



## HEARTLAND SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

# HUSKIE LEADER

## October 2025



### 2025-2026 H&H CHEER SQUAD



Back Row, L to R - Madison James, Trinity Mooney, Sydney Rempel, Paisley Joseph  
Middle Row, L to R - Kennedy Eckhardt, Ashlyn Rotter, Megan Friesen,  
Front Row, L to R - Jillian Farris, Emma Ott



### OUR MISSION

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

### IMPORTANT DATES

**October 4**

Harvest of Harmony

**October 13**

7:00 PM School Board Meeting

**October 14**

6:30 - 7:30PM 5th GradeBand  
Instrument Display

**October 20**

NO SCHOOL - Professional  
Development

**October 20 & 21**

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

**October 24**

NO SCHOOL - Fall Break

**November 3**

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

**November 10**

7:00 PM School Board Meeting

**November 11**

9:00 AM Veteran's Day Program

**November 26-28**

NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving  
Break

In September, the Heartland School Board adopted the annual budget and tax request for the 25-26 fiscal year. Tax request information is listed below.

## 25-26 Tax Request Information

	General Fund	Special Building Fund	Bond Fund	Total of All Funds
<b>Tax Request</b>	\$4,992,965	\$35,265	\$1,045,425	6,073,655
<b>Levy</b>	\$0.437652	\$0.003091	\$0.120433	\$0.561176

## 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

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# 2025 - 2026 H&H VOLLEYBALL & GOLF

## VOLLEYBALL



Front row (L to R): Kynleigh Joseph, Amanda Goertzen, Ava Hurt, Riley Quiring, Sophia Schulze, Ashlyn Rotter, Katy Farrall, Cadence Swim, Kate Haidle.

2nd row: Jillian Farris, Khloe Luebbe, Madalyn Janzen, Grace Splinter, Mary Dente, Laura Splinter, Emma Dardenne, Jaylah Gross, Sophie Minary, Kali Barta, Ashlyn Friesen, Julia Tesman.

3rd row: Trinity Mooney, Paisley Joseph, Cora Swanson, Isabelle Buller, Willabelle Panko, Kayleigh Frisbie, Sydney Rempel.  
Not Pictured: Andilyn Stebbing

## GIRLS GOLF



L to R: Meggan Friesen, Hallie Tessman, Tara Buzek, Kinsley Friesen, Brinley Mierau, Mia Hiebner, Haley Beck



## HUSKIE FOOTBALL

Front row (L to R): River Glinsmann, Hayden Powers, Wyatt Friesen, Brian Bearinger, Luke Janzen, Jack Goertzen,

2nd row: Waylon Tessman, Zaine Swartzendruber, Rigs Newton, Nevada Gloystein, Colby Frisbie, Weston Panko, Braden Janzen, Brooks Burgess, Hayden Perez, Ben Thomas, Jagger Regier.





## Heartland FBLA Members Ready to Make Their Mark in 2025–26

The Heartland Future Business Leaders of America's first meeting was held on August 25th. The 2025-2026 FBLA officers are Junior Tara Buzek, President; Senior Mia Hiebner, Vice President; Sophomore Ashlyn Friesen, Secretary; Senior Hallie Tessman, Treasurer; Junior Meggan Friesen, Reporter; Senior Laura Splinter, Parliamentarian; and Senior Holden Switzer, Committee Representative. President Buzek led the meeting and shared information on the following topics:

- Introduction of all of the Chapter Officers and New Members
- Recognized those students who attended the National Leadership Conference in Atlanta this past summer
- Handed out the FBLA Activity Slip and went over all the year's activities
- Briefly discussed the Fall Leadership Conference which the officers and three members will attend at the end of September.
- The group then enjoyed some games and ice cream sundaes.

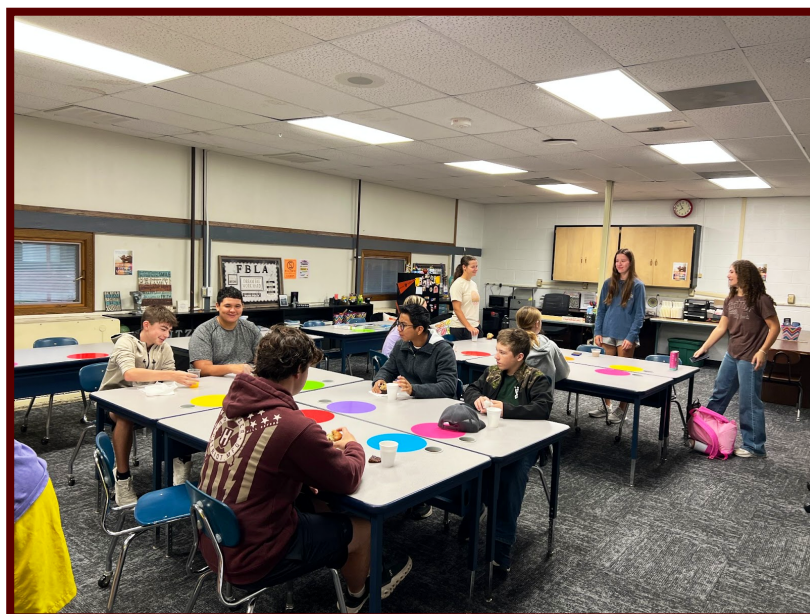
Heartland FBLA is excited to announce our new members:

- Senior Josh Goertzen
- Senior Brayden Ogorzolka
- Sophomore Brooks Burgess
- Sophomore River Glinsmann
- Sophomore Ben Thomas
- Sophomore Daniel Vasquez

- Freshman Madison Barta
- Freshman Aiden Bartek
- Freshman Isabelle Buller
- Freshman Jack Goertzen
- Freshman Hayden Perez
- Freshman Heston Switzer
- Freshman Trent Vap

In celebration of our new membership, the FBLA officer team hosted the Make Your Mark Morning Mingle event. This event was an opportunity for the new members to network with the officer team while learning the endless possibilities that Heartland FBLA has to offer.

We are excited for the additional members and look forward to another successful year of representing Heartland Community Schools at all levels of FBLA!





## HEARTLAND BAND AT YORKFEST

After many weeks of practice on the streets of Henderson, the Heartland High School band marched in the annual Yorkfest Parade on Saturday, September 6th. They came home with the 1st Place trophy for Class C! Congratulations on such a great job!





**H**earthland FFA members participated in the Nebraska State Fair. Members exhibited FFA static exhibits, competed in the State Milk Quality Products contest, as well as showed cattle and swine.

Faith Hiebner, Emma Ott, and Ashlyn Rotter competed in the Milk Quality Products contest during the first weekend of the state fair. They placed 7th as a team. Faith and Emma received a red ribbon, placing 18th and 23rd. Ashlyn Rotter placed 33rd.

Officers helped to set up the FFA static exhibit area on Friday, August 29. This service helps to prepare for all FFA members' static exhibits to be on display during Labor Day weekend of the state fair.

Mary Dente: Floral Arrangement - Purple, Pumpkin - Purple, Horticulture board - Purple, Eggs - Red  
 Adi Duerksen: Floral Arrangement - Purple, Horticulture board - Blue  
 Katy Farrall: Floral Arrangement - Blue, Horticulture board - Purple  
 Kinsley Friesen: Metal Floral arrangement - Purple  
 Colby Frisbie: OA welding board - Blue, MIG welding board - Purple  
 Nevada Gloystein: TIG welding board - Blue, Epoxy table - Overall Ag Mech Reserve Champion  
 David Hiebner: Feedbunk - Division Reserve Champion, Vegetable Washing station - Division Grand Champion, Chicken shelter - Purple, ARC welding board - Red, MIG welding board - Blue, TIG welding board - Blue, OA welding board - Blue, Floral Arrangement - Blue, Horticulture board - Purple, Eggs - Purple, Shelled corn - Purple, Stalks of corn - Purple, Alfalfa Sheath - Blue, Slab of Alfalfa - Red  
 Faith Hiebner: Floral Arrangement - Blue, Horticulture board - Purple  
 Lexi Inglsbee: Floral Arrangement - Blue  
 Madalyn Janzen: Beef Showmanship - Blue, Commercial Heifer - Blue, Commercial Heifer - Blue  
 Miles Kliever: ARC welding board - Blue, MIG welding board - Blue  
 Andrew Onnen: Zucchini - Blue  
 Emma Ott: Floral Arrangement - Purple, Crossbred Gilt - Division 1 Reserve Champion, Grand Champion in the Chester Breeding Gilt Division, Grand Champion Purebred Gilt, 4th place overall Breeding Gilt  
 Weston Panko: Leather tooled bench - Purple  
 Riley Quiring: Floral Arrangement - Purple, Horticulture board - Blue  
 Ashlyn Rotter: Floral Arrangement - Blue, Horticulture board - Red



Emma Ott with her show team after receiving 4th overall Purebred Breeding Gilt with her Chester White Gilt. This allowed her to represent Heartland FFA by showing in the FFA Parade of Champions.



Emma Ott showing her Purebred Gilt during the state fair. She received class champion.





Nevada Gloystein received Division Reserve Champion and Overall Ag Mechanics Reserve Champion for an Epoxy table that he created last year in his woods and welding classes



Faith Hiebner tests her knowledge of milk fats during the state Milk Quality Products contest. She placed 18th and received a red ribbon.



David Hiebner received a Division Champion for a vegetable washing station and Reserve Champion for a feed bunk that he plans to use on the farm.



Maddie Janzen received a blue ribbon while exhibiting cattle at the state fair.



## Heartland Wins Literature Quiz Bowl Competition

The Heartland Quiz Bowl teams recently competed in the Literature Quiz Bowl competition in Seward.

The two teams finished the morning rounds seeded #8 and #9 after the B team went 2-1 and the A team went 1-2. Unfortunately, this resulted in the Heartland teams playing each other in the single elimination tournament. The A team defeated the B team, and the B team finished the day with a 2-2 record.

The A team then faced the top seeded team from Nebraska Lutheran and defeated them 85-55. The next opponent was from Howells-Dodge and the Huskies came out on top 50-30. The championship match pitted the Heartland team against Hampton. It was an exciting match with the Heartland team coming out on top 65-35. This was a great start to the 2025-2026 season.



A Team: Kate Franz (12), Tara Buzek (11), Andrew Onnen (12), and Adi Duerksen (12)







5TH GRADERS AND THEIR PARENTS ARE INVITED TO  
5TH GRADE FALL BAND INSTRUMENT DISPLAY  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14TH 6:30PM - 7:30PM  
IN THE BAND ROOM



**NOVEMBER 10TH  
NHS BLOOD DRIVE**



**Parent / Teacher Conferences  
Monday, October 20 & Tuesday, October 21  
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)

Parents of all PK-12 students are able to schedule conferences from 4:30p.m. -8:30p.m. both evenings. PK-12th Grade conferences are scheduled online. All conferences will be for a maximum of 15 minutes. Please note that Heartland will be hosting a high school volleyball game with David City on Tuesday, Oct. 21st. If you plan to watch the volleyball games, please schedule your conferences accordingly. Also, because we are hosting a game, Mr. Struckman, Mrs. Anne Regier, Mrs. Yantzie and Mrs. Ruhl will not be available for conferences on October 21st.

Fifth grade parents will sign up for conferences with Mrs. Maltsberger. Sixth grade parents will sign up for conferences with Mrs. Lindsay.

Click the link to sign up for conferences under PT Conference Sign Up.

You will be asked to log in to the website. If you do not already have an account, you can create one during this process. You can use your account to receive other information, as well. If you would like detailed instructions on how to schedule conferences, go to our website and click on the "For Parents" menu. Then select "PT Conference Information."



# Heartland Community Schools October 2025



		1	Egg & Cheese Biscuit  Spaghetti Garlic Bread Green Beans 	2	Tornado  Grilled Hamburgers Fries Cookie 	3	Breakfast Pizza  French Toast Sticks Egg/Sausage Patty 100% Juice Tri Tater		
6	Cereal  Grilled Hotdog Baked Beans Steamed Broccoli	7	Strawberry Bagel  Tater Tot Casserole OR Mini Corndogs Green Beans French Bread 	8	Pancake Wrap   Fajita (Beef or Chicken) Peas Mini Cinnamon Donuts	9	Chocolate Chip French Toast  Pizza Corn Jello 	10	Cinnamon Breadstick  Grilled Chicken Sandwich French Fries Ice Cream
13	Blueberry Waffle  Grilled Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup Tri Tater	14	Sausage & Biscuit  Sweet & Sour Chicken Steamed Broccoli Brown Rice 	15	Cereal  BBQ Meatballs OR Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes/Gravy Garlic Bread Green Beans 	16	Apple Frudel  Taco Salad Corn Long John 	17	Long John  Pork Tenderloin Mashed Potatoes Gravy Dinner Roll
20	NO SCHOOL	21	Pancake Wrap  Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Gravy French Bread	22	Egg & Cheese Biscuit  Burrito Bowl (Rice, pulled pork) Seasoned Black Beans Corn Muffin	23	Cinnamon Breadstick  Deli Sandwich Chips Cookie	24	NO SCHOOL
27	Chocolate Chip French Toast  Max Cheese Sticks Marinara Sauce Peas Pudding	28	Tornado  Pizza Burger Corn Jello 	29	Sausage Biscuit  Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Gravy Dinner Roll	30	Breakfast Pizza  Sloppy Joe French Fries Ice Cream 	31	Strawberry Bagel  Chili or Chicken Noodle Cinnamon Rolls Saltines 

# October 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4:00PM JH Football vs Centura @ Hampton</li> <li>6:00PM JV Football vs Centura @ Heartland</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4:00PM JH Football vs Centura @ Hampton</li> <li>6:00PM JV Football vs Centura @ Heartland</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 @ Centennial</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FFA Land Judging</li> <li>HS Women's Quiz Bowl</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yom Kippur</li> <li>10:00AM Girls Golf @ Centura</li> <li>4:30PM HS Volleyball @ St. Cecilia</li> <li>4:30PM JH Volleyball vs Hillmore Central @ Heartland</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7:00PM HS Football vs McCool Junction @ Heartland</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Harvest of Harmony Parade</li> </ul>
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Girls District Golf @ TBD</li> <li>4:30PM JH Football @ Thayer Central</li> <li>5:00PM HS Volleyball @ Exeter</li> <li>6:00PM JV Football @ Thayer Central</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Girls District Golf @ TBD</li> <li>4:30PM JH Football @ Thayer Central</li> <li>5:00PM HS Volleyball @ Exeter</li> <li>6:00PM JV Football @ Thayer Central</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4:00PM JH Volleyball vs Shelby-Rising City @ Heartland</li> <li>5:00PM HS Volleyball @ Doniphan-Trumbull</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7:00PM Fields of Faith</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4:00PM JH Football @ Citriner</li> <li>5:00PM HS Volleyball @ Superior</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7:00PM HS Football @ East Butler</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:00AM JH Volleyball vs BDS @ Heartland</li> </ul>
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Girls State Golf</li> <li>HS Volleyball SNC Tournament</li> <li>Columbus Day</li> <li>Indigenous Peoples' Day</li> <li>4:00PM JH Volleyball @ Lawrence</li> <li>7:00PM School Board Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Girls State Golf</li> <li>HS Volleyball SNC Tournament</li> <li>Columbus Day</li> <li>Indigenous Peoples' Day</li> <li>4:00PM JH Volleyball @ Lawrence</li> <li>7:00PM School Board Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HS Volleyball SNC @ Milford</li> <li>6:30PM 5th Grade Fall Instrument Display</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HS Volleyball SNC @ Milford</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 vs Mead @ Heartland</li> </ul>	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<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>No School - Professional Development Day</li> <li>4:30PM Parent-Teacher Conferences</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Diwali</li> <li>4:30PM Parent-Teacher Conferences</li> <li>5:00PM HS Volleyball vs David City @ Heartland</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FFA State Land Judging</li> <li>Seward Classic Quiz Bowl</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>	
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HS Volleyball Sub Districts</li> <li>School Picture Retakes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HS Volleyball Sub Districts</li> <li>School Picture Retakes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FFA National Convention</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HS Football Playoffs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HS Football Playoffs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HS Football Playoffs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HS Volleyball District Finals</li> </ul>





### **PARENTS OF ELEMENTARY STUDENTS**

When picking up your elementary students for any reason during the school day, please notify the office in advance. When you arrive, allow plenty of time for us to call them from their classroom. We will not call them out of class until a parent/adult is here to get them. Thank you for your cooperation!

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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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