

### The WILDCAT REPORT

Maquoketa Valley Community School District's newsletter

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#### **Iowa's New State Assessment**

The lowa Testing Programs at the University of lowa has developed a new state assessment called the **lowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress (ISASP)**. The goal of this work was to have a state assessment that matches the standards that are used in lowa classrooms, and then to provide a clear and accurate picture of each student's learning.

All students in the state of Iowa will be taking the ISASP this spring. Maquoketa Valley students will be taking these assessments from April 15-19. All students in grades 3-11 will take the reading, math, and language/writing test. The science test will be given to students in grades 5, 8, and 10. It is expected that the reading, math, and science tests will take approximately 60 minutes each. The language and writing test is anticipated to take 120 minutes, which will not need to be completed in one block. The assessments do not have a strict time limit, but rather a recommended time. Provisions will be made for students who are working productively through the assessment yet need a little more time to complete it.

The test is available in both online and paper format. This year, we will be using the paper format in grades 3-5 and the online format for grades 6-12. It is our current understanding that the online test will become computer adapted next year. This means that questions appearing for a student will be adjusted based on the students' answers, becoming more challenging as they get them right, or simplifying them as they get them wrong. This is reflected in their score and will allow for a clearer picture of what a student knows and what they have yet to learn.

Students using the online format will have a variety of online tools available during the test. These include a rulers, protractors, and a variety of calculators: basic, 4 and 5 function, scientific and graphing. They also will have the ability to highlight, spell check, visually eliminate answer choices from multiple choice questions, and take notes on an electronic notepad. They can bookmark questions that they would like to go back to, and before their test is submitted, a screen will pop up letting them know how many questions were left unanswered and how many were bookmarked so that they can review their responses. In the upcoming months, students will be learning about these online tools and will complete a practice test in each subject area. Teachers will also receive training in administering the assessments.

Since it is the first year with this assessment, proficiency results are not expected to be back until August, and growth information will not be available. In the future, proficiency, growth, and readiness information will be available.

#### **Regular Board Meeting**

December 19, 2018

The regular meeting of the Maquoketa Valley Board of Education was called to order by President John Zietlow at 5:30 p.m. in the High School Conference Room in Delhi, lowa. All motions carried unanimously unless otherwise noted. Five board members were present. There were seven staff members present and twelve visitors present. The agenda and consent items were approved.

Ali Scherrman took a few minutes to demonstrate some of the work that she has done with Makerspace activities with the students.

The Board approved the 2018-2019 Voluntary Early Separation of Certified Staff, Voluntary Early Separation of Classified Salaried Staff and the Voluntary Early Separation of Classified Hourly Staff. The Board approved a separation package of \$54,720 for both Certified Staff and Classified Salaried Staff and \$21,610 for Classified Hourly Staff. These funds will be paid out in three equal installments into a Health Reimbursement Arrangement account. The first installment will begin in August of 2019.

Language changes to board policy 602.012 Grievance Procedures for Title VI and Title IX, 602.040 High School Curriculum and Policy and 602.144 Technology in the Curriculum were reviewed and approved. The board policy series 600 were also reviewed and approved.

The Board approved the Fusion Forward contract. Fusion Forward is a marketing and branding company and will help promote the district via social media, redesign our district website, help create a promotional video and help with materials for our upcoming PPEL vote.

The following personnel recommendations were approved:

Chris Evers - resignation as Head Varsity Football Coach

Raechel Krogmann – resignation as Preschool Teacher

The Board as well as Supt. Tuetken thanked Mr. Evers and Mrs. Krogmann for their years of service to the district and the students of Maquoketa Valley.

The Board approved the following resolution:

The Maquoketa Valley Board of Directors support the full restoration of Silver Lake and request that the Iowa Department of Natural Resources consider this lake for full restoration funding so Silver Lake improvements can begin immediately.

Board policy series 700 will be reviewed and approved in January.

Amy Sand will be the speaker for the Academic Excellence banquet which will be held on May 1, 2019.

On January 4, 2019, Maquoketa Valley will host a legislative round-table. Legislators along with Governor Reynolds and Lieutenant Gregg will tour Paladin and Wulfekuhle Electric and then participate in the legislative round-table in the auditorium at Maquoketa Valley.

Supt. Tuetken updated the Board on the possible Superintendent sharing with North Linn for the 2019-2020 school year.

Supt. Tuetken updated the Board on the upcoming PPEL vote and presented a PowerPoint presentation that he will share with the community regarding the vote.

Supt. Tuetken shared an example of the construction plague that was designed by Manchester signs. Upon approval, the final plaque will be done and installed in the High School.

The meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

#### **Regular Board Meeting**

January 28, 2019

The regular meeting of the Maquoketa Valley Board of Education was called to order by President John Zietlow at 5:30 p.m. in the High School Conference Room in Delhi, Iowa. All motions carried unanimously unless otherwise noted. Five board members were present. There were two staff members present and two visitors present. The agenda and consent items were approved.

The Board reviewed and approved the updated 2019-2020 High School Course catalog. A significant amount of changes is reflected in the new course catalog with courses being organized into career clusters.

The following personnel recommendations were approved:

Eric Conner – resignation as High School Activity Director Jessica Dusek – employed as 4-Year Old Preschool Teacher Jen Teymer – employed as Assistant Spring Play Director Melissa Hess – employed as TLC Mentor

The Board adopted the budget guarantee as follows: RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Maquoketa Valley Community School District will levy property tax for the fiscal year 2019-2020 for the regular program budget adjustment as allowed under lowa Code section 257.14. Roll call vote was answered all ayes.

Board policy series 700 was approved.

Two open enrollment requests out and one open enrollment in was approved.

Early separation requests from Kevin Kudrna and Pam Overman were approved. The Board as well as Supt. Tuetken expressed their appreciation to Mr. Kudrna and Mrs. Overman and their dedication to the Maquoketa Valley Community School District.

The February board meeting will be held on February 25<sup>th</sup>.

Erika Imler presented the board with information which highlighted several of the Districts key economic indicators. Enrollment numbers, solvency ratio, expenditures, salaries, settlement packages and insurance increases were all discussed. Updated property valuation information was also presented.

Supt. Tuetken shared an updated 2019-2020 school calendar with the board. The calendar will continue to be revised and the final calendar will be approved in the coming months.

At 6:05 p.m. in a motion by Dabroski, seconded by Huber the Board entered into a closed session pursuant to Chapter 20.17 (3) of the Code of Iowa for a collective bargaining strategy session. A roll call vote was answered all ayes.

At 6:18 p.m. the Board entered into open session.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

## FEBRUARY 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
ATTENTION PARENTS: IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO KEEP A POSITIVE BALANCE IN YOUR CHILD'S ACCOUNT AT ALL TIMES  MAQUOKETA VALLEY CSD IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER AND EMPLOYER	ALL MEALS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ANYTIME. ALL MEALS ARE SERVED WITH A 8 OZ. MILK WG= WHOLE GRAIN			1 HAMBURGER ON WG BUN CHEESE FRENCH FRIES WINTER MIX SAVORY CARROTS APPLES PEARS BR. PIZZA
4 WG PIG N BLANKET POTATO ROUNDS SWEET POTATOES CORN BROCCOLI ORANGES PEACHES COMBO ON WG BUN	5 CHICKEN TETRAZZINI WG PEANUT BUTTER SANDWICH ROMAINE LETTUCE PEAS PEARS APPLES WG CINNAMON ROLL	6 BBQ PORK CHEESY POTATOES MIXED VEGGIES COLESLAW GRAPES APPLESAUCE PANCAKE ON A STICK	7 SUB ON WG BUN HASHBROWN' BAKED BEANS CARROT STICKS HUMMUS PINEAPPLE WG APPLE CRISP OMELET/TOAST	8 PEPPERONI PIZZA WG GARLIC BREADSTICK ROMAINE LETTUCE CUCUMBER TOMATO FRESH PINEAPPLE MIX FRUIT BR. BURRITO
11 GRILLED CHICKEN WG SCHOOL ROLL ROMAINE LETTUCE CARROT STICKS PEARS BLUEBERRIES  BR. PIZZA	12 WG SOFT SHELL TACO REFRIED BEANS RED PEPPER STRIPS GREEN BEANS RICE MANDARIN ORANGES WAFFLES	13 HAM WG SCHOOL ROLL BAKED POTATO SAVORY CARROTS BROCCOLI APPLESAUCE APRICOTS SAUS/EGG/MUFFIN	14 FISH WG SCHOOL ROLL POTATO WEDGES PEAS APPLES STRAW. APPLESAUCE COOKIE FRENCH TOAST	NO SCHOOL TODAY
18 CHICKEN NUGGETS WG SCHOOL ROLL MASHED POTATOES CHICKEN GRAVY CORN PEACHES APPLES PANCAKE ON A STICK	19 WG SPAGHETTI WG GARLIC BREADSTICK ROMAINE LETTUCE TOMATO CUCUMBER APPLESAUCE ORANGES WG CINNAMON ROLL	20 TENDERLOIN ON WG BUN NATURAL CUT FRIES MIXED VEGGIES BAKED BEANS PINEAPPLE MIXED FRUIT  COMBO ON WG BUN	21 WG CORN DOG TATER TOTS SAVORY CARROTS PEAS BANANA PEARS  BAGEL TOPPERS	22 HAMBURGER ON WG BUN CHEESE FRENCH FRIES WINTER MIX STRAWBERRIES KIWI BREAKFAST CHOICE
25 CHICKEN STRIPS CURLY FRIES ROMAINE LETTUCE CALIFORNIA BLEND PEACHES ORANGES SAUS/EGG/MUFFIN	26 TACO SALAD REFRIED BEANS FIESTA SALAD RED PEPPER STRIPS GREEN BEANS RICE MANDARIN ORANGES PANCAKES/SAUSAGE	27 OUT AT 1:00 PM MAID RITE ON WG BUN POTATO WEDGES SAVORY CARROTS BAKED BEANS KIWI STRAWBERRIES  BREAKFAST PIZZA	28 PORK & GRAVY MASHED POTATOES WG BUTTER & BREAD COTTAGE CHEESE CORN PEARS TROPICAL FRUIT WAFFLES	

#### Kindergarten, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Title Reading News

#### You might wonder how does a Kindergarten Title reading teacher help my student?

For starters, there is a great deal of communication between the classroom teachers and myself. We look at lots of different types of data, including observations made within the classroom. We collaborate as a team and look for skill patterns our students are struggling with and intervene with research-based activities to improve the skill deficit.

The literacy skill we have focused on since the beginning of the year is letter recognition and letter sounds, while supporting our Jolly Phonics curriculum. We've also practiced sight words and high frequency words in isolation and also within the text.

Recently our kindergarteners have begun segmenting sounds within words to blend together and READ!! It is simply amazing how these Wildcats have learned and caught onto the skills of reading and are truly enjoying their new adventures as kindergarteners!

\*\*One way to help your kindergartener at home is to read out loud to your child and continue to expose them to concepts of print and the idea that sentences are made up of words, words are made up of letters, and that letter make sounds.

Third & Fourth grade Title reading students have been putting forth 100% effort in their daily lessons as they continue on their path as R.E.A.L. Readers!

You might wonder what it means to be a R.E.A.L. Reader? A R.E.A.L. Reader focuses on their <u>Rate</u>, <u>Expression</u>, <u>Accuracy and Learning</u> as they read. The following graphic is displayed in our Title reading room, in their classrooms, and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders have this inside their reading folders for them to refer to as they read at home.

I'm a REAL reader!					
<u>R</u> ate:	Expression:				
Not too fast. Not too slow.	Changed my voice. Used punctuation. Did NOT read like a robot.				
Accuracy:	Learning (Comprehension):				
Only made 1-2 mistakes.	Thought about words as I read.				
Fixed words if they didn't make sense.	Can tell what happened in the story.				

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grade Wildcats came back from winter break eager to set some reading goals for 2019! The goals we came up with together are:

- \*Tracking where I'm reading with my eyes, finger, or a bookmark.
- \*Reading through the whole word. Does it look right, sound right, or make sense?
- \*Pay attention to punctuation as I read!
- \*Stay focused...TUNE-IN to reading!
- \*Smooth reading...Not too fast, Not too slow, Just right!
- \*Be a careful & quick reader!
- \*Re-Read if the text does not make sense!
- \*STOP, THINK, & WONDER before turning the page!

The week of January 21st began our winter FAST screening. The students have shown growth in the areas of fluency, accuracy, and comprehension since their previous screening last fall. All their hard work in the classroom and reading at home has shown positive growth in all 3 of these areas. Your parents, teachers, and myself are very proud of your hard work, dedication, and perseverance the 1st semester of school. Keep up the GREAT work Wildcats!

#### KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

Parents of our 2019-2020 kindergarten student, in order to start kindergarten next year, children must be five by September 15th, 2019.

The following date has been set for Kindergarten Round-up:



February 21..... Earlville Center Only
Times are 8:15 - 9:45, 10:15 - 11:45, 12:30 - 2:00, 2:30 - 4:00

During Round-Up children will be scheduled to spend an hour and a half-hour with our staff. Parents will need to attend a short meeting, at the end of the hour and a half-hour period, and pick up their children. Even if you will be requesting Junior Kindergarten, please plan for your child to attend Round-Up and attend the parent meeting. Additional information will be coming your way as the Round-Up date nears.

#### Use of Video Cameras

The Maquoketa Valley Community School District Board of Directors has authorized the use of video cameras on school district buses. The video cameras will be used to monitor student behavior to maintain order on the school buses to promote and maintain a safe environment. Students and parents are hereby notified that the content of the videotapes may be used in a student disciplinary proceeding. The content of the videotapes are confidential student records and will be retained with other student records. Videotapes will only be retained if necessary for use in a student disciplinary proceeding or other matter as determined necessary by the administration. Parents may request to view videotapes of their child if the videotapes are used in a disciplinary proceeding involving their child.

#### 5th Grade Math

The 5th graders have spent the whole 1st quarter working with whole numbers and decimals. The 3rd quarter finds them working with fractions. Thev started with adding and subtracting before moving to multiplying fractions. They will then finish by dividing The students have learned many strategies throughout and are becoming more and more efficient as the year progresses. This all leads up to our final unit on volume where they will work with all kinds of numbers. Let's finish the year strong.

#### We Got the Beat!

Throughout the month of January the elementary students have been diligently working on keeping a steady beat as well as becoming better rhythm readers in music class. Each day, the music classes play games that instill the feeling of steady beat while still allowing them to have a little friendly competition and fun. One the the favorite games across all ages is *Pass the Penny*. *Pass the Penny* incorporates the feeling of steady beat, rhythm and melody. Students sit in a circle and sing "The Penny Song" while one student stands in the back of the room with their eyes closed. On each beat students pass the penny around the circle. At the end of the song the penny stops and everyone pretends to hide the penny. The student with their eyes closed enters the circle. Through a series of question and answer (through singing solos), the students will guess and reveal who has the penny. The person who has the penny becomes the next guesser and the game continues.

The 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students also had a special opportunity to hone their rhythm skills. Throughout the month of January and part of February they learned about and played tubano drums. They learned the parts of the drum, proper technique for drumming, and different ways to play on the drum head. Playing in drum circles and using call and response on a drum is another great way to internalize steady beat! You will find information about our upcoming concerts is below.

Parade of Bands Info: Please mark your calendars for the Parade of Bands concert on March 5th at 7:00pm. Parade of Bands is the one night each year where all bands 5th grade through 12th grade showcase their progress and musicality. There will be \$2 admission for adults to the event. Students and children are free. We hope you join us for a great night of music! More details will be sent home as we get closer to the concert date.

**Spring Concert Info:** Please make sure to mark your calendars for the Spring Elementary Concert on April 8th; JK-2 grade will begin at 6:15pm and 3rd-5th grade will begin at 7:15pm. This is the same format as the Christmas Concert. More details will be sent home as we get closer to the concert date.

#### 2019 Maquoketa Valley Summer Driver's Education

It is time to think about summer driver education at Maguoketa Valley. Information about the class:

- 1) The class is only held at the high school in Delhi. Greg Drew is the instructor for both the class and driving.
- 2)Classes will begin May 9th and will end around June 21st. Classes will be held from 7:00-8:00 am before the school year ends; after school ends classes will be from 8:30-10:30 am. A group will be assigned to drive after school each day until school ends; once school has ended numerous groups will be driving each day. A schedule will be mailed at the end of April with all classes/driving/and times listed.
- 3)Students must be 14 years of age by April 1st in order to take summer driver's education at Maquoketa Valley.
- 4)It is required by the State of Iowa, that each student will attend 30 hours of class and drive 6 hours.
- 5)An attempt is made to schedule students from the same town's together to drive, so carpooling may take place, but we can not guarantee this will happen. Also, if your child is in softball or baseball, you must email <a href="mailto:pamoverman@maquoketa-v.k12.ia.us">pamoverman@maquoketa-v.k12.ia.us</a> to try for the preferential driving times. These times are limited, so the sooner you let MV know the better chance of getting one of these driving times.
- 6)To sign up for driver's ed, please go to the following website: <a href="www.streetsmartsdrivered.com">www.streetsmartsdrivered.com</a>
  Once arriving to the Street Smarts website, go down to MAQUOKETA VALLEY and click on it. You should then select CLASS REGISTRATION. Cost for the class is \$345, payable to Street Smarts. Students must sign up by April 15th to be in the class, after this date their is no guarantee they will be enrolled.
- 7)Please do not hesitate to contact the school with any questions.

#### Items for Sale

Maguoketa Valley Community Schools has the following items for sale:

Medium Sized Refrigerator. Guessing to be around 15 years old. Works great and have never had any problems with it. Just replaced with a larger one. Brand is Danby and measurements are 59" H, 24"W, 31"D (approx 9.8 cu ft) Any questions call Karla Downs at the High School. 563-922-2091 or email <a href="mailto:karladowns@maguoketa-v.k12.ia.us">karladowns@maguoketa-v.k12.ia.us</a>

Three - 2014 iMac 21.5" Screen Intel i5 Processor OS 10.10.5 500 Gb Hard Drive

If you are interested in these items please send a SEALED bid to Cheryl Gates, P.O. Box 186 Delhi, IA 52223 by February 7th, 2019. The sealed bids will be opened on February 8th, 2019.

We reserve the right to reject any or all bids.



Delhi United Methodist Church is collecting pop tabs for Camp Courageous of Iowa. Camp Courageous is a yearround camp for youth, kids, and adults with disabilities. It is

located in Monticello, IA. The camp is run entirely on donations. Pop tabs can be sent to Delhi Elementary/Middle School with your student.

DeAnna Hogan, in the library, will be managing these donations. Farr Jebens, member of the Visitation Ministry Team at the church, will then collect them. More information about Camp Courageous of Iowa can be found at www.campcourageous.org. Thank you for your help in raising money for this organization!

#### Don't Toss 'Em...Clip 'Em!

Maquoketa Valley is one of the many schools across America that collects Box Tops for Education. Box Tops for Education is one of the largest school earnings loyalty programs in the United States. For each Box Top that is donated, Maquoketa Valley receives 10 cents. MV can then use this money to buy whatever is needed for our school. It's easy to find Box Tops. In fact, you may have some in your home right now. Box Tops are found on hundreds of your favorite products-including paper products and school supplies! Just look for the Box Tops for Education symbol and cut it out. Maquoketa Valley collects Box Tops all year long. Simply send them to school with your child to give to their classroom teacher. Once the Box Tops are collected at Maquoketa Valley, they are counted and submitted. Box Tops earnings are then sent out to MV twice a year—once in November and once in March. This is a great way for our school to earn extra money and it's so easy. Clip some Box Tops and turn them into our school today! For more information about Box Tops for Education and a full list of participating products, visit <u>www.boxtops4education.com</u>. Maquoketa Valley appreciates your support!

# Books for Kids Part of the "Change-A-Child's Story" Literacy Project



Do you have books on your shelves that collect dust? Donate books

outgrown or no longer used. Books will be shared with children in our community. We accept donations of "gently used" books that are in good shape. We accept books for all ages. Donations can be dropped off at any of the MV Schools. "Books for Kids" collection tubs are located at each school. Some of the projects that books are used in include; adding books to the MV Food Backpack program and The Little Free Library

box in the Delhi City Park. Questions about the program or large donations can be directed to:



Jane Mesch, 563-920-4916.



#### Thank You Manchester Dairy Queen

The Manchester Dairy Queen has been a supporter of Maquoketa Valley in multiple ways for many years. The first Tuesday of every month they donate 10% of all sales from 3:00 PM to close to Maquoketa Valley.

The dates for this year are: February 5 March 5 April 2

Please support your school with a cool treat from Dairy Queen on these evenings.

#### What's Happening in FCS?

The fall semester was very busy with students cooking, sewing, taking care of Real Care babies and learning all sorts of new things. We were able to can spaghetti sauce, tomato juice, pears, grape jelly and grape juice. The freezer is now full of apple pie filling, zucchini, squash and tomatoes. Thank you to all the community members who donated produce to our department where we put our skills to good use!

The Real Care babies in Child Development allowed for some sleepless nights but the students learned a lot. Fashion Design surely benefitted from the 10 new sewing machines we received from a Perkins Grant for CTE departments. Boy, was it nice to teach using only 1 model (not 3-4 like we had previously!!) and the students created all sorts of projects, including quilts, pajama pants, boot socks and mittens.

This spring semester looks to be just as busy!! We received some new appliances from a grant that I wrote, including Instant Pots, where the Advanced Foods classes will be cooking up a storm. So many quick and delicious meals can be made in this appliance so we look forward to completing several meal items within our 45 minute class periods. In Interior Design we will learn many new concepts relating to both Housing and Interior Design and look forward to a few different field trips. The juniors and seniors in Independent Living are digging deep into learning all about moving out on their own. They are somewhat overwhelmed!!

Stay tuned as we are in the beginning stages of creating an Etiquette dinner available to the public.

# Your high school student has drama, don't you need some too?

Join us at the next **Fine Arts Booster Meeting, Feb 11th** @ **5:30 PM** in the HS Cafeteria and see what we are all about!

#### Winter is Here

With winter and the cold weather upon us, we remind you that our building temperatures are set at 65 degrees. Parents are encouraged to dress your children appropriately. It is perfectly acceptable for your child to wear a sweater or sweatshirt in class in order to stay comfortable.

MV reports their school closings and cancellations to 3 TV stations: KGAN (2), KWWL (7), and KCRG (9) by 6:25 am. They also report them to these radio stations: KMCH and KDST. When bad weather hits, please turn to one of these TV or radio stations. Please DO NOT call the school. Their lines will be busy contacting personnel, other schools, bus drivers, etc.

If you would like to be added to the MV Text alert, contact Cheryl Gates at 563-922-2091.

## Athletic Boosters Need YOU!!!

The Maquoketa Valley Athletic Boosters are looking for members who would like to be involved in helping organize and run our events. The Athletic Boosters meet the **first Wednesday of every month** (except July) at 6:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. Please consider sharing your time & talents so that we may continue to provide the needed assistance to our athletic programs.

# MAQUOKETA VALLEY DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS SOUP SUPPER

Friday, February 1<sup>st</sup> 5:00 - 7:30 p.m. High School Cafeteria

- ♦ \$3 Ages 5-11
- ♦ \$6- Ages 12 and up
- ◆ FREE all children under 5

#### Menu Includes:

- o Chili, Chicken Noodle, Vegetable, and Broccoli Soup
- Sandwiches
- Beverages and Desserts

ENJOY A GREAT MEAL WHILE WATCHING EXCITING WILDCAT BASKETBALL!



#### MAQUOKETA VALLEY CONTEST SPEECH HELP

WE ARE HOSTING CONTEST THIS YEAR!!

February 2019

Dear Members of our Communities,

On **Saturday**, **February 23**, Maquoketa Valley will be hosting a District Individual Speech Contest. Approximately 25 schools and hundreds of students and family members will be descending upon Delhi for this wonderful event that will allow us to showcase our school, our community, and the amazing talent our students possess. We are writing to you to ask for your assistance during the day. If you would be able to help out in any way, it would be greatly appreciated. Below, we have created a list of jobs that need to be filled. Please indicate which jobs you might be interested in and how much of the day you would be able to assist.

We are sending this out to all parents/guardians of large group and individual speech members. We also expect your child to assist us during the day, if they are involved in the contest speech program. Please keep in mind that if your child is performing that day, we WILL work it so that you will be able to watch! After completing, please send the bottom portion with your child to school and have them return it to a speech coach or just drop it off in the high school office. Thank you very much for your continued support.

Debbie & Matthew DeVore, Hannah Crumpton, Ann Grant

Name Phone Number I will be able to help out: in the morning only...about 7:00 to 12:00. in the afternoon only...about 12:00 to 5:00 for the entire day...This is the BEST deal!! Areas that I would be able to assist: Room Chairperson (in room announcing performers) Room Timer (in room timing event) Door Monitor (monitoring outside room) Runner (delivering info to rooms) I am so multi-talented that I would be willing to do just about anything you would like!! (PICK ME!) My child/children will be performing that day! Name(s) of child/children performing

February 2019 March						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed		Fri I Liberty Voices Vocal Festival @ NLiberty JV/VBB – Springville 4:30/6:00 (H) DFS Soup Supper HS Café	Sat  2 State Large Group Speech @ Waterloo West HSWR Sectionals @ Starmont - Noon
3	4 DE 4 <sup>th</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> – Charlotte's Web @ UNI/Cedar Falls IHSMA Vocal Jazz Festival – 4:00 (H) JHBoysBB – Alburnett 4:00 (H)	Class Ring Orders during	<b>6</b> FFA – NE District Review – Edgewood Athletic Booster Mtg Café - 6:00 pm	– 4:00 (A) HSTrack Parent Mtg	<b>8</b> Vocal Jazz @ Washington Festival- Cedar Rapids JHBoysBB – Midland 4:00 (H)	9 HSWR Districts @ Jesup Noon
10	II JHBoysBB – East Buchanan 4:00 (H) Fine Arts Booster Mtg MS Commons – 5:30	<b>I2</b> GBB Regionals – Home 7:00	13	Jazz Band @ UNI Tallcorn Festival/Cedar Falls JHBoysBB @ Springville - 4:00 (A)	15 No School Staff Development Vocal Jazz @ Solon	I6 All-State Large Group Speech @ Ames
I7 AB Mini Cat Wrestling MS/HS Gyms	18 TRC Individual Speech @ Ed/Co – 4:00 JHBoysBB – Ed/Co 4:00 (H)	<b>19</b> FFA Subdistrict Contest – Starmont 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Registration Mtg Auditorium- 6:00	20	<b>21</b> EE Kindergarten Roundup Jazz Band @ Coe College Summit/Cedar Rapids	<b>22</b> Vocal Jazz @ Kirkwood Festival – Cedar Rapids	<b>23</b> District Individual Speech – MV/Home
24	<b>25</b> TRC MSHonor Choir @ East Buchanan School Board Mtg @ 5:30	<b>26</b> Dollars for Scholars Parent Meeting Auditorium – 7:00	27 1:05 Dismissal Staff Development Post Prom Mtg @ 5:30 HS Cafe	28		

◆ February			March 2019			April►
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						Dance – Strut Your Stuff Camp – HS/MS Gyms – 9:00 AM
						Strut Your Stuff Performance – HS Gym 6:00 pm
						NIEBA Jazz Festival
3 AB Youth Volleyball Tourney – MS/HS Gyms	4 10 <sup>th</sup> /11 <sup>th</sup> & Parents @ CollegePlanning & Financial Aid Mtg	5 5 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Parade of Bands MSMPR – 7:00	<b>6</b> Athletic Booster Mtg Café - 6:00 pm	7	8	9 FFA @ Northeast District Convention –Sumner
	Aud – 5;30					State Individual Speech @ Waldorf College/Forest City
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Your Glocks Alically 22	F&M ACT Prep Session @ Manchester 5:30-9:00	HSGT @ Wartburg 2:30		MS Career Fair 8:30-10:45		
	Fine Arts Boosters Mtg MS Commons - 5:30	HSBT @ Wartburg 2:30		F&M ACT Prep Session @ Manchester 5:30-9:00		
17	18 No School Spring Break	19 FFA Banquet HS Gym/Cafeteria	20	21 FFA@ Delaware County Ag Luncheon Manchester Night of Jazz Concert Auditorium – 7:00	End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr TRC HSGT/BT Co-Ed Track @ Univ of Dubuque	23
24	<b>25</b> All-State Individual Speech @ UNI/Cedar Falls	<b>26</b> Iowa Vocal Jazz Championships @ W. Des Moines Valley	27	28 HSGT @ WDelaware 4:30	<b>29</b> JE 1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> to "Diary of a Worm" @ UNI/Cedar Falls	30 HS Music Solo/Ensemble Contest
	School Board Mtg @ 5:30	HSBT @ WDelaware 4:30			JV/VGolf – North Linn 4:00 – Hartridge	
		FFA Monthly Mtg @ 7:00			Dance "Family Fun Nite" @ MSMPR	
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