

HARTSBURG-EMDEN CUSD NO. 21

SEPTEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK

Terry Wisniewski, Superintendent

On a personal note, as I enter my twelfth (12th) year in Hartsburg-Emden School District, it continues to be an honor to serve in the capacity of Superintendent. I thank everyone (students, parents, board members, community members, and staff) for the relationships I have developed with you over the past eleven (11) years. Like many others, I have always had a passion to be an Educator. I am lucky to be a part of this community. The loss of two (2) students (Gage Bell and Gage Klein) in an automobile accident a year ago was an enormous shock. Those two young gentlemen would have been Seniors this year. In addition, we have had a few other tragedies hit our students in the past year. The overflow of support from the communities of Hartsburg and Emden during this past year was nothing less than extraordinary. Words cannot express the gratitude I have for the support everyone provided each other, especially the support for our families who have suffered loss. The families have given me their utmost thanks for the support they received.

In addition, there is no doubt that schools continue to face challenges in public education in Illinois. The COVID-19 pandemic continues to have protocols as we enter our fourth (4th) academic year dealing with those mitigations placed on schools. Balancing safety and state mandates with best educational practices is something that never would have ever crossed my mind when I entered the classroom for the first time 28 years ago. Our staff continues to do everything they can to make it the best it possibly can be. It is not ideal from an educational vantage point. It can be frustrating for everyone – families, teachers, administrators, and people in general. Worrying about protocols for health and safety while trying to provide the best education possible (under those measures) can cause strained nerves. The good news, we are dealing with the least restrictive measures so far. Our plan, which follows the State Guidance, can be found online. The staff of Hartsburg-Emden has worked hard, and will continue to do so, to keep our children's safety and education the top priority.

As the school year officially gets underway, the first couple of weeks is often a time for us to get bugs worked out. Overall, we had a good week with routine items (buses, cafeteria, and other general routines). Our Guidance Counselor resigned a couple days before her return to work. We have been looking for ways to replace her by looking for a new guidance counselor or hiring retired guidance counselors, we were unable to find anyone. We have decided to “grow our own.” We have hired a provisional person in January, who will then work to get her license. In the meantime, we continue to look for additional support for first semester. Mr. Brown and myself will do our best to fill in for this roll in the meantime. Most of you are aware, there is an educator shortage occurring. Over the past several years, educators have been leaving the field in greater numbers than those coming in. Many schools have gone to hiring provisional individuals and helping them get the proper license. Smaller rural schools seem to be bearing the brunt of this, as larger schools often pay more to attract educators. We did manage to find a new Math Teacher this year, Mr. Jacob Pipis. We believe he will be a terrific addition to our staff as well. The staff is excited about the upcoming year. Remember, as we begin a new school year, we find teachers establishing school standards and rules. In the most successful classrooms, teachers have established specific routines for the children to follow. This means giving the children a specific place to find and keep materials, a set schedule for classroom instruction, etc. These routines, blended with the teacher's consistent standards, form a smooth running classroom where the children have the security of understanding their environment, producing a positive reinforced setting. The Hartsburg-Emden Staff is looking forward to working with our students and to a terrific school year. Again, Welcome Back!!

Hartsburg-Emden C.U.S.D. #21/Mission Statement:

“Hartsburg-Emden Community Unit School District provides an empowering and collaborative environment allowing students to reach their full potential.”

Hartsburg-Emden C.U.S.D. #21/Vision Statement:

“Hartsburg-Emden School District will fulfill its responsibility to provide a nurturing environment that cultivates positive relationships and continual growth to ensure students achieve personal success”

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Cory Brown, Principal

Hello Hartem Friends and Family!

We are off and going with full school days!

Summer was too short for some but we are off to a great start. It's always nice to see the crops fully grown and days are not so hot. We can expect to notice the days ending sooner and start noticing the sun coming up later. Fall sports are getting underway. Please be sure to check our schedules and watch some girls softball games before the season ends. Home games are at Luther Field. Golf is in season and playing home matches at North Greens in Atlanta. We also have students involved in 2 Co-op sports. Jr High Baseball has a Co-op with WLB. We also have a Co-op in Soccer with Olympia. Check out the schedule and support our students that are involved with these Co-op sports. Volleyball is just getting underway so there is plenty of season to see. Family passes are \$100 and student passes are \$50. This pass is good for all indoor home regular season games. Tournaments may not honor these passes so please check ahead of time to see.

Here are some important dates to mark on your calendars. JH/HS School Picture day is August 31st, so don't forget to pick out the outfit you would like to wear for the yearbook. GS Picture day is September 1st. Labor day is September 5th, so there will not be any school. September 28th will be a School improvement day so there will be an 11:30 school dismissal.

This year's Homecoming will be September 26th-30th. The week will include special dress-up days Monday-Friday including all students K-12th. Our Homecoming Volleyball Match will be Wednesday, September 28th, against Routt. I hope everyone is enjoying the last days of summer and if you ever have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

BREAKFAST/LUNCH PRICES FOR

SEPTEMBER

Student Breakfast \$42.00

Student Reduced Breakfast \$6.30

Student Lunch \$57.00

Student Reduced Lunch \$8.00

Adult Breakfast \$2.50 each meal

Adult Lunch \$3.25 each meal

Students at Hartsburg-Emden Jr./Sr. High School will need to pay for seconds. Entrées are \$.90, vegetable/fruit/chips are \$.50, Italian Ice are \$.75 and milk is \$.40.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Matthew Stoltzenburg, Athletic Director

Welcome back to another year of Stags' athletics. School is back in session and so are our sports teams.

The junior high softball team is in midseason shape. Coach McAfee and the girls are nearly ready to begin their postseason play. The girls start regional play on September 7th.

We have a number of boys playing baseball on the WLB coop team as well. They will be in the Logan County Tournament the first week of September and begin their postseason on September 14th.

Coach Robinson and the golf team are on the links. They will be in a couple of tournaments this month with the Tomahawk Conference Meet on September 12th and the Clinton Invite on September 19th. They will have home matches on September 7, 14, and 15 in Atlanta at North Greens golf course.

Our last fall sports team, the high school volleyball team, began their season on August 25 vs DeeMack and at Delavan on August 30. They will have home matches on September 12, 20, 26, and 28. The girls also travel to Mt. Pulaski for a tournament on September 16 + 17.

As a new school year starts, I would like to ask that all of us display a high level of sportsmanship. Let's make sure that we are cheering for our hard working coaches and players and not being negative towards the officials, coaches, fans, or players. Remember that we are role models for our student-athletes.

A reminder that parents should make sure if your son/daughter is not riding the bus home, you have signed them out with the coach. If there are other arrangements, make sure the coach is aware of this and has written documentation of your plans.

Good luck to everyone and let's have a great year. Go Stags!



September 2022

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				1 GS Picture Day 9:00 JHSB vs Delavan 4:30 *8th grade night*	2 JHSB @ Tremont 4:30	3
4	5 No School	6 GOTR 3:15-4:30 HS Golf @ IC 4:00 JHSB vs WLB 4:30 HSVB @ Lewistown 6:00	7 HS Golf vs Tremont 3:30 JHSB Regionals TBA	8 GOTR 3:15-4:30	9	10 JHSB Regionals TBA
11	12 <i>Board Mtg 6:45</i> JHSB Regionals TBA HS Golf @ Greenview 11:00 HSVB vs Tremont 6:00	13 GOTR 3:15-4:30 HSVB @ Athens 6:00	14 HS Golf vs W'ville 3:30	15 GOTR 3:15-4:30 HS Golf vs MC/MP 3:30	16 HSVB @ MP Tourn TBA	17 HSVB @ MP Tourn TBA JHSB Sectionals TBA
18	19 HS Golf @ Clinton 3:00 HSVB @ W-L 6:00	20 GOTR 3:15-4:30 HS Golf @ W'ville 4:00 HSVB vs Prairie Cen. 6:00	21	22 GOTR 3:15-4:30 HSVB @ MP 6:00	23 JHSB @ State TBA	24 JHSB @ State TBA
25 HSVB Homecoming Week! 	26 HSVB vs IC 6:00	27 GOTR 3:15-4:30 HS Golf @ Greenview 4:00	28 11:30 Dismissal SIP Day HSVB vs Routt 6:00 *Homecoming Game* HS Golf Regionals TBA	29 GOTR 3:15-4:30	30	

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BREAKFAST MENU	A variety of milk is available every day. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.			1 Waffles Sausage links Fruit Cherry juice	2 GS-breakfast cookie JH/HS-scrambled egg bowl Toast Fruit Cherry juice	3
4	5 No School	6 Pop tart Fruit Apple juice	7 Pancake & sausage on a stick Fruit Apple juice	8 Bagel w/cream cheese Fruit Apple juice	9 French toast sticks Sausage links Fruit Apple juice	10
11	12 GS-Rice Krispy Bar JH/HS-Nutri grain bar Fruit Orange juice	13 Sausage patty Tri tater Toast Fruit Orange juice	14 Yogurt w/strawberries Toast Fruit Orange juice	15 GS-Choc Chip Muffin/yogurt JH/HS-Assorted muffins Fruit Orange juice	16 Breakfast pizza Fruit Orange juice	17
18	19 PB & J uncrustable Fruit Cherry juice	20 Cheese omelet Toast Fruit Cherry juice	21 Biscuit w/sausage gravy Fruit Cherry juice	22 Pancakes Sausage patty Fruit Cherry juice	23 Assorted cereal Fruit Cherry juice	24
25	26 English muffin Fruit Apple juice	27 Fruit frudel Fruit Apple juice	28 GS-Pop tart JH/HS-Cinnamon breakfast cookie Fruit Apple juice	29 Biscuit Egg patty Sausage patty Fruit Apple juice	30 Donut Fruit Apple juice	

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LUNCH MENU	A variety of milk is available every day. Chef salad and peanut butter sandwiches are available every day at the high school. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.			1 Hamburger on bun French fries Corn Mixed fruit	2 Crispito w/ cheese sauce Mixed vegetables Bread Pears	3
4	5 No School	6 Toasted ham & cheese Potato smiles Green beans Apricots Graham cracker	7 Country Fried Steak Mashed potatoes/gravy Corn Peaches	8 BBQ Rib on bun French fries Carrots Pears Cake w/strawberries	9 GS -Tater tot casserole JH/HS -Loaded tater tot bowl Peas Pineapple	10
11	12 BBQ Pulled pork on bun Baked beans Cole slaw Mandarin oranges	13 Walking taco w/cheese Lettuce/sour cream Corn Pears Pudding	14 Bosco sticks Marinara sauce Peas Pineapple	15 Nacho supreme Sour cream/salsa Jello Mixed fruit	16 Pork tenderloin on bun French fries Green beans Peaches	17
18	19 Sub sandwich Fresh veggies Sun chips Mandarin oranges	20 GS -Popcorn chicken Macaroni & cheese JH/HS -Popcorn chicken bowl Corn Pineapple Juice bar	21 Corn dog Soft pretzel Carrots Peaches	22 Chicken patty on bun French fries Green beans Brownie Pears	23 Sloppy joe on bun Nacho chips/cheese sauce Peas Mixed fruit	24
25	26 GS -Spaghettii Breadstick JH/HS -Ham/hamburger Horseshoe Carrots Apricots	27 Hot dog Chips Baked Beans-JH/HS Cottage cheese Applesauce Cookie	28 11:30 Dismissal SIP Day	29 Chicken fajita Lettuce/salsa Peas Peaches Rice krispy treat	30 Pizza Corn Lettuce salad Pineapple	

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FFA HAPPENINGS

Sara Barton, FFA Advisor

The Hartem FFA worked hard this summer! They showed animals at various fairs, attended the Illinois State FFA Convention, walked in the Emden Homecoming parade, served our annual chicken dinner at Emden homecoming, cleaned barn stalls at the State Fair, and served a farmer appreciation dinner at the Hartsburg Legion. Coming up in September we have horse judging and our annual mum sale! Watch the Hartem FFA Facebook page and the school website for information on when the mums arrive.

VB HOMECOMING WEEK

The 2022 Volleyball Homecoming Week will be September 26th- 30th. Our Homecoming Match will be WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th VS ROUTT. The week will consist of DRESS UP DAYS where each day Monday-Friday will have a theme for all classes K-12th. The class with the most participation will earn a pizza party! Friday will be the Homecoming Assembly with introduction of the team and class competitions.

The SEMI-FORMAL DANCE will be held at the high school on Saturday, October 1st from 7:00-9:30 pm. Tickets will be available through Student Council members. Remember to sign up your out-of-town guests in the office!

