I am writing this on a wonderful March day. I’m expecting robins to appear any day now as the tulips outside the office window are breaking through the ground. We have missed only a few days this year, so far. With the groundhog not seeing his shadow, I’m hoping to not have any more this school year. We are planning on getting out of school on May 28th.

The Winter athletic season has come to an end. The basketball teams had successful seasons and our wrestling program qualified someone for state for the first time in many years. The Jazz Band is midway through the season and has already qualified for the State Jazz Band competition on April 7th. Our Speech participants have been successful, as well. We had three large group speech students get one rating and advance to state speech. We also had 11 of our 16 individual advance to state individual speech. We will be hosting a Fine Arts night this Spring to showcase these Speech students, jazz band and choir as well as art projects and shop projects.

Thanks again for the continued support you have all shown during this past year. We are truly blessed to have such a wonderful community.

An opening reception for the 31st Annual Youth Art Exhibition: The Art of Middle School Students artists was held on Sunday, February 16, 2020. Kingsley-Pierson had three students recognized for their outstanding work. Jaci Camerer, 8th grade, is the daughter of Trina Camerer and Chad Camerer. Brooklyn Beelner, 7th grade, is the daughter of Dustin and Kacee Beelner. Ruby Thompson, 6th grade, is the daughter of Dallas and Megan Thompson. Their artwork will be on display in the Jensen, Everist and Terra Galleries, located on the third floor of the Sioux City Art Center, from February 15 through April 12, 2020. We would like to invite you to stop by and see their amazing artwork.
STEM Day at the Capitol

On February 19th, Kingsley-Pierson students and teachers had the opportunity to be exhibitors at STEM day at the Capitol where they spoke with Governor Kim Reynolds and other local legislators about how we are implementing Computer Science into our curriculum. K-P was one of the 12 Computer Science in Elementary project recipients. This project is supported by the Governors STEM advisory council and prepares our students to be Future Ready.

Elementary & Middle School Comments

- Mr. Wiese

Our second round of Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on Tuesday, March 24 and Thursday, March 26, 2019. And there is No School on Friday, March 27. Please make every effort to attend the conference. Students are welcome to attend the conference with the parent(s)/guardian(s).

Class of 2033, you are invited to our annual “Kindergarten Round-Up” on Friday, March 13. There will be two sessions, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. There are activities planned for each session and we are excited to welcome new kids to the elementary! Please keep in mind that the regular kindergarten classes this year will NOT have school this day. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

The “Box Tops 4 Education” collection for Round #2 concluded late February. We all appreciate your willingness to send these items in to the school! Remember there is an “App” now for your smart phone and for a limited time you can still cut-out the box tops and send to school.

Mother Nature has created chaos with late starts, early dismissals, school cancelled, events cancelled, etc. Spring is hopefully around the corner and we can have a normal schedule! Thank you for your patience and support on these days!!

Our school usually gets hit with various cases of sickness this time of year. A quick reminder that your child needs to be healthy for 24 hours (stomach flu free) before returning to school.

The middle school wrestling season has two meets remaining for the season: March 2 (at Sgt. Bluff) and March 9 (at Odebolt). The middle school track season also begins this month. Remember Daylight Savings Time with your clocks (Spring ahead) on Sunday, March 8.

Our annual “8th Grade Hero’s Day” is held in the AM on Wednesday, March 18 in the Pierson building!

The third quarter ends on Wednesday, March 18 at 12:30 pm. The fourth quarter begins on Thursday, March 19 (Spring also begins). The year is flying by!

March is filled with numerous activities and opportunities. Thank for you for supporting our school!
School Health Information

Please continue to call your child in absent and let the secretary know if your child has been diagnosed with any communicable disease such as influenza or strep throat. It is also important to make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather before they leave home. The elementary school has run low on gloves to hand out to students who forgot theirs at home. Donations are always welcome!

If your child turns 5 years old by September 15th they are able to attend kindergarten next school year. Kindergarten Round-Up will take place on Friday, March 13th at the elementary school. There is still time to register for a session at 9am or 1pm. Please call the school at 378-2861 to sign up. Please bring a copy of their birth certificate and immunizations.

Kingsley Pierson
Kindergarten Round-Up

If your child will be 5 years old by September 15, 2020 they are able to enroll in kindergarten for the upcoming 2020-2021 school year!

Class of 2033

Kindergarten Round-Up will take place on Friday, March 13th, at the elementary school in Kingsley. There will be a session at 9 am and 1pm. Please call the school at 378-2861 to register for a session today!

Please bring a copy of your child’s birth certificate and immunizations with you to the round-up.

#KPSTRONG

“It is the policy of the Kingsley-Pierson Community School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, religion, creed, age (for employment), marital status (for programs), sexual orientation, gender identity and socioeconomic status (for programs) in its educational programs and its employment practices. There is a grievance procedure for processing complaints of discrimination. If you have questions or a grievance related to this policy, please contact Rob Wiese, 322 Quest Ave. 712-378-2861, nwiese@k-pcsd.org. The Kingsley-Pierson Community School District offers career and technical programs in the following areas: Agricultural Education, Business Education, and Industrial Education.”
SPORTS SCHEDULES: #KPSTRONG!!
Our Panthers are making us proud in the classrooms, music and drama competitions, wrestling mats and gym floors. Thank you for staying positive and cheering with our wonderful cheerleaders. Congratulations to Damon Schmid on qualifying for State and the KP Girls' Basketball team for making it to their 7th consecutive Regional Final game. Please continue to show your Black and Gold, Panther Pride in a positive way for our kids!!

Thank you for all the workers to make our KP Wrestling Invite and hosting WV Conference Tournament a success. Gregg Roepke, Chad Utesch, Kevin Seuntjens, Brett Harvey, Andy Pratt, and Robby Haggin at the scoretable. A special thanks to Erin Chute, Torey Hill for running trackwrestling and for Val Sitzmann running the tournament.

Thank you to our volunteers who also helped at our home wrestling tourney and CNOS for their Athletic Training coverage.

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.

IMPORTANT DATES:
Track and Field Boys start March 2nd & Girls start March 4th
Boys & Girls golf starts March 16th
WINTER SPORTS BANQUET March 16th @ 6pm

PE NEWS: : We had our HEART HEALTH CHALLENGE kick off Friday morning, February 28th! All money and forms are due by March 16th. Remember, you are not required to raise money! Everyone gets to participate in class.

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!

2020 KP-WC TRACK & FIELD SCHEDULE

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2020 Golf

first practice March 16th
Conference meets start at 4:00

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They grow up so fast.
Now’s your chance to shape their future.

A kindergartner counted in the 2020 Census this spring will be starting high school when the next census comes around in 2030: That’s 10 years of school supplies, teachers, school lunches, and so much more. This is your opportunity to help ensure they have a bright future.

Right now, students across the country are getting an introduction to the 2020 Census through the Statistics in Schools program. This program offers free activities and resources to schools to help prepare their students for an increasingly data-driven world.

Students are learning that the 2020 Census is a count of every person who lives in the United States and its territories. Responding to the census helps your community get its fair share of funding. Census data guides how more than $675 billion in federal funding is distributed to states and communities each year for schools, health care facilities, roads, transportation, recreation centers, social services, and more.

Students are also learning these key things about the 2020 Census—and we want you to know them too:

- Starting in March 2020, everyone living in your home needs to be counted. That includes children and newborn babies, citizens and noncitizens, relatives and nonrelatives, and even those staying with you temporarily.
- It’s easier than ever to respond to the census. You can respond in 13 different languages, and you can complete it online, by phone, or by mail.
- Your responses to the census are safe and secure. The law requires the U.S. Census Bureau to keep your information confidential, and your responses cannot be used against you in any way.

You have the power to shape your future, and the future of all children, by counting everyone in your home in the 2020 Census.

Learn more about how you can shape your future at 2020CENSUS.GOV.
Get more information about the Statistics in Schools program at CENSUS.GOV/SCHOOLS.