

September 2016

Superintendent Notes by Mr. Knippelmeyer



The new school year is off and running. Football and Volleyball games have begun and we're looking forward to watching our student athletes perform both on and off the field / court. Thank you for your work as parents and community members in helping the 2016-2017 school year start off successfully.

2016-17 District Budget: Now that school has started, I shift my focus to developing the budget for the 2016-17 school year. As many of you know, it has become more and more evident the past couple of years that Sterling Public Schools must rely primarily on the support of our local patrons to support our school financially. For the upcoming school year we will get very little in regard to state aid for our school, (\$533 compared to \$830,000 two years ago). We are very thankful for the support that we get from our patrons and community and know that we would not be able to provide the excellent education that our students receive, without your support. We will continue to work hard and be fiscally responsible with our funds, while also working to provide the best educational opportunities we can for our students. So again, THANK YOU for your support of our school!

Fall Sports Participation: We have received some questions in regard to participation in fall sports this year. For the current school year we have 31 boys and 28 girls in grades 9-12. This year we have 16 boys (8 seniors) out for football and 10 girls out for volleyball. One of the great things about being a part of a smaller school is that the opportunity to participate in extracurricular activities is great. A trend that many schools are seeing, especially in football, is a declining number in participation. We have been fortunate in years past that the numbers really did not decline in participation in football. What we are seeing now is that trend is changing, and this could have a significant impact on our athletic teams in the future. With 8 senior boys finishing up their high school football careers this year, it will be imperative that we get additional kids to participate in football next year, otherwise the future of our football program is going to be in question. We're looking forward to both our football and volleyball seasons and know that our athletes and coaches will compete to their greatest ability! We wish all our teams the best of luck this year. Go Jets!

New Gym Scoreboard Donations: Thank you to the following groups / individuals for your generous donations to new scoreboards in the gym. The new scoreboards are ordered and are scheduled to arrive in September, hopefully in time for our first home High School volleyball games.

Sterling Fire Department
Sterling Class of 2016
Joe & Anna Zager
Girl Scout Troop # 20571
Girl Scout Troop # 20135

Welcome Trudy Hunt to our para-professional staff: Trudy Hunt is returning to Sterling Public Schools as a part-time para-professional. Trudy served our school community a few years back and is excited to rejoin our school team. We welcome Trudy back to Sterling Public Schools!

Title 1 Annual Meeting

The purpose of the Title 1 annual meeting, a requirement for all Title 1 schools, is to explain the school's Title 1 program and to tell parents about their right to be involved in their child's education. Sterling's Title 1 annual meeting will be held **Thursday, September 22, 2016** during Parent-Teacher Conferences in the school cafeteria.

PLEASE GET YOUR POWERSCHOOL FORMS FILLED OUT AND TURNED INTO THE OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE PLEASE.

Principle Notes by Mr. Theobald



Marzano Update. Last year our teaching staff attended 6 days of training via the MRL Academy V as we started the work to implement a common language of instruction throughout the building. The next phase of this implementation will take place this year with a program called HIIP (High Impact Instruction Partnership). Our staff will be working with staff developers from ESU 4 to begin implementation of several aspects of the Marzano model. Each staff member has some autonomy in that they will be able to choose, what elements to focus on, and also have some flexibility to change goals as needed. In addition, based on the design of the HIIP program, we will not need to alter the school calendar to accommodate this program. I am really excited about this opportunity for our staff as it will be a benefit to our students!

Attendance. I know I write about this every year, but one of the single most important ways for students to be successful is for them to be at school. I also understand that kids do get sick and things come up which will require them to miss school. If your child is not going to be in school, we ask that you call the office by 7:55 a.m., otherwise the school will be contacting you to check on the whereabouts of your child. Also, if your child is gone for a medical reason, we ask that you provide the school with a note verifying that appointment, as this helps out when we track student attendance.

As always, if you have any concerns or comments, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

GO JETS!!!

Great American
OPPORTUNITIES

Do you have magazine subscriptions that are coming up for renewal? Maybe you would like to try a new one or you plan on giving a subscription as a gift this year.

PLEASE save your orders for our fundraiser!

The Junior Class will be contacting people soon. If you would like to have them stop and see you, contact Emilia Woepfel at ewoepfel@sterlingpublicschools.com or 402-866-4761 ext. 128.

Renewal orders will simply extend current, subscriptions, redirecting money from publishers to OUR SCHOOL.

Let your friends and family know about our fundraiser and ask them to save their subscriptions for our program as well.

THANK YOU in advance for your support! It's greatly appreciated!

If you would like to order online go to:

gaschoolstore.com

Click on **SHOP NOW** and enter the School Online ID: 2513208

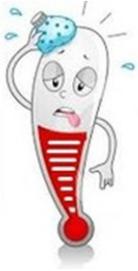
CLASS DUES NEED TO BE TURNED INTO YOUR CLASS SPONSOR ASAP!

Juniors: Mr. Davenport or Miss Woepfel

Sophomores: Congrats on being the first class with funds turned in!!!

Freshman: Mrs. Weyers

7th & 8th Graders: Mr. Heusman



Something to keep in mind as the cold and flu season is quickly approaching...

From the handbook here at Sterling Public Schools:

STUDENTS WHO BECOME ILL DURING SCHOOL

Students must leave school if they have a temperature of 100.0°, diarrhea, communicable diseases (e. g. ringworm, pink eye, chickenpox, head lice) or they are vomiting or at the discretion of school personnel. It is important for the health of all students, including your student that no student shall return to school any sooner than **24 hours** after the fever or last symptom (such as vomiting or diarrhea) have subsided without the aid of any fever reducing medication (such as Tylenol or Ibuprofen).



2015-16 Yearbooks are here!

Visit Mr. Davenport to pick yours up today!

Make sure to get a jump start on this year by purchasing the 2016-17 yearbook book!

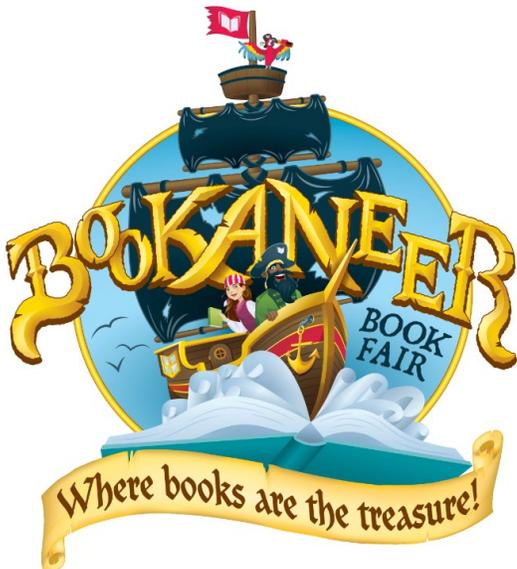


ACTIVITY PASS PRICES

Contact the office or Brent Heusman.

ADULT - \$50
7-12 STUDENT - \$30
K-6 STUDENT - \$20

Anyone over 65 who lives in the Sterling School District would be eligible for a **FREE SENIOR PASS.**



September 19-23, 2016

M, T, W: open until 4PM

TH: open until 8:30PM
(Parent/Teacher Conferences)

F: open from noon~4PM

In the Sterling School Library

Use this link if you'd like to shop online:

<http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/sterlingjets>

Online fair will be from Sept 11-Sept 24, 2016!

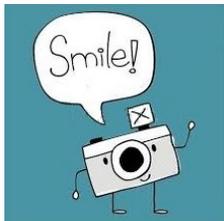
ACT TEST DATES 2016-17

Date	Registration Deadline	Late Fee Required
September 10, 2016	August 5, 2016	August 6-19, 2016
October 22, 2016	September 16, 2016	Sept. 17-30, 2016
December 10, 2016	November 4, 2016	November 5-18, 2016
February 11, 2017	January 13, 2017	January 14-20, 2017
April 8, 2017	March 3, 2017	March 4-17, 2017
June 10, 2017	May 5, 2017	May 6-19, 2017

Lifetouch Picture Day

Wednesday,
September 21, 2016

Pictures
will begin
at 8:15 AM



MARCHING BAND EVENTS

September 17th - Applejack Parade in Nebraska City
September 30th - Homecoming in Sterling

If you ever have any questions or concerns, please feel free to give me a call at school or email me at arenninger@sterlingpublicschools.com.

2016-17 EARLY OUT (1:37PM) DAYS

SEPT 7 - OCT 5 - NOV 2 - DEC 7 - FEB 1 - MARCH 1 - APRIL 5

THANK YOU...

To the Women of Immanuel Church for their generous donation to our lunch program,

To Steve & Lisa Chellew for the delicious bundt cake brought to school, and
To St. John's Lutheran Church for continuing the Backpack Program that benefits our children.

ARE YOU
INTERESTED IN...

buying an ad for this upcoming 2016-2017 Yearbook?

Help support the school Yearbook by purchasing your ad TODAY!

Contact Jacob Davenport at jdavenport@sterlingpublicschools.com

or 402-866-4761 ext. 122



Together We Transform Lives



1 Mile Run/Walk
Friday, September 9, 2016
Halftime of Sterling vs. Friend Football Game

Location: Walking Path by football field

Cost: \$5 per person, children under one free, checks payable to Teammates
(please write Sterling Branch in the memo)

Contact: Annie Ahrens aahrens@sterlingpublicschools.com

Glow Run Entry Form

Please Return By September 2nd for Pre-Registration and be entered in a drawing for a chance to win a Husker item!! OR register up until halftime of the football game.

Names of Participants
First and Last Names Printed

Two sets of horizontal lines for writing names.

\$5 x _____ = _____
of Participants Total Amount Enclosed

Come walk/run a mile and glow!



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p><i>Menus are subject to change without notice.</i></p> <p><i>USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.</i></p>	<p>A variety of fruits and vegetables are offered with every meal.</p> <p>Alternate Entrée: Chef Salad</p> <p>Milk served with every meal.</p>		<p>1 B- Scrambled Eggs, WG Toast OR Cereal/WG Toast, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Pork Patty on WG Bun, Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy, Green Beans, Pineapple Tidbits</p>	<p>2 B- Breakfast Burrito OR Cereal/WG Muffin, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Hamburger on WG Bun, FF and/or Swt. FF, Tomatoes, Mixed Fruit</p>
<p>5</p> <p>NO SCHOOL LABOR DAY</p>	<p>6 B- WG Waffles, Sausage OR Cereal/WG Waffle, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Nachos w/ Cheese Sauce or Bean Dip, Peas, Celery w/ PB, Mandarin Oranges</p>	<p>7 B- Cereal, WG Toast, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Chicken Patty on WG Bun, FF and/or Swt. FF, Corn, Applesauce</p>	<p>8 B- Yogurt Parfait OR Cereal/WG Muffin, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Goulash, Green Beans, WG Dinner Roll w/ Jelly, Mixed Fruit</p>	<p>9 B- Breakfast Bar OR Cereal/WG Muffin, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Salisbury Steak, Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy, WG Breadstick, Peaches</p>
<p>12 B- Breakfast Pizza OR Cereal/WG Muffin, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy, Glazed Carrots, Pears</p>	<p>13 B- Scrambled Eggs, WG Toast OR Cereal/WG Toast, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Ham Patty on WG Bun, Broccoli w/ Cheese, Tator Gems and/or Swt. Tator Gems, Pineapple Tidbits</p>	<p>14 B- WG Pancake & Sausage on Stick OR Cereal/WG Muffin, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Pizza, Corn, Romaine Lettuce Salad, Applesauce</p>	<p>15 B- Cereal, WG Toast, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Tacos, Green Beans, Celery w/ PB, Peaches</p>	<p>16 B- Toaster Pastry, Sausage OR Cereal/Sausage, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Chicken & Noodles, Peas, WG Bread, Mixed Fruit</p>
<p>19 B- WG Waffles, Sausage OR Cereal/Waffle, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Hot Dog on WG Bun, FF and/or Swt. FF, Corn, Applesauce</p>	<p>20 B- Cereal, WG Toast, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Burrito, Green Beans, Chips w/ Salsa, Mandarin Oranges</p>	<p>21 B- Yogurt Parfait OR Cereal/WG Muffin, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Hot Beef Sandwich, Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy, Peas, Pears</p>	<p>22 B- Scrambled Eggs, WG Toast OR Cereal/WG Toast, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Spaghetti, WG Garlic Bread, Romaine Lettuce Salad, Mixed Fruit</p>	<p>23</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>
<p>26 B- Scrambled Eggs, WG Toast OR Cereal/WG Toast, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- BBQ Rib on WG Bun, FF and/or Swt. FF, Romaine Lettuce Salad, Applesauce</p>	<p>27 B- WG Pancake, Sausage OR Cereal/Sausage, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Submarines, Green Beans, Gelatin, Pears</p>	<p>28 B- Cereal, WG Toast, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Potato Bake, Ham Salad or Tuna Salad Sandwich, String Cheese, Pineapple Tidbits</p>	<p>29 B- Breakfast Bar OR Cereal/WG Muffin, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Chicken Tetrizzini, Peas, WG Breadstick, Peaches</p>	<p>30 B- Oatmeal OR Cereal/WG Muffin, Fruit/Juice, Milk</p> <p>L- Mini Corn Dogs, Corn, Baked Beans, Mixed Fruit</p>

SEPTEMBER 2016 ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>August 28 This calendar is subject to change.</p>	<p>29 HS Band to Nebraska State Fair in Grand Island</p>	<p>30 TeamMates Kickoff</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>1 Freeman VB Invite vs. Johnson-Brock - 5PM & Friend - 8PM</p>	<p>2 FB @ Nebr. City Lourdes - 7PM</p>	<p>3 Freeman VB Invite vs. Elmwood-Murdock - 9AM & TBA</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>5 NO SCHOOL LABOR DAY</p>	<p>6 JH FB vs. Nebr. City Lourdes - 3PM JH VB vs. Nebr. City Lourdes - 3:30PM HS VB @ Freeman (JV/V) - 6PM</p>	<p>7 EARLY OUT - 1:37PM</p>	<p>8 Falls City VB Triangular (FC/PC) - 5/6PM StuCo Class Leadership Training @ Johnson-Brock</p>	<p>9 FB vs. Friend - 7PM 5th Grade Living History Day @ Table Rock</p>	<p>10 ACT Test Date Syracuse JV VB Tournament</p>
<p>11</p>	<p>12 JV FB vs. Tri County - 6:30PM</p>	<p>13 MID QUARTER</p>	<p>14 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING - 7:30PM</p>	<p>15 ASVAB Testing - Seniors - 8-11:40AM JH FB vs. HTRS - 2PM</p>	<p>16 NO SCHOOL PreK FB Bye Week</p>	<p>17 Applejack Parade @ Neb. City</p>
<p>18</p>	<p>19 MUDECAS VB TOURNAMENT @ BEATRICE JH FB @ Pawnee City - 2PM JH VB @ Friend - 4PM</p>	<p>20 VB @ Diller-Odell - 6PM (JV,V)</p>	<p>21 JH VB @ Freeman - 1:30PM Lifetouch Picture Day - 8:15AM</p>	<p>22 MUDECAS FINALS 1:37 DISMISSAL Parent/Teacher Conf. 2:30-8PM in the gym</p>	<p>23 NO SCHOOL Fall Break FB @ Meridian - 7PM</p>	<p>24 Freeman JH VB Tournament</p>
<p>25</p>	<p>26 JH FB @ FCSH - 5PM</p>	<p>27 VB vs. Dorchester - 6PM (JV,V) Josten's Rep - Seniors - 8:50AM Sophomores - 10AM</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 Doane Math Contest</p>	<p>30 FB vs. B-D-S - 7PM HOME COMING</p>	<p>October 1 Big Cat VB Invite @ (Conestoga-Murray) - 9AM</p>

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DON'T FORGET...

SEPTEMBER 5	NO SCHOOL - LABOR DAY
SEPTEMBER 7	EARLY OUT - 1:37PM
SEPTEMBER 10	ACT TEST DATE
SEPTEMBER 12/13/15	MUDECAS VB TOURNAMENT
SEPTEMBER 13	MID-QUARTER
SEPTEMBER 14	SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 16	NO SCHOOL - PREK
SEPTEMBER 19-23	BOOK FAIR WEEK
SEPTEMBER 21	PICTURE DAY
SEPTEMBER 22	EARLY OUT 1:37PM - P/T CONFERENCES 2:30-8
SEPTEMBER 23	NO SCHOOL - FALL BREAK
SEPTEMBER 30	HOMECOMING

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