



# THE HUSKIE LEADER



**June / July 2020**

## **Heartland Community School News**

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

- June 8**  
8:00 pm School Board Meeting
- July 13**  
8:00 pm School Board Meeting
- August 1**  
2:30 pm Graduation
- August 10**  
8:00 pm School Board Meeting
- August 11 & 12**  
Professional Development Days
- August 13**  
School Starts  
Dismiss at 11:40 am

### **OUR MISSION**

**Heartland Community Schools - Henderson/Bradshaw strives to provide challenging educational opportunities for ALL students to reach their highest level of excellence.**

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From  
the desk  
of...



## **Mr. Brad Best, Superintendent**

**H**ow is your anxiety level? Like many adults, our children often times become anxious when there are bad things going on around them. When my granddaughter becomes nervous in these situations, my daughter reminds her of a line by Mr. Rogers, “look for the helpers”. No matter how bad things may become, there are always people helping do good things. Whether it is students, teachers, support staff, or parents, the shutdown of our schools due to COVID-19 created anxiety for many in our corner of the world. While the front line medical workers are at the top of the list, what about the helpers at school?

**U**nder a short time restraint, the board of education was paramount in quickly, but thoughtfully, setting a direction for how we were to approach everything from teaching to grading in this difficult time. Their focus on keeping kids first was essential in establishing a steady, calm, and focused approach into uncharted territory. Our principals worked many hours taking this information and that of the state department and governor and translating it to a workable solution for our teachers and students. Maintaining that focus, bringing staff together, and participating alongside our students were key elements in this process.

**S**o, what about our teachers? We have some of the best! They literally had to change their curriculum and the way they have always taught in a matter of a few days. They reached out to their students to check on them and challenged them with thoughtful projects to expand learning. There is no doubt that teachers felt high levels of anxiety, but they “knocked it out of the park” for our students all while taking care of their own families at the same time! They discovered things about their students and themselves that they didn’t know prior and those revelations will make them even better teachers in the future.

**K**eeping things as normal as possible is important during stressful times. The support staff, such as our office staff, paraprofessionals, custodians, drivers, and food service personnel stepped up and exemplified our “students first” approach. They put together learning packets, organized materials, delivered meals and supplies, answered questions, and disinfected every corner of the school. A special ‘shout out’ to our ladies in the lunchroom. We decided early that we wanted to help take care of basic needs for our students by delivering meals and these helpers and volunteers put together well over 15,000 meals for our kids during our closure!

**I** cannot forget the roles that parents, grandparents, and the students themselves played during this challenging time. We saw so many examples of students helping other students and parents that made huge sacrifices to provide for their families while maintaining an environment at home and modeled lifelong lessons for their children. Thank you to all parents for your support and understanding during the last two months.

**E**xceptional people do exceptional things. There were businesses and churches and volunteers that all helped out during our closure. We are a special community as there are so many helpers ... all of who stepped up because it is the right thing to do for our children. To all involved, we say a heartfelt “thank you”!

**S**ummer is now upon us. Please continue to be patient and safe so that we can see you in August. Have a great summer break and whenever you begin to feel uneasy about anything, remember to always look for the helpers.



## Academic All-State Honors



### HEARTLAND

	GBB	VB	Kaelyn Buller	Jr.	4.0
GBB	VB	GTF	Timberly Carr	Sr.	4.0
	BTF	FB	Maverick Hiebner	Jr.	3.9
	GBB	VB	Grace Janzen	Sr.	4.0
GTF	GBB	VB	Allison Kroeker	Sr.	3.8
		GGo	Josie McCormick	Jr.	3.7
		GGo	Maddie Miller	Jr.	3.8
		GBB	Odessa Ohrt	Sr.	4.0
		BGo	Harmon Perez	Sr.	3.8
BTF	FB	BBB	Joshua Quiring	Sr.	3.8
		BTF	Cooper Regier	Jr.	4.0
		BTF	Wyatt Regier	Jr.	3.9
	VB	GBB	Cassidy Siebert	Jr.	3.9
		VB	Gabrielle Siebert	Jr.	3.9
	BBB	FB	Jackson Stebbing	Sr.	4.0
	GTF	VB	Rhianna Wilhelm	Sr.	4.0



### Heartland Digital Art Shows

*"I was so excited to showcase the hard work of Heartland's K-12 students with an Art Show in March, but due to school being cancelled the Art Show was also cancelled. I was so disappointed when I realized that the rest of the school and the community wouldn't be able to see how hard the kids worked. So when 5th grader Maddie Janzen suggested that I put student artwork on Facebook for the community to see, I loved the idea! And since I had been encouraging students to keep creating at home, I put out a notice that students should send me pictures of their artistic creations and I would share them. I had such a great response! Kids have been so creative- some doing the challenges I sent home in packets or put on my website, others coming up with their own ideas. Sidewalk chalk creations, drawings and paintings, nature sculptures... I loved seeing them all and I hope the community did, too. Good work, Heartland Huskie Artists!"*

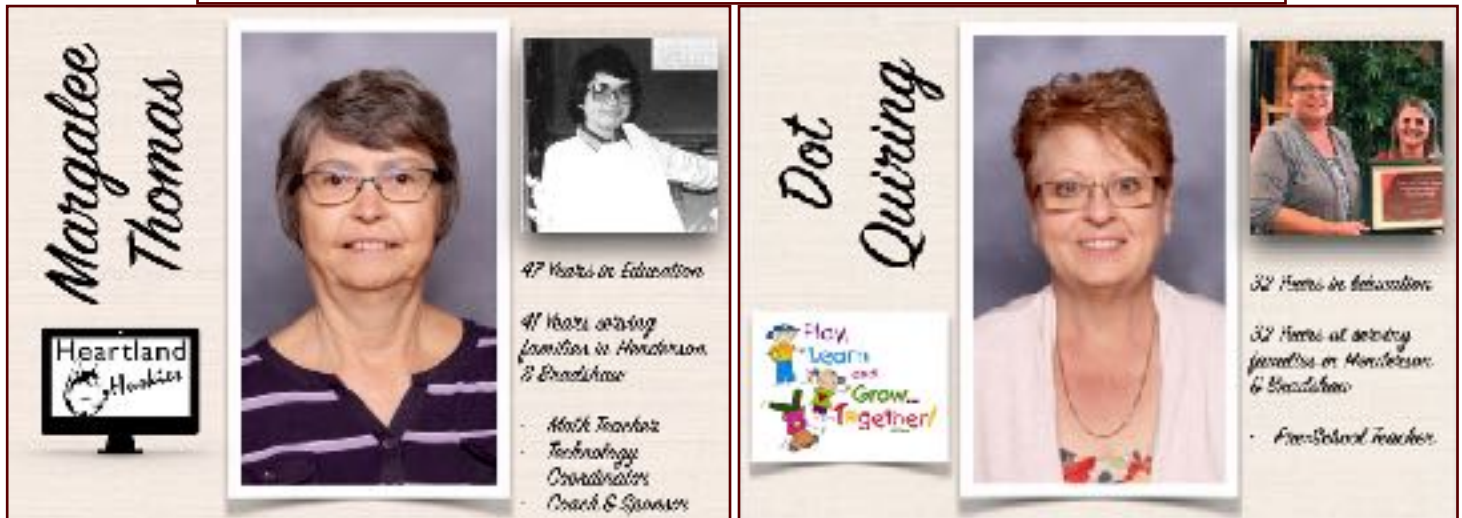
~ Mrs. Christa Janzen

If you haven't seen the Spring Digital Art Shows on our website, we encourage you to view them at [www.heartlandschools.org](http://www.heartlandschools.org)



We want to celebrate the careers of our retirees and wish them all the best as they move on to a new chapter in their lives.

We have reluctantly postponed our formal recognition of these two fine teachers until a reception in August. Stay tuned for information later this summer to have a chance to wish them well, hopefully in person.



## INFORMATION FOR



Parents of juniors and seniors: To receive information about college planning & scholarships, please make sure you have completed the following: 1) Send Mrs. Koehler an email requesting to join the Class of 2021 or 2022 group list. She will add your email to the group and you will receive lots of information pertinent to your child's current year in school. 2) Join Mrs. Koehler's Remind.com Class of 2021 or Class of 2022 reminder list. You will receive text message or email reminders about deadlines, etc. For the Class of 2021 list: To receive messages via text, go to [rmd.at/997f88bd9](https://rmd.at/997f88bd9) on your phone and then follow the directions to join. For the Class of 2022 list: Go to [rmd.at/cf7d7k](https://rmd.at/cf7d7k) on your phone and follow the directions to join. 3) If you are on Twitter, follow me at @CounselorHCS or on Facebook, like the Heartland Community Schools Guidance Page. Also like or follow these: EducationQuest, Heartland Schools, ACTStudent, John Baylor Test Prep, and the colleges of your choice.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

A Census Form for Heartland Community Schools was included in the April Newsletter. Please complete and return this form to the school as soon as possible, even if your children do not attend Heartland Community Schools. It is important that you fill out this form and return it to the school. They can be left in the labeled box in the entryway if you do not wish to mail it. Thank you!





5th Graders had a full year of kindness, DARE, reading, and celebrations!



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## Academic Letter of Intent Ceremony

If you would like to view the Academic Letter of Intent Ceremony that was held virtually on May 5th, you may view it on our school Facebook page "Heartland Community Schools Henderson/Bradshaw"



The Nebraska Southeast Annual All-Star Games have been cancelled. Congratulations to the following Heartland athletes that were selected and honored  
Volleyball- Rhianna Wilhelm, Allison Kroeker (Alternate)  
Girls' Basketball- Odessa Ohrt, Kalea Wetjen  
Boys' Basketball- Jared Nunnenkamp

### Elementary Shout Outs

The end of the 2019-2020 school year is here. What an amazing year it has been. Our time together ended too quickly this year and we were not able to have our end of the year traditions. We missed the celebrations, reminiscing, high fives and hugs to kick off summer break. The elementary teachers have created videos that highlight every PK-6 grade student.

On our website at [heartlandschools.org](http://heartlandschools.org) you may click on the "Elementary Shout Outs" to view the videos.

Heartland Community Schools wish each of you a very fun and safe summer. Be well and thanks again for another memorable year together! Enjoy the videos!



### Awards Night 2020

RISING  
STAR  
AWARD

We wish we could have been together to present these awards to our very deserving students, that just wasn't possible. In order to honor our students in an appropriate way for their accomplishments during the 2019-2020 school year, we created a virtual awards night. You'll find a program for the evening with a complete list of award winners. In addition to the program, each one of our sponsors, coaches, and community members awarding scholarships created a video of the speech they would have delivered had we been able to be together. Click on the name of the activity/award to hear the speech. Awards night may be found on the school website at [heartlandschools.org](http://heartlandschools.org) under the "Rising Star Award".



## 2020-2021 National Honor Society Officers



Lauren Quiring  
President



Cora Johnson  
Vice President



Kaelyn Buller  
Secretary



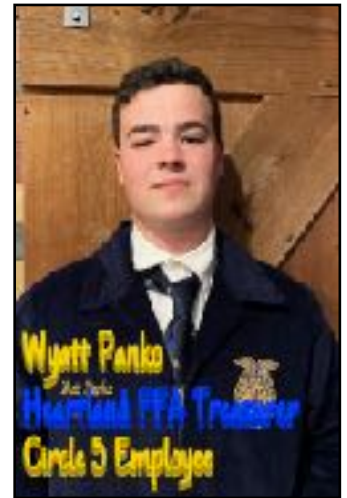
Cooper Regier  
Treasurer



Gabrielle Siebert  
Publicist

New NHS members are: Ashley Brown, Lisa Buller, Cynthia Cerveny, Ella Friesen, Aaron Goertzen, Eli Hiebner, Tyler Lewis, Elizabeth Mestl, Dawson Ohrt, Carson Ott, Mason Regier, Abigail Stebbing, and Kale Wetjen.

## 2020 - 2021 FFA Officers





Congratulations to this year's Hopkins Award winner Hudson Regier! This award is voted on by the junior high faculty and represents a student who has shown outstanding leadership and service during their junior high years!

## Have Fun With Fruits and Vegetables



Find the hidden fruits and vegetables in the puzzle. Words can read up, down or across, from left to right or right to left.

Find:

- Apple
- Banana
- Broccoli
- Carrots
- Celery
- Eggplant
- Grapes
- Kiwi
- Orange
- Papaya
- Pear
- Peas
- Squash
- Yams

B	F	S	E	A	Y	A	P	A	P
R	C	Q	L	S	R	P	E	A	R
O	H	U	P	B	A	N	A	N	A
C	P	A	P	Y	R	E	L	E	C
C	S	S	A	Y	A	M	S	T	E
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L	E	C	A	R	R	O	T	S	I
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### Fruit and Vegetable Goals

Name a fruit you would like to try:

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How will you eat this fruit? (On cereal, as a snack, for dessert, with dinner or on pancakes.)

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Name a vegetable you would like to try:

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How will you eat this vegetable? (As a snack, with dip, or for lunch.)

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# Heartland Community Schools



## KINDERGARTEN – SHERRY THIESEN

- 1 Large Book Bag (easily zipped by child)
- 4- #2 pencils, **sharpened**
- 2 Dry erase markers
- Fiskar scissors
- Standard size colored pencils (box of 12)
- Fat classic color markers (box of 10)
- 4 Jumbo glue sticks
- 2 Large boxes of Kleenex (250 count)
- 3 Ring binder, 1”wide, (white with clear sleeve cover)
- 1 Zippered pencil pouch (fits in a binder)
- 1 Metal ring for word cards
- Oversized paint shirt – labeled (FOR ART)
- 1 Wide-ruled composition journal
- 1 Large container of Clorox wipes
- \*Markers and colored pencils will need to be replaced at semester.

**Please label each item with your child’s name**

## GRADE 1 – KATIE WAEGLI

- Book bag
- 8 – #2 plain pencils. Sharpened **-shared**
- 2 Large erasers and pencil top erasers
- 4 – Colored fine tip expo dry erase markers
- 1 – Jumbo glue stick
- Pencil box (labeled)
- 1 Small box of crayons - 24 or less
- 1 –Durable **PLASTIC** pocket folders
- 1 Box of sharpened colored pencils
- 1 Box classic colored markers
- 1 Over-sized paint shirt (FOR ART) - **Labeled**
- 1 Container of Clorox wipes
- 1 Set ear buds for mini Ipad - **Labeled**
- 1 – 3 Ring binder – 1” wide (White w/Clear Sleeve)
- 1 – 3 Ring binder – 1” wide (any color)
- 3 Tab dividers
- 1 Wide Ruled Notebook
- 2 Large boxes of Kleenex (250 count)

**Please do not label items unless it is indicated. The class will share supplies.**

## GRADE 2 – KASEY BLASE

- 1 Large book bag
- 2 – Large Erasers
- 3 – Jumbo glue sticks
- 1 Bottle of glue
- Crayons
- Colored pencils (Twistables are preferred)
- 1 Large box Kleenex (250 + count)
- Pencil Box
- Thick washable markers
- Dry Erase markers
- Composition notebook
- 2 – Durable **PLASTIC** pocket folders
- 5 – #2 pencils
- 1 Container Clorox wipes
- 1 Set of ear buds
- Oversized paint shirt (shirts were left from 1st grade)

**Please label each item with your child’s name**

## GRADE 3 – MICHELLE NABER

- Book Bag
- Pencil Box
- Pencils (Regular or Mechanical)
- Large eraser and Pencil top erasers
- 1 Pkg of 4 Dry erase markers (**fine tipped**)
- 1 Dry Erase eraser
- Sharpened colored pencils
- 1 Box of fine tip classic colored markers
- 1 Box of broad tip classic colored markers
- 1 Glue stick
- Scissors
- 1 Composition notebooks
- 1 Container Clorox wipes
- 1 Large box of Kleenex (250+ count)
- 1 Set of ear buds for iPads
- 1 Red double pocket folder
- 1 - 3 Ring binder 1” wide
- 1 Oversized paint shirt (**FOR ART**)

## GRADE 4 – KIM HIEBNER

- Pencils – Regular or Mechanical)
- Erasers – pencil top or large
- 2 Large boxes of Kleenex (250+ count, shared with the class)
- Markers
- Crayons
- Expo Dry erase markers – 8 pack to be shared with the class
- Eraser for Dry Erase Board
- 2 Jumbo glue sticks
- Scissors
- 1 Container of wipes to be shared with the class
- Oversized paint shirt for Art– I have the shirts you used in 3rd grade
- 1 package of wide ruled loose leaf paper
- 2 yellow highlighters
- Please do not bring a pencil box or bag. I will provide those for you.

## GRADE 5 & 6 – TARA MALTSBERGER/MICAH SUNDBERG/CHRISTA GERGEN/GREG VEERHUSEN

- Pencils
- 1 Glue stick
- 2 Red pens
- 1 Box of colored pencils or crayons
- 1 Box of Markers
- 1 Sharpie (black) (fine or extra fine point)
- 4 Highlighters – different colors
- 4 Expo dry erase markers and eraser
- Scissors
- 1 Package of 3x5 index cards
- 6 - 3 Hole punch double pocket folders (no brads)
- 1 - 3 Ring binder
- 1 Pack of lined loose leaf paper
- 5 Composition notebooks
- 2 Large boxes of Kleenex
- Deodorant
- 1 Oversized paint shirt (**FOR ART**)
- 1 Set of ear buds/headphones

**Please label each item with your child’s name**



## **JR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL**

### **\* ALL JUNIOR HIGH HOMEROOMS**

2 boxes of Kleenex  
2 containers of Clorox wipes

### **ACCOUNTING I & II - Mrs. Most**

Pencils  
Eraser  
Calculator  
Folder or 3-ring binder  
Book Cover  
Box of Kleenex

### **AG CLASSES (Including Welding and Projects) - Mrs. Miller**

3-Ring Binder  
Notebook Paper  
Folder  
Writing Utensil

### **ART JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL - Mrs. Janzen**

Sketchbook 9"x 12" or 8.5" x 11" (ring binding preferred)  
2 pocket folder (if Sketchbook has pockets folder isn't needed)

### **BAND**

Instrument in good playing condition

### **CAREERS 8TH GRADE - Mrs. Koehler**

2 Pocket Folders

### **COMPUTER APPLICATIONS & 7TH KEYBOARDING - Mrs. Most**

Folder  
Black and Red pens  
Box of Kleenex

### **ENGLISH AND READING 7TH & 8TH - Mrs. Rowen**

Loose Leaf Paper  
3-Ring Binder  
Highlighters/Pens/Pencils  
Composition Notebook

### **ENGLISH I, II, III, IV, 9, 10, 11, 12 - Mrs. Rodrigues**

Notebook paper  
Pencils  
Pens  
Highlighters  
Folder  
Index cards  
Box of Kleenex

### **GEOMETRY - Mrs. Buzek**

Writing Utensil  
Notebook paper  
Scientific calculator (good choices are TI -30X IIS or Casio fx115ES)

### **HEALTH - Mr. Wetjen**

1 Binder  
Notebook (or you may submit assignments electronically)

### **INTRODUCTION TO BUSINESS - Mrs. Most**

Black and Red pens  
Calculator  
Folder or 3-Ring binder  
Book cover  
Box of Kleenex

### **JOURNALISM - Mrs. Rowen**

Notebook  
Pocket Folder  
Pens/Pencils

### **MATH & SCIENCE 7TH & 8TH - Mrs. Carrie Regier**

3 Ring binder with dividers for math  
3 ring binder with dividers for science  
Highlighters, pens, pencils  
Loose leaf paper  
Scientific Calculator (TI30 works fine)

### **MATH STANDARDS, ALGEBRA I & II - Ms. Widick**

Pencils  
3-Ring Binder and/or Notebook  
Loose-leaf notebook paper  
Scientific or Graphing Calculator (if taking additional math classes)

### **PERSONAL FINANCE, ECONOMICS, MARKETING, BUSINESS LAW - Mrs. Most**

Black pens  
Folder or 3 Ring binder  
Book cover  
Box of Kleenex

### **PHYSICAL EDUCATION - Mr. Wetjen**

Shorts  
T-Shirt  
Running Shoes

### **PHYSICAL SCIENCE, BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY, PHYSICS - Mr Regier**

Notebook  
3-Ring binder  
Scientific Calculator (can make calculations in scientific notation)

### **PRE-CALCULUS, CALCULUS - Mrs. Buzek**

Pencils  
Notebook paper  
Texas Instruments TI-83+/TI-84+ Graphing Calculator

### **SCIENCE 9TH - Mrs. Carrie Regier**

3 Ring binder with paper  
Scientific Calculator

### **SPANISH 1 & 2**

2 Folders with pockets (one for loose papers/one for book)

### **SPEECH - Mrs. Rodrigues**

Notebook paper  
Pencils  
Pens  
Highlighters  
Folder  
Index Cards



# **Bus Transportation Information for the 2020-2021 School Year**

## **Do you live outside of the city limits of Henderson and have children attending Heartland?**

If you would like for your child to ride the bus, we would appreciate hearing from you! This information will enable the school to design the most efficient routes and have a more accurate record of students riding the bus.

Please return this form to the school office by July 3, 2020, and thank you for your cooperation!

**List every child in your family that will be riding the bus:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Regular Basis</u>	<u>Seldom Basis</u>
_____	_____	_____
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**Parent's Signature**

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## Fall 2020 Physicals for Students

### SPORTS PHYSICALS

A physical examination is required each year prior to participation in any athletic activity sponsored by the Nebraska School Activities Association. The physical examination is valid for one year from the date of the exam and may be performed any time after May 1 prior to the next school year. Due to Covid-19, there are some exceptions for physicals for the 2020-2021 school year.

- All students entering grades 7 and 9 that would like to participate in athletics need to have sports physical for 2020-2021.
- Students entering grades 8, 10, 11, or 12: If they had a sports physical on file at the school for 2019-2020, they do not need a new one. If they did not have one on file for the 2019-2020 school year, they will need a physical for the 2020-2021 school year.

### SEVENTH GRADE PHYSICAL

A physical exam is required upon entry to 7th grade according to Nebraska LB59 law. This physical may be performed up to six months prior to the beginning of 7th Grade.

The clinic is requesting a parent/guardian to please accompany the student to the exam. If the student plans to participate in sports, the sports physical will be completed at the same time the 7th grade physical is performed.

All 7th grade students are required by DHHS to have three doses of the Hepatitis B vaccine, two doses of MMR vaccine and two doses of the Varicella vaccine or a history of having chicken pox. Immunizations are available at the clinic or for a reduced cost at area immunization clinics.

Once the physical exam and immunizations are completed, the original physical form(s) **and record of immunizations** should be returned to the school. This can be done any time prior to the first day of school.

### KINDERGARTEN PHYSICAL

A physical exam is required upon entry to kindergarten according to Nebraska LB59 law. This physical may be performed up to six months prior to the beginning of kindergarten.

The following immunizations are required by DHHS upon entrance to kindergarten: two doses of MMR, 3 doses of Hepatitis, at least 3 doses of DPT and IPV, and two doses of the Varicella vaccine (if your child has not had the chicken pox). Please bring your child's immunization records at the time of the physical so we can make sure their immunizations are current. Immunizations are available at the clinic or at area immunization clinics for a reduced cost.

\* Once the physical exam and immunizations are completed, the original physical form(s) **and record of immunizations** should be returned to the school. This can be done any time prior to the first day of school.

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