

# HARTSBURG-EMDEN CUSD No. 21

## SEPTEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

### FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK

Terry Wisniewski, Superintendent

Welcome Back!! It was certainly a full summer! Hopefully, your summer was filled with many memories. Likewise, we hope the anticipation and excitement of the start of another school year will help create new memories for everyone. It is a great honor and privilege for me to continue to serve as your superintendent. I look forward to meeting the new challenges as our district continues to grow and become the best place for students to be.

To begin the school year, I'd like to focus on a continual growth mindset. As is the case with many things, it is often important to understand its opposite, a fixed mindset. There's substantial debate about what exactly constitutes a fixed mindset, but we can at least nail down some of the primary factors. A fixed mindset essentially means that you believe your attributes and abilities are inherently fixed and unchanging. One is good at math or not. One has athletic ability or not. One can write or not. These beliefs about different attributes and abilities go on and on with a fixed mindset. It's common for people with a fixed mindset to believe that his/her general qualities are fixed traits that can't be changed. With a fixed mindset, an individual assumes that his/her intelligence, creativity, or athletic ability are static and can't change in any meaningful way. You have it or you don't. Fixed mindsets are very easy to establish. Most individuals avoid those things they aren't good at. If a fixed mindset is left unchecked, it can eventually lead to quitting as soon as one is met with a challenge which leads to a lack of success or failure. The fixed mindset convinces the person they just don't have the ability or talent to perform the task. So, he/she avoids it as much as possible.

Now let's talk about the growth mindset. If one has this perspective, he/she tends to see levels of intelligence, skill, talent, and success. He/She believes in a starting point and grows from there. There are numerous stepping stones toward development and improvement. This growth mindset is founded on the belief that one can grow with dedication, hard work, time, and a commitment to getting better, smarter, and more talented about

whatever he/she chooses. If you have a growth mindset, you believe you can increase your knowledge, creativity, or athletic ability. A growth mindset person doesn't let challenge or failure stop him/her from performing the task, especially if he/she enjoys it. He/She looks to learn from their mistakes or failures and seeks improvement. It is so important in education that we show students a growth mindset and avoid the pitfalls of a fixed mindset. If each and every student is truly to reach their full potential, a growth mindset is essential.

Again, Welcome Back!! I'm looking forward to another great school year.

### SEPTEMBER BREAKFAST/LUNCH PRICES

19 Student Breakfasts	@\$2.00	\$38.00
19 Reduced Student Breakfasts	@\$0.30	\$5.70
18 Student Lunches	@\$2.65	\$47.70
18 Reduced Student Lunches	@\$0.40	\$7.20

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.

### VOLLEYBALL HOMECOMING WEEK

The 2018 Volleyball Homecoming Week will be September 24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>. Our Homecoming Match and Pack the Place Night will be **Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup> vs. Williamsville**. The week will consist of DRESS UP DAYS where each day Monday-Friday will have a theme for all classes K-12<sup>th</sup>. 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, September 29<sup>th</sup>, 7:30-9:30pm**. Tickets will be available through Student Council members. Remember to sign up your out-of-town guests in the office!

### LIVE WAX MUSEUM & SCIENCE FAIR

The 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies class will be putting on a Live Wax Museum on September 25<sup>th</sup> in the hallways of Hartsburg-Emden Jr.-Sr. High School, alongside the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Science Fair, which will be presented in the cafeteria from 6:00-7:00. The Class of 2020 will have a bake sale in the entryway to the wax museum and science fair. Please come out to support all of our hard-working students & see history come to life and our future scientists at their science fair!!

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Jon Leslie, Principal

Welcome Back!!! I can hardly believe that we are already several days into the school year. The start of the school year is always an exciting time for everyone. Our students are now into a daily school routine and are ready to be challenged on a daily basis. Our fall sports and activities are in the full swing of their seasons and are doing a fantastic job, and our teachers and staff are rested and are ready to give everything they have to educate your child.

We hired three new teachers this summer. Here is a quick rundown of our new faculty members:

Hannah Blackwell  
6-12 Music Teacher  
Wartburg College  
2<sup>nd</sup> Year Teacher



Abigail Malaga  
9-12 Spanish Teacher  
Illinois State University  
1<sup>st</sup> Year Teacher



Kenyon Jodlowski  
9-12 Agriculture Teacher  
Illinois State University  
1<sup>st</sup> Year Teacher



We here at Hartem are very excited to be back and look forward to both the joys and challenges that are ahead. We want your child to be happy and successful here at Hartem, and you as a parent or guardian play a key role. I am free to discuss any suggestions or concerns that you may have. We look forward to continuing to work together as a team to provide your child with the very best educational experience possible. Go Stags!!!

## ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Matthew Stoltzenburg, Athletic Director

Welcome back to all you Hartem fans. School has started and our sports teams are in full stride. The junior high softball team is over half done with their season already. Our new coach Steve Awe and the girls are nearly ready to begin their postseason play. The girls begin their regional on September 5<sup>th</sup>. Coach McAfee, and the boys have also started playing baseball. We have also welcomed a new assistant in second year math teacher Bob Ham. We will host the Logan County baseball tournament on September 1<sup>st</sup>. You can also see the boys play at McGraw field on September 4<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. They will begin regional play on the 11<sup>th</sup>.

Coach Robinson and the golf team have started swinging the sticks. They will be in a couple of tournaments this month with the Tomahawk Conference Meet on September 10<sup>th</sup> and the Clinton Invite on September 17<sup>th</sup>. They will have home matches on September 5, 12, and 13 in Atlanta at North Greens golf course. Our last fall sports team, the high school volleyball team, started their season on August 28<sup>th</sup> vs Delavan. They will have home games on September 10, 18, and 27. The girls also travel to Casey for a tournament on September 1<sup>st</sup> and participate in the Mt. Pulaski Fall Festival on September 14 + 15.

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 another great year. Go 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>
<b>School Calendar</b>						<b>1</b> JHBB-Host LoCo Tourn TBA HSVB @ Casey-Westfield Tourn 9:30
<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>  <b>No School</b>	<b>4</b> JHSB vs. W-L 4:30 (8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Night) JHBB vs. Athens 4:30 Golf @ Country Hills 4:00 HSVB @ Lewistown 6:00	<b>5</b> JHSB-1A Reg. TBA Golf @ North Greens 4:00	<b>6</b> JHBB @ IC 4:15  Instrument Night @ HS Café 5:30	<b>7</b> JHBB @ Heyworth 4:30	<b>8</b> JHSB-1A Reg. TBA
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> JHSB-1A Reg. TBA JHBB vs. MWC 4:30 (8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Night) Golf @ Sunset Hills Pekin 11:00 HSVB vs. Tremont 6:00	<b>11</b> JHBB-1A Reg. TBA HSVB @ Athens 6:00	<b>12</b> Golf @ North Greens 4:00	<b>13</b> Golf @ North Greens 4:00	<b>14</b> <i>Qtr 1 Prog. Rpts.</i> HSVB @ MP Fall Festival TBA	<b>15</b> JHSB-1A Sect. TBA JHBB-1A Reg. TBA HSVB @ MP Fall Festival TBA
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> <i>Budget Hearing 6:45</i> <i>Board Mtg. 7:00</i> JHBB-1A Reg. TBA HS Golf @ Clinton Country Club 3:00 HSVB @ W-L 6:00	<b>18</b> Golf @ The Rail 4:00 HSVB vs. Prairie Central 6:00	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> HSVB @ MP 6:00	<b>21</b> JHSB-1A State TBA	<b>22</b> JHSB-1A State TBA JHBB-1A Sect. TBA
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Scholastic Book Fair @ Emden Elementary  7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Live Wax Museum and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Science Fair @ HS 6:00-7:00	<b>25</b> Scholastic Book Fair @ Emden Elementary  Golf @ Country Hills 4:00  Family Reading Night @ Emden Elementary 6:00	<b>26</b> Scholastic Book Fair @ Emden Elementary  <b>11:30 Dismissal</b> <b>SIP Day</b>	<b>27</b> Scholastic Book Fair @ Emden Elementary HSVB vs. Williamsville 6:00 (Homecoming Game) Golf @ Highland vs. Central Cath. 4:00	<b>28</b> Scholastic Book Fair @ Emden Elementary JHBB-1A State TBA HS Scholastic Bowl Trivia Night @ HS Gym Doors Open 6:30 Trivia Starts 7:00	<b>29</b> JHBB-1A State TBA Homecoming Dance @ HS Café 7:30-9:30
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<b>Breakfast Menu</b>						1
2	3 <b>No School</b>	4 Bagel Cream cheese Peaches Orange juice	5 Mini pancakes Apricots Orange juice	6 Biscuit Sausage patty Peaches Orange juice	7 French toast Mixed fruit Orange juice	8
9	10 Fruit frudel Pears Apple juice	11 Cheese omelet Toast Pears Apple juice	12 English muffin Egg patty with cheese Peaches Apple juice	13 Peanut butter & Jelly jamwich Mandarin oranges Apple juice	14 Cereal bar Toast Mixed fruit Apple juice	15
16	17 Assorted muffins Pineapple Orange juice	18 Breakfast burrito Peaches Orange juice	19 Breakfast pizza Apricots Orange juice	20 Strawberry parfait Toast Applesauce Orange juice	21 Waffles Peas Orange juice	22
23	24 French toast sticks Mixed fruit Apple juice	25 Donut Pears Apple juice	26 Pancakes Applesauce Apple juice	27 Pancake & Sausage On a stick Mandarin oranges Apple juice	28 Biscuit & gravy Peaches Apple juice	29
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<b>Lunch Menu</b>						1
2	3 <b>No School</b>	4 BBQ Rib on bun Potato Smiles Cole Slaw Apricots	5 Taco Lettuce/Salsa Refried beans Peaches Jello	6 Grilled chicken wrap Lettuce/tomato Corn Mixed fruit Graham crackers	7 Cheeseburger on bun Sun chips Cooked carrots Baked apples	8
9	10 Pizza Romaine salad Pears Pears	11 Chicken fajita Lettuce/salsa/cheese Corn Peaches Pudding	12 Hot turkey on bun French fries Baked beans Mandarin oranges	13 Sloppy joe on bun Nacho chips Green beans Mixed fruit	14 Corn dog Soft pretzel Mixed vegetables Pineapple	15
16	17 Crispito with cheese Peas Bread Peaches Italian ice	18 Tater tot casserole Green beans Bread Apricots	19 Pork tenderloin on bun Broccoli Cottage cheese Applesauce	20 Chicken patty on bun Fresh veggies with dip Hard pretzels Pears	21 Assorted sandwiches Pasta salad Corn Mixed fruit	22
23	24 Chicken nuggets Cooked carrots Pears Bread Blueberry cake	25 Quesadilla pizza Salsa Romaine salad Corn Applesauce	26 <b>11:30 Dismissal SIP Day</b>	27 Spaghetti w/meat sauce Breadstick Green beans Peaches	28 Toasted cheese sandwich Tomato soup Crackers Mini carrots Pineapple	29
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## GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a wonderful summer. I am excited to see all of the students back to school and ready to start a fresh new school year. I am looking forward to a great year. Here are a few tips to help everyone kick off the new school year on the right foot:

- **Get Involved!** It is important for students to not only have consistent attendance at school, but also have an active role in their classes and school community. School is not just about academics. It is also about learning from and making the most of social and extracurricular experiences. Talk to your teachers about what opportunities are available.
- **Make the most of your study time!** Put those study halls to good use. It is far easier to keep up than to catch up. The brain tends to more easily retrieve information that has been learned continuously rather than crammed in a few hours. If you devote thirty minutes every day to each subject, you will find yourself retaining information better.
- **Get to know your teachers and counselor!** Students who need help often do not ask for it or wait too long to get it. You will find that your teachers and counselors want to help you, but they cannot read your mind.
- **Keep a balance in your life!** School can be stressful and fast-paced at times. Taking care of yourself will help you through these times. Getting enough sleep each night, eating right, and spending some fun time with family and friends are key steps in staying physically healthy and mentally alert. All work and no play can make for an unhealthy student. Come see your counselor if you are feeling overwhelmed.
- **Set reasonable goals for yourself and periodically check your progress!** Take time now to determine what you want to accomplish this year. Tape your goals to the wall so you can remind yourself daily of what you hope to achieve. It works!

- Also, the Tyler portal is a great way to track your grades and see if you are missing anything. Make it a habit to check this often.

### Important Reminders for High School Students **PSAT**

The [PSAT/NMSQT](#) will be administered at HEHS on Wednesday, October 10, 2018. The deadline to register will be Monday, September 10, 2018. The cost to take the test is \$16. Contact Mrs. Feltes ASAP to register. While this is not a required assessment, I strongly encourage all sophomores and juniors to consider taking this test in the Fall 2018. Illinois will be administering the mandatory SAT to all 11<sup>th</sup> grade students in the spring of 2019. The PSAT will be an excellent practice run for the SAT **and** juniors will have the opportunity to qualify for the National Merit Scholarship.

### **Remind.com**

The HEHS Counseling Department has created an account with remind.com to send alerts to students about registration, colleges visiting HEHS, scholarship opportunities, college entrance exam deadlines, college fairs, course selection, as well as other information and opportunities. Students and parents are encouraged to create an account at remind.com or download the app to receive alerts. Remind is a free, safe and simple messaging tool that helps teachers and staff share important updates and reminders with students & parents. Subscribe by text, email or using the Remind app. All personal information is kept private. The HEHS Counseling Staff will never see your phone number, nor will you see theirs. Grade level access information is listed below.

Freshmen – Text @**39bbeb** to **81010** for text notifications or visit [rmd.at/39bbeb](http://rmd.at/39bbeb) to sign up for email notifications or download the app on your smartphone

Sophomores – Text @**cdg3e** to **81010** for text notifications or visit [rmd.at/cdg3e](http://rmd.at/cdg3e) to sign up for email notifications or download the app on your smartphone

Juniors – Text @**49aaf9** to **81010** for text notifications or visit [rmd.at/49aaf9](http://rmd.at/49aaf9) to sign up for email notifications or download the app on your smartphone

Seniors – Text @**e63he2** to **81010** for text notifications or visit [rmd.at/e63he2](http://rmd.at/e63he2) to sign up for email notifications or download the app on your smartphone

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### Planning Ahead

The 2018-2019 *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) will be available on October 1<sup>st</sup> this year. Any student planning to attend college in the 2019-2020 school year will need to submit the FAFSA application. It is recommended to submit this application as soon as possible to ensure the best access to financial assistance. We will be planning another FAFSA Completion Workshop in October (Date is TBD). Keep an eye out for flyers sent home and the next newsletter for that date.

### HARTEM GEAR FUNDRAISER

The Class of 2019 and the Hartem Volleyball Team are selling Hartem gear. There is a great variety of items from Stag T-shirts, sweatshirts, leggings, and baseball caps! The Grade School and High School offices have forms as well as any volleyball player or Class of 2019 student! So order your spirit wear and come support your STAGS!!

**All forms and money are due no later than Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> - we CANNOT accept late orders!**

### VOLLEYBALL SPIRIT!

AGAIN this season we are trying to fill the bleachers with ORANGE AND BLACK! Come enjoy a game of volleyball wearing school colors and get a chance at \$10. We will pick a winner each home game! Let's get this school year started off right!

**GO HARTEM!**

### HARTEM FFA

Kenyon Jodlowski, FFA Sponsor

The Hartem FFA Chapter has a very busy schedule coming up in September. Any student interested in attending to these contests or would like to be involved in FFA can contact Mr. Jodlowski ([kjodlowski@hartem.org](mailto:kjodlowski@hartem.org)).

- September 7th: Lincoln Land Community College Ag Expo
- September 19th: Section Leadership Training School & Greenhand Quiz Bowl
- September 24th: Section 14 Ag Sales CDE
- September 26th: University of Illinois Greenhand Conference

The Hartem FFA Chapter will also be selling beef sticks for \$1 each. See Mr. Jodlowski during school if you would like to buy beef sticks.

### BAND DEPARTMENT NEWS

Hannah Blackwell, JH/HS Band and Choir Director

Music at Hartem is off to a running start! All of the ensembles are getting back into the swing of things after a long summer, and we are already working on parade music, pep band, and Christmas music for our Winter concert. I am working on setting up lesson times for students so that I am able to give them more individualized practice time and help them further improve as musicians.

If your student is interested in participating in ILMEA this year, please make sure that they make me aware as quickly as possible. This is a wonderful event for students to play with the best of the best in the state. I would love to see many students take advantage of this opportunity.

The sixth graders have been learning about the different instruments they might play this year in band, and taking turns conducting each other as we learn the basics of rhythm and counting. The kids seem very excited to be learning a new skill, so please help to encourage them to practice at home once they get their instruments.

We will be holding a beginning band night at the High School cafeteria on September 6. We will discuss expectations, as well as answer any questions that you may have as a beginning band parent. If you are in need of an instrument, book or other instrument accessory, Boyd Music will be present to provide options in acquiring these items. If you cannot make this, please send me an email now so that I can provide you with the information you might miss. I am so excited to start these students on their journeys as musicians!

Upcoming Dates:

Beginning Band Night - September 6 @5:30pm in the High School Cafeteria

Emden Halloween Parade - October 31

Winter Semester Concert - December 3 @7:00pm



## **LIBRARY NEWS**

Welcome to a new year of reading!

We are so excited to have some major changes to library this year! Mrs. Grass is our new Library Aide. She has a bachelor's degree in social work and loves working with children. She helps with check-outs at both buildings and read-alouds at the grade school. You can look forward to meeting her at Family Reading Night at the Scholastic Book Fair.

Mrs. Folkman, the high school English teacher, is now serving as the District Library Director. She is in charge of programs and book ordering. We're looking forward to doing lots of great things at both buildings including the Lincoln, Rebecca Caudill, Monarch, and Bluestem Illinois Reading Awards as well as book features and celebrations. We LOVE reading at Hartem and getting more and more amazing books into students' hands is the way to do it. If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at [nfolkman@hartem.org](mailto:nfolkman@hartem.org) or [lgrass@hartem.org](mailto:lgrass@hartem.org). Thank you for helping support and encourage reading in your homes.

## **STUDENT/PARENT INFORMATION UPDATE**

Every year at this time, we update student and family contact information in our student database. If you have had a change in your telephone number or email address in the past year, please forward that information to our district office so that we can remove old and inaccurate information.

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