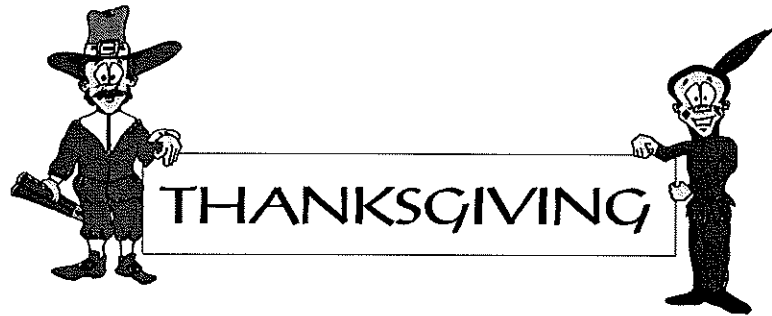


# ST PAUL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

# NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER 2020



John Poppert    Sara Paider    Jennifer Hagen    Rick Peters    Kim Schulte  
Superintendent    Elementary Principal    Secondary Principal    Asst. Secondary Principal/A.D.    SPED Director

Dear Employees, Students, Parents, and Patrons of St. Paul Public Schools:

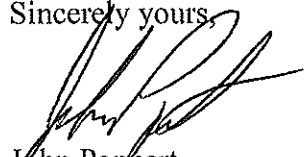
The St. Paul Public Schools, in an effort to comply with federal health laws and the Environmental Protection Agency, had all of the school buildings inspected for asbestos-containing materials. The inspections were performed employing certified inspectors.

Beyond the asbestos assumed to be located in concrete, roofing felts, carpet glues, etc., which is of minimal public health concern, asbestos was found in some of the following types of materials: thermal pipe joint, vinyl floor tile. The vast majority of this material has been removed.

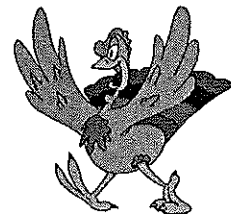
None of the above asbestos materials were found to create an immediate health risk for students or employees occupying the building. The St. Paul School has developed a plan whereby the asbestos-containing materials will be safely maintained and periodically inspected by trained personnel.

Detailed descriptions of the Asbestos Management Plan are available for review at the office of the Superintendent of Schools, 1305 Howard Ave., St. Paul, Nebraska 68873.

Sincerely yours,



John Poppert  
Superintendent of Schools



### THANKSGIVING VACATION

There will be no school on Thursday and Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>; classes will resume on Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at the regular time.

### PICTURE RETAKES

Picture retakes have been scheduled for Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> in the library community room, starting at 8:30AM.

### EARLY OUT DATES

St. Paul Schools are scheduled to dismiss early on the following dates:

- November 25.....@ 2:00 (Thanksgiving Break)
- December 23.....@ 2:00 (End of Second Qtr.)

### VETERANS DAY PROGRAM

The Veterans Day program will be Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. This year's speaker is Rick Harrahill. All patrons are welcome to attend. Masks are required for students and highly recommended for Patrons.

**Attention: The Veterans Day Program will be modified to meet covid guidelines.**

### MORNING DROP OFF

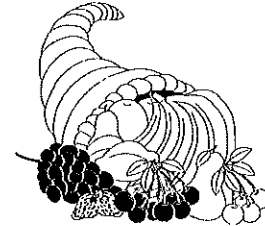
Please do not drop students off at the cafeteria for breakfast before 7:30 a.m.

## NO PARKING

Dear Patrons, Please do not park in the "No Parking" areas. The school district has vehicles out almost every night. When cars are parked in front of the garage doors we are not able to put the school vehicles away at night. Also, please remember when dropping off your child, have him/her exit your vehicle from the passenger side to the sidewalk. This way they exit away from other vehicles. Thank You, Mr. Poppert.

## VISITORS TO THE BUILDING

At this time we are not allowing visitors due to Covid.



# ELEMENTARY INFORMATION

## BREAKFAST CLUB

**Featuring: KINDERGARTEN in October!**

Beginning in October, St. Paul Elementary will host a monthly **BREAKFAST CLUB** honoring a grade level. This month, on **Friday, October 23, 2020**, we will be honoring **KINDERGARTEN!** Parents, grandparents, and/or special adults are welcome to eat breakfast with their student(s). The breakfast will be **7:30-8:15 a.m.** in the cafeteria! This will be in place of "Donuts with Dads," "Muffins with Moms" and Grandparents Day. We do ask all those attending to wear a mask into the school and through the cafeteria line. Once families are seated, they may remove masks. We do ask that separate families sit socially distanced in the cafeteria while masks are removed to eat!

**Below will be the grade level Breakfast Club Schedule:**

**November 20th - First Grade**

**December 18th - Second Grade**

**January 22nd - Third Grade**

**February 12th - Fourth Grade**

**March 26th - Fifth Grade**

**April 23rd - Sixth Grade**

## "WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS"

St. Paul Elementary is very excited to once again be able to partner with Howard County Medical Clinic to offer "Wellness Wednesday" for all of our students and staff during morning meeting. Typically, once or twice a month, HCMC staff or satellite providers teach our students about various wellness topics for about 10 minutes during morning meeting. Since the beginning of this program some topics that have been discussed include eye health, immunizations, eating healthy, bone and joint health and lung health. The elementary students and staff look forward to HCMC staff visiting our school and are highly engaged during their presentations. Please take the time to ask your child about "Wellness Wednesdays." The elementary students and staff would like to say "THANK YOU" to HCMC staff for taking time out of their busy days to share their knowledge and expertise with us at school!

## **WINTER WEATHER GEAR**

As the weather turns colder, we would like to remind parents to help remind their students to wear appropriate winter weather gear to school. This should include winter coats, hats, and gloves. Our recess guidelines have been adopted from "Child Care Weather Watch." The chart explaining these guidelines can be accessed on the following website:

<https://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/health/envIRON/ceh/pdf/WeatherWatchChart.pdf> The recommendations of this chart state that if the air temperature or wind chill temperature drops below 10 degrees Fahrenheit, small or younger students should be kept indoors. It did state that students who are older and properly dressed could go outdoors for a shortened time below 10 degrees. If the temperature and/or wind chill is above 10 degrees, students will still be expected to go outside-keeping in mind that it more than likely will be shortened for the younger students.



## **ATTENDANCE MATTERS: Did you know.....**

**K-12 = 13 years of education. Missing just 1.5 days per month x 9 months of school in a year = 13.5 days. 13.5 days x 13 years = 175.5 school days. THIS EQUALS ONE WHOLE YEAR OF SCHOOL MISSED!** Please make your child's attendance at school a priority! Research shows a direct correlation between great attendance and great academic performance!

# TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION

## **Infinite Campus Parent Portal**

Infinite Campus Portal is a web-based snapshot of your students' grades, attendance and schedules. If you have a parent portal account, you may log in and you will find updated information such as eligibility, schedule changes, etc. If you do not have a parent account, and you would like to have one, please contact Don Kleinsasser at 754-4433 or [don.kleinsasser@spwildcat.org](mailto:don.kleinsasser@spwildcat.org).

## **FIND YOUR LUNCH BALANCE AND PAY YOUR FOOD SERVICE FEES ON INFINITE CAMPUS**

In your parent account for Infinite Campus you have the ability to check and pay your current family balance for breakfast and lunch. To get to this feature, you login into Infinite Campus as you normally would. Look down the left edge of menu choices to find payments. When you're in Payments, you can view your current balance, the estimated average of monthly expenses, and also add money to your account using an echeck or credit card. Going to food service tab will also give you a more detailed description of what your child is eating.

## ST. PAUL WEB SITE (stpaulpublicschools.org)

Check out the schools web page at stpaulpublicschools.org. Find out what is happening in our school with a few simple clicks. Each month we post the monthly newsletter to the web page, the school board agenda and minutes, plus the school activities calendar and sports calendar. We keep adding things to our site so if it has been awhile since you have visited; please try to make the St Paul School website a stop in the near future.

# SPORTS NOTES

### SCHEDULING PRACTICES AND EVENTS

If you are a coach, parent, or organization that is scheduling an event or practice, you must contact Mr. Rick Peters to see if the time and space is available. Mr. Peters, the Athletic Director, can be reached at the school during regular school hours. The best time to call is between 9:15 - 11:00AM or 2:00 - 3:30PM.

# ACTIVITIES

# JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

### ATTENDANCE REMINDER

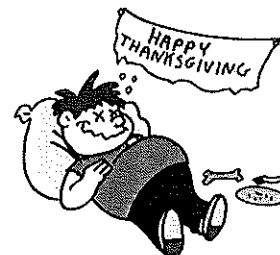
The attendance for all 7-12 students is taken every period. If a student is gone 1 period, the report card will show .12. If they are gone 2 periods, the report card will show .25; gone 4 periods it will show .5, etc. The number recorded under Tardy represents the total periods a student was reported tardy to class. If you have any questions regarding attendance, please call Rick Peters at 754-4433.

### SCHEDULE CHANGE (7 DAY RULE) / DROPPING A COURSE

Schedule changes must be completed **BEFORE** the end of the 7<sup>th</sup> school day of the second semester. All changes require administrative approval. Student initiated schedule change requests must be submitted in writing from the student and their parent or guardian. A "Student/Parent Initiated Course Change" form is available from Mr. Van Pelt or Mrs. Wardyn.

Changes are made **ONLY** for the following academic reasons:

- Error in course placement
- Incomplete schedule
- Change in anticipated goals



## BLOOD DRIVE

The National Honor Society will be hosting a blood drive on November 12<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 to 2:30.

## ONE-ACT PLAY

St. Paul High School's One-Act play cast and crew are trying something new this year. We are doing a serious play. They will be performing At the Bottom of Lake Missoula, a short drama written by Ed Monk, directed by Jen Meinecke and assisted by Kayla Langer. Tuesday, November 10th we travel to Central Valley School, located in Scotia. We perform at 12:00pm. Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions fans will not be able to enter the performance. Our community performances will be Saturday, November 21st at 7:00pm and Sunday, November 22nd at 5:00pm. Admission to both will be \$3.00 for students and adults. Conference and Districts will be announced at a later time. Please consider coming to support the arts by attending our performances!



# ST. PAUL FFA NEWSLETTER

## NOVEMBER

The St. Paul FFA Chapter has been keeping busy with hands-on classroom activities and community engagement.

### CLASSROOM FUN

A few of the activities the FFA members have been involved in are learning about plant parts and natural resource regulations, rehearsing the FFA Creed, working on wood projects, preparing for mock job interviews, and drawing floor plans. It was a month hard at work!



### UPCOMING EVENTS

November 4th- FFA Meeting @  
7:45 in the gym

LDE practices will be starting  
soon

Fruit Sales will be taking  
place this November



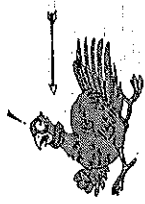
### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT


Recently, members of the Chapter's Range Judging Team had the opportunity to speak to the Rotary. They taught the Rotary more about how a range judging competition works. Members in attendance were Sam Thede, Aidan Anderson, Nick Busse, Kaylee Ambrose, Kaleb Baker, and Alexis Kramer






# NOVEMBER 2020



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Cereal McRib/Bun French Fries	3 Eggs Beef or Fajita Taco Fruit	4 Cinnamon Roll Hot Ham & Cheese Chips	5 Eggs Cr. Chicken/Biscuit Vegetable	6 NO SCHOOL	7
8	9 French Toast Fiestada Vegetable	10 Cereal Chicken Nuggets Mac & Cheese	11 Cinnamon Roll Chili Cinnamon Roll	12 Eggs	13 Pancakes Cheeseburger French Fries	14
15	16 Breakfast Pizza Chicken Patty French Fries	17 Eggs Beef Nacho Vegetable	18 Cinnamon Roll Shredded Pork/Bun Baked Beans	19 Cereal Thanksgiving Dinner Pie	20 Donut	21
22	23 Cereal Chinese Chicken Rice Vegetable	24 Donut Corn Dog Baked Beans	25 Cinnamon Roll Pizza Vegetable	26 NO SCHOOL 	27 NO SCHOOL	28
29	30 Donut Cheeseburger French Fries					
				<b>Notes:</b>		
				<b>BREAKFAST:</b> WG Cereal, Juice, Fruit, Low Fat Milk and Fat Free Milk offered daily.		
				<b>LUNCH:</b> A variety of fruits and vegetables, Low Fat Milk and Fat Free Milk are available daily.		
				USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.		
				<b>MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE</b>		



**November 2020**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
			7:40a-8:40a FFA Chapter Meeting State Volleyball in Lincoln	State Volleyball in Lincoln	NO SCHOOL State Volleyball in Lincoln	State Volleyball in Lincoln	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
	JH GBB (A) Central City @ 4:30PM Board Meeting @ 7PM	JH Wres (A) Gibbon Quad @ 4PM 8:30a-10a Picture Relaxes, Library Community Room	Veterans Day @ 10:30AM	Blood Drive (New Gym) JH GBB (H) Adams Central @ 4:30PM	JH Wres Tour (A) Gibbon @ 5PM	Vocal Music Clinic @ Wood River	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
	JH GBB (A) Centura @ 4:30PM JH Wres Tri (A) Centura @ 6:30PM			JH GBB (A) Ord @ 6:15 PM	First Grade Breakfast Club		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
	JH GBB (H) Wood River @ 4:30 One Act @ Ord	JH GBB (A) Gibbon @ 4PM	Early Dismissal @ 2PM	Thankgiving Break - No School	Thankgiving Break - No School		
29	30						
	JH Wres Tri (A) Ravenna @ 4:30	Notes:					