

HARTSBURG-EMDEN CUSD NO. 21

AUGUST 2021 NEWSLETTER

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK

Terry Wisniewski, Superintendent

Summer has always been my favorite time of year. However, its long days seem to be spent and gone before I know it and another school year is upon us. Hopefully everyone's summer activities are in full swing and you are finding some time for fun and relaxation with friends and family. The custodial and maintenance staff have been working extremely hard to accomplish a multitude of tasks and projects this summer. Besides the annual cleaning of classrooms, scrubbing and waxing of floors, and cleaning, there is a list of projects that our staff is tackling this summer.

Below are just a few of the items that we are working on to improve our facilities for next year:

Painting hallways/classrooms at both buildings – we continue to do a little bit each year

GS Tuck-pointing – some loose bricks around in the front of the building . . . still to be done

Creation of Title I Room – dividing the computer lab into two workable areas

New panels at HS – covering worn window panels to make look new again

Installation of our first Distance Learning Classroom at HS – cameras, sound system, and displays to make entire classrooms visible via internet.

Also a few of our HLS (Health Life Safety) projects are being done. HLS projects – are required by law.

A huge thanks to all of the staff for their hard work during the summer to work through our list of projects/improvements. The CSFT (County School Facility Tax, the 1% sales revenues) is our primary source of revenues for many of our projects. It is set aside money that is required to only be used for the building and grounds.

As summer begins to unwind, we are excited about beginning another school year. As a staff, we are constantly looking for ways to improve our curriculum and instruction. We will be continuing looking for quality PD (Professional Development) this year. A mixture of strategies for School Safety, Authentic Literacy, Differentiated Instruction, and Writing will be our focus for this school year. Our goal has been to get better each and every year . . .

Continual Growth. Another 'thank you' goes to the Hartem Teachers for their continued commitment to improving the quality of education we provide. They are key to our success and upgrading in our overall school climate and culture.

We have several new staff members and some changes in our staff positions this year. I'd like to introduce you to all our new individuals and their roles.

Certified Staff

District Principal – Cory Brown

Kindergarten Teacher – Kimberly Gilmore

1st Grade Teacher – Shannon Doolin

3rd Grade Teacher – McKenna Werner

4rd Grade Teacher/Reading Teacher – David Zastrow

7th Grade Science/Math and 6th Grade Teacher – Kori Thompson

** We are also moving Michelle Reber to Full-Time Title I Teacher

Jr./Sr. High School Physical Education Teacher – Matthew Neaville

** We are moving May Brooks to Driver's Education Teacher

Support Staff

District Bookkeeper – Hunter Langley

Emden Elementary Secretary – Lauren Stanfield

Emden Elementary Custodian – Nolan Lessen

Emden Elementary Head Cook – Ardith Deters

Emden Elementary Assistant Cook/Dishwasher – Jessica Hoefker

Emden Elementary Teacher's Aide – Rachael Whitted

Jr./Sr. High School Cook – Trish Armbrust

Jr./Sr. High School Head Cook – Lisa Conrady

Jr./Sr. High School Special Education Teacher's Aide – Madison Farris

SRO (School Resource Officer) - – Officer Josh Pharis (of the Logan County Sheriff's Office) will be here about two days a week.

Openings

Assistant Cook/Dishwasher

School Bus Driver

** If you (or anyone you know) is interested in one of the two positions we still have open, please call me at the school. I hope everyone enjoys the last few weeks of the summer. We are looking forward to another great year here at Hartsburg-Emden. GO STAGS!!

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Cory Brown, Principal

Hello Hartem Families!

My name is Cory Brown and I'm the new District Principal at Hartsburg-Emden. I am very excited to be working with everyone. This will be my 18th year in Education and 5th year as an administrator. Before being an administrator, I taught just about every branch of Science. In addition to working in the education field, I have worked in construction, the food industry, and for a spray plane company. I am married to a wonderful lady named Martha, and we have 3 energetic kids. I have been working with a great group of people in the office and can't wait to meet everyone in the community.

The first day of school is less than a month away! August 18th will be the students' first day. If your family has not registered yet, please do so before the start of school to prevent issues on the first day. Registration information is available on the website to print off before coming in. The school supply lists are available on the website, as well.

School Supply QR Code:



All students will return to school in person. Mr. Wisniewski and I will be communicating the mask and social distancing expectations. They will be based on CDC guidelines and infection metrics within the county.

I am a big believer that students have better success in and out of school when they are involved in school activities. If students haven't been involved in activities before, I encourage families to check out the Hartem website and choose an activity or sport that may be right for them. Most activities do not require previous experience.

Thank you for the warm welcomes and I can't wait to meet those I have not met yet.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!!

Locker Decorating Night will be Monday, August 16th, from 4:30-6:00pm. Come as you wish during that time to drop off supplies and to decorate your new locker. This is a great time to learn how to open a locker if a student has never used a combination lock before.

Open House at the Grade School will start at 5:30 on Tuesday, August 17th. This is a great opportunity to meet the teachers and to bring supplies in before the first day of class. We have many new teachers that are eager to meet you.

MEET THE FUTURE STAGS

Girls going into Kindergarten – 5th Grades are invited to a VOLLEYBALL CLINIC Monday and Tuesday Night August 23rd and 24th from 6:30-7:30pm at the High School to learn the basic skills of volleyball from our High School Volleyball Team. Cost is \$25. It will include (2) nights of skills, a FUTURE VOLLEYBALL Stags T-shirt and scrimmage games on Thursday Night August 26th as part of our MEET THE STAGS NITE to kick off the new HSVB season! Love to see all my FUTURE STAGS join the fun! Paper forms will be sent out to every girl at the grade school the first week of school!

MEET THE STAGS!

The High School Volleyball team will kick off its 2021 season with Meet the Stags Night! On **Thursday, August 26th at 6:00**, we will start with a FUTURE STAGS volleyball scrimmage that includes girls K-5th grades followed by the Junior Varsity expedition. The night will end with the Varsity Scrimmage as the Main Event. Love to fill the stands with our Hartem Fans!



STAGS VB GEAR FUNDRAISER

Be sure to check out the Stags volleyball gear flyers in this month's newsletter! Order your gear for the upcoming year! Orders are taken August 9th-August 22nd and shipped directly to your home! Thank you for your support of the Junior High and High School volleyball teams!!!! Go Stags!!!!!!

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

Amanda Feltes, Guidance Counselor

Social-Emotional learning does not stop once school lets out. There's a world of opportunities over the summer for students to be learning and practicing social-emotional skills. In this newsletter, I'd like to share some books that are great for summer reading and help with social-emotional learning.

Elementary Level

- Jabari Jumps by Gaia Cornwall – This is a great book to help kids overcome any fears they may have
- Up the Creek by Nicholas Oldland – Teaches children how to work together
- A Campfire Tail by Sarah Glenn Marsh – This story covers friendship and acceptance
- Sully the Seahorse by Natalie Pritchard – A story of building confidence and self-esteem

Young Adult

- Seeds and Trees by Brandon Walden – A story about the immense power in our words
- Ghost by Jason Reynolds – A story about facing trauma and how to cope
- Dear Martin by Nic Stone - *Dear Martin* helps students develop empathy and could serve as the foundation for a discussion on current events and stereotypes
- Walk Two Moons by Sharon Creech – A story of grief, loss, fear, death, and life in general, shared through the lens of a young teenager

Parents/Families

- Why Smart Kids Worry by Allison Edwards – A parent's guide to helping children with anxiety
- There Is No Good Card For This: What to Say and Do When Life is Scary, Awful, and Unfair to People You Love by Dr. Kelsey Crowe and Emily McDowell – How to support someone who is grieving
- The Explosive Child by Dr. Ross Greene - A groundbreaking approach to understanding and parenting children who frequently exhibit severe fits of temper and other intractable behaviors, from a distinguished clinician and pioneer in this field
- Queen Bees and Wannabes by Rosalind Wiseman – Strategies to help empower girls be socially competent and treat themselves with dignity

HARTEM DISTRICT WEBSITE

Be sure to check out the Hartem district website at www.hartem.org for all up-to-date information and activities that we have going on! The website is a great tool for everyone to stay informed!!!



PHYSICALS AND IMMUNIZATIONS

Physical exams are a **STATE REQUIREMENT** of all **Kindergarten, 6th and 9th** graders. Also, all **Kindergarten, 6th, 9th and 12th** graders are required to have their immunization records up to date and a copy **MUST** be turned in to the office **no later than October 15th**. Students participating in sports/cheerleading **MUST** have a physical on file in the office before their sport's program begins. A sports physical is good for one calendar year.

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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	2 Session 2 Summer School @ Emden 8:15-1:30	3 Session 2 Summer School @ Emden 8:15-1:30	4 Session 2 Summer School @ Emden 8:15-1:30	5 Session 2 Summer School @ Emden 8:15-1:30	6	7
8	9 JHSB vs Holy Trinity 4:30	10 JHSB @ MWC 4:15	11	12 JHSB @ Calvary HS 4:30 Golf @ Meridian (V) 10:00	13	14
15	16 <i>Board Meeting 7:00</i> Teacher Institute JHSB vs LJHS 4:30 Locker Decorating @ JH/HS 4:30-6:00	17 Teacher Institute JHSB @ St. Agnes 4:30 Golf @ Oly Scramble (V) 1:00 GS Open House @ 5:30	18 First Day of School For Students 2:00 Dismissal	19 2:00 Dismissal JHSB vs MP 4:30	20 2:00 Dismissal JHSB @ Georgetowne 4:30	21 JHSB @ Clinton Tourn TBA
22	23 JHSB vs Dee-Mack 4:30 K-5 th Grade Volleyball Clinic @ HS 6:30-7:30	24 Golf @ MP (JV/V) 2:00 K-5 th Grade Volleyball Clinic @ HS 6:30-7:30	25	26 JHSB @ Havana 4:30 VB-Meet The Stags @ HS Gym 6:00	27 HSVB @ Spfld Luth Tourn TBA	28 HSVB @ Spfld Luth Tourn TBA Golf @ Greenview Inv 8:30
29	30	31 JHSB vs IC 4:30 HSVB @ Delavan 5:00				

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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>
Breakfast Menu	16 Teacher Institute	17 Teacher Institute	18 Corn dog Soft pretzel Corn Applesauce Pudding	19 Sub sandwich Sun chips Green beans Pineapple Jello	20 Chicken nuggets Macaroni and cheese Peas Mandarin oranges Juice bar	21
22	23 Sloppy joe on bun Nacho chips w/cheese Mixed vegetables Pears Peach cobbler	24 Meatball sub Tater tots Cooked carrots Applesauce Cinnamon toast crunch bar	25 Chicken patty on bun Pickles/onion Green beans Peaches Strawberries w/cake	26 Hot ham and cheese sandwich Peas Mixed fruit Hard pretzels Brownie	27 Pizza Corn Pineapple Romaine salad Cookies	28
29	30 Chicken strips Green beans Mandarin oranges Vanilla wafers Banana pudding	31 Beef walking taco With Fritos Lettuce/cheese Corn Peaches Graham crackers	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <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> </div>			
Lunch Menu	16 Teacher Institute	17 Teacher Institute	18 Peanut butter and jelly uncrustable Peaches Apple juice	19 Waffles w/syrup Sausage links Mixed fruit Apple juice	20 Pop tart Mandarin oranges Apple juice	21
22	23 Biscuit Egg patty Pears Orange juice	24 Assorted cereal Toast Applesauce Orange juice	25 Pancake & sausage On a stick Pineapple Orange juice	26 Yogurt Blueberries Toast Orange juice	27 Donut Peaches Orange juice	28
29	30 French toast sticks Peaches Cherry juice	31 Bagel w/cream cheese Mixed fruit Cherry juice				

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