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## Superintendent Report

November 2019

by Dr. Galen Boldt



At the October School Board Meeting we had a great discussion about the future of our school that resulted in an exciting decision to interview architect candidates. This decision would engage us in discussion about the details of what a building/renovation project looks like. This is the first of many steps that could be happening this school year that would allow our community to voice their wishes about the future of our school and facilities. There are a ton of details that need to be determined, but this first step is the beginning of a journey that could have a huge impact on the future. The discussion at the October Board Meeting centered on how we might get all PreK-12 education on one site and the elimination of the current Tecumseh Elementary Building, which has served our school district well but is at the end of its productive usefulness. Many thoughts will be considered about what, when, and where for future building, but the decision to move forward with selection of an architect will help with defining what alternatives could be available for a price that would be determined by the Board of Education. Details will unfold in future months.

When I drove up to school today, the sight that I saw reminded me of my first tenure at Tecumseh in the 80's when there was no mobile classroom between the two buildings at the Tecumseh site. Thanks to Gary Kuhl and his crew for their work in removing the unit from school property. We contracted with him to get the job done, and we are now appreciating the open space that is left. We have some concrete repairs to do where the slabs are broken and have created a safety issue, but already the open space is being greeted with excitement. The mobile unit served the district well over the years, but now we can eliminate the utilities required to operate it and clean up the appearance of our school as you pull up. Thanks to all of the teachers who had to move and make a new room home for their classes this year. Again, our maintenance crew and the entire staff are doing a great job of enhancing the appearance of all of our facilities and I am thankful for all of the efforts put into making the school something to be proud of.

We will welcome Senator Slama to our school on Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> for an opportunity meet and greet the Senator. I've had the pleasure of getting to know her during her first year representing our area in the State Legislature, and have been impressed by her knowledge and communications. It is easy for all of us to complain about the things that get done or don't get done in our State Government, but we are all fortunate to have someone like Senator Slama representing us. I know she would want as many of her constituents in the area as possible to come to the HS gymnasium at 7:00 to meet her and bring your questions you would like her to address.

## NEWS FROM PRINCIPAL RICK LESTER

Fall is officially here and with that comes the end of our fall sports and the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of the 2019-2020 school year. By the time you receive this newsletter JCC will have already hosted their first parent/teacher conference. If you were unable to attend, please note that your student will be given their report card. Please feel free to call or email your student's teachers if you have any questions or concerns about your student's academic standing. I encourage every parent to be involved and show interest in their student's academic progress. I know we are all busy, but your student's academic success is linked to your interest. It is a proven fact that the more interest a parent shows in their student's academics, the better the student's desire to succeed. You can ask your student about their classes, or a specific project. Help them set aside a specific time or place to study. Listen to their concerns and praise their successes as well as encourage their struggles. You would be amazed how these small gestures will help your student to improve in the classroom. As always, if you have questions please call, and have an awesome Thanksgiving break with your family and friends.



### **VETERAN'S DAY PROGRAMS**

We will be hosting our Annual Veterans Day programs at JCC at both the Tecumseh and Cook sites on **Monday, November 11.**

**The High School program will begin at 10:00 a.m.** with Jon Baum as presenter.

**The Middle School program will begin at 10:45 a.m.** where Dave Armknecht will have a presentation.

Both programs are open to the public. We invite all Veterans and their spouses to remain after the programs for lunch, courtesy of the school.

**If you plan to stay for lunch please call**  
Daisy Mejia at the Tecumseh site (335-3328) or  
Julie Damme at the Cook site (864-4181).

## NOTES FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR Ms. Olivia Reuter

### 2019/2020 ACT Test Dates

The remaining ACT testing dates and registration deadlines for the 2019-2020 school year are listed below.

<u>ACT Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>
Saturday, December 14, 2019	Friday, November 8, 2019
Saturday, February 8, 2020	Friday, January 10, 2020
Saturday, April 4, 2020	Friday, February 28, 2020
Saturday, June 13, 2020	Friday, May 8, 2020
Saturday, July 18, 2020	Friday, June 19, 2020

Students must electronically submit a photo with the application and the admission ticket will have the student's picture printed on it. When students go to take the test, they must have a state or school issued picture ID (driver's license, school ID card, etc. and their ACT admission ticket. They will not be allowed to test without those two items. All students must also indicate the school they attend when registering. Johnson County Central High School's **school code number** is **282-319**. Students choose their testing location as a part of the registration process. Many JCC students test in Auburn, but there are other test center options in other area locations.

Students may register online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org). Online registration is possible 24/7 on any computer connected to the internet. A credit or debit card must be used to pay fees online. (Fee Waivers are available for juniors and seniors who qualify-see Mrs. Reuter for waiver eligibility).

### Applications Open: Horatio Alger Scholarships/ Aksarben Scholarships

Seniors who are US citizens, who have a cumulative GPA of at least a 2.0, who are involved in extra-curricular and community service activities, who display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity, and who demonstrate critical financial need (\$55,000 or lower adjusted gross family income) are encouraged to apply for Horatio Alger scholarships including Nebraska Aksarben scholarships. The application deadline is October 25<sup>th</sup>, however seniors should start applying now as the application is quite long and requires supporting materials. To learn more and apply, visit <https://scholars.horatioalger.org/horatio-alger-scholarship-applications/>

### Apply Now: Heisman High School Scholarship

Applications are now open to apply for a Heisman High School scholarship. There will be a winner from every school, 88 state winners, 10 national finalists, and 2 national winners. At the state level and beyond, scholarship amounts are anywhere from \$500 to \$5000. Students can apply if they have at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA, if they have participated in at least one high school sport all four years, if they consider themselves to be a leader in their school and community, and if they are a positive role model for younger students. To apply, students should go to this website <https://www.heismanscholarship.com>

## **Southeast Community College Agriculture, Healthcare, and Manufacturing Days**

Several JCC High School students attended one or more of the following career days put on by Southeast Community College- Healthcare Day at the Lincoln Campus on October 3rd, Agriculture Day at the Beatrice Campus on October 15th, and Manufacturing Day on October 16th at the Milford campus. Students got the opportunity to meet people working in these career areas and learn from students and instructors in these programs through a wide variety of hands-on activities. Events like these help students to actually see what people do in various careers on a daily basis.



## **Meet the Class of 2020**

Starting this month and continuing throughout the school year, I will feature the Class of 2020 in my newsletter article. Here are the first four senior profiles.



### **Colton James Wellman**

Colton James Wellman is the son of Joy Conrardt and Rick Wellman. He lives near Elk Creek and has an older sister, Angelica, who is 20. Colton's favorite classes at JCC have been his shop, agriculture, and strength training classes and his most challenging classes have been his math and English classes. His school activities are football, wrestling, basketball, track, and FFA and his favorite school lunch is the popcorn chicken bowl. Outside of school, Colton enjoys working on cars and taking care of animals. He says that the best part of being a senior is, "Having the gratitude of making it this far and being so close to stepping into reality." Colton's advice for freshmen is, "Don't get behind, stay on top of things." After high school, Colton plans to attend Southeast Community College in Lincoln for their welding program. In ten years, Colton sees himself working somewhere as a welder or machinist or having his own business, having his own farm, and a family.

## **Courtnie Leigh Zyla**

Courtnie Leigh Zyla is the daughter of Dave and Beckie Zyla of Crab Orchard. She has two brothers, Austin (19) and Evin (14), and a foreign exchange student brother, Peer Schroder, who is 16. Courtnie's main school activity has been cheerleading. Her favorite classes have been medical terminology and choir. Medical terminology because it is fun to learn about different parts of the body and go in depth with them and choir because singing is a distraction from anything bad going on and because Mr. Doran is really funny. Courtnie's most challenging class is finite and trigonometry and her favorite school lunch is pizza. Outside of school, Courtnie loves to sketch and take pictures and hang out with her friends. According to Courtnie, the best thing about being a senior is, "I get to prove all of my hard work to college scouts and realizing it really paid off." Her advice to freshmen is, "Don't get sucked into the drama because it's not worth it. Also, try new things and don't be afraid to step out of your comfort zone!" After high school, Courtnie plans to attend either Peru State College or Northwest Missouri State and major in Psychology. In ten years, she sees herself working as a psychologist, hopefully married, and living on a farm.



## **Monica May Thipphavong**



Monica May Thipphavong is the daughter of Sam and Sengphet Thipphavong of Tecumseh and Carrie and Johnny Vilaysing. Her siblings are Alex (10), Jerry (11), and Justice (5). Monica's activities at JCC have been basketball, track and field, and band. Her favorite classes in high school have been Anatomy/Physiology and Medical Terminology and her most challenging class has been Chemistry. The popcorn chicken bowl is her favorite school lunch. Outside of school, Monica likes to play video games and practice sports outside with her brother, Alex. According to Monica, the best thing about being a senior is applying to colleges, planning for college, and making decisions for her future. Monica's advice to freshmen is, "Talk to your teachers about your assignments when you have questions about them." After high school, Monica plans to attend Wayne State College and major in Athletic Training. In ten years, Monica sees herself living somewhere in Nebraska, working as an athletic trainer at a college or university.

## **Nathen Zachery Neukirch**



Nathen Zachery Neukirch is the son of Gary and Deb Neukirch and Mark Neukirch of Tecumseh. His siblings are Liz (28), Tiffany (24), and Brittney (23). Nathen has really enjoyed all of the science classes that he has taken at JCC and finds Language Arts classes to be challenging. His favorite school lunch is pizza. During his years at JCC, Nathen has participated in football, track and field, and basketball. He is currently on the unified bowling team. Outside of school, Nathen likes going fishing, playing games on Playstation, and taking care of his pet donkey named Goliath. Nathen's advice to freshmen is, "Study hard and make the most of your high school years." In ten years, Nathen sees himself owning his own home and having a career where he works with animals.

# MIDDLE SCHOOL & ATHLETIC NEWS

BY RICH BACON

The first quarter ended on Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup> and Parent-Teacher Conferences were held on Tuesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. If you were unable to attend Parent-Teacher Conferences report cards for middle school students were sent home with your child. If the report card hasn't made it home yet, talk to your child. If that doesn't produce the report card, you may contact the school. Please take an interest in your child's academic performance on a daily basis, talk to your child about school, and praise your child when they do well on a particular academic task. Sometimes this small effort will make a huge difference in a child's academic success. Parental involvement is one of the main ingredients to academic success. **The date for 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Parent-Teacher Conferences has been changed to Wednesday, February 19.**

Mark your School calendar! On Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, Johnson County Central will host the ECNC Middle School and High School Honor Choirs. Over 200 Middle School and High School students will practice together all afternoon and put on what is sure to be an outstanding concert that evening starting at 7:00 p.m. in the high school gym.

Every two years the NSAA is responsible for creating football schedules for all schools in Nebraska. At the conclusion of the 2019 season we will begin the next 2-year cycle. As part of this process, each school must declare what classification of football (11-man, 8-man or 6-man) they will play for the next 2-year cycle. The deadline for schools to submit their declaration of participation is November 30, 2019. With our low participation numbers JCC is faced with a tough choice of which classification we want to play at for the next two years. Do we stay 11-man and hope we have enough boys participate so we can complete our schedules and have a JV program. If everyone who is playing football this year, grades 8-11, plays next year we will have 21 boys participating in football. Of these 21 boys, over half will be Freshmen and Sophomores. This would make it very difficult to play a JV schedule. Our other option is to play 8-man football for the next two years. Of course, this would mean some changes in what our coaches do offensively and defensively. On a positive note, if we choose to play 8-man, we will be eligible for the 8-man play-offs for the next two years. If you have strong feelings one way or the other, please contact one of our coaches, administrators or plan to attend our next board meeting on Wednesday, November 13.

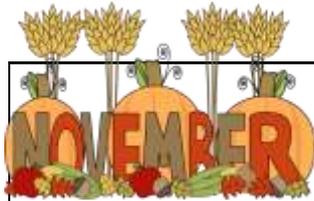
The Junior High falls sports teams have concluded their seasons. Logan Topp placed 10<sup>th</sup> at the ECNC Cross Country Meet. The football, volleyball and cross country teams all gave outstanding effort and worked hard to improve their skills throughout the season and should be commended for their efforts. Outstanding job to the girls and boys who competed for the Thunderbirds this fall, as well as, Football Coaches Scheil, Damme and West, Volleyball Coaches Hunzeker, Fricke, and Cross Country Coaches Weber and Huskey. The boys' basketball team has begun practice, with 16 boys participating with games beginning on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Congratulations to Ashlei McDonald and Logan Topp for qualifying for the State Cross Country Championship in Kearney. Ashlei finished 4<sup>th</sup> and Logan finished 8<sup>th</sup> in the D-1 District. Great job Ashlei, Logan and Coaches.

A special thank you goes out to Tom Dieckgrafe, Adam Badberg, Jason Brandt, Diane Wilken and Lori Panko of the Cook Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad for speaking to our Preschool and 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students about fire safety during Fire Prevention Week.

# Elementary News

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## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Wed. Nov. 6—  
Picture re-takes,  
Both Sites 8:30 AM.
- Fri. Nov. 8—  
1 PM dismissal.
- Wed. Nov. 13—  
School Board Meeting,  
6:30 PM, Cook Media  
Center.
- Nov. 27-29—  
NO SCHOOL.

## “I Didn’t Know!”

### OR: You Can Be About as Involved and Informed as You Want To Be

We currently have 500 students enrolled at Johnson County Central Public Schools. That’s a lot of children and a lot of families.

Here’s a few other numbers for you:

- The PTO (Parent-Teacher Organization) has held several meetings that were advertised to the district. Of the 500 children and 310 families in the district, there were 4 families represented at the last PTO meeting who were not school staff families. That is about 1% of our families to help make decisions that can help 100% of our students!
- The last Post Prom meeting had 5 families represented for the 53 juniors and seniors. That’s 9% to help make decisions, organize and work for the other 48 families who might have students enjoy prom and post prom.
- There are 106 students in grades 9-12 involved in fall activities. Of the 106 students 37 were represented by a parent working in the concession stand to support the Booster Club whose funds support 100% of our students involved in activities. That is a 37% representation.
- The Johnson County School District conducted a series of community input meetings (6 to be exact) to provide information about our district and collect feedback from the public. Of roughly 2,100 registered voters, JCC received feedback from about 6% of those voters.
- There are roughly 120 students involved in Booster Club supported activities. Of those 120 students, the Booster Club had 5 parents, or 4%, of the students represented at the last Booster Club meeting.

I get it. Who wants to go to a meeting? (Well, I actually do know a few people who do!) Maybe that’s not your gift; sitting and talking and making decisions. But, there are other ways to get involved. Offering to serve is one of the most readily available. Serving lets others know that you care, and not just about your own child, but about the health and success of everyone. Service is about pride; knowing you did your part in making something a success.

Even just showing up is a service in, and of, itself. Those who tend to be more of the decision makers and organizers can feel a great deal of support just from your presence.

Also, these events and gatherings allow you to see how things are working in your district, and (maybe most importantly) meet and get to know other people.

So, how do you know when and where these events are happening?

- Calendar in the district newsletter.
- Announcements in the newsletter.
- Calendar on the school webpage: [www.jccentral.org](http://www.jccentral.org)
- Weekly school calendar sent home with students in grades PK-5.
- Alert calls, texts and emails.
- Newspaper articles and advertisements.
- Facebook and Twitter announcements.

Look for ways to become more informed and more involved. It helps you, it helps everyone. And, it is a great way for us to become more connected and supportive as a school district!

# September Thunderbirds of the Month



Kindergarten (l to r) - Rylin Campbell-Thies, Everest Droge, Tyson Shirley, Nathaly Hurtado Arellano, Zoelly Rentas, Quinlynn Beethe, Alivia Gottula



1st Grade (l to r) - Kelly Kongmanyvong, Lucy Rademacher, Ian Robeson, Makenzy Russell, Mason Plock-Sisoutho

Not pictured: Eleanor Burgett, Valen Moscoso



2nd Grade (l to r) - Lydia Bilslend, Aedan Gordon, Jamison Bacon, Griselle Arias-Nevarez, Lila Britt, Carly Christiansen, Jack Sterup, Gabriel Cabrales



3rd Grade (l to r) - Lucy Hippen, Janel Leyva, Elliott Brommer, Juan Aguilar, Wyatt Lueders, Jackson Gottula, Kenna Thomas

Not pictured: Evelyn Burgett



4th/5th Grades (l to r) - Ekho Golda, A.J. Rautenbach, Addison Borrenpohl, Harrison Bacon, Anthony Orozco, Riley Wellensiek, Leighton Beethe, Prestin Thomas, Wesley Schmid, Anthony Campos

## Title 1 Informational Meeting and Pumpkin Night

On Friday, October 11, 2019 Johnson County Central held its informational meeting and pumpkin decorating night. Parents and students were invited to attend the annual meeting in the high school cafeteria to find out details about the Title 1 Program offered at the school from Grades K through 8. Refreshments of hot dogs, chips, and water were enjoyed before the annual meeting began.

Students along with their parents, chose a pumpkin to decorate and take home. Each student chose the artistic decorations they wanted to make their pumpkin special and appealing to them. Both students' and parents' hands were stamped to allow them free access to that evening's football game before the pumpkin fun began. The evening's activities were held in the high school cafeteria because of the cool fall weather.



The Perceptual Data Committee needs all parents of students, who attend JCC, to complete the parent survey by November 22, 2019. Please click on the appropriate link based on your students grade level. If you have multiple children in various buildings, please choose one grade level to complete.

If you already completed a survey at Parent Teacher Conferences, you do not need to do this again. We thank you for your input, this will help our School Improvement process as we look toward the future of JCC.

High School Parent Survey: <http://bit.ly/2qsXZ6B>

Middle School Parent Survey: <http://bit.ly/2P2fip8>

Elementary Cook Survey: <http://bit.ly/2W1sb4o>

Elementary Tecumseh Survey: <http://bit.ly/2nWKQBC>

Greetings from Mr. Meints' classroom! At the end of September, our class had some very special guests come and talk to us as we celebrated Grandparents for an entire week! It was awesome to hear all of the stories about how school was when our Grandparents went, the cost of a soda from back then to now, and listening to all the different types of jobs, careers, and hobbies that our Grandparents do. Our Grandparents discussed how important the subjects that we study truly are, for example, Math and Reading, and if you work hard in these subjects, it will make your job, any job, much easier.

Thank you Grandparents!!



THANKS GRANDPARENTS!!



## The Giving Tree

During the month of December, please stop by the entry way of each JCC site and check out the tree ornaments! Each ornament lists a request from a JCC teacher for items to use in their classrooms. Participating is easy!

- 1) Pick an ornament.
- 2) Fulfill the request.
- 3) Return the item(s) to the school office with the ornament tag attached. (Before Dec. 20, please!)

Let's help make a few classroom wishes come true for our teachers!  
If you have any questions, please contact Alicia Brommer at [abrommer01@gmail.com](mailto:abrommer01@gmail.com).

Sponsored by the JCC PTO



## Middle School Pajama Drive- DEADLINE Wednesday, December 4

6th, 7th, and 8th Grade students are participating in the annual Pajama Drive with the Scholastic Book Club and the Pajama Program. **“For every pair of pajamas donated, Scholastic Book Clubs will donate a brand-new book to Pajama Program to give to kids who are affected by instability.”** Flyers were sent home with students to encourage families to donate brand-new pajamas. The donated pajamas need to be complete sets (top and bottom or a onesie). The Pajama Program is in need of pajamas of all sizes, for people of all ages, for all seasons! All pajamas that are donated need to be brought to school by Wednesday, December 4.

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Scholastic Book Clubs



Pajama Program is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that promotes and supports a comforting bedtime routine for children facing challenges beyond their control.

Pajamas can be given to Mrs. Julie Beach or Mrs. Linsey Meints.

## Elementary Guidance

### **Go Thunderbirds!**

By: Marsha Bacon

What does it mean to be a Thunderbird? Our students have great pride in being Thunderbirds. To begin each year, we review and practice the Thunderbird Way: Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible and Be a Learner. We also talk about what it means to be a good Thunderbird and citizens in our communities. When you walk around the school buildings and in the classrooms, you will see posters about the Thunderbird Way and the expectations for every part of the school.

### Bullying Prevention Unit

In the month of October, students in the elementary have begun their Bullying Prevention Unit, a prosocial/emotional program created by Second Step. Weekly, students watch short videos that we discuss to learn more about: What is Bullying? How can one Prevent Bullying? What should a person do if they are bullied?

Bullying is a very strong word. It is important that students and their families understand what bullying is and what to do if their student is having issues at school. Through lessons, students learn that bullying is a negative behavior that happens over and over, is done on purpose, is something they have not been able to get to stop, and is unfair and one-sided. A focus of The Thunderbird Way is to teach and reinforce **Safe** and **Respectful** behaviors among our students, which are also concepts reinforced through the bullying prevention unit. The expectations of respect and safety with our students helps to create a learning atmosphere for all students at JCC. Visit with your student about your expectations of respect and safety as well. Together we have the power to prevent bullying with kind words and actions. For more information and bullying prevention resources you can visit the national bullying prevention website at: <https://www.stopbullying.gov/> or to learn more about the Second Step bullying prevention curriculum visit: <http://www.cfchildren.org/>.

# JCC Shoe Drive Fundraiser!!!



**\*All JCC Band Students grades 6-12 are asked to bring in 25 total pairs of shoes (or more) for this fundraiser.**

**ANY SIZE, ANY STYLE!**

**Tennis Shoes, Boots, Cleats, Slippers, Flip Flops, Heels, Crocs, Clogs, Sandals...**

**Baby Shoes, Toddler Shoes, Kids Shoes, Adult Shoes**

**Must be in "wearable" condition. No holes please.  
No caked-on mud.**

**ALL SHOES ARE TO BE TURNED INTO THE  
SCHOOL BY**

**JANUARY 31, 2020.**

**Johnson County Central Middle School Honor Roll  
First Quarter 2019-2020**

**Grade 8**

**Catherine Blomstedt (All A's)**

Brett Bohling  
Ruby Duarte  
Daisy Gardner  
Beaudree Harvey  
Marco Hernandez  
Ava Klein  
Wyatt Ludemann  
Kaitylnn Plager  
**\*Sunnie Rother**  
Kaityn Schuster  
Keven Silos  
Bailee Sterup

**Maya Straka (All A's)**

Terry Trew  
Sergio Valles

**Grade 7**

Kayden Badertscher  
**Gabriel Burki (All A's)**  
**Salena Conley (All A's)**  
**\*Alexander Cruz**  
**Kali Drake (All A's)**  
Jersey Graham  
Juanita Grobler  
Madison Jansen  
**Keegan Jones (All A's)**  
**Lydia Mejia (All A's)**  
Jocelyn Prado  
Dawn Sejkora  
Nolan Wellensiek  
Jaxon Zimmerman

**Grade 6**

**Ashley Beethe (All A's)**

Isaac Beethe  
**\*Elizabeth Bstandig-Rowland**  
Ezekiel Burki  
Draven Campbell  
Ricardo Castor  
Trevin Huskey

**ChanhviLay Kongmanyvong (All A's)**

Harley Lubben  
**\*Marisol Mandl**  
**\*Abriella Mejia**  
**Levi Othmer (All A's)**  
**Briana Robeson (All A's)**  
**Saige Rother (All A's)**  
**Wesley Swanson (All A's)**  
**\*Jack Waring**  
**Owen Weber (All A's)**  
Catherine Wendt  
**Cameron Werner (All A's)**

**Honor Roll students have no grade lower than a B.**

**\*Honor Roll with distinction is based on student's having all A's with only one B**

## **Vocal Music - Mr. Doran**

### **Conference Honor Choir November 12**

Students selected for our ECNC honor choir (East Central Nebraska Conference) to be held in Tecumseh on Tuesday, November 12: **High school:** Soprano – Ava Berkebile, Cheshire Burger, Vanessa Jimenez, & Chayce Oenbring; Alto - Morgan Moran, Hayley Neemann, & Emma Walters; Tenor – Logan Barras, Jonathon Duncan, Hayden Huskey, & Manuel Ramirez; Bass – Gabe DeFreece, Jaxtyn Harvey, & Tanner Woods. Alternates: Alto – Emma Straka; Bass – Uriel Cabrales. **Middle school:** Soprano – Catherine Blomstedt, Jocelyn Prado, Sunnie Rother, & Alivia Tenney; Alto – Arely Cabrales, Kali Drake, Lydia Mejia, Bailee Sterup, & Maya Straka; Baritone – Gabe Burki, Cameron Daniels, Keegan Jones, & Nolan Wellensiek. Alternates: Soprano – Suly Pena; Alto – Mia Castor; Baritone – David Campos

### **Tri County Junior Honor Choral Clinic November 8**

Mr. Doran was able to select ten JCC 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to attend the very first Tri County Junior High Choral Clinic. The students were selected through their singing test at the end of the quarter and consist of: Soprano – Catherine Blomstedt, Jocelyn Prado, & Sunnie Rother; Alto – Kali Drake, Lydia Mejia, Bailee Sterup, & Maya Straka; Baritone – Gabe Burki, Cameron Daniels, & Keegan Jones.

The singers will start rehearsing at 10:30 AM, Friday, November 8 at Tri County High School. A public concert will be at 5:00 PM. There is a \$1.00 admission charge for those attending the concert.

### **All District Concert—December 13**

Due to a busy December calendar the Cook Site Winter/Christmas concert (scheduled for December 2) has been **rescheduled** and will join the Tecumseh Site Winter/Christmas concert for a joint program on Friday, December 13, in the High School Gymnasium in Tecumseh.

The schedule of performances on December 13th will be as follows:

- 6:30 PM – 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade band
- 6:50 PM – K-3 grade program “The Greatest Snowman”
- 7:20 PM – 4-6 grade choir
- Intermission
- 8:00 PM – 7-8 grade band students perform their concert
- 8:20 PM – 7-12 grade vocal students perform a joint concert
- 8:40 PM – HS band students perform their concert

### **Music Calendar:**

Fall-Winter performances will include the following:

- Vocal Music Pie Night – Monday November 4, 6:30 PM in Tecumseh
- Tri County Junior High Choral Clinic Concert – Friday, November 8, 5:00 PM in Dewitt
- ECNC Honor Choir Concert – Tuesday, November 12, 7:00 PM in Tecumseh
- 4-8 Grade Concerts – Friday, December 13, 6:30 PM in Tecumseh (***this is a date change***)
- K-3 Elementary Program – Friday, December 13, 6:30 PM in Tecumseh
- High School Concert – Friday, December 13 in Tecumseh (after the K-3 program).
- High School Vocal Christmas Caroling (open to community) TBA

Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>  
Mrs. Karen Haase from KSB School Law  
will be presenting Digital Citizenship at  
JCC Schools for students grades 4-12

About the Presentation:

School attorney Karen Haase from KSB School Law will be presenting to Johnson County Central students in grades 4-12 on Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>. She will present about Digital Citizenship to students at the Cook site and the High School. Karen Haase and the KSB law firm believe passionately that schools should use technology to increase engagement and student achievement. They are a leading authority at how digital citizenship intersects with education. A digital citizen is a person who utilizes information technology in order to engage in society, politics, and government and who uses the internet regularly and effectively. The presentation will offer students an opportunity to learn more about digital citizenship and allow them to ask questions from a knowledgeable law professional.

Karen Haase will discuss legal issues related to students' use of social media. Using humor, statistics, summaries of real-life cases, Karen will explain to students the significant consequences attached to the inappropriate use of social media such as Facebook and Twitter.

Parents are Welcome to Attend the Sessions!

Watch the weekly bulletin for presentation times.

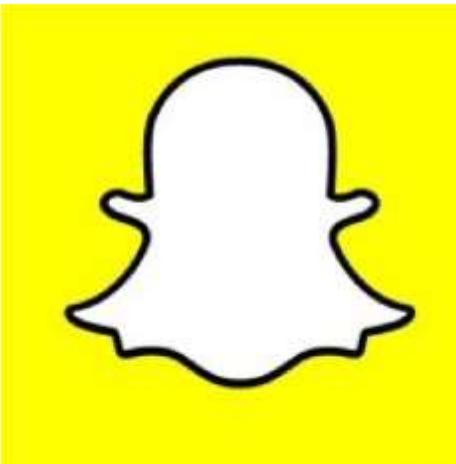
About the Presenter:

Karen Haase is a partner at KSB School Law, where she focuses her practice exclusively on representing public school districts and related entities. She holds degrees from Hastings College, Kansas State University and the University Of Nebraska College Of Law. Prior to attending law school, Karen taught at both the high school and post-secondary level.



Follow Karen on Twitter for fun educational information about Digital Citizenship and much more: @KarenHaase and JCC Middle School Digital Citizens @TBirdSoar.





Digital decisions have legal consequences. Hear real world examples of how student's social media has impacted their lives.

# A Parent's Guide to Social Media

Johnson County Central Schools

Wednesday,  
November  
13th



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# Johnson County Central School Lunch Menu

# November 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Pizza Fruit & Veggie Bar Cake Milk	2
3	4 Chicken Nuggets Potatoes Fruit & Veggie Bar Bread Stick Milk	5 Chili WG Crackers Cinnamon Roll Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk	6 Cheeseburger Green Beans Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk	7 Corn Dog Baked Beans Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk	8 Chicken Quesadilla Corn Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk	9
10 	11 Thank You Veterans!! Ham & Scalloped Potatoes Green beans Fruit & Veggie Bar Dinner Roll Milk	12 Br. Pork Patty/ WG Bun Potatoes Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk	13 Mini Corn Dogs Cowboy Beans Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk	14 Popcorn Chicken Bowl Fruit & Veggie Bar Dinner Roll Milk	15 Fiestada Brownie Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk	16
17	18 Beef Fingers Cheezy Potatoes Fruit & Veggie Bar Dinner Roll Milk	19 Sloppy Joe/ WG Bun Potatoes Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk	20 Sliced Turkey Mashed Potatoes/ Gravy Dinner Roll Fruit & Veggie Bar Dessert Milk	21 Crispy Chicken Wrap Frito Corn Chips Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk	22 Cheese Sticks Green Beans Fruit & Veggie Bar Cookie Milk	23
24	25 Chef's Choice Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk	26 Chicken Noodle Soup Grilled Cheese Fruit & Veggie Bar Milk	27 <b>NO SCHOOL!!</b>	28 	29 <b>NO SCHOOL!!</b>	30
		Important Reminders				

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### Child find

Children that are birth to 5 years old who are experiencing problems with speech language, cognitive, emotional and/or physical development or have a disability can receive services through Early Childhood Education Services. If interested or in need of more information please contact Rebecca Kling, Special Education Coordinator or Dr. Galen Boldt, Superintendent at 402-335-3320.

**\*\* FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8\*\***  
**EARLY DISMISSAL—1:00 p.m.**  
**Teacher Workday**

**\*\* NO SCHOOL\*\***

Thanksgiving Break  
**Wednesday, November 27**  
**Thursday, November 28**  
**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**  
**Friday, November 29**

thanksgiving  
gather  
thankful family  
blessed grateful  
together blessings  
november