

HARTSBURG-EMDEN CUSD NO. 21

MARCH 2019 NEWSLETTER

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK

Terry Wisniewski, Superintendent

As many of you are aware, I strongly believe in continual growth/improvement. I talk about it often because it is at the core of my beliefs. It is my belief that perfection is something we strive to get closer to each day, week, month, and year. By the end of this school year, I am hopeful we'll have moved closer to excellence. I am also hopeful we will have moved our student's mindsets closer to that of continual growth/improvement. We all need to continue to work to be the best version of ourselves as possible. Too many people fall short of their full potential because they mistakenly fall into a fixed mindset (and that can be often difficult to change). Those with a fixed mindset limit themselves because they feel their potential is limited. Those with a continual growth mindset are always growing/improving throughout their lifetime. At Hartsburg-Emden we believe all our students have the ability to reach their goals and we want to do our best to ensure that happens.

One of the most important steps someone can take toward achieving their goals in life is to learn to monitor their mindset and its impact on performance, relationships and everyone around them. Why is having awareness about one's mindset so important? Teachers often say to students "attitude is everything". Attitude shows ones mindset, it governs the way students perceive the world and the way the world perceives them. Students who realize their mindset (or attitude) choose to respond to challenges or failure in a positive way. People with the fixed mindset look at failure as a quitting point, assuming they've reached their potential, which is often not the case. As educators, we need to challenge students and help guide them through failure. To me, there is nothing more frustrating than to see students 'give up' when faced with a challenge or failure. It truly is such a waste of (what I know to be) their abilities and potential. But as I said before, it is often difficult to convince them of that. So, we'll always do our best to keep pushing them.

Michael Jordan is widely considered to be the greatest basketball player of all time. In fact, he's arguably one of the greatest athletes of all time. He

was a four-time gold medalist with USA Basketball, including winning two Olympic Gold Medals, and was twice named the USA Basketball Male Athlete of the Year. For more than a decade, he was the face of the NBA. Michael Jordan is a great example for success coming to someone after much invested time and effort ('hard work') and after experiencing failure. Michael Jordan often encourages young individuals by telling them to never fear failure, fear not trying, fear not giving your best, fear losing focus, but never fear failure itself. Failure is the path to success. Failure is the sign that you're headed in the right direction. To succeed twice as fast, work twice as hard, and maybe fail twice as much. Michael Jordan said, "I've never been afraid to fail." Failure means you haven't succeeded . . . yet!

Over my 24 years in the profession, I've seen a lot of different things happen to public education, the new Common Core standards, PERA (*Performance Evaluation Reform Act – new teacher evaluation tool*), *multiple initiatives* to close the achievement gap for minorities and special needs students, continual funding issues, the latest curriculum initiative (often passed down from legislatures – not educators), and many more items. Hartsburg-Emden school district has addressed these important factors and we'll continue to address them. However, I believe establishing students with a continual growth mindset and the ability to view failure as an opportunity (through hard work, grit, and a positive attitude) to achieve their goals – will always put students on the path to success. Work Hard/Play Hard hasn't been just an important message that I've tried to send to our students, it is something I've tried pushing onto the faculty at Hartem as well. We need to remind ourselves of that each day. We are here to help each child reach their fullest potential. Grit, determination, positive attitude, meeting challenges, learning from failures, and a continual growth mindset are all important pieces to the puzzle which leads to success. These things are what it means to be a Hartem Stag!!

MARCH BREAKFAST/LUNCH PRICES

20 Student Breakfasts	@\$2.00	\$40.00
20 Reduced Student Breakfasts	@\$0.30	\$6.00
19 Student Lunches	@\$2.65	\$50.35
19 Reduced Student Lunches	@\$0.40	\$7.60

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.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Jon Leslie, Principal

Spring time and longer days are quickly approaching. Hopefully the weather breaks and we stay away from the winter pattern.

At the end of next month, our students will begin to take the Illinois Assessment of Readiness Tests. These state mandated exams will take the place of the PARCC exams which our students have taken for the past 4 years. The testing period will last approximately 3-4 weeks. I would just like to remind parents that the IAR Tests are for students in grades 3-8. Students will be tested on their proficiency in Reading and Mathematics. I ask you to encourage your child(ren) to take full advantage of this opportunity to demonstrate all they have learned. We want all of our students to do their best! Our high school students in grades 9-11 will take part in either the PSAT or SAT during the month of April. Information will come home to families. Testing can be a stressful time for students. On test days, make sure they get a good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast. The teachers have spent a lot of time preparing them for the tests this year and really want them to do their best. The teachers have a lot of confidence in our students and are hoping for positive results.

February was a very busy month here at Hartem. Our Junior High School Basketball Teams and High School Basketball Teams finished their seasons in the regional. I would like to thank and congratulate our basketball and cheerleading coaches and all of the basketball players, and all of the cheerleaders for a great season. Our Jr. High Volleyball team will be beginning the State Series soon. Good luck to them in the post season. Our High School Scholastic Bowl Team has been competing this past month along with our Jr. High Scholastic Bowl Team. The FFA added even more excitement to our month of February by celebrating National FFA week the last week of February. Finally, I would like to thank Ms. Blackwell, our Choir, and our Pep Band. They have performed at several of our Varsity Basketball Games this year and have done a nice job.

As our Principal, it is always great to look into the stands and see all of the fan support that we have for our young men and women competing. I encourage all of you to attend as many activities as you can. As always, please continue to represent Hartem in a positive way.

HARTEM FFA

Kenyon Jodlowski, Ag Teacher and FFA Advisor

The Hartem FFA Chapter has had a very busy month of February! On February 7th, two members competed with their record books at Section 14 Proficiencies. Sami Perschall was the section winner in the Agricultural Processing Entrepreneurship and will advance to the District competition in Jacksonville March 7th. Ariana Hinkle also competed and was 2nd in Swine Entrepreneurship. Also on February 8th and 9th, two Hartem FFA members attended the 212 Conference in Collinsville, where they developed leadership skills and networked with other FFA members from around the state. The Hartem FFA also celebrated National FFA Week at the end of February, where students participated in dress up days, played agriculturally-relevant games, and attended an assembly at the end of the week.

The Hartem FFA Chapter has a busy month ahead in March! Below is a list of events:

- March 1st: Women Changing the Face of Agriculture Conference in Decatur
- March 7th: District Proficiencies in Jacksonville
- March 19th: Ag Legislative Day in Springfield
- March 20th: Section 14 Prepared Public Speaking
- March 29th and March 30th: Hunter Safety Course Hartsburg Legion

If you ordered strawberries, the tentative delivery date will be the first full week of March. You will be contacted for more information if you have ordered strawberries. Please try to check on the Hartem website, our Hartem FFA Facebook page, or contact Mr. Jodlowski for information on the delivery date (kjodlowski@hartem.org or 217-314-9430).



GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

Amanda Feltes, K-12 Counselor

It's hard to believe that we will be entering the 4th quarter this month! Where did the time go?! The spring is always a busy time of year in schools. Standardized testing begins soon and students will begin to decide what classes they will take in the next school year. Students should be checking with me to determine requirements towards graduation and assistance in choosing the most challenging and appropriate classes for the upcoming year.

Additionally, seniors are reminded to check the counseling webpage weekly as many new scholarship applications continue to arrive! Don't miss out on an opportunity to gain some financial assistance for college. As always, if you have any questions regarding scheduling, grades, or graduation requirements, please see your counselor. Best of luck in this final stretch of the year!

It's testing season! Testing for the Illinois Assessment of Readiness (formerly PARCC) will begin this month. Students in 3rd-8th grade will be participating in IAR testing. Additionally, students in 5th grade, 8th grade, and Botany will take the Illinois Science Assessment in early March. Students in 11th grade will be required to take the SAT on April 9th. This will be administered off-site again this year. Please keep an eye out for more information about the test day. New this year, Illinois has mandated that all students in 9th and 10th grade must take the PSAT on April 10th or 11th. Freshman will take the PAT 8/9 on April 10th and sophomores will take the PSAT 10 on April 11th. Students can prepare for the PSAT and/or SAT by accessing practice materials at www.collegeboard.org or <https://www.khanacademy.org/sat>. If you have any questions about any of the mandatory standardized tests, please don't hesitate to reach out.

State tests are important for your student's success. Because of this, testing can be very stressful. Here are some ways you can help minimize stress and maximize their performance throughout the testing process:

- DO make sure your child completes homework assignments and class projects. Because tests reflect overall achievement, the more effort your child puts into learning, the more likely he/she will do well on tests.
- DO make sure your child gets a good night's sleep, eats a healthy breakfast, and gets to school on time on the morning of the test.

- DO encourage your child to think positive thoughts about their performance on the test. For example, "I am going to ace this test!"
- DO support your child. Praise him/her for what he/she does well. When students feel good about themselves, they will do their best.

EMDEN AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY AMERICANISM ESSAY CONTEST

The Emden American Legion Auxiliary Unit #506 would like to thank each of the sixty-three Hartem students who participated in the 2019 Americanism essay contest. We appreciate the ideas the young people shared in their compositions on the topic "What are My Responsibilities as a U.S. Citizen?" Essay winners were as follows:

Class I: 1st place, Camden Groth; 2nd place, Abby Montgomery; 3rd place, Prescott Davis.

Class II: 1st place, Grace Doolin; 2nd place, Jonathan Wright; 3rd place, Avah Classen.

Class III: 1st place, Lillian Escobedo; 2nd place, Emily Craig; 3rd place, Spencer Davis.

Great job, writers! Special thanks to Mrs. Folkman and Mrs. Simonton for all they do in support of this project.

BAND DEPARTMENT

Hannah Blackwell, 6-12 Band/Chorus Teacher

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Logan County Solo and Ensemble Festival on Friday, February 15. Noah Doolin received a first place rating on his snare drum solo, Ashlyn Duvall received a first place rating on her flute solo and Lorisa Riggs received a second place rating on her flute solo.

Now that pep band is finally over, we are moving heavily into working on our concert band music for our second semester concert which will take place in May. We are also half way into musical season now, which is very exciting! The cast will be selling shirts, mugs and buttons to promote the show. Please ask Ms. Blackwell for an order form if you are interested! Thank you for your continued support!!!



ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Matthew Stoltzenburg, Athletic Director

March Madness is here, which means lots of basketball and hopefully some spring weather. Coach Garber, Coach Bolen, and the boys finished their varsity season in the regional at the end of February. Even though the record doesn't show it, the coaches and the boys worked hard during the long season and fought until the end.

The **67th Annual Hartsburg-Emden Fresh/Soph Tournament** will be on February 23, 25, 28, and March 2. Schedules are available online.

Coach Hayes and the girls will also be participating in postseason play. The 7th grade regional is the first week of March and the 8th grade regional will be the second week. We will host the 71A sectional, which is on March 4th, the 81A regional March 5-7, and the 81A sectional on March 11th.

I know it's hard to believe, but the spring sports are beginning their seasons. Coach McAfee and the high school baseball boys can begin practice on February 25th and have their first home game on March 19th against Midland. The junior high track teams can begin practicing on February 22nd. Coach Hartman, McNeil, and the tracksters will officially begin their season on April 9th at Midwest Central.

As we start to thaw out from this cold winter, let's try to get out and support our student-athletes the best we can.

YEARBOOK CONGRATULATIONS!

The Antler staff of 2018 won 2nd place in the STATE for photography on the 2018 Antler, Thanks for the [Meme]ories. Great job, everyone! Want to buy a copy of an award winning yearbook? Remember that the earlier in the year that you buy, the cheaper the yearbook is. Right now, the 2019 yearbook is \$35. If you wait until after spring break it is \$40. If there are any extra next school year when they come out (September), they will be \$45.

Interested in sponsoring the yearbook or buying one for a student who cannot afford one? Contact Mrs. Folkman nfolkman@hartem.org for ad packages and sponsorship opportunities. We use these ads and sponsorships to help keep the cost of the yearbook down. The yearbook costs around \$70 per book to make. We have to sell ads to make up the difference, so every little bit helps. Thank you so much for your support!

LIBRARY NEWS

Thank you to the following people for their donations of books to the school libraries

Leesman family- in memory of **Effie Rademaker-** *The Hole Story* and *Tank and Fizz*

Nichole Folkman- *Luella-* in honor of Luella Ann Starr Leevey's birth

Ben Folkman- *Ophelia and the Marvelous Boy*

Jarred Lerner- *Enginerds-* 4 signed copies plus signed bookmarks (The author himself gave them to us because Mrs. Folkman won a Twitter giveaway.)

Lincoln Woman's Club Arts Committee- *Abe Lincoln's Hat*

Look for the announcement of our state book award winners on the library's Instagram @stagsread.

HARTSBURG-EMDEN ALUMNI BANQUET

The 92nd Annual Alumni Banquet of Hartsburg-Emden High School will begin at 6:30 pm on June 8, 2019, at the Emden Community House in Emden, Illinois. Invitations to the banquet will be sent out the first week of May. Anyone who did not receive an invitation but would like to attend the banquet may send a request via email to coach_spencer@hotmail.com.

Anniversary classes being honored this year include: 1939, 1944, 1949, 1954, 1959, 1964, 1969, 1974, 1979, 1984, 1989, 1994, 1999, 2004, 2009, 2014 and the Senior Class of 2019.

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 Ron Spencer at 8923 Blooming Grove Road, Bloomington, IL 61705 or email to coach_spencer@hotmail.com.

Officers of the 2019 Alumni Association are Ron Spencer ('89), President; Ginny Sparks Smith ('00), Vice-President; Greg Phillips ('89), Treasurer; Carole Metz Knipp ('62), Cheryl Rademaker Renfrow ('62) & Jim Scales ('62), Corresponding Secretaries; Jillyn Cross Thorton ('08), Recording Secretary.



Hartsburg- Emden
2018-2019
HONOR ROLL – 2nd Nine Weeks

* denotes 4.00 GPA

<u>HIGH</u>	<u>HONORS</u>	<u>HONORABLE MENTION</u>
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6th Grade

Logan Palladini*
Avery Rohlf*
Kylie Starcevic*
Drew Hayes
Zoe Miller
Jonah Robison
Sadie Williams

Ethan Simonton

Bella Grabowski
Carson Zinser

7th Grade

Noah Doolin
Jace Whitted

Addison Beekman
Evan Cross
Ashlyn Duvall
Cloee O'Donoghue
Kyleigh Ott
Lorisa Riggs

8th Grade

William Wisniewski

Prescott Davis
Caine Fletcher
Abigail Montgomery
Dani Phillips
Gage Shawgo
William Simonton

Lillian Barry
Cassie Crabtree
Mason Farris
Camden Groth
Violet Merz
William Wright

9th Grade

Jenna Benner*
Avah Classen*
Grace Doolin*
Gillian Harris
Emmary Matson

Blake Martin

10th Grade

Grace Beekman
Brianna Grabowski

Hattie Langley

Jonelle Baker
Collin Schriber
Connor Zinser

11th Grade

Spencer Davis*
Emily Craig
Lily Escobedo
Liam Evans
Mayci Maaks
Evan Rohlf

Olivia Garcia
Addam Hoerbert
Nate McAfee
Payge McCree
Sami Perschall
Mia Young

Wyatt Hopkins
Denver Merz

12th Grade

Lexi Barry*
Anna Hayes*
Austin Hayes*
Hunter Buck
Abbie Hoerbert
Sam Perry
Sierra Smith
Dawson Watt

Brody Baker
Madison Farris
Allyx Langley

Isabella Classen
Ivy Merz

Hartsburg- Emden
2018-2019
HONOR ROLL – 1st Semester

* denotes 4.00 GPA

<u>HIGH</u>	<u>HONORS</u>	<u>HONORABLE MENTION</u>
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6th Grade

Logan Palladini*
Avery Rohlf*
Kylie Starcevic*
Sadie Williams*
Drew Hayes
Zoe Miller
Jonah Robison

Ethan Simonton

Abbigail Anderson
Emma Cordray
Bella Grabowski
Carson Zinser

7th Grade

Noah Doolin*
Jace Whitted*
Addison Beekman
Michelle Benner
Evan Cross
Kyleigh Ott
Lorisa Riggs

Ashlyn Duvall
Cloee O'Donoghue

8th Grade

William Wisniewski*
Prescott Davis
Caine Fletcher
Gage Shawgo

Lillian Barry
Cassie Crabtree
Mason Farris
Camden Groth
Abigail Montgomery
Dani Phillips
William Simonton
William Wright

Violet Merz

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Grace Doolin*
Jenna Benner
Gillian Harris
Emmary Matson

Blake Martin

10th Grade

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Brianna Grabowski
Hattie Langley

Connor Zinser

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Evan Rohlf*
Emily Craig
Lily Escobedo
Liam Evans
Mayci Maaks

Olivia Garcia
Addam Hoerbert
Nate McAfee
Payge McCree
Sami Perschall
Mia Young

Wyatt Hopkins
Luke Mason
Denver Merz

12th Grade

Lexi Barry*
Anna Hayes*
Hunter Buck
Justin Cannon
Austin Hayes
Abbie Hoerbert
Sam Perry
Dawson Watt

Brody Baker
Madison Farris
Allyx Langley
Sierra Smith

March

2019

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
School Calendar					1. FFA-Women Changing Face of Ag-Decatur	2 HSBK-Host Fresh/Soph Tourn 9:00
3 Sons of the American Legion Breakfast @ Emden Comm House 7:00-1:00	4 No School JHVB-Host 7A Sect 6:30	5 JHVB-Host 8A Reg. 5:00 JH Sch Bowl vs CC 4:00	6 JHVB-Host 8A Reg. 6:00	7 JHVB-Host 8A Reg. 6:00 JH Sch Bowl vs WLB 4:00 FFA-District Proficiencies-Jacksonville	8 <i>Qtr 3 Report Card</i> JHVB-7A State TBA	9 JHVB-7A State TBA
10	11 Scholastic Book Fair @ GS JHVB-Host 8A Sect. TBA	12 JH Sch Bowl vs Olympia Middle School 4:00 Family Reading Night @ GS 6:00	13	14	15 JHVB-8A State TBA	16 JHVB-8A State TBA
17	18 <i>Board Mtg 7:00</i> HSBB @ Midland 4:30 JH Sch Bowl @ Greenview 4:00	19 11:30 Dismissal SIP Day FFA-Ag Legislative Day in Springfield Logan County Music Festival @ Mt. Pulaski	20 Beta Club Induction Ceremony @ HS Caf� 5:30 FFA-Section 14 Prepared Public Speaking	21 HSBB @ Dec-Mack 4:30 JH Sch Bowl vs New Holland-Middletown 4:00	22 HSBB vs Lewistown 4:30	23 HSBB @ Rte 41 Series TBA
24	25 Preschool Screening @ GS 3:00-6:00	26 Sr.Beta Club Blood Drive @ HS Gym 9:00-2:00	27	28 HSBB @ Athens 4:30 JH Sch Bowl @ Carroll Catholic 4:00	29 Hunter Safety Course @ Hartsburg Legion Senior Trip	30 Hunter Safety Course @ Hartsburg Legion HSBB vs Roanoke-Benson (DH) 11:00 Senior Trip

March

2019

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
Breakfast Menu					1 Cinnamon roll Mixed fruit Apple juice	2
3	4 No School Casimir Pulaski Day	5 Cheese omelet Toast Cherry star juice Orange juice	6 Mini pancakes Peaches Orange juice	7 Breakfast burrito Pineapple Orange juice	8 Trix yogurt Graham crackers Mixed fruit Orange juice	9
10	11 French toast Pears Apple juice	12 Chicken slider patty Biscuit Peaches Apple juice	13 Bagel Cream cheese Pears Apple juice	14 Sausage patty Tri tater Toast Apricots Apple juice	15 Fruit frudel Cheese stick Applesauce Apple juice	16
17	18 Peanut butter & Jelly jamwich Pineapple Orange juice	19 Donut Pears Orange juice	20 Cereal bar Toast Pineapple Orange juice	21 Blueberry muffins Fruit Orange juice	22 Breakfast pizza Applesauce Orange juice	23
24	25 Waffles Mixed fruit Apple juice	26 Assorted cereal Toast (H.S.) Peaches Apple juice	27 English muffin Sausage patty Cherry star juice Apple juice	28 Pancakes Mandarin oranges Apple juice	29 Pop tart Toast Pears Apple juice	

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March

2019

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
Lunch Menu					1 Assorted sandwiches Carrot & celery sticks Goldfish crackers Mandarin oranges	2
3	4 No School Casimir Pulaski Day	5 Salisbury steak Mashed potatoes/gravy Green beans Bread Peaches	6 Sub sandwich Fresh veggies/dip Hard pretzels Pineapple	7 Chicken fajita Lettuce/salsa Corn Mixed fruit Vanilla wafers	8 Toasted cheese Tomato soup/crackers Mini carrots Pears	9
10	11 Chicken wrap Lettuce/cheese Mixed vegetables Sun chips Peaches	12 Chili/crackers Carrot & celery sticks Pears Cinnamon roll	13 Pork tenderloin on bun Veggie pasta salad Green beans Apricots	14 Sloppy joe on bun French fries Broccoli Applesauce	15 Pizza Lettuce salad Corn Jello Pineapple	16
17	18 Corn dog Soft pretzel Cooked carrots Pears	19 11:30 Dismissal SIP Day	20 Spaghetti w/meat sauce Green beans French bread Pineapple	21 Crispito w/cheese sauce Bread Peas Applesauce	22 Fish on bun Baked beans Lettuce salad Mixed fruit Brownie	23
24	25 Hamburger on bun Tortilla chips Bean dip Peas Peaches	26 Chicken patty on bun Corn Strawberries Cake	27 Chicken nuggets Macaroni & cheese Cooked carrots Mandarin oranges	28 Taco Lettuce/salsa Refried beans Pears Pudding	29 Cheesy breadstick Marinara sauce Romaine salad Juice bar Applesauce	

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