong learners.

At Heusner, we foster a growth mindset by encouraging students to develop key learning dispositions that support lifelong success. We celebrate **Embracing Challenges**, where students tackle difficulties with perseverance and resilience, seeing setbacks as opportunities to grow. **Showing Self-Control** helps learners stay focused, manage their emotions, and make thoughtful decisions. **Being Curious** drives students to ask questions, explore new ideas, and develop a love for learning. Finally, **Being a Communicator** ensures that students can express their thoughts clearly, listen actively, and collaborate effectively. By nurturing these dispositions, we empower students to thrive both in and beyond the classroom.

Lori Munsell, Principal



# Reminder

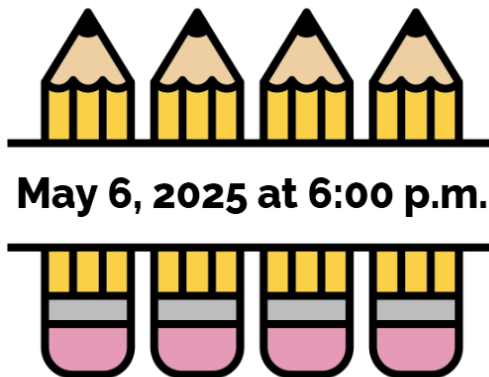
Apr. 7	Site Council 12 p.m. PTA Meeting 7 p.m.
Apr. 10	Grade 1 Program 6 p.m.
Apr. 17	Family STEM Day 2:45 p.m.
Apr. 18	No School
Apr. 21	No School
Apr. 22	Career Fair Grades 3, 4 & 5 2-3:30 p.m
Apr. 28	Strings Concert Central High School 7 p.m.
Apr. 29	Band Concert Central High School 7 p.m.

# Look Ahead

May 1	Preschool Graduation & Program 5 p.m.
May 1	Kindergarten Graduation & Program 6 p.m.
May 2	PTA Family Block Party 6-8 p.m.
May 5-9	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 5	PTA Meeting 7 p.m.
May 6	Kindergarten Roundup 6 p.m.
May 15	Grade 5 Honor Night Central 6 p.m
May 19	Play Day
May 22	Last Day of School Grade 5 Clap-Out

## Kindergarten Roundup

**Save the date for  
Kindergarten Roundup!**



**Image above:** Save the date for kindergarten roundup! **Tuesday, May 6, 2025 at 6 p.m.**

## Grade 5 Concerts

**Attention Grade 5 Parents:**

- **Strings Concert on April 28** at Central High at 7 p.m.
- **Band Concert April 29** at Central High at 7 p.m.





## ***You Make a Difference Award***

Grade 4 teacher, Mrs. Albers, was recognized with **You Make a Difference Award** in March! We are so excited for her to be awarded with this great honor! Staff members are nominated by colleagues to receive a You Make a Difference Award for their support of students and the mission of Salina Public Schools.

## ***Music News from Ms. Cash***



Grade 2 performed "the bunnies" concert on March 6 2025.

### Grade 1 Music Program

- April 10 at 6 p.m.

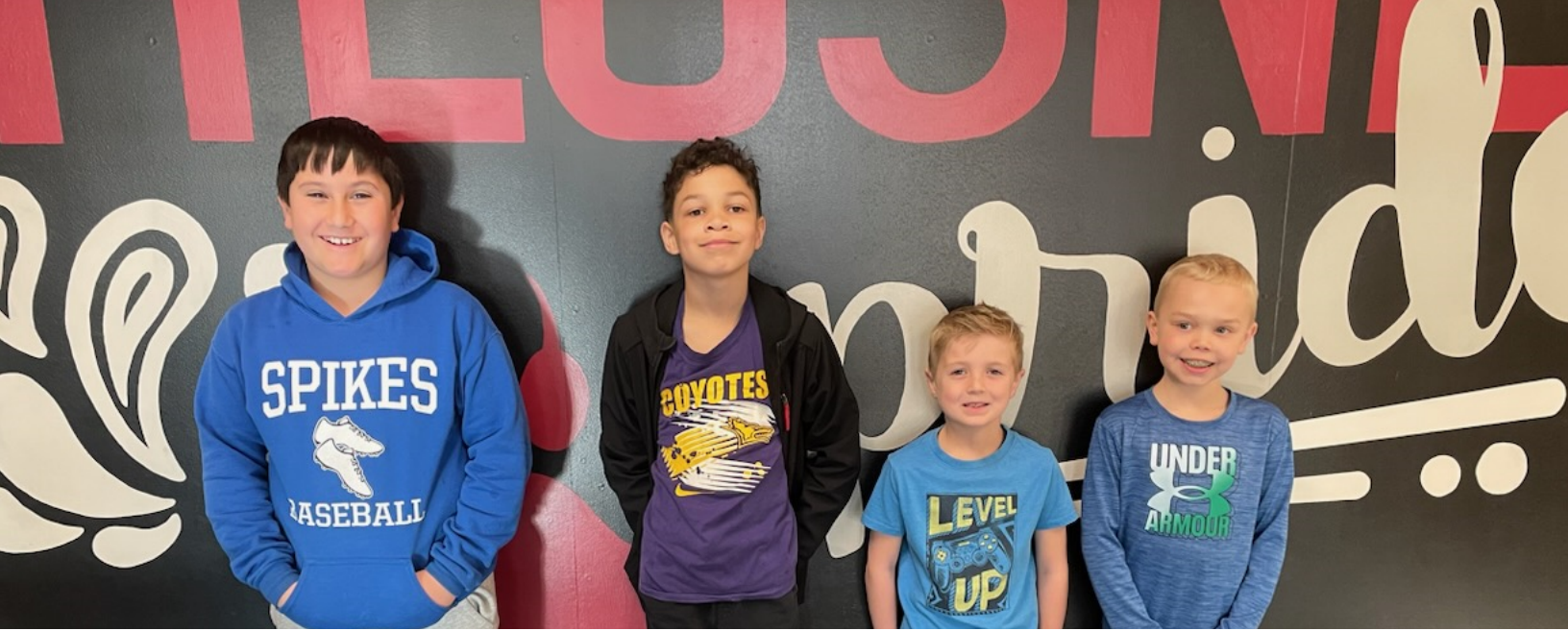
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## PTA News

PTA thanks you and all the students that took on the challenge of the chocolate fundraiser.

Congratulations to Bryson Taylor! He sold 13 boxes of the world's finest chocolate bars! That makes him the top seller!

### Top Five Sellers:

1. Bryson Taylor sold 13 boxes
2. Maddix Davilla sold 7 boxes
3. Scarlett Castillo-Fleming sold 7 boxes (not pictured)
4. Kolten Galimore sold 6 boxes
5. Chase Hopp sold 6 boxes



Bryson Taylor from Grade 2 Ms. Stoss's class. He was the top seller for the PTA Fundraiser.

## Save the date for a Family Block Party!

PTA is hosting a "Family Block Party" Friday, **May 2, 2025** from **6 p.m. to 8 p.m.**

- Free entry
- Yard games and bouncy houses
- Meal tickets for \$5 which includes a Hot dogs, chips & a drink)







## ***Kindergarten Roundup***

Do you have a student that will turn five before or on August 31, 2025? If so, we would love to meet them at kindergarten roundup on **May 6, 2025 at 6 p.m.**

You will want to register them at the district website.

### **New and no current students in USD 305:**



Register for Kindergarten if first student in USD 305



### **If you have students in the district already:**

- Sign into your current Skyward.
- Look for new student application found on the left side of your screen.
- Click "New Student Application"
- Fill out the information to register your Kinder
- Mark their start date as of Aug. 1 2025. (That way we know they are coming in the fall).

This helps us plan and get materials ready for roundup. Hope to see you there!

Thank you!

# April Calendar

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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27	28	29	30			

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