

HARTSBURG-EMDEN CUSD NO. 21

MAY 2017 NEWSLETTER

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK

Terry Wisniewski, Superintendent

I cannot believe how fast my first two years as Superintendent have flown by (or the last 6 years). I am looking forward to a summer of reflection and anticipation of moving into my third year as Superintendent. As we do close out the school year I would like to take one quick moment to bring up the fact that Teacher Appreciation Week is May 1st – May 5th. It is a good week to notice the important job our teachers do for us all year long. I would like to thank all the Hartsburg-Emden C.U.S.D. #21 teachers. This year (and the last few years) was very productive as we continued the process of **continual growth**. Continual growth has been a term I have frequently used with the staff the past several years as we implemented a new district wide literacy program which has proven to be very effective. It continues to be a term we use as we changed our Mathematics Curriculum. We've doubled Math in the 8th and 9th grades. In K-5, we implemented the new Pearson Envision curriculum along with 6-12 implementing the new Pearson Common Core Curriculum. Now, continual growth has been focusing on making each year better than the previous year. Seek perfection, knowing that perfection is an unattainable goal. We come in with the mindset that we will do better this year than last year, with an idea of those areas (goals) we want to make better. This is also an important message for our students as well. Each and every year, they should seek to improve. No matter what we do, we should always reflect on our performance and see how we can look to improve. In our world, it seems too many individuals don't aspire to become the best individual they can be. Hard work and solid principles go a long way towards success. At Hartem, we seek to instill in our students this belief, so that they may be successful.

In addition to the continual growth term, I've stressed with the staff how important it is for us to be positive. I am naturally a positive person. Positivity and optimism is extremely important in the development of children. However, it seems you can find negativity almost anywhere. At Hartem, we try to maintain an environment where everyone is treated with dignity and respect. This is essential in helping us create a positive environment.

I just returned from the Senior Class Trip. I enjoyed seeing these young adults interact with each other. It was a shining example of what I wish each day at Hartem would be like. They all interacted and treated each other by the golden rule; 'treat others as you wish to be treated'. This made their experience even better and I hope will be something they take with them as they leave Hartsburg-Emden.

In conclusion, even though it is Teacher Appreciation next week, I would also like to send a special thanks to everyone who helps makes Hartsburg-Emden School District a great place for our students. First, the Hartem Community Club, for all that they do. It is a lot of work and time for many of our parents. The parents, thank you for helping us educate and prepare your children for their future. Your assistance helps us tremendously. I would also like to send thanks to the Hartsburg-Emden School Board for supporting our school and having the best interest of our community and students at the center of their service. And again, I thank the entire Hartem Staff, which is always looking for ways to improve and make our district a better place. Happy **Teacher Appreciation Week** to all!!

MAY BREAKFAST & LUNCH COSTS

18 Student Breakfasts	@\$2.00	\$36.00
18 Reduced Student Breakfasts	@\$0.35	\$6.30
18 Student Lunches	@\$2.55	\$45.90
18 Reduced Student Lunches	@\$0.50	\$9.00

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 \$3.05. 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.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Summer office hours will begin on Tuesday, May 30th. Hours will be Monday-Thursday 8:00-2:00 and Friday 8:00-12:00. Regular office hours will resume on Monday, August 7th. The district office will be closed Monday, July 3rd through Friday, July 7th.

2017-2018 REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2017-2018 school year will be Monday, July 17th Noon-7:00pm and Tuesday, July 18th 9:00am-2:00pm. All registration and activity fees must be paid at that time.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Jon Leslie, Principal

Welcome to May. As our school year nears its end, things are getting busier than ever. With that being said, I would like to thank all of the students, parents, teachers, staff members and volunteers that assist in our daily operations and activities. It's amazing to see people step up time after time again whenever help is needed. I would also like to acknowledge our secretaries. They are usually the voice that you hear on the phone or the first face that you see as you come into the office. They do a wonderful job and often times go unnoticed. Thank you for all that you do on a daily basis.

Students, there are only a few short weeks of school left. Every single day matters. You have worked too hard to let your grades or attendance slip. Do your best and achieve. You are more than capable. Take pride in everything that you do whether it is in the classroom, on the stage, in competition, or on the field. Finish the year strong.

There are many activities happening in our District during May. I will highlight a few of them below. Senior exams are May 11th and May 12th. High School Graduation will take place May 13 at 3:00 pm. Eighth Grade Promotion will take place May 18th at 7:00 pm. Our High School Exams will be May 23rd and 24th with our last day of attendance (assuming we don't use any emergency days between now and the end of school) will be May 24th with a 2:00pm dismissal. Please check the rest of this newsletter and our school calendar for many more. We will also update our website regularly to keep you aware of our events.

To The Class of 2017:

You have only a couple weeks remaining until the end of your high school careers. It's amazing how fast the years in high school go. It almost seems as if each year of high school goes just a bit quicker than the year before. You have worked very hard to get to this point in your life, but this is really just the beginning. Take advantage of every opportunity that comes your way. Mistakes are going to happen, but do not be afraid to make them. Use them to your advantage by making them learning experiences. Never be afraid to take risks and in doing so, chase your dreams. Best of luck to you in all that you do. Go Stags!!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, May 10th-2:00 Dismissal
Thursday, May 11th-Sr. Finals
Friday, May 12th-Sr. Finals
Saturday, May 13th-HS Graduation 3:00pm
Thursday, May 18th-8th Grade Promotion 7:00pm
Tuesday, May 23rd-HS Finals, 2:00pm dismissal
Wednesday, May 24th-HS Finals, 2:00pm dismissal
And last day of student attendance

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Matt Stoltzenburg, Athletic Director

The grass is green, the flowers are blooming, and the Stags' spring athletic teams are in midseason form. The junior high track teams are in the Logan County Conference Meet at LCHS on May 3 and their sectional on May 6.

The baseball team is also trying to gain some momentum heading into the postseason. The boys will have home games at the high school on May 1st and 8th, with the latter being Senior Night. Their regional runs May 15th – 20th.

Spring Sports Awards Night will be on May 23rd at 6:00 in the high school gym. We will be honoring the junior high scholastic bowl team, the junior high track teams, the high school baseball team, and the high school bass fishing squad. Hope to see everyone there.

As we come to a close on the 2016-2017 athletic year, I would once again like to thank all the student-athletes, their parents, our coaches, the administration, our school board, and both communities of Hartsburg and Emden for their efforts in making our school and its athletic programs successful.

WHISTLE STOP LIBRARY

SUMMER PROGRAM

Please join us on Thursdays in June from 2:00pm-5:00pm for exciting lessons and activities at the Whistle Stop Library in Emden. Prizes and snacks will be provided! Here are the dates/themes:

June 1st-How to grow things
June 8th-Big machines and what they do
June 15th-Horses from farming to racing
June 22nd-Star Wars day
June 29th-Fossils

KINDERGARTEN PRE-REGISTRATION

If your child will be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2017, he/she will be eligible to register for kindergarten. If you have any concerns about starting your child in kindergarten, please call the school 217-376-3151. We can help you determine if your child is really ready for kindergarten. Kindergarten pre-registration forms have been mailed to families known to the district. If you didn't receive a form, please contact the school office and one will be mailed right away.

Fees must be paid at registration time and you must bring your child's original birth certificate from the County Clerk and social security number. Your child will need to have physical, current immunizations, and eye exam prior to the first day of school August 21, 2017. A dental exam will be required before May 15, 2018.

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

Amanda Feltes, K-12 Guidance Counselor

Summer is just around the corner. Students and faculty have been working hard concluding another great school year. Don't forget, there's still one more month left of the school year. Continue to work hard in this last month and don't let grades or attendance slip. Be sure to talk to your teachers about your grades and anything you are struggling with. There's still time to bring up grades and end the semester strong. I'd like to remind high school students that if they need help in their math class, a tutor is available to help on Fridays at 3:30-4:30 pm in the high school cafeteria. Let Mrs. Feltes know if you plan to attend!

Summers provide important time to plan ahead. Visits to college campuses, academic and sports camp participation, and volunteer/community service activities all come together to strengthen a student's sense of what they find interesting and rewarding. Look for opportunities to grow, build self-confidence and develop important life skills. Try using Career Cruising to help get you started! It is an online career guidance and planning system. Students can use the sites tools to find the right career, explore education and training options, and build their own portfolio. Now is a great time to check out this program and get some career ideas and plans!

Site Username: cusd21

Site Password: stags

To the Class of 2017: In 2 short weeks you will graduate, signaling the end of your high school career. I've enjoyed getting to know each and every one of you and I hope that you will stay in touch following graduation. Graduation marks a significant accomplishment that you should all be very proud of. You are beginning the journey of the rest of your life. Now is the time to find out who you are and who you want to be. If I could offer you one piece of advice, it would be "Don't be afraid to take risks". Yes, there will be challenges on the road ahead in life. Don't hold yourself back because it seems a little scary. Take pride in yourself and believe that you can overcome any obstacle. Education does not stop at graduation. Opportunities to learn will be present in every experience and with every person you meet. Wherever life takes you next, I wish all of you the best of luck in each endeavor.

BAND/CHOIR NEWS

School Play - Congratulations to the students in the cast of *Oz!* who had three extremely successful performances. Thank you to the parents, staff, administration, community and sponsors for all of your support! If you have pictures from one of our performances, please send them to cpluhm@hartem.org, as we would love to see them.

Spring Concert - Our bands and choirs will be performing on May 11th, at 7pm in the high school gymnasium. Please come support our students who have been working especially hard this semester and will be performing some exciting music.

6/7 grade band - For the remainder of the year, practice logs are not mandated assignment. Please note that there will be playing tests and we have a concert coming up, so it is crucial that students still practice. If your student needs some additional points to improve their grade, practice logs will continue to be accepted to achieve that goal.

Graduation Performance - High School Band and High School Choir will be performing at the high school senior's graduation ceremony. As with any performance this is a required event for students to attend. Please email cpluhm@hartem.org with any conflicts.

RETIREMENT CONGRATULATIONS

Lula Belle Barry and Kathy Rohlfs-thank you for your years of service in the Hartsburg-Emden district. We wish you well in your retirement!

EYE, DENTAL, AND PHYSICAL EXAMS AND IMMUNIZATIONS

Erika Sanders, District Secretary



Physical exams are a STATE REQUIREMENT of all Kindergarten, 6th and 9th graders. Also, all Kindergarten, 6th and 9th graders are required to have their immunization records up to date. The Logan County Health Department offers the booster immunizations and lead screenings. Please call them for an appointment at 735-2317.

The State of Illinois also requires that all children entering Kindergarten, 2nd and 6th grades to have a dental examination. The examination must be completed between May 15, 2017 and May 15, 2018. Proof of examination is due no later than May 15, 2018.



All Kindergarten students and any student new to an Illinois school will be required to have a vision screening. The examination must be completed within the past 12 months. Proof of examination is due no later than October 15, 2017.

Students participating in sports and cheerleading must have a physical on file in the office before the tryouts or their sport's program begins. A sport's physical is good for one calendar year. Please remember that junior high softball starts in July and junior high baseball and high school golf and volleyball start at the beginning of August and the physicals need to be on file **BEFORE** they may practice or tryout.

If you have any questions, please call Erika at the high school 642-5244.



SENIOR BETA CLUB

John Robinson, Sponsor

The Senior Beta Club is having a blood drive on Thursday, May 4th, from 10:00am to 2:00 pm in the HS Gymnasium. Please schedule your appointment either through the American Red Cross website or app, or by emailing John Robinson at the High School. Appointments have priority over drop-ins during the blood drive. We need 20 pints donated for a senior to get a \$250 scholarship from the Red Cross. Please consider donating blood on May 4th.

FFA NEWS

Elizabeth Fanning, FFA Sponsor

Plant Sale: Please feel free to stop by during school hours to purchase your plants!! We will also be open May 6th from 10-2. Thank you to everyone who helped and visited the Petting Zoo. The FFA Banquet will be May 10th at 6pm in the high school cafeteria. Please join us in recognizing these amazing students for their accomplishments throughout the year. The school year is quickly coming to an end which leaves FFA members looking forward to the summer events!

LIBRARY NEWS

Susan Wilson, Librarian

Mrs. Janet Groth gave the Emden library Smithsonian's "Dogs" by Seymour Simon, in memory of Mrs. Janice Bridges, wife of Rod Bridges, Hartsburg-Emden janitor.

Both the high school and grade schools have new books from the profits of the recent Scholastic Book Fair and the order I placed with Follett Titlewave. Stop in to see some of the new titles available in both buildings.

5K RUN/WALK TO BENEFIT ALS

The 5th annual 5K Run/Walk to raise awareness of ALS/Lou Gehrig's Disease will be held in Emden on Saturday August 19, 2017, at the Stag-R-Inn. Registration is \$25.00 and will include a t-shirt and meal. Registration will be from 7:00 am – 8:15 am and the race will begin at 8:30 am. There will also be a Silent Auction, 50/50 and a Bags Tournament.

All proceeds will be going to the Les Turner Foundation and ALS Worldwide for research. If you would like more information please contact Lori Lessen at 217-871-3762 or Julie Schleder at 217-737-4626. Please see the enclosed registration form and visit our website at www.alsawareness5k.com for more information and online registration.

MUFFINS WITH MOM

Emden Elementary would like to invite all the moms of K-5th Grade to come have breakfast with your child. Muffins with Mom will be Thursday, May 4th. We will start serving at 7:50. You are welcome to bring your child with you to school or meet them here as they get off their regular bus route. We will be serving a variety of muffins with coffee/milk. We look forward to seeing you there!

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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>
School Calendar	1 HSBB vs. PORTA 4:30 JH Sch. Bowl-Sect. @ Washington St. Patrick	2 HSBB vs. Lexington 4:30	3 JHTRK @ Logan Cty Conference Meet @ LCHS 9:00	4 Muffins with Mom @ GS 7:50-8:20 Sr. Beta Club Blood @ HS Gym Drive 10-2 Jump Rope for Heart @ GS 12:30-2:30 HSBB @ Heyworth 4:30	5 HSBB @ IB 4:30 Bass-Sect. TBA JH Sch. Bowl-State @ Peoria Civic Center Emden Elementary Wildlife Prairie Park Fieldtrip 9:00-3:00	6 HSBB @ Spfld Lutheran 12:30 JHTRK-Sect. TBA Bass-State TBA
7	8 HSBB vs. Delavan 4:30 (Sr. Night)	9	10 2:00 Dismissal Faculty Mtg. FFA Banquet @ HS Café 6:00	11 JH/HS Spring Concert @ HS Gym 7:00 Sr. Finals Sr. Grad Practice	12 HSBB @ LCHS 4:30 (JV) JHTRK-State TBA Sr. Finals	13 JHTRK-State TBA HS Graduation 3:00
14	15 <i>Board Mtg. 7:00</i> HSBB-1A Reg. TBA	16 HSBB-1A Reg. TBA	17 HSBB-1A Reg. TBA	18 HSBB-1A Reg. TBA 8 th Grade Promotion @ HS Gym 7:00 (Pictures 6-6:30)	19 Bass-State TBA	20 HSBB-1A Reg. TBA
21	22	23 Spring Sports Awards @ HS Gym 6:00 2:00 Dismissal HS Finals	24 HSBB-1A Sect. TBA 2:00 Dismissal HS Finals	25 HSBB-1A Sect. TBA Teacher Institute	26 <i>End of Quarter 4 and Semester 2</i>	27 HSBB-1A Sect. TBA
28	29 <i>Memorial Day</i> HSBB-1A Supersect. TBA	30 JHVB Summer Camp @ HS Gym 3:30-5:00 (May 30-June 2)	31 JHVB Summer Camp @ HS Gym 3:30-5:00 (May 30-June 2)			

HARTEM YEARBOOKS-UPDATE

Now, the rest of the story! It is amazing how quickly pieces of the HARTEM history puzzle comes together when I least expect it! Here is the story on the birth and early years of the HARTEM Antler!

Since the First Antler was published in 1935... it was intended that it should be published every four years so that every student would have some record of his/her high school life. However, because of wartime (WW II) scarcity of photographic and newsprint materials no attempt was made to publish a yearbook after 1939 until 1946. The first two Antlers were 4 years apart (1935 & 1939), then the war and no publishing from 1940 to 1945. The Antler started being published on a yearly basis in 1946. I am only 7 Antlers away from a complete collection!

I am on a mission to collect and maintain a complete library of HARTEM Antlers (Yearbooks) for the HARTEM Alumni Association. The very first HARTEM Antler was published in 1935 with Beulah Gilchrist Schmidt serving as the first student editor. I have been overwhelmed by the generosity of the HARTEM faithful and your help in meeting my goal. I have been able to collect 66 yearbooks since announcing this effort on behalf of the Alumni Association. I still need your help!! If you have inherited any yearbooks from the years listed below and not sure what to do with them, the alumni association would love to be their caretaker. We still need one copy of the following years: 1960, 1975, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988. Prior to the Antler (1935), if you have any school related artifacts, we would be interested in those as well. I have also collected a variety of school related pictures dating back to the 1920's and other Stag related items. If you have antlers from the years listed or other school district artifacts you would like to donate to the association, please contact Ron Spencer by email at coach_spencer@hotmail.com or phone/text 309-838-0360.

A very special thanks for the following HARTEM supporters for their donations: Brad Aper Estate ('01) donated by family, Betty Gail Shirley Wagner ('51), Cheryl Ruben Baker ('64), Earl Ruben ('40) donated by family, Christy Conrady Cross ('80), Dean Bruns ('45), Ruth Rademaker Logeman ('38), Jayne Finchum Cross ('71), Ruby Harmsen ('39), Beulah Gilchrist Schmidt ('35) Estate, Pat Sparks,

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ALUMNI BANQUET

The 90th Annual Hartsburg-Emden High Alumni Banquet will begin at 6:30pm on June 10, 2017. Again, the banquet will be held at the Community House in Emden, Illinois. The banquet will be catered by the Stag-R-Inn. Invitations to the banquet will be sent out in early May. Anyone who does not receive an invitation, but would like to attend the banquet may send a request via email to hartemalumni@gmail.com or you may call/text Janell Woolard at [217-737-2888](tel:217-737-2888).

Anniversary classes being honored this year include: 1937, 1942, 1947, 1952, 1957, 1962, 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997, 2002, 2007, 2012, and the Senior Class of 2017. If you are a member of one of these classes and want to insure you are on the mailing list, please email your address to hartemalumni@gmail.com or call/text Janell Woolard at [217-737-2888](tel:217-737-2888). All HARTEM graduates are welcome to attend. The Alumni Committee is currently researching addresses with the help of members from each anniversary class.

The winner of the "Wall of Fame" award will be selected and announced at the banquet. This year's award will be represented in the category of "Distinguished Alumni". Please mail nomination letters to Janell Woolard, PO BOX 104, Emden, IL 62635. The Association will also be accepting donations to help out with the cost of the event and to continue funding the Alumni Scholarship. Donations are payable to the Hartem Alumni Association and may be sent to Greg Phillips, 208 Market Street, Emden, IL 62635. Officers of the Alumni Association are President - Janell Wibben Woolard ('95); Vice President - Dustin Woolard ('15); Secretary - Cathy Kavanaugh Hopp ('97); Treasurer - Greg Phillips ('89); Corresponding Secretaries - Carole Metz Knipp ('62) Cheryl Renfrow ('62).

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

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Breakfast Menu	1 Waffles Pineapple Orange juice	2 Sausage patty Tri tater Toast Orange juice	3 Pop tart Toast Mandarin oranges Orange juice	4 Assorted muffins Pears Orange juice	5 Biscuit Egg patty Peaches Orange juice	6
7	8 Cereal bar Toast Mixed fruit Apple juice	9 French toast Pears Apple juice	10 Scrambled eggs Toast Cherry star juice Apple juice	11 Pancake & sausage On a stick Peaches Apple juice	12 Donut Toast Apple juice	13
14	15 Bagel Cream cheese Fruit Orange juice	16 Peanut butter & Jelly jamwich Applesauce Orange juice	17 Assorted cereal Toast Peaches Orange juice	18 Nutri-grain bar Toast Pineapple Orange juice	19 Cheese omelet Toast Mixed fruit Orange juice	20
21	22 Cook's choice	23 Cook's choice	24 Cook's choice	25 Teacher Institute	26	27
28	29	30	31			

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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	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.					
	1 Chicken patty on bun Broccoli Corn Applesauce	2 Corn dog Baked beans Mandarin oranges Goldfish crackers	3 Pork tenderloin on bun Tomato/onion slices Cooked carrots Pears Jello	4 BBQ chicken on bun French fries Peas Peaches Ice cream cup	5 Beef nuggets Garden salad Bread Mixed fruit	6
7	8 Pizza Romaine salad Corn Pears Italian ice	9 Crispito w/ cheese sauce Mixed vegetables Bread Strawberries Cake	10 Chicken fajita Bean salsa Chips Lettuce/cheese Peaches	11 Deli sub sandwich Fresh veggies/dip Hard pretzels Pineapple	12 Hamburger on bun Pasta salad w/ veggies Green beans Apple	13
14	15 BBQ rib on bun Potato smiles Coleslaw Applesauce	16 Pig in a blanket Baked beans Peaches Pudding	17 Hot ham & cheese Sweet potatoes Green beans Pineapple	18 Chicken nuggets Peas Macaroni & cheese Mixed fruit	19 Assorted sandwiches Sun chips Romaine salad Pears	20
21	22 Grilled chicken wrap Lettuce/tomatoes Corn Pineapple	23 Cook's choice	24 Cook's choice	25 Teacher Institute	26	27
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Ad for Substitute Bus Driver

Substitute Bus Driver

Start Date: Immediately

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. Driver needs to be able to fill in on short notice to run morning and afternoon routes, as well as athletic and extra-curricular events. Any Questions, please contact Terry Wisniewski, Superintendent.

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