



# THE HUSKIE LEADER



**October 2024**  
**Heartland Community School**



## IMPORTANT DATES

**October 5**

Harvest of Harmony

**October 7**

5:30 - 7:00PM Elementary Family  
Night

**October 14**

8:00 PM School Board Meeting

**October 21**

NO SCHOOL - Professional  
Development

**October 21 & 22**

4:30 PM - 8:30 PM Parent  
Teacher Conferences

**October 25**

NO SCHOOL - Fall Break

**November 4**

7:30 PM Fall Vocal Concert  
(Grades 5th-12th)

**November 11**

9:00 AM Veteran's Day Program  
8:00 PM School Board Meeting

**November 21**

7:00 One Act Community  
Performance

**November 27-29**

NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving  
Break

Please join us for

# ELEMENTARY FAMILY

## Math / Science Night

**Monday, October 7, 2024**

**Heartland Community Schools**  
**5:30 - 7:00 pm**

Open House Format - Visit Stationed Activities  
as a Family

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**\$7 - Hamburger, Chips, Dessert, Water**  
**\$5 - Hot dog, Chips, Dessert, Water**

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Title 1 Parent Information Available  
Come join the fun!

## OUR MISSION

**EMPOWERING EXCELLENCE - Every Student, Every Day**

In September, the Heartland School Board adopted the annual budget and tax request for the 24-25 fiscal year. Tax request information is listed below.

## 24-25 Tax Request Information

	General Fund	Special Building Fund	Bond Fund	Total of All Funds
<b>Tax Request</b>	\$4,394,444	\$0	\$1,045,425	\$5,439,869
<b>Levy</b>	\$0.456544	\$0.0	\$0.141369	\$0.597913

## 23-24 Tax Request Information

	General Fund	Special Building Fund	Bond Fund	Total of All Funds
<b>Tax Request</b>	\$4,246,991	\$101,010	\$545,455	\$4,893,456
<b>Levy</b>	\$0.493526	\$0.011738	\$0.072705	\$0.577969



**Parent / Teacher Conferences**  
**Monday, October 21 & Tuesday, October 22**  
**4:30 pm - 8:30 pm**

\* Parents will need to sign up online for all PK-12th grade conferences at [heartlandschools.org](http://heartlandschools.org)

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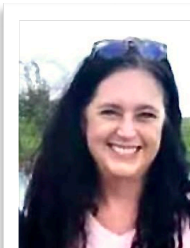


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# 2024 - 2025 HUSKIE SPORTS TEAMS



## VOLLEYBALL



Front row (L to R): Jamisen Klein, Jaelyn Brown, Siddalee Kliewer, KatrinaMarie Epp, Isabel Johnson, Lydia Jahnke

2nd row: Mary Dente, Abby Nolan, Riley Quiring, Haley Beck, Laura Splinter, Grace Splinter, Kaidence Holbein, Hallie Tessman

3rd row: Amanda Goertzen, Madalyn Janzen, Ariane Sololuze, Emma Ott, Andilyn Stebbing

4th row: Julia Tessman, Ashlyn Rotter, Kate Haidle, Sophie Minary, Ashlyn Friesen, Katy Farrall, Kali Barta, Cadence Swim

Coaches: Head Coach Ashton Brown, Kyra Epp, Les Reinke

## GIRLS GOLF



L to R: Kinsley Friesen, Tara Buzek, Emersyn Oswald, Mia Hiebner, Meggan Friesen

Coach: Chad Buzek



## FOOTBALL



Front row (L to R): Samuel Quiring, Carter Siebert, Luis Alvarez

2nd row: Braden Janzen, Josh Goertzen, Lane Farrall, Weston Panko

3rd row: Hayden Powers, Colby Frisbie, Nevada Gloystein, Maddox Regier

4th row: Ben Thomas, Rigs Newton, Waylon Tessman, Brooks Burgess, River Glinsmann, Brian Bearinger

Coaches: Head Coach Ben Lindsay, Blake Burgess, Tony Rice, Connor Boehr



## Heartland FBLA - September 2024

The Heartland Future Business Leaders of America's September meeting was held on September 10th. The 2024-25 FBLA President, Austin Schmidt delivered the message and meeting agenda to this year's chapter. Topics of discussion included:

- Fall Leadership Conference in Kearney on September 24th and logistics surrounding the event
- FBLA Ribbon Project Committee Sign Up
- Sweepstakes
- StepUp2Tech
- Spark the FBLA Legacy
- Go Green Challenge
- Feed Nebraska
- Connect With Business
- Community Service
- Summer and Fall Fundraiser Meeting Update
- Overview of FBLA Handbook and Upcoming Events
- FBLA Dues notice

Heartland FBLA is excited to travel to the Fall Leadership Conference in Kearney to kick off our season of competition!

### NINE FBLA MEMBERS ATTEND 2024 FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE



The Nebraska FBLA Fall Leadership Conference was held on September 24th in Kearney at the University of Nebraska at Kearney. The conference was a one-day workshop for FBLA officers and members. The Nebraska state officers shared the 2024-2025 state goals during the Opening General Session. The keynote speaker was Dr. Laymon Hicks.

After the Opening General Sessions, the officers and members attended workshops presented by the FBLA state officers, Building the Gap, Build the Future, Champion Chapter, March of Dimes, Maximize your Experience, AI in Business, Social Media 101, and many more.

The following members attended the conference: Austin Schmidt - President, Jamisen Klein - Reporter, Sidda Kliwer - Parliamentarian, Brady Goertzen - Treasurer, Lydia Jahnke - Vice President, Isabel Johnson - Secretary, and four additional members Tara Buzek, Kate Haidle and Jaelyn Brown.





## HEARTLAND BAND AT YORKFEST

The Heartland Marching Band participated in the Yorkfest Parade. The band received 1st place in Class C and 1st place overall. Congratulations to the Heartland Band and Mr. Hiebner on their success!







Mary Dente competes in Poultry Showmanship at the York County Fair.



Emma Ott showing swine at the Nebraska State Fair.



David Hiebner received Champion in Ag Mechanics production for a feed bunk, and Reserve Grand Champion for the Ag Mech Horticulture division for an end table.

### FFA at the York County Fair

This past summer some of the Heartland FFA members participated in the York County Fair. Members of the FFA had an opportunity to put entries into many areas of competition, ranging from woodworking to welding to crops to showing animals.

**Receiving Grand Champion were:** Blake Goertzen on welding medium item, welding small item, welding medium item, David Hiebner on wood small item, shelled corn, Landon Mierau on display board, Thane Wetjen on honey story, and Weston Panko on display board.

**Receiving Reserve Champion were:** Benjamin Janzen on welding extra small item, Blake Goertzen on shelled corn, Braden Janzen on display board, David Hiebner on wood large item, and Lane Farrall on display board.

**Receiving purples were:** Andrew Onnen on a gas welding display board, Benjamin Janzen on welding extra small item, Blake Goertzen on grain sorghum, shelled corn, welding medium item, welding small item, Brayden Ogorzolkia on welding display boards, David Hiebner on wood large item, wood small item, shelled corn, Emma Ott on wood medium item, Jace Friesen on welding small item, Landon Mierau on display boards, Lane Farrall on display board, Thane Wetjen on honey story and Weston Panko on display board.

**Receiving blues were:** Amanda Goertzen on wood medium item, Braden Janzen on display board, Brayden Ogorzolkia on display board, Cash Parrish on display boards, Colby Frisbie on wood medium item, David Hiebner on wood medium item, Emma Ott on floral arrangement, Hayden Powers on wood medium item, Joshua Goertzen on display board, Kaleb Ostrander on display board, Kinsley Friesen on floral arrangement, Lane Farrall on display board, Mary Dente on floral arrangement, Trenton Goertzen on display board, Weston Panko on display board, and Mary Dente with Poultry.

**Receiving Reds were:** Andrew Onnen on display board, Cash Parrish on display board, Kaleb Ostrander on display board, Landon Mierau on display board, Lane Farrall on display board, Weston Panko on display board, and Mary Dente on poultry.



Thane Wetjen helps to set up the static current year crop display area at the Nebraska State Fair.





Weston Panko, Thane Wetjen, Blake Goertzen, and David Hiebner received top awards during the York County Fair.

### Heartland FFA at the Nebraska State Fair

This past August members of the Heartland FFA Chapter had the opportunity to enter exhibits into the Nebraska State Fair. There were many categories that FFA members could enter exhibits in, ranging from Ag Mechanics to Livestock.

**Receiving Grand Champion were:** David Hiebner in Production, and Thane Wetjen in Apiculture.

**Receiving Reserve Champion were:** Blake Goertzen in Crops, David Hiebner in Horticulture, and Emma Ott in Purebred Breeding Gilt.

**Receiving Purples were:** Jacob Buller in Horticulture, Lane Farrall in Display Boards, Kinsley Friesen in Floral Arrangements, Blake Goertzen in Utility and Crops, David Hiebner in Horticulture, Braden Janzen in Display Boards, Landon Mierau in Display Boards, Emma Ott in Floral Arrangements and Crossbred Breeding Gilt, Weston Panko in Display Boards, and Thane Wetjen in Horticulture Special.

**Receiving Blues were:** Mary Dente in Floral Arrangements and Eggs, Lane Farrall in Display Boards, Adrik Friesen in Crops, Jace Friesen in Horticulture, Blake Goertzen in Horticulture, David Hiebner in Crops, Braden Janzen in Display Boards, Madison Mason in Horticulture Special, and Carter Siebert in Horticulture Special.



Maddie Janzen shows her cow calf pair at the York County Fair with the help of Emma Ott.



KatrinaMarie Epp and Madison Mason help to set up the static displays at the Nebraska State Fair.



Blake Goertzen received Reserve Grand Champion in Small grains and Soybeans at the Nebraska State Fair.



Thane Wetjen received Champion Beekeeping Story and Overall Reserve Champion Apiculture display.

## Physical Therapist's TIPS FOR SCHOOL POSTURE AND SAFETY

1

### **Make sure your backpack is not too heavy**

The weight of a backpack should not exceed 10% of your total body weight. Carry only what you need.



2

### **Use both backpack straps**

Be sure to always use both straps on the backpack to evenly distribute the weight on the back instead of hanging it all on one shoulder.

3

### **Adjust the shoulder straps**

Tighten the shoulder straps so that the backpack rests between or below the shoulder blades, not below the low back.

4

### **Strategically load the backpack**

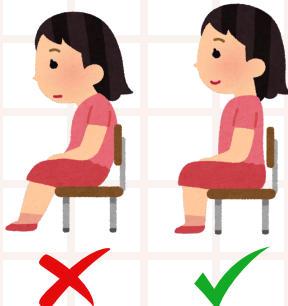
Place the heaviest items in the back of the backpack so that they are closest to the body.



5

### **Use proper technique when lifting your backpack**

Hold the backpack close to the body, bend at the knees, and use leg muscles to lift. Keep your back straight and do not bend or twist at the waist.



6

### **Use proper posture when sitting in class**

Align your head, shoulders, and hips so they are stacked from top to bottom. Keep your feet flat on the floor, with hips, knees, and ankles at 90 degrees.

WHITNEY RODRIGUEZ, PT, DPT, PCS  
PHYSICAL THERAPIST





### Mrs Maltzberger's 5th Grade has enjoyed:

- Photo booth fun-getting in the spirit of a construction zone!
- Writing has been fun this year! We played the dialogue telephone game where students started a story using dialogue between characters. As they passed their story around the group, each member had to add the next line of dialogue.
- We took a sensory details field trip outside to write using our senses. They felt the rose bushes, smelled the grass, tasted candy, listened to the marching band and saw traffic driving by the school.















# Heartland Community Schools October 2024



1	<b>Breakfast Pizza</b> Pork Tenderloin Mashed Potatoes Gravy Dinner Roll	2	<b>Apple Frudel</b> Grilled Chicken Sandwich OR BBQ Rib Sandwich Fries Slushies	3	<b>Tornado</b>  Taco Salad Steamed Corn Long John	4	<b>Pancake Wrap</b> Max Cheese Sticks Marinara Sauce Steamed Peas Pudding		
7	<b>Blueberry Waffle</b> Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Gravy Dinner Roll	8	<b>Cinnamon Breadstick</b>  Spaghetti Garlic Bread Green Beans	9	<b>Sausage &amp; Biscuit</b> Chicken Fajitas Saute Peppers & Onions Steamed Peas Long John	10	<b>Egg and Bacon Bites <span>NEW</span></b>  Tacos Long John Steamed Corn	11	<b>Cereal</b>  Chili or Chicken Noodle Soup Cinnamon Rolls Saltines
14	<b>Strawberry Bagel</b> Grilled Hotdog Baked Beans Steamed Broccoli	15	<b>Chocolate Chip French Toast</b> Burrito Bowl (rice, pulled pork) Black Beans Steamed Corn Donut Hole <b>NEW LUNCH!</b>	16	<b>Tornado</b> French Toast Sticks Egg & Sausage Patty 100% Juice Tri Tater	17	<b>Apple Frudel</b>  Pizza Steamed Corn Slushies	18	<b>Breakfast Pizza</b> Chicken Patty Sandwich French Fries Green Beans
21	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>	22	<b>Cinnamon Breadstick</b> Chicken Alfredo Steamed Broccoli French Bread	23	<b>Blueberry Waffle</b>  Cheeseburger Mac & Cheese Steamed Peas Dinner Roll	24	<b>Muffin &amp; Yogurt</b> Mini Corndogs Baked Beans Steamed Corn	25	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>
28	<b>Chocolate Chip French Toast</b>  Sloppy Joe French Fries Slushies	29	<b>Sausage &amp; Biscuit</b> Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Gravy Dinner Roll	30	<b>Tornado</b>  Pizza Burgers Steamed Corn Slushies	31	<b>Breakfast Pizza</b> Grilled Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup Tri Tater		



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Schools is an equal  
opportunity provider.

# October 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4:30PM JH Football @ Tri County</li> <li>6:00PM JV Football @ Tri County</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00AM Girls Golf @ Southern Hills</li> <li>4:30PM HS Varsity Volleyball @ Hastings St Cecilia</li> <li>4:30PM JH Volleyball vs Centennial @ home</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FFA District Land Judging</li> <li>Women's Quiz Bowl</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rosh Hashanah</li> <li>10:00AM Girls Golf @ Centura</li> <li>4:30PM HS Varsity VB @ Hastings St Cecilia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7:00PM HS Football @ McCool</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Harvest of Harmony Parade</li> <li>9:00AM JH Volleyball @ Hastings St Cecilia</li> </ul>
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Girls District Golf @ TBD</li> <li>5:30PM Elementary Family Fun Night</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Girls Golf District Meet @ TBD</li> <li>5:00PM HS Volleyball vs Ciltner / Doniphan Trumbull @ home</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4:00PM JH Football vs Harvard @ home</li> <li>5:00PM HS Volleyball vs Superior @ home</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7:00PM HS Football vs East Butler @ home</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yom Kippur</li> </ul>
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HS Volleyball SNC @ Milford</li> <li>State Girls Golf @ North Platte</li> <li>Columbus Day</li> <li>Indigenous Peoples' Day</li> <li>4:00PM JH Volleyball Quad @ home</li> <li>4:30PM JH Football vs Centennial @ home</li> <li>6:30PM JV Football vs Centennial @ home</li> <li>8:00PM School Board Meeting</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FFA State Land Judging</li> <li>History/Geography Quiz Bowl</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HS Volleyball SNC @ Milford</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7:00PM HS Football @ Mead</li> </ul>	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No School - Professional Development Day</li> <li>4:30PM Parent-Teacher Conferences</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4:30PM Parent-Teacher Conferences</li> <li>5:00PM HS Volleyball @ David City</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>National FFA Convention</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HS Football Playoffs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No School - Fall Break</li> </ul>	
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HS Volleyball Sub Districts</li> <li>7:00PM FBIA Bingo</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HS Volleyball Sub Districts</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Halloween</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HS Football</li> <li>Quiz Bowl @ Central City</li> <li>Diwali</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HS Volleyball Districts</li> <li>Day of the Dead</li> </ul>





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## BE CAREFUL DURING HARVEST TIME

Over the coming weeks, harvest will begin to pick up steam at various stages in our area. Consequently, our area fields and roads will begin to experience a significant increase in activity. Over the coming weeks, students, parents, school buses, and commuter traffic will all be sharing the roads with large trucks and heavy equipment.

Whether working in the fields or traveling on the roads, harvest is always a time when all of us should pay special attention to safety. This time of year naturally brings fewer hours of daylight and a natural sense of urgency to work and to travel quickly. Additionally, increased dust levels and low sunlight angles can often reduce a driver's visibility during peak travel times.

I encourage all of our area farmers to keep safety in mind and I wish them a safe and productive harvest. I'd also like to encourage all of our students and parents to travel safely and to be mindful of the increased presence of large trucks and heavy machinery on our highways and county roads. I encourage all users of the road to be courteous, to stop at all stop signs, to use extra caution at all intersections, to signal all turns, to use greater following distances, and to reduce speed when traveling in conditions where visibility is reduced.

It only takes a few extra seconds or minutes to exercise a degree of caution and to make safe choices. However, the choices that are made during those brief moments can have a lifetime impact on you and on those around you.

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