

HARTSBURG-EMDEN CUSD No. 21

OCTOBER 2017 NEWSLETTER

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK

Terry Wisniewski, Superintendent

This time of year my focus is to get back into routine work with the focus on upholding the Schools' Mission Statement – "Hartsburg-Emden Community Unit School District provides an empowering and collaborative environment allowing students to reach their full potential." Excellence requires careful planning and analysis of the district as a whole, which includes more than just the fiscal oversight, which I can admit is a good portion of my dealings. However, school culture and climate is a critical issue schools face. Students are learning more than the 3 R's (Reading, Riting, and Rithmetic, as the old saying goes). An important R that students really need to learn about is Relationships. There isn't a course in relationships. Children need to learn how to treat each other properly; it is critical. October has been established as Bullying Prevention Month. Each year, our staff takes training on identifying, addressing, and reporting bullying. The State has mandated this training and has provided information about bullying. Bullying is an issue that schools have been taking very seriously for many years. Hartsburg-Emden will continue to combat all issues involving bullying. We will continue to address all inappropriate behavior when it is brought forward.

- All students have the right to attend a school where individual differences are respected and to learn in a safe, secure and supportive environment that is free of bullying.
- Three key criteria that distinguish what bullying is:
 - It is intentionally hurtful and/or aggressive behavior
 - It is a pattern of behavior that is repetitive
 - It may happen regularly and over some period of time
 - It involves a perceived imbalance of power or strength
 - The person being bullied feels they have less power or strength

Two Types of Bullying

Direct Bullying may be physical [examples include: hitting, kicking, shoving, spitting, choking] and/or verbal [examples include: name calling, threatening, taunting, malicious teasing]

Indirect Bullying is more subtle and less easy to detect [examples include: intentional social isolation, exclusion, lies, false rumors, and/or reputation slandering]

There is an increasing number of individuals who are using technology to tease, intimidate, threaten, and/or otherwise cause harm to a student, group of students, and/or school personnel [examples include: email messages, instant messages, text messages, digital pictures or images, and Facebook postings].

- Such acts constitute bullying regardless of whether they are committed on or off school district property.
 - Bullying that happens off school grounds usually has ramifications in some form at school
- Bullying interferes directly with a student's ability to learn. Students who are bullied may find it difficult to concentrate and sometimes experience a decline in grades and a diminished sense of confidence/self-esteem.
- The responsibility preventing bullying rests on the entire school community including parents, administrators, teachers, staff, and students.

- Everyone is responsible for helping prevent bullying
 - The biggest thing everyone can do is to report it when they observe it happening
- Parents play a crucial role in helping with bullying prevention
 - If your child is being bullied, or if you are aware of others who are the targets of such behavior, please report this information immediately to your child's teacher or an administrator
 - We appreciate your support in addressing this important issue
- The district's goals with bullying are:
 - Prevent all bullying and to take action to investigate, respond to, remediate, and when appropriate, discipline acts of bullying
 - Address issues as soon as possible and correct any misbehavior as soon as possible
 - Pursue a safe environment where all students respect each other
 - Continually encourage our students to treat each other with dignity and respect
 - Have our students follow the golden rule: treat others as you wish to be treated
 - Encourage our students to not tolerate and report all bullying

On a final note: I love the fall season. The changing of the color of the trees and cooler days is such a great opportunity to be outside to enjoy some of nature's wonders. I hope you all find the time to enjoy it; it seems like such a short season.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Jon Leslie, Principal

Welcome to the October Edition of the Hartsburg-Emden Newsletter. It is hard to believe that the first month and a half of school is behind us. First off, I would like to thank all of our parents and guardians in helping to make a smooth transition into the school year. The first several weeks of school marks the beginning of many routines. The success of our students in their education endeavors starts at home. Thank you for helping to establish these routines with your children. By the time you receive this newsletter, you will have received progress reports in the mail. Please keep in mind that you can check your child's grades online at any time. If you need assistance in doing so, please do not hesitate in contacting the main office. Also, please note that we have Parent/Teacher Conferences on Wednesday, October 4th and Thursday, October 5th from 3:30-7:00 both days. Congratulations to our September Star Stags-Denver Merz, sophomore and Maddie Maaks, 8th grade.

September has flown by. Our junior high school softball and baseball seasons have come to an end. Thank you to our parents and players for a good season. Especially thank you to our coaches Kortney Hoerbert, Josh Riggs, Jay McAfee, Steve Farris, and Brady Wolpert for all of the time and guidance that they provided for our students. Homecoming Week was a success. It was filled with dress up days, assemblies, spirit games, a dance, and of course volleyball games. Thank you to everyone that helped to make homecoming week a success.

October will prove to be a very busy month. Please be sure to read the rest of this newsletter along with checking out the school calendar so you don't miss any of the activities. We will be celebrating Fire Prevention Week and Red Ribbon Week in which we encourage students to remain drug free. Junior High Basketball will begin around the middle of the month. And, our high school fall athletics teams will begin the IHSA State Tournament Series with Regionals.

Again, please check our school calendar for more of a complete listing of all our activities, and I hope that you can find time in your very busy schedules to join in what we have to offer here at Hartem.

Go Stags!!!

CLASS OF 2019 HOG RAFFLE

The Junior Class will be selling chances for ½ a hog for your freezer... Pork Chops, Bacon, Hams, Loins, Roasts.

Tickets are \$1.00 each or (6) for \$5.00. All the juniors will have them for sale Oct. 8th – Oct. 22nd. The drawing will be held October 25th.

We will pick (2) winners – each winner will receive ½ hog ready for pick-up at the Atlanta Locker. Please support the Class of 2019!

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Matt Stoltzenburg, Athletic Director

The junior high girls' softball team and boys' baseball team recently finished their seasons in their respective regionals. I would like to thank all the players and coaches for their hard work and dedication.

The high school golf team recently won the Tomahawk Conference at Coyote Creek. Their next test will come in the regional on October 3rd.

The high school girls' varsity volleyball team will travel to Quincy to play in an invitational on October 7th. The JV team will participate in a tournament on the 14th at Pleasant Plains. Then, the varsity will travel back to Quincy for the QNC tourney on the 20th and 21st. They have home games on the 2, 10, and 17, with the last match being Senior Night against Illini Bluffs. Their regionals will be starting on October 23rd.

The last fall sport, cross country, will have its Tomahawk meet on October 17th. Alex Vetter and Evan Rohlf will be representing us on that date.

Looking ahead, jr. high basketball is nearing its start. Tryouts will begin on October 16th and the first games are in the Midwest Central Tournament on October 28, 30, and November 4. Good luck to all our student-athletes and coaches as they represent the Hartem Stags.



HSVB FUNDRAISING SUPPER

The High School Volleyball Team is hosting a FAT BOYS BBQ supper on Senior Night – Tuesday, October 17th. Supper will be 4:30-6:00. Meal tickets are \$8.00 and includes, PULLED PORK SANDWICH, BAKED BEANS, COLE SLAW, PEGGY'S PLACE HOMEMADE COOKIE, AND DRINK. Tickets will be sold by all the HSVB players and coaches. Tickets can be bought in advance or at the door, carry-outs are available. Thank you for continuing to support Hartem Volleyball!

SENIOR BETA CLUB BLOOD DRIVE

The Sr. Beta Club is sponsoring a blood drive with the American Red Cross on Friday, November 17 from 10am-2pm in the HS Gym. The Red Cross is in need of blood, especially after the hurricanes that have hit the southern U.S. recently. You can sign up on the Red Cross website or app, or by emailing John Robinson (jrobinson@hartem.org) to schedule a time. Even if the time changes later, it is preferred that you have an appointment. Also, for every 35 pints of blood that is collected at the blood drives during this school year, a graduating senior will receive a scholarship (minimum \$250). Please consider donating and help those in need by donating.

GREEN TEAM CORNER

Hartsburg-Emden is a Recycle Rally School. The recycle bins are located throughout both schools. You can also find recycle bins in Hartsburg across the street from the fire department and in Emden behind the community house. Students may also participate at home with recycling. If a student places a large or extra-large bag of aluminum or plastic in the bin, please let Cleola at the grade school or Mrs. Conn at the high school know. You can also text 217-828-1363 with the student's name. Students receive a punch card to track their progress recycling. Rewards will be given on Earth Day in April. Last year more than 50,000 containers were recycled. Our goal this year is 100,000. Feel free to check out the Recycle Rally site at pepsicorecycling.com to track our progress. We also continue to collect dried-up markers. Containers are located at both schools. Thank you to all those actively participating and thank you for all of the wonderful community support!!!

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

Amanda Feltes, K-12 Guidance Counselor

Progress Reports were sent home on Sept. 20th. This is a great opportunity to review your child's progress towards semester grades.

If your child needs academic support:

- Discuss the course with your child. What challenges are they facing?
- Make sure you have Tyler Gradebook access. Check this often to help your child stay up-to-date with his/her course and remind them to turn in any missing assignments.
- Contact the teacher to get more information about the course expectations and outline- some teachers use a website to communicate information
- Students should attend before/after school help sessions with teachers, if possible

Campus Visits

- Now is the time! Visit any college/university/technical school that you may be interested in. Remember- Juniors are allowed up to 2 excused absences and Seniors are allowed up to 3 excused absences for campus visits. Fill out a pre-arrangement form in the office as soon as you know the date you will be absent.

College Fairs/Information

- The Greater McLean County College Fair will take place on October 10th from 5:30 – 7:00 pm at Illinois State University. Visit admissions.illinoisstate.edu/collegefair or the HEHS Guidance webpage for more information. This is a great opportunity for all students to gather information and ask questions about any college they may be interested in attending.
- Be sure to check the Guidance webpage for the most current information about college fairs and events.

College Applications

- Seniors – Make sure you get started on those college applications! With the earlier FAFSA date, many universities are looking at earlier application deadlines. Be sure to check with each school to determine important deadlines.

Speaking of the FAFSA...

- The FAFSA opens for applications on October 1st, 2017. All seniors should submit their applications as soon as possible in order for the best opportunity for federal assistance. Many schools are asking students to have their FAFSA applications submitted by a priority deadline of November 15th. Many university scholarships may also fall under this date.
- Hartsburg-Emden High School will be hosting a **FAFSA Completion Workshop** on **Thursday, October 19th, 2017**. All seniors and their parents are strongly encouraged to attend. A representative from the Illinois Student Assistance Commission will be providing a brief presentation about the FAFSA and will be available to provide hands-on assistance in completing the FAFSA application on-site. This workshop will take place in the HS computer lab from **6:00 – 7:00 pm**. Please RSVP with Mrs. Feltes (afeltes@hartem.org) for a list of important items to bring with you to the workshop. If you cannot attend this workshop but would still like to attend a completion workshop, visit isac.org and search "Outreach Activities Calendar" for a list of upcoming workshops across Illinois.

BAND/CHOIR NEWS

ILMEA Auditions - We will have a few students auditioning for the Illinois District 4 Ensembles on October 9th. These auditions are to perform with an elite group of students from this and the surrounding communities. Preparation for these auditions are no easy task and these students should be commended for their efforts. If your student is interested in auditioning next year, let me know so we can start preparing now.

Halloween Parade - The 6th/7th grade band will be leading the parade on October 31st in Emden. Students are encouraged to wear a costume. If you would like to witness this spooky spectacular the parade starts at 1:00 pm.

FFA NEWS

Elizabeth Fanning, FFA Sponsor

The FFA has mums for sale. They are 1 for \$9 or 3 for \$24. Call or stop by the school to get yours!

They are Huge!

Thank you for your support.

This month the FFA will be participating in the Land Use CDE, trap shooting, at tours, and National FFA Convention in Indianapolis.

Addam Hoerbert placed Top 10 in Section 14 Horse Judging!



JH STUDENT COUNCIL

The students at Hartem Junior High elected student council members last month. Members of the student council will hold monthly meetings that will focus on leadership, diversity, academic achievement, school/community involvement, and school spirit. Student council will plan community service projects and student activities for junior high students. The Junior High Student Council is responsible for Red Ribbon Week (Drug/Alcohol Awareness) and other community service projects throughout the year.

Congratulations to the following students who were elected as Student Council Representatives:

6th Grade: Izzy Cox and Evan Cross

7th Grade: Lily Barry and Prescott Davis

8th Grade: Jenna Benner and Blake Martin

8th Grade: Gillian Harris, **President** and Cohnor Langley, **Vice-President**

For their first community service project, student council collected donations for an animal shelter in Austin, Texas. This shelter has been instrumental in helping with rescued pets affected by Hurricane Harvey. Student council collected \$75 that has been sent to Austin Pets Alive! Thanks to everyone who donated!

Our second community service project will be **SOCKTOBER**. Students in grades 6-8 will collect **NEW** socks that will be donated to a local charity. If you would like to donate new socks to our cause, please send to the high school office or give to a student in grades 6-8. The junior high class that collects the most will receive a class reward!

***We will collect NEW SOCKS Oct 1st-Oct 31st ***

FIT FOR HARTEM

The junior high "Fit For Hartem" student for September is Allison Levertton. Allison brings sportsmanship, positive energy, knowledge of the activity and willingness to help fellow class mates and the teachers in his class every day. She is a true example of what "Fit For Hartem" means. Congrats Allison!

Ms. Brooks would like to congratulate this student and thank them for what they bring and give every day!



CATCH MVP

"CATCH MVP" is based on student's attendance, enthusiasm, nutrition, sportsmanship, respectfulness, attitude and participation.

The grade school "CATCH MVP" student for September is Andrew Zimmerman. Andrew brings positive sportsmanship, energy, game day attitude, and willingness to help fellow class mates and the teachers in his class every day. He is a true example of what "CATCH MVP" means. Congrats Andrew!

YEARBOOK DONATION

The Antler staff would like to thank Mrs. Strotheide, wife of the late science teacher Mr. Strotheide, for the generous donation of her husband's yearbooks. His collection included books that the staff collection was missing and even books that community members had been seeking. Thank you for thinking of us!

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Welcome back to school, parents!

Clipping Box Tops is an easy way for you to help our school. Box Tops are each worth 10 cents and quickly add up to real cash for our school. All you have to do is clip Box Tops from participating products and send to school with your child. There are 2 redemption dates a year – Nov. 1st and March 1st. After our Box Tops are sent in, the school receives a check in December and April. Sign up at www.BTFE.com to stay updated on our school's earnings. Members also receive exclusive coupon offers and recipes and can learn about extra ways for our school to earn more cash. If you have any questions, please contact me at 217-376-3151 or cfletcher@hartem.org



SEPTEMBER BREAKFAST & LUNCH COSTS

20 Student Breakfasts	@\$2.00	\$40.00
20 Reduced Student Breakfasts	@\$0.40	\$8.00
20 Student Lunches	@\$2.65	\$53.00
20 Reduced Student Lunches	@\$0.60	\$12.00

Students at Hartsburg will need to pay for seconds. Entrées are \$.90, vegetable/fruit are \$.50 and milk is \$.40. Seconds need to be paid for at the time they are served. Adult lunches purchased are \$3.15. You can check your student's meal account balance using the Parent Portal. Contact Erika at the high school if you need assistance in accessing this information.

EMDEN ELEMENTARY HALLOWEEN PARADE

Come see our Ghosts and Goblins walking the street of Emden on Monday, October 31st. The parade will start at 1:00 at the Grade School and will continue walking through downtown! All students grades K-5 will participate led by the 6th/7th grade band.

AG IN THE CLASSROOM

Again this year, Emden Elementary has teamed up with the University of Illinois Extension Office to do the Ag in the Classroom. It is a great opportunity for our kids to be introduced to agriculture and the important part it plays in our daily lives. Once a month, Amy Hyde comes to each classroom and conducts a 30 minute lesson on an agriculture topic. In September, we learned all about apples, and in October we are learning about pumpkins! Looking forward to an exciting year!

4TH GRADE ADOPT-A-CALF

The 4th Grade Class has once again teamed up with The Hoerbert Dairy Farm and The American Dairy Council and adopt-a-calf! Once a month, Terry Hoerbert comes to our class and teaches us all there is to know about dairy farms and Jersey cows. We enjoy this experience and are so lucky to have this opportunity! Our calf, COCOA, was born September 20th! We are super excited!

VETERANS DAY PROGRAM

Emden Elementary would like to invite the community to join us in honoring our veterans in a special program. The program will take place at Emden Elementary on Wednesday, Nov. 8th in the gym and will begin at 1:00.



UPCOMING EVENTS

The Junior Class will be hosting a Pancake & Sausage Breakfast and Christmas Craft Show on Sunday, December 10th at the Emden Community House. Mark your calendars! We are inviting SANTA!! If you are a vendor and interested in a spot, call the high school (217) 642-5244 and leave your information for Jennifer Hayes.



Congratulations September Star Stags!!!!



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<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
1 School Calendar	2 HSV B vs. MWC 6:00	3 HSV B @ IC 6:00 Golf-1A Reg. TBA	4 Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30- 7:00	5 Picture Re-Take Day FFA-Land Use @ Pawnee 11:00 Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30-7:00	6 No School	7 HSV B @ Quincy Invitational TBA
8	9 ILMEA Auditions No School Columbus Day	10 HSV B vs. Springfield Lutheran 6:00 Golf-1A Sect. @ Crane Creek	11 PSAT-Jrs.	12 HSV B @ Greenview 6:00	13 Golf-State @ Prairie Vista-Bloomington	14 HSV B @ Pleasant Plains JV Tourn TBA Golf-State @ Prairie Vista-Bloomington JH Speech-Zion Lutheran Contest
15	16 Board Meeting 7:00 JHBK-1 st practice	17 HSV B vs. Illini Bluffs 6:00 (Sr. Night) HSV B Fundraising Supper @ HS Café 4:30-6:00	18 HSV B @ Rountt Catholic 6:00 2:00 Dismissal Faculty Meeting	19 FAFSA Completion Workshop @ HS computer lab 6:00-7:00	20 Qtr 1 Report Cards HSV B @ Quincy N.D. TBA	21 HSV B @ Quincy N.D. TBA
22	23 HSV B-1A Reg. TBA	24 HSV B-1A Reg. TBA	25 HSV B-1A Reg. TBA FFA-Nat'l Convention	26 HSV B-1A Reg. TBA FFA-Nat'l Convention	27 FFA-Nat'l Convention	28 JHBK @ MWC Tip-Off Tourn 12:00 FFA-Nat'l Convention
29	30 JHBK @ MWC Tip-Off Tourn 6:00 Red Ribbon Week October 30-November 3	31 HSV B-1A Sect. TBA Halloween Parade @ Emden Elementary 1:00				

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A variety of milk is available every day.
This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
1 Breakfast Menu	2 Cheese omelet Toast Mixed fruit Orange juice	3 French toast sticks Cherry star juice Orange juice	4 Breakfast pizza Pears Orange juice	5 Pancakes Pineapple Orange juice	6 No School	7
8	9 No School Columbus Day	10 Pancake and sausage On a stick Cherry star juice Apple juice	11 Bagel Cream cheese Apricots Apple juice	12 Donut Toast Mandarin oranges Apple juice	13 Cereal bar Toast Pears Apple juice	14
15	16 Assorted cereal Fruit Orange juice	17 Pop tart Toast Applesauce Orange juice	18 Waffles Peaches Orange juice	19 Fruit frudel Pineapple Orange juice	20 English muffin Egg patty Pears Orange juice	21
22	23 Pancakes Mixed fruit Apple juice	24 Peanut butter & jelly Jamwich Mandarin oranges Apple juice	25 French toast Pears Apple juice	26 Fast start breakfast bar Cherry star juice Apple juice	27 Biscuit Sausage patty Apricots Apple juice	28
29	30 Yogurt parfait Toast Fruit cocktail Orange juice	31 Cheese omelet Toast Peaches Orange juice				

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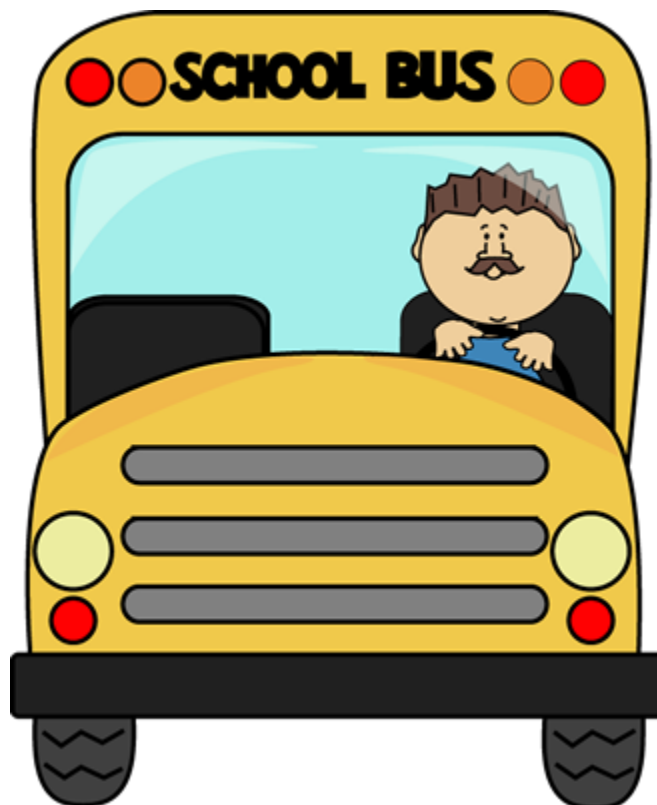
<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
Lunch Menu	<p>A variety of milk is available every day. Chef salad and side salads are available every day at the high school. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.</p>					
1	2 Hamburger on bun Tomato/onion slices Romaine salad Strawberries Cake	3 Beef nachos supreme Lettuce/tomatoes Southwest chick peas Corn Pears	4 Chicken nuggets Bread Peas Trail mix Pineapple	5 Crispito Cheese sauce Bread Cooked carrots Peaches Pudding	6 No School	7
8	9 No School Columbus Day	10 Salisbury steak Mashed potatoes/gravy Green beans Bread Apricots	11 Pork tenderloin on bun Corn Garden salad Mandarin oranges	12 Toasted cheese Tomato soup Mini carrots Pears	13 Hot dog on bun Oven fries Baked beans Applesauce	14
15	16 Fish square on bun Macaroni and cheese Peas Applesauce	17 Creamed chicken On biscuit Green beans Peaches Jello	18 Sub sandwich Fresh veggies/dip Hard pretzels Pineapple	19 Soft taco Salsa, lettuce, cheese Cooked carrots Pears Vanilla wafers	20 Corn dog Mixed vegetables Pasta salad with veggies Mixed fruit	21
22	23 Chicken strips Bread Corn Mandarin oranges Juice bar	24 Chili with crackers Carrots/celery Pears Cinnamon roll	25 Hot ham & cheese Peas Goldfish crackers Baked apples	26 Tater tot casserole Green beans Bread Apricots	27 Pizza Romaine salad Fruit cocktail Trail mix	28
29	30 Crispito Cheese sauce Peas Carrots Bread Peaches	31 Chicken patty on bun Sun chips Cherry star juice Fruit				

Ad for Substitute Bus Driver

Position: Hartsburg-Emden School District is looking for Substitute Bus Drivers. We are looking for Sub Bus Drivers who could be available to run morning and afternoon routes on short notice and/or available to drive when we have athletic and extra-curricular events. If you are interested in helping transport Hartem students on routes, athletic or extra-curricular events, please contact the District Office.

Qualifications: Must be able to successfully pass a criminal background check, drug screen and physical exam (as mandated the Illinois Department of Transportation) and must have bus driver training course (CDL License with SBP CLASS B – school bus endorsement). Assistance can be provided to help you through the licensing process. Any Questions, please contact Terry Wisniewski, Superintendent.

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