

HARTSBURG-EMDEN CUSD NO. 21

SEPTEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

LIBRARY NEWS

Nichole Folkman, Librarian

Book Fair!

The Book Fair is Sept. 23-27 with Breakfast with Buddies on Wed. Sept. 25. Make sure to check out the flyer in this newsletter for more information.

Would you like to make sure every child gets to pick one book to keep from the Book Fair? Contact Mrs. Folkman (nfolkman@hartem.org) to make a donation or donate to the school's ewallet-the link will be shared on social media.

Donations

Mrs. Folkman would still love to hear about any of your happy events in your life if you are a former student of hers! Please reach out to let her know about it so that she can personally donate a book to the library in celebration of your happiness.

Yearbook

The 2023-2024 yearbook will be here in early September! Did you forget to order one? There will be a limited number available for \$45. Want to save money on the 2024-2025 yearbook? Order during 1st semester and pay only \$35! Contact Mrs. Folkman or order online at www.yearbookforever.com.

English

Mrs. Folkman is teaching the high school English classes for the time being. She uses the research of decades of amazing literacy researchers whose theories are put into practice by teachers like Nancie Atwell, Penny Kittle, Kelly Gallagher, and more. Students will read and write a LOT and they will be guided to authentically interact with reading and writing. It is helpful if you talk with your students about the ways you use reading and writing (and public speaking!) in your own day-to-day life and that they see you interacting with text in some way (reading, audiobooks, podcasts, speaking in meetings, etc). Literature and literacy is meant to open up the world to students, so that's what we'll be doing in our English classes!

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

Elizabeth Hilgert, Student Coordinator/Guidance Counselor

It's great to see everyone back and ready to kick off another school year. I'm excited about the journey ahead and can't wait to see what this year holds for

us. To help you start the year on a positive note, here are some tips to keep in mind.

Being present at school is important, but being active in your classes and school community is also important. School isn't just about academics; it's about growing through social interactions and extracurricular activities. Make sure you explore the all opportunities to get involved in things that interest you.

It's easier to stay on top of your studies than to try to catch up later. Aim to consistently review your subjects for thirty minutes each day. Regular study sessions help your brain retain information more effectively than last-minute cramming. Make the most of study halls to reinforce your understanding of the material.

1. **Connect with Your Teachers and Counselor**

Do not hesitate to reach out for help when you need it. Your teachers and counselor are there to support you, but they need to know when you are facing challenges. Building a rapport with them early on can make a big difference in your school experience.

2. **Maintain a Healthy Balance**

School life can get hectic, so it's vital to take care of your well-being. Ensure you're getting enough sleep, eating nutritious meals, and spending quality time with family and friends. Finding the right balance between work and play is essential for staying healthy and alert. If you ever feel overwhelmed, don't hesitate to talk to your counselor.

3. **Set Achievable Goals and Monitor Your Progress**

Start the year by setting clear goals for yourself. Keep them somewhere visible to remind you of your objectives every day. This strategy is surprisingly effective! Additionally, take advantage of the TeacherEase app to keep an eye on your grades and assignments. Regularly checking in will help you stay on track.

I'm excited about all the possibilities this year brings so let's make this school year amazing!

Important Reminders for High School Students

PSAT

The PSAT/NMSQT will be offered at HEHS on Thursday, October 17, 2024. If any 10th or 11th grade student is interested in participating in this assessment, please contact Mrs. Hilgert to register by Friday, September 6, 2024. While this is not a required assessment, it is a great practice opportunity for the mandatory assessments in Spring 2024. In addition, juniors who complete the PSAT/NMSQT will have the opportunity to qualify for the National Merit Scholarship. Illinois will be administering the mandatory preACT 9 Secure to all 9th and preACT 10 Secure to 10th grade students and mandatory ACT to all 11th grade students in the spring of 2025.

PLANNING AHEAD

The 2024-2025 *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA[®]) will be available on October 1, 2024. Please note that submitting the FAFSA (or completing an opt-out waiver) is a graduation requirement! 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 mid to late October for all seniors. More detailed information will be sent out at the end of the month.

HARTEM ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Ron Spencer, Athletic Director

I am excited to be joining the HARTEM staff as your new athletic director! I will be retiring from State Farm after a 30 year career at the end of December and looking forward to only having one responsibility. For now, I will continue to coach the JH boys basketball program as well. Thank you to everyone who has reached out since I accepted this position. It's always a great day to be a STAG!!

Thank you to Ron & Vicky Klokkenga for their generosity in helping us purchase a new baseball scoreboard for the HS/JH baseball field. The board has been ordered, but likely won't get installed before the end of this baseball season. We will be updating the donor board as Ron & Vicky's donation is in memory of Rudy Klokkenga. They both continue the generosity that Rudy showed to his beloved Stags. I also want to thank Rohlf's Implement for offering one of their lifts to help install the scoreboard. We really appreciate a local business helping us out.

Both our JH baseball and softball seasons are underway. Thank you to the coaching staffs of both programs for all the time they took before the season

to get their respective fields in shape. A lot of work is put in by these coaches and we appreciate all of it. Good luck to both teams on a great season!

The varsity & jv volleyball teams started practice on August 12th and will be looking to add some more hardware to our trophy cases this season. Good Luck, Ladies!

Finally, the athletic pocket schedules will be available at home volleyball/basketball games or drop by the high school office to pick one up. There have been several schedule changes across all sports since we had to submit the schedules for printing, so always check the school social media sites or website to confirm dates/times.



Hartem FFA

Kelly Gill, Ag Teacher and FFA Advisor

This summer, Hartem FFA members attended the 96th Annual Illinois FFA State Convention. Members had a great time listening to keynote speeches from the Illinois FFA Major State Officers and interacting with businesses and colleges at the career fair.

I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new Hartsburg-Emden Ag Teacher and FFA Advisor. The officer team and I have been busy planning a great year ahead for our FFA members. Be sure to like Hartem FFA on Facebook and stay up to date with our chapter events and our members' activities.

Hartem Lincoln Chess Team

Kent Hieronymus, Coach

The Hartem Lincoln Chess Team is looking forward to a great 2024-2025. The coaches are Kent Hieronymus, John Robinson, and Sally Aukamp. All three coaches are very experienced with a combined total of 52 years of chess experience.

The Coop went very well this past year as the team was always able to have a competitive group. The students in both schools are all very busy with many different activities with sports, scholastic bowl, band/chorus, and FFA. The Coop allows us to always have enough players and to be able to compete well.

The team should have about 16-20 players this year with about 8-10 freshmen! Logan Palladini and Soren Aukamp are the only two seniors this year and are a very important part of our chess team.

VOLLEYBALL HOMECOMING WEEK

Jenn Hayes, Coach

The 2024 Volleyball Homecoming Week will be September 9th – 13th. Our Homecoming Match and Pack the Place Night will be **THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 12th vs Roult Catholic.**

The week will consist of DRESS UP DAYS where each day Monday-Friday will have a theme for all classes K-12th. The class (K-5th) with the most participation will earn extra recess with Coach Hayes! Classes (6th-12th) will win PIZZA!

The SEMI-FORMAL DANCE will be held at the high school on **Saturday, September 14th, 7:00-9:00**. Tickets will be available through Student Council members. **Cost is \$10/person - \$15/pair.** Remember to sign up your out-of-town guests in the office by Friday Sept. 6th!

Spanish 1

Kent Hieronymus, Spanish Teacher

“Bienvenidos a la clase de español!” This is what the incoming freshmen heard the first day of school. Welcome to Spanish class! This is the first experience that they have had with a World Language.

As of this school year, all incoming freshmen must take and pass two years of a language in order to graduate from high school. This of course will make for big classes for Hartem Spanish. This year we have 15 freshmen enrolled in Spanish at this point. Mr. Hieronymus is looking forward to teaching both his Spanish 1 sections.

Spanish 2

Kent Hieronymus, Spanish Teacher

This class will continue what they learned in Spanish 1 last year. They will be given opportunities to improve their speaking and listening skills in Spanish. The Spanish 2 students were very good students in Spanish 1. They will be able to cover two thirds of Spanish grammar by the end of this year.

Spanish 3 and 4

Kent Hieronymus, Spanish Teacher

This is the largest advanced Spanish class that Hartem has had in many years. Mr. Hieronymus is excited to teach this class. The 8 students taking the class are excellent Spanish students. This year they will finish all the grammar there is. Next for the class, is to practice this grammar in listening, speaking, reading, and writing.

The first project to test their abilities will be an in depth study of the Spanish speaking country of El Salvador. The class will also start very soon the Spanish language one act play entitled, “Blanco y Negro” (Black and White). This play deals with the futility of arguing pointlessly with others. It is very funny.

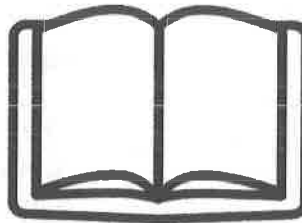


JOIN US FOR



BREAKFAST AND BOOKS!

THE BOOK FAIR
WILL BE OPEN!



WED. SEP. 25
8-8:30AM

BREAKFAST WITH A BUDDY

EACH STUDENT MAY BRING UP TO 2
BUDDIES- PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS,
AUNTS/ UNCLES, SIBLINGS, FAMILY
FRIEND, ETC.

PLEASE CALL 217.376.3151 TO RSVP



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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	2 No School	3 Bosco sticks Marinara sauce Green beans Applesauce	4 Cheese tortellini Red pasta sauce Breadstick Lettuce salad Peaches	5 Hamburger on bun French fries Pudding w/ vanilla wafers Pears	6 Assorted sandwiches Fresh veggies Ranch/PB Chips Frozen fruit cup	7
8	9 Hot ham and cheese on bun Carrots Pretzels Ranch dressing Mandarin oranges	10 Popcorn chicken Mashed potatoes w/gravy Corn Pineapple	11 Loaded tater tots Cheese sauce Chicken/beef Sour cream/salsa Apricots	12 Chicken bacon ranch wrap Lettuce/cheese Ranch/BBQ Chips Peaches	13 Bake Potato Bar Broccoli w/cheese sauce Cottage cheese Applesauce Cookies	14
15	16 Chicken strips Mac & cheese Peas Peaches	17 BBQ pulled pork on bun Bake beans Cole slaw Applesauce	18 Sub sandwich Pasta salad Fresh veggies Chips Jello Mandarin oranges	19 Pork tenderloin on bun French fries Apricots Brownies	20 Chicken fajita Cheese/lettuce Salsa/sour cream Rice Refried beans Pears	21
22	23 Corn dog Potato smiles Carrots Cottage cheese Applesauce	24 Walking taco Cheese/lettuce Sour cream/salsa Corn Peaches Graham cracker w/icing	25 11:30 Dismissal	26 Chicken alfredo Peas Breadstick Mandarin oranges	27 Quesadilla pizza Lettuce salad Sour cream/salsa Cottage cheese Pineapple	28
29	30 Chicken patty on bun Tater tots Green beans Pears					

A black and white photograph of a path covered in fallen leaves. The path is a dark, textured strip running through the center, flanked by a dense carpet of fallen leaves. The leaves are in various stages of decay, with some showing bright highlights where they have been sun-dried. The overall scene is a classic autumn landscape. Overlaid on the path is the text "Happy First Day of Fall!" in a white, elegant cursive font.

*Happy First
Day of Fall!*

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Breakfast Menu	2 No School	3 Poptart Fruit Juice	4 Waffles Sausage patty Fruit Juice	5 Assorted muffins Fruit Juice	6 Sausage patty Tri-tater Toast Fruit Juice	7
8	9 Breakfast cookie Fruit Juice	10 Pancake and sausage on a stick Fruit Juice	11 Biscuit w/sausage gravy Fruit Juice	12 Coffee cake Fruit Juice	13 Breakfast pizza Fruit Juice	14
15	16 Mini pancake bits Fruit Juice	17 Yogurt w/strawberries Toast Fruit Juice	18 Scrambled egg bowl Toast Fruit Juice	19 Pancakes Sausage patty Fruit Juice	20 Assorted cereal Toast Fruit Juice	21
22	23 English muffins Fruit Juice	24 French toast sticks Sausage links Fruit Juice	25 Uncrustables Fruit Juice	26 Breakfast casserole Fruit Juice	27 Donuts Fruit Juice	28
29	30 Frittata omelet Toast Fruit Juice					



The communities of Hartsburg and Emden are coming together once again, under the sponsorship of American Legion IL Post 0506, to raise money for the enhancement and fun of our communities. We had so much fun with the Color Run, and now we are coming together again for an evening of GloBingo. All proceeds from the event will be split between the two communities and will be used to elevate the fun factor at special events and to support beautification projects. So often, when events such as a town celebration or the Emden Homecoming Parade need funds to enhance and add to the project, there is no seed money. The proceeds from this GloBingo event will provide funds for projects like these and so much more.

Watch for more information as the event date gets closer, but **SAVE THE DATE** of **Friday, February 14, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.** at the Emden Community House.

Watch for information to come on sponsorship opportunities.

For more information contact:

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Lori Lessen, (217) 871-3762
Leonard Racine, (773) 209-3509

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1	2 No School	3 JHSB @ IC 4:30 JHBB vs Greenview 4:30 HSVB vs Delavan 6:00	4	5 JHSB vs Delavan 4:30 *8 th Grade Night* JHBB @ Lo. Co. Tourn. TBA HSVB vs W'ville 6:00	6 JHSB @ Tremont 4:15	7 JHBB-Lo. Co. Tourn. @ LJHS
8	9 JHBB @ South Pekin 4:30	10 JHSB vs W-L 4:30 HSVB @ Lewistown 6:00	11 2:00 Dismissal JHSB 1A Reg. TBA	12 JHBB @ IC 4:30 HSVB vs Routt 6:30 *Homecoming Game*	13 JHBB vs Tri-City 4:30 *8 th Grade Night*	14 JHSB 1A Reg. TBA Homecoming Dance
15	16 JHBB vs MP 4:30 HSVB vs Tremont	17 HSVB @ Athens 6:00 JHSB 1A Reg. TBA	18 JHBB @ Carroll 4:30 *B Game only*	19 HSVB vs Princeville 6:00	20 HSVB @ MP TBA	21 JHSB 1A Sect. TBA HSVB @ MP TBA
22 Book Fair @ Emden GS 9/23- 9/27	23 JHBB 1A Reg. TBA HSVB @ W-L 6:00	24	25 11:30 Dismissal Breakfast w/Buddies @ GS 8-8:30 JHBB 1A Reg. TBA	26 HSVB @ MP 6:00 JH/HS Chess vs Christian Life @ 3:45	27 JHSB 1A State TBA Picture Re-Take Day	28 JHSB 1A State TBA JHBB 1A Reg. TBA
29	30 HSVB vs IC 6:00 JHBB 1A Sect. TBA					

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