

Newsletter

The Official Newsletter of Kingsley-Pierson Community Schools

May 2019

A Note from the Superintendent

FINAL NEWSLETTER


Have you ever noticed there is a ton of things going on in the months of April and May? Fine Arts activities, Track and Golf finishing seasons and Baseball and Softball starting seasons. Not to mention graduation parties, awards nights and graduation itself. The joke we have here at school is that "It slows down towards the end of the school year." Actually, it is quite the opposite.

In just a short time, we will be dismissing for the summer. I know everyone involved is ready for the school year to come to an end and for summer activities to begin. School will be dismissed on May 30th, at 11:30. Many of the elementary and junior high students have started their summer sports seasons. They will be tired as some of these activities last until 9 or 10 pm. We need to remind them, the school year is not done yet and to finish strong with their academics.

If you get a chance to thank your son/daughter's teacher, please do so. They have worked hard to make sure your son/daughter has had a good school year. I also want to thank Mr. Mark Schroeder for doing

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KINGSLEY-PIERSON HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 2019

"The hardest choices require the strongest wills."

 Scott Baring Representative High School Principal	Class Color: Black	 Bryant Bobbitt Class President SG, President			
 Madison Goodwin SG, Secretary	 Jeri Zisman Class Vice President	 Nathan Keck SG, Vice President	 Kaden Schroeder Class Treasurer SG, Representative	 Jason Reinking Class Treasurer SG, Treasurer	 Riley Zimmerman



Congratulations Graduates!

Elementary Comments

- Mr. Wiese

The 2018-2019 school year is in the final month! There are many events and field trips throughout the month of May. Thanks again for all of your help at the school!

Congratulations to the elementary students in reading the equivalent to thousands of books during “National Library Week!” This year’s theme was “Farming!” Yes, Mr. Wiese actually kissed a pig (picture located in another section of the newsletter). One of many highlights is seeing your kids earn at least 100 Accelerated Reader points and we have had many achieve along with many more points! It has been my honor to get to eat with your child who earns this goal along with even higher categories!

Here is a quick summary of the many happenings in the elementary. Some field trip dates are not listed below but notes have and/or will be sent home. Also please continue bringing in “Box Tops” by June 2.

- May 7 National Teacher’s Day
- May 12 Happy Mother’s Day
- May 13 Elementary Music Concert / Kindergarten Graduation @6:00 PM**
- May 19 KPHS Graduation @2:00 PM
- May 23 4th Grade Orientation Day (12:15-2:15) to Pierson
- May 21 Middle School Music Concert & 8th Grade Graduation & 7th/8th Grade Awards Night @6:00 PM
- May 24 Elementary Track Meet PM**
- May 27 Memorial Day (No School)
- May 30 Final Day of School: Early Dismissal @11:30 AM. Elementary Assembly @ 8:40 - 9:00**

School Health Information

Students entering Kindergarten, 3rd, 7th, 9th, and 12th grades are asked to turn in the following for the 2019/2020 school year:

Kindergarten- Required immunizations include: 5 doses of Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (Dtap), 4 doses of Polio (IPV), 3 doses of Hepatitis B, 2 doses of Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR) and 2 doses of Varicella or Chicken Pox spaced appropriately. Parents are also asked to submit a health physical, results of a lead screening, vision exam, and dental exam. 3rd Grade- Vision Screening document that is dated 1 year prior to the start of the 2019/20 school year or up to 6 months after the school year starts. 7th Grade- Proof of 1 dose of the Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis (Tdap) vaccine and 1 dose of the meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV). This requirement is due by the first day of school; otherwise the student will be excluded until they receive the needed vaccine(s). 9th Grade- Dental Screening document that is dated 1 year prior to the start of the 2019 school year or up to 4 months after the school year starts. 12th Grade- Proof of two doses of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV); or 1 dose if the first dose was previously received when the student was sixteen years of age or older. This requirement is due by the first day of school; otherwise the student will be excluded until they received the needed vaccine.

More information and any needed forms can be found on the school’s website by clicking on the “Schools” tab and selecting “Health and School Nurse”.

Letters were mailed home earlier this month which included what documents your child(ren) need to turn in. If you have any questions please call the school and ask to speak to the nurse. Have a safe and healthy summer break!

-Jackie Schroeder, School Nurse

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Middle School Comments

-Mr. Wiese

The final quarter of the 2018-2019 school year is flying by and the school year will end on Thursday, May 30 @11:30 AM. Thank you parents and students for making it another successful year at the Middle School. Our theme is titled “K.E.E.P. (Kingsley-Excellence-Education-Pierson” and we hope your kids have been challenged academically throughout the school year, have taken advantage of several extra-curricular opportunities, and will finish the year strong!

The track season is nearing completion. There are 3 meets left in May (see below). Thank you in advance for your help on Tuesday, May 7 (and for all of the help back on April 15).

There are numerous events that are scheduled on the calendar for May and most are listed below! Some field trip dates are not listed below but notes have and/or will be sent home.

- May 7 MS Track WVC at Kingsley @4:00 PM
- May 7 National Teacher’s Day
- May 10 MS Track Meet at Hinton @ 4:00 PM

- May 12 Happy Mother’s Day

- May 13 Elementary Concert & Kindergarten Graduation @Kingsley, 6:00 PM
- May 19 KPHS Graduation @2:00 PM

- May 21 5th-8th Grade *Making a Difference* field trip to Arnold’s Park (rain 5-22)
- May 21 Middle School Music Concert @Pierson @6:00 PM *8th Grade Graduation & 7th/8th Grade Awards Night @ 7:00
- May 23 8th Grade to Kingsley for HS Orientation (12:45-3:25) 6th/7th Grade Cheerleading Try-Outs

- May 25 5th-8th Grade Pep Assembly @2:40 PM
- May 29 Possible Surprise for MS
- May 30 Final Day of School: Early Dismissal 11:30 AM. (Assembly @11:00)



8th grade math students became engineers and created fish tanks according to their customers' specifications. The customers provided the volume they wanted their tank to be and the rest was in the engineer's hands.



National Library Week

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The elementary students celebrated National Library Week April 8th-12th. The theme for the week was farming. Students enjoyed a trip to the public library, a visit from Ag in the Classroom, and making sheep themed snacks with high school FFA students. Students were asked to read throughout the week. If they met their goal of 2,500 books, they would get a surprise on Friday. Friday afternoon they were called to an assembly by Mr. Wiese. He showed them a Hershey's kiss that they each would get when they were back in their classroom. This was a hint at their surprise! The students far exceeded their goal by reading 4,376 books! A cute piglet was brought out, and shouts of "kiss the pig!" was started by the students! Mr. Wiese encouraged them to continue reading and gave the pig a quick kiss on the head!



such a fantastic job of putting the newsletter together. This is a big project and I have heard nothing but good comments about the information included inside and that people look forward to reading.

THANKING OUR KIDS

As we get closer to the end of the school year, as I said, it seems to get busier and busier. Since I have a child in college and one in high school, I need to remind myself that soon we will have an "empty nest" at home. Please take a step back from your busy activities and take a few minutes to let your son or daughter know just how much care for them. All too often we forget to do this. Time goes by and our children are soon out in the "real" world and away from home. Cherish those minutes and hours you have with your children while they are in school. Be supportive of their activities. Before you know it, they will be walking across the stage during graduation ceremonies and heading off to college and then their real life. I know this all too well.

GRADUATION

I wanted to take a little time to congratulate the seniors on their upcoming graduation. They are all excited about graduating and moving on to their next adventure. The funny thing is, most graduating seniors can't wait to get out of school but within the first two weeks after graduating, many come back to talk to friends and teachers during the school day. One day, these seniors will look back with fond memories of walking the halls here at Kingsley-Pierson and think, where did the time go.

Graduation ceremonies are being held on May 19th, at 2:00 pm. Congratulations!



EGYPTIAN FAIR

The Kingsley-Pierson 6th graders held the annual Egyptian Fair on April 24th at the Kingsley-Pierson Middle School. For the past month, the students have been learning about Egypt and the importance of the Nile River in their Social Studies class led by teacher Laura Boustead. The Greek historian Herodotus called Egypt the “gift of the Nile”, since the kingdom would have never survived without the annual flooding of the Nile River.

The students were also introduced to different pharaohs ruling during the ancient Egypt time periods of the Old Kingdom, Middle Kingdom, and New Kingdom. Another area of interest was learning about the Egyptian Gods and Goddesses that were worshipped by the people. The students also took a particular interest this year in learning about King Tut, the most famous pharaoh, because of the discovery of his gold filled tomb. To enhance their learning, the students also made a mock

Nile River to simulate the flooding, an art project of writing their names in Hieroglyphics with corresponding amulets, and decorated sarcophoguses with Egyptian symbols and Hieroglyphics. New to the event this year was the creation of paper mache death masks under the direction of Art Teacher Kris Hackett.

For the Egyptian Fair, students dressed as ancient Egyptians, Gods, and Goddesses. This year we even had a portrayal of British archaeologist Howard Coward and his team of workers that discovered King Tut’s tomb. The students presented on topics such as mummification, pyramids, hieroglyphics, Gods/Goddesses, and the Nile River. They also presented on King Tut and the famous women such as Hatshetsupt, Cleopatra, and Nefertiti. After the presentations, guests enjoyed Egyptian themed snacks. The kids did an amazing job and shared some great information on Ancient Egypt!

Fourth graders participated in money smart week thanks to Kingsley State Bank. Students were able to create a poster about why it is important to know about money. The winners this year were: 3rd place Brynn Sitzmann, 2nd place Julia Howe, and 1st place Wyatt Klaschen! Each of the winners were given a certificate, cash prize, and piggy bank courtesy of Kingsley State Bank.



Industrial Tech Students Attend Regional and State Competitions

Students that are taking industrial technology classes with Mr. Benson had the opportunity to attend the Northwest Iowa Industrial Technology Fair on Wednesday, May 1. This year the fair was hosted by Woodbury Central High School at the Woodbury County Fairgrounds in Moulville.

The Northwest Iowa Industrial Technology Fair is a gathering of area high schools to allow students to display projects they have completed throughout the year during industrial technology and Family Consumer Science classes. This year Family Consumer Science increased the number of categories and competitions that they had. The Industrial Technology Fair is a great way for area students to show off their talents. Projects are judged by individuals from various industries, and then the students are given a ribbon (blue, red, and white) similar to county fairs. Most projects are judged based on overall appearance/finish, quality of construction, and degree of difficulty. The top three students in each category receive a medal. The most outstanding projects receive a special plaque.

Woodworking students were asked to take two to three projects that they had made in class. This year the students made a birdfeeder, shaker shelf, jewelry box, and a CNC engraved sign.

There are over 35 categories that students can enter projects into the tech fair, anything from woodworking, drafting, welding, construction, or anything else taught in an industrial technology class. Students can enter projects in the Junkyard Wars Competitions. The students design and build vehicles using used materials, i.e. "junk." These vehicles then have to complete a task, such as a race and/or obstacle course. Students can also compete in various "mini competitions", such as welding (best weld bead), nail pound (drive a nail the furthest and least hits), drill drive (fastest at driving multiple screws), and anvil toss (throw a 9 pound anvil farthest).

The KP students did very well this year, earning 13 blue ribbons, 8 red ribbons, and 4 white ribbons. We also had several medal recipients. In architectural computer aided drafting Tyler Sitzmann earned 1st place, and Zack Smith earned 2nd place. Tyler Sitzmann also earned 2nd place in the mechanical computer aided drafting, and 3rd place in the 3D printed models. In the manufacturing CNC routing division Juan Juarez earned 1st place, Gavin White earned 2nd place, and Zack Smith earned 3rd place. In the crafts beginning division Jaden Clements earned 1st place and 3rd place, and Serenity Rex earned 2nd place.

The students had a good time and can't wait to go again next year. Some of the highlights that they had were getting to see all of the various projects that students from other schools have made, watching the various competition, and getting the opportunity to talk to area businesses and colleges. For more information about the Kingsley-Pierson Industrial Technology program you can visit our website at <https://sites.google.com/a/k-pcsd.org/k-p-ite/home> We are also on Facebook, search Kingsley-Pierson Industrial Technology. If you would like more information about the Northwest Iowa Industrial Technology Fair please visit the website at <https://sites.google.com/site/nwiaindustrialtechfair/> You can also follow the Tech Fair on Facebook as well, search Northwest Iowa Industrial Technology Fair.

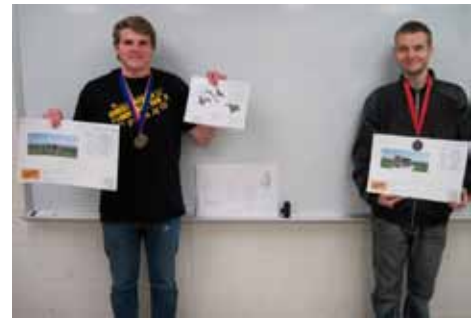
After attending the Northwest Iowa Industrial Technology Fair students that earned blue ribbons on their projects had the opportunity to take those projects to the State Industrial Technology Competition at Southeast Polk High School in Des Moines that was held on Friday, May 10. This year we took a total of 16 projects in the areas of drafting, woodworking, 3D printing, and CNC manufacturing. This is a statewide competition where the projects are again judged, given a ribbon, and top projects can earn a medal. Projects are judged based on the planning/execution of the plan, quality of construction/workmanship, and degree of difficulty. The top students in each division can receive a medal. Students can also apply for several scholarships ahead of time if they bring a project.

While waiting for the projects to be judged the students took a tour of one of the Dee Zee Manufacturing facilities in Des Moines where they were able to watch how running boards and roof racks are made for various vehicles. They were able to see how Dee Zee has been able to apply robotics and automation into their factories to increase quality and quantity of production without sacrificing jobs.

Unfortunately the students were unable to watch the Ultimate Miles Per Gallon Vehicle Competition. It finished just before they were done with their tour. In this competition teams of students build a vehicle using a small engine, 2 stroke or 4 stroke, and are given 8 oz of fuel and must drive as many laps around the track as possible on that limited amount of fuel. They then calculate the number of MPG that the team drove to determine the winner.

As with any state event there was lots of really good competition and projects there. The KP students' projects did very well at the State Competition. They earned 4 blues with overall ratings of superior work, and 12 reds most with an overall rating of outstanding a couple with an overall rating of good. In the advanced mechanical computer aided drafting division Tyler Sitzmann earned a gold medal and Zack Smith earned a silver medal. Zack Smith earned another silver medal in beginning architectural computer aided drafting. Tyler Sitzmann earned a silver medal in the beginning 3D printed models division.

Even though it was a REALLY long day, the students said they enjoyed the experience and enjoyed the tour that they went on.



News from Mrs. Goodwin

SPORTS SCHEDULES: #KPSTRONG!! Our Panthers have been enjoying this spring getting most of their meets in. We have had a few cancelled/postponed due to weather. KPWC boys and girls track having success in team scoring and individual events. Both teams won our home KP-WC Invitational on May 2nd !

Congratulations to our girls and boys golfers qualified for the conference golf tournament on May 7, 2019, in LeMars. We are hosting the call from the IHSAA to host boys' sectionals on Friday May 10th , starting at 10am. Please let Coach Dirksen know if you can help with that meet. Our girls regionals will be at Hull Iowa, at 10am, on Monday May 13th . State Qualifier Track Meet is at Sioux Center on Thursday May 9th starting at 4pm. Finish strong, Show your Black and Gold and Panther Pride in a positive way for our kids!! Remember...Let the players play, coaches coach, and the officials officiate!

Please check the Google School Calendar for updates, etc. and continue to show your positive Panther Pride! Please utilize our Kingsley-Pierson website for updated schedules and gym times. You can locate gym times under the "community" link. Remember if you are practicing golf, softball or baseball you MUST have indoor balls!

IMPORTANT DATES:

Baseball practice starts April 29th
Softball practice starts May 6th

May 10th—BOYS SECTIONAL GOLF in KINGSLEY
May 13th—GIRLS REGIONAL GOLF in Hull

KP SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT—May 25th (We will be in need of people to volunteer to get all three diamonds ready before and after each game and throughout the tourney). Please let me know if you can help.

Elementary Track Meet May 24th @ 1pm

Panther Ball was a huge success!! Thank you to all you helped, worked, and supported our K-12th grade students at KP!!!

PE NEWS: K-8th graders are doing a great job with our Presidential Physical Fitness Testing! Very proud of them ☺ Also, remember if you child has seen a doctor and they are excused from PE for any medical reason, they will need a note from their doctor or from you, the parent/guardian, saying that they are OK to participate. Thank you for your cooperation!

2019 Baseball

20-May-19 Monday	RidgeView	Kingsley
22-May-19 Wednesday	MMCRU--JVR at 4pm followed by JV/V	Kingsley
23-May Thursday	Hinton JV/V	Kingsley
24-May Friday	Lawton Bronson	Lawton
25-May Saturday	RSM Tournament	Remsen
28-May Tuesday	River Valley	Correctionville
29-May Wednesday	Westwood	Kingsley
31-May Friday	OA-BCIG	Ida Grove
1-Jun Saturday	NF Tournament?	Fonda?
3-Jun Monday	Woodbury Central--4pm JVR	Kingsley
5-Jun Wednesday	West Monona	Kingsley
6-Jun Thursday	Sioux Central JVR 2-5inning games	Kingsley
7-Jun Friday	MVAOCOU	Mapleton
June 8,2019 Saturday	Emmetsburg Tournament	Emmetsburg
10-Jun-19 Monday	RidgeView	Holstein
12-Jun Wednesday	Lawton Bronson	Kingsley
13-Jun Thursday JV/V 5:30	Whiting	Whiting
14-Jun Friday	River Valley	Kingsley
17-Jun Monday	OA-BCIG	Kingsley
18-Jun Tuesday	JVR RSM--noon DH	Remsen
19-Jun Wednesday	West Monona	Onawa
20-Jun Thursday	JVR AA-noon DH	Alta
21-Jun Friday	Westwood	Sloan
24-Jun Monday	Woodbury Central	Moville
27-Jun Thursday	Sioux Central JVR 3pm, JV 5:30 V	Peterson
28-Jun Friday	MVAOCOU--4pm JVR 5-inning	Kingsley
July 1/2 Mon/Tues	WV Baseball playoffs	TBA
8-Jul-19 Monday	Cherokee JV/V	Kingsley
9-Jul-19 Tuesday	Akron Westfield	Akron
July 11,13,15 Wed/Sat/Mon	Districts	TBA

2019 SOFTBALL

First practice--May 6, 2019	6pm JV followed by Varsity	
20-May-19 Monday	RidgeView	Kingsley
23-May Thursday	Hinton	Kingsley
24-May Friday	Lawton Bronson	Lawton
25-May-19 Saturday	KP Tournament	
28-May-19 Tuesday	River Valley	Correctionville
29-May-19 Wednesday	Westwood	Kingsley
30-May-19 Wednesday	Whiting	Kingsley
31-May Friday	OA-BCIG	Battle Creek
1-Jun Saturday	MOC-FV Tournament	Orange City
3-Jun Monday	Woodbury Central	Kingsley
5-Jun Wednesday	West Monona	Kingsley
6-Jun Thursday	MVAOCOU	Mapleton
8-Jun Saturday	Spirit Lake Tournament	Spirit Lake
10-Jun Monday	RidgeView	Galva
11-Jun Tuesday	JVR- Noon DH vs. Cherokee	Kingsley
11-Jun Tuesday	MMC/RU	Kingsley
12-Jun Wednesday	Lawton Bronson	Kingsley
13-Jun Thursday	Whiting	Whiting
13-Jun Thursday	JVR Gehlen Noon-2-5innings	Kingsley
14-Jun Friday	River Valley	Kingsley
17-Jun Monday	JVR SC East--noon (2 5-inning)	Sioux City East
17-Jun Monday	OA-BCIG	Kingsley
18-Jun Tuesday	MVAOCOU	Kingsley
19-Jun Wednesday	West Monona	Onawa
21-Jun Friday	Westwood	Sloan
June 21/22, 2019 Friday/Sat.	Westwood Tournament	Sloan
24-Jun Monday	Woodbury Central	Moville
25-Jun Tuesday	WV Conf. Rain Date	
June 26&27, 2019 Wed/Thurs	WV Conf. SB playoffs	1st/2nd seed
29-Jun Friday	JVR SC West--Noon-DH 2-5inning	Sioux City North
29-Jun-19 Saturday	Storm Lake Varsity & JV Tournament	Storm Lake
1-Jul-19 Monday	JVR SC West--Noon-DH-2-5 inning	Sioux City West
July 8-10-12,15 2019 M, W, F, M	Regionals	TBA
July 22-26, 2019 M-F	State SB	