

# HARTSBURG-EMDEN CUSD NO. 21

## SEPTEMBER 2019 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 – opposed to trying to develop skills in the area of weakness.

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. To be life-long learners, a growth mindset is critical. We all need to keep in mind that students develop at different rates and times. I often hear people say a person doesn't have the capability, when in fact, they just haven't developed those particular skills yet. Again, all students can learn and develop.

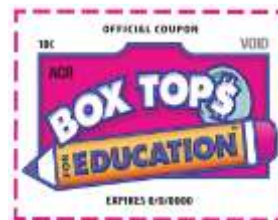
Again, Welcome Back!! I'm looking forward to another great school year.

### BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Welcome back to school, parents!

Clipping Box Tops is an easy way for you to help our school. This year it is even easier because now you can scan your receipts. Box Tops are each worth 10 cents and quickly add up to real cash for our school. All you have to do is clip Box Tops and send to school with your child or scan your receipt to the app on your phone from participating products. There are 2 redemption dates a year – Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup>. After our Box Tops are sent in, the school receives a check in December and April. Sign up at [www.BTFE.com](http://www.BTFE.com) to stay updated on our school's earnings. Members also receive exclusive coupon offers and recipes and can learn about extra ways for our school to earn more cash. If you have any questions, please contact me at 217-376-3151 or [cfletcher@hartem.org](mailto:cfletcher@hartem.org)

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## 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 four new teachers this summer. Here is a quick rundown of our new faculty members.

Sara Barton  
9-12 Agriculture Teacher  
University of Illinois  
1<sup>st</sup> Year Teacher



Eric Gardiner  
9-12 English Teacher  
Illinois State University  
4<sup>th</sup> Year Teacher



Kent Hieronymus  
9-12 Spanish Teacher  
Illinois State University  
40<sup>th</sup> Year Teacher



Tanya Zerbonia  
8-12 Science Teacher  
University of Illinois  
25<sup>th</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 another year of Stags' athletics. School is back in session and so are our sports teams.

The junior high softball team is in midseason shape. Coach Steve Awe and the girls are nearly ready to begin their postseason play. The girls start regional play on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

Coach McAfee and the boys have started their season as well. We have also welcomed a new assistant Chris Phillips. You can see the boys play at McGraw field on September 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. They will begin regional play on the 17<sup>th</sup>.

Coach Robinson and the golf team are on the links. They will be in a couple of tournaments this month with the Tomahawk Conference Meet on September 16<sup>th</sup> and the Clinton Invite on September 23<sup>rd</sup>. They will have home matches on September 11, 18, and 19 in Atlanta at North Greens golf course.

Our last fall sports team, the high school volleyball team, begins their season at Delavan on Sept 3. They will have home games on September 10, 17, and 23, and 26. The girls also travel to Casey for a tournament on September 7<sup>th</sup> and participate in the Mt. Pulaski Fall Festival on September 20 + 21. 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!

### **SPANISH CLASSES AT HARTEM**

Spanish classes have begun and there are a lot of students taking advantage of these classes. There are four levels of Spanish being offered, Spanish 1-4. Mr. Kent Hieronymus is the instructor and is very excited to teach at Hartem. This is his 40th year of teaching. Mr. Hieronymus is enjoying teaching at Hartem. The students are very enthusiastic. The beginning of the year starts with choosing a Spanish name for each student and practicing introductions using these names. The students will be writing simple Spanish sentences and speaking simple Spanish conversations. Sentence patterns, verb conjugations, and grammar structures are being studied to use in the students' speaking and writing in Spanish. Learning a new language is fun!

### **SEPTEMBER BREAKFAST/LUNCH PRICES**

20 Student Breakfasts	@\$2.00	\$40.00
20 Reduced Student Breakfasts	@\$0.30	\$6.00
19 Student Lunches	@\$2.75	\$52.25
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 \$3.25.

### **LIBRARY NEWS**

The Book Fair is coming! Sept. 23-27 is the fall book fair. There will be so many fun new books and old favorites. We also have the eWallet this year. Don't want to send money with your student? Go online (we'll share the link later) and put a spending limit on your child. When they come to school and pick things out, they just need to tell me they have eWallet and they cannot spend over the amount you set. After the fair is over, Scholastic charges your credit/ debit card with only the amount your child spent. Super easy! We had a few people use it last year and it went wonderfully.

We're on social media! Check out @Stagsread on Instagram or @EmdenLit for Twitter. Feel free to post pictures/ videos of your kids reading their library books and tag us and use #stagsread. We will

also post information about Book Fairs and other events on social media.

We had two Donors Choose grants funded this summer (Lincoln award books- teen and Bluestem award books- 3-5) and received a grant from Meemic to buy books to allow all students and their families to be represented in the library. We still have two projects up on Donors Choose for Monarch book award books (k-2) and Rebecca Caudill book award books (middle school).

### HSV B GEAR

The Volleyball Team is again selling Hartem gear. There is a great variety of items from Stag T-shirts, sweatshirts, hats, and leggings! Adult and kid sizes are available. The Grade School and High School offices have forms as well as any volleyball player! So order your spirit gear and come support your STAGS!!

**All forms and money are due no later than Tuesday, September 3rd - we CANNOT accept late orders!**

### HSV B HOMECOMING WEEK

The 2019 Volleyball Homecoming Week will be September 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>. Our Homecoming Match and Pack the Place Night will be **THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 26<sup>th</sup> vs. Mt. Pulaski.**

The week will consist of DRESS UP DAYS. 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 28<sup>th</sup>, 7:00-9:00pm.** Tickets will be available through Student Council members. Remember to sign up your out-of-town guests in the office!



### CLASS OF 2020 DRIVE-THRU DINNER

The senior class will tickle your taste buds with a chicken dinner on Sept. 26th from 4-7. The meal will be catered by Nelsons with a drive-thru pick-up or dine in option. Tickets will be sold only ahead of time so please see a senior or call the school or email Mrs. Simonton ([lsimonton@hartem.org](mailto:lsimonton@hartem.org)). The cost is \$10 per ticket which includes grilled ½ chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, dinner roll and butter. It is also the night of our Volleyball Homecoming game Vs Mt. Pulaski, so let us do the cooking for you!

### HSV B 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!**



### FFA NEWS

Sara Barton, Ag Teacher and FFA Advisor

The Hartem FFA Chapter finished the summer strong by spending a whole week in August working at the Illinois State Fair in Springfield, IL. They worked the Illinois Pork Patio food booth where they served hundreds of hungry customers and also spent three nights cleaning out barn stalls. They worked hard and played hard with some sweet treats after the long hot days! We are looking forward to starting the school year and start meeting as a chapter and officer team regularly. We have lots of fun events to attend this fall and are excited to get started!



## **CLASS OF 2020 CAR WASH**

The HE Senior Class will be having a car wash on Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am-12:00pm at Four Corners Lube in Lincoln. The cost will be donation and will benefit the senior trip.



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<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> <b>No School</b>	<b>3</b> JHSB vs IC 4:30 (8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Night) JHBB @ WLB 4:30 HSVB @ Delavan 6:00	<b>4</b> Golf @ Hickory Pt 4:00	<b>5</b> JHSB @ Delavan 4:30 JHBB @ Logan County Play-In TBA HSVB @ Dee-Mack 5:30	<b>6</b> JHSB @ Tremont 4:15	<b>7</b> JHBB @ Logan County Tourn @ MP TBA HSVB @ Casey- Westfield Tourn TBA
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> JHBB vs CEL 4:30	<b>10</b> JHSB @ W-L 4:30 HSVB vs Lewistown 6:00 Golf @ Country Hills 4:00	<b>11</b> JHSB-1A Reg. TBA Golf @ North Greens 4:00 Fall Sports Pictures	<b>12</b> JHBB vs IC 4:30	<b>13</b> JHBB vs Heyworth 4:30 (8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Night) 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Wellness Workshop @ Lincoln Christian Church 9:00	<b>14</b> JHSB-1A Reg. TBA  Sr. Class Car Wash @ Four Corners Lube 8:00am-12:00pm
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> <i>Budget Hearing</i> 6:45 <i>Board Mtg</i> 7:00 JHSB-1A Reg. TBA JHBB @ MWC 4:30 HSVB @ Tremont 5:30 Golf @ Country Hills 11:00	<b>17</b> JHBB-1A Reg. TBA HSVB vs Athens 6:00	<b>18</b> JHBB-1A Reg. TBA Golf @ North Greens 3:30  Jr. Class Fundraiser @ El Mazatlan 4:00-8:00	<b>19</b> Golf @ North Greens 3:30	<b>20</b> HSVB @ MP Fall Festival TBA	<b>21</b> JHSB-1A Sect. TBA JHBB-1A Reg. TBA HSVB @ MP Fall Festival TBA
<b>22</b> HSVB Home- coming Week	<b>23</b> <i>Scholastic Book Fair @ GS</i> JHBB-1A Reg. TBA HSVB vs W-L 6:00 Golf @ Clinton 3:00	<b>24</b> <i>Scholastic Book Fair @ GS</i> Picture Retakes GS 8:30 Picture Retakes HS 10:00 HSVB @ PrairieCent. 6:00 Golf @ The Rail 4:00	<b>25</b> <i>Scholastic Book Fair @ GS</i> <b>11:30 Dismissal SIP Day</b>  Golf @ Oak Run 9:30	<b>26</b> <i>Scholastic Book Fair @ GS</i> Sr. Class Chicken Drive-Thru Dinner @ HS 4:00-7:00  HSVB vs MP 6:00 Pack the Place Homecoming Game	<b>27</b> <i>Scholastic Book Fair @ GS</i>  JHSB-1A State TBA	<b>28</b> JHSB-1A State TBA JHBB-1A Sect. TBA  HSVB-Homecoming Dance @ HS 7:00- 9:00
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>					

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<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> No School	<b>3</b> Pop tart Toast Cherry star juice Apple juice	<b>4</b> Pancake & sausage On a stick Mandarin oranges Apple juice	<b>5</b> Bagel Cream cheese Pineapple Apple juice	<b>6</b> Assorted muffins Mixed fruit Apple juice	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Waffles Applesauce Orange juice	<b>10</b> Nutria-grain bar Toast Mandarin oranges Orange juice	<b>11</b> Donut Toast (HS) Pears Orange juice	<b>12</b> Peanut butter & Jelly jamwich Pineapple Orange juice	<b>13</b> Pancakes Peaches Orange juice	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Frittata Toast Applesauce Apple juice	<b>17</b> Breakfast pizza Pears Apple juice	<b>18</b> Sausage patty Tri tater Toast Apple juice	<b>19</b> French toast Applesauce Apple juice	<b>20</b> Cereal bar Mixed fruit Apple juice	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Mini pancakes Pineapple Orange juice	<b>24</b> Assorted cereal Applesauce Orange juice	<b>25</b> Biscuit with gravy Peaches Orange juice	<b>26</b> Fruit frudel Cherry star juice Orange juice	<b>27</b> Breakfast burrito Pears Orange juice	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Chicken on a biscuit Fruit Apple juice	<b>A variety of milk is available every day. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.</b>				

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<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Chicken nuggets Macaroni & cheese Peas Mandarin oranges	<b>10</b> Beef walking taco Corn Lettuce/diced tomatoes Pears	<b>11</b> Hot ham & cheese on bun Oven fries Lettuce salad Pineapple	<b>12</b> Chicken & noodles Green beans Peaches Jello	<b>13</b> Corn dog Soft pretzel Mixed vegetables Applesauce	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Toasted cheese sandwich Tomato soup Mini carrots Pears	<b>17</b> Beef tater tot casserole Bread Green beans Peaches	<b>18</b> Hamburger on bun Bean salsa Chips Cooked carrots Applesauce	<b>19</b> Creamed chicken On biscuit Peas Lettuce salad Mixed fruit	<b>20</b> Assorted sandwiches Fresh veggies/dip Hard pretzels Pineapple	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Grilled chicken wrap Lettuce/tomatoes Pasta salad w/veggies Applesauce Vanilla wafers	<b>24</b> Pig in a blanket Baked beans Peas Peaches Pudding	<b>25</b> <b>11:30 Dismissal</b> <b>SIP Day</b>	<b>26</b> Sloppy joe on bun Nacho chips/cheese Mixed vegetables Pears Jello	<b>27</b> Pizza Romaine lettuce salad Corn Fresh fruit	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Crispito w/cheese sauce Cooked carrots Bread Pears Juice bar	<b>A variety of milk is available every day.</b> <b>Chef salad and side salads are available every day at the high school.</b> <b>This institution is an equal opportunity provider.</b>				



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When: Wednesday, September 18, 2019

Where: El Mazatlan, 203 Madigan Drive, Lincoln

How: Don't cook on Wednesday, have a nice dinner out with your family! 10% of all profits for the night will be donated to the Junior Class.

