



WEEKLY BULLETIN

Our website: <http://www.districtor1.org>

Saturday, March 3rd

Activities:
Practices:
Sports:

Monday, March 5th

Activities: ECNC JH & HS Quiz Bowl @ Conestoga Bus leaves @ 7:30 am, FCCLA Meeting 7:30 am, Show Choir 6:30 am	Breakfast: Mini Maple Waffles
Practice: JH Wrestling 4:00-6:00 pm PHS	Lunch: Mini Corn Dogs, Steamed Carrots
Sports:	

Tuesday, March 6th

Activities: FFA CDE Contest @ SCC Beatrice Bus leaves @ 6:30 am, Choir 7:00 am	Breakfast: Cereal, Bagel
Practice:	Lunch: Crispy Chicken Breast Fillet, Whipped Potatoes, California Blend Vegetables, Dinner Roll
Sports: JH Wrestling @ Raymond Central 4:30 pm Van leaves @ 2:45 pm, HS Boys Basketball - Uniform check-in and Basketball meeting in Coach Trausch's room after school – Please bring, uniform, old warm ups and basketballs!	

Wednesday, March 7th

Activities: Show Choir 6:30 am	Breakfast: Sausage Gravy, Biscuit
Practice:	Lunch: Hot Ham & Cheese / Bun, Baked Beans
Sports:	

Thursday, March 8th

Early Dismissal End of 3rd Quarter

Activities: Choir 7:00 am, Choir to State Capitol 12:30 pm Bus leaves @ 11:00 am	Breakfast: Scrambled Eggs, Toast
Practice:	Lunch: Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Corn, Breadstick, Jello

Sports: JH Wrestling @ Malcolm 4:00 pm Van leaves @ 2:00 pm	
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Friday, March 9th

NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK

Activities:	Breakfast:
Practice:	Lunch:
Sports:	

Saturday, March 10th

Activities:
Practice:
Sports: JH Wrestling @ Ashland 1:30 pm Van leaves @ 11:45 am

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, March 12th – District Speech @ HTRS, JH Wrestling

Tuesday, March 13th- JH Wrestling, FFA Blood Drive

Wednesday, March 14th- Show Choir,

Thursday, March 15th-

Friday, March 16th- Show Choir, FFA Leverage Conf., Malcolm Music Contest, Peru State Math Day

Saturday, March 17th- FFA Leverage Conf.

FYI!!!

ECNC Art Show now on display at the Wells Fargo (downtown Lincoln) until March 20th

Musical Rehearsals:

Mon Mar. 5 4-6 pm - Act 1 Sc. 1-5 & crew

Tues. Mar. 6th - 4-7pm Act. 1 Sc. 6-9 & crew

Mon. Mar. 12th - 5:30-8:30pm - Act 2 1st half & crew

Tues. Mar. 13th - 5-30-8:30 pm - Act 2 2nd half & crew

Fri. Mar. 16th - 5:30-8:30 pm - Run Act 2 & crew

Go Panthers!

FROM THE COUNSELOR, March 1, 2018

FOOD DRIVE

RESULTS!!

Here are the results of the recent Food Drive at PHS! The seniors won by a huge margin and have been awarded a field trip for their efforts, energy and ingenuity!

Seniors: 556.6 lbs.

Juniors: 86.7 lbs

Sophomores: 7.2 lbs

Freshman: 35.9 lbs

8th grade: 18.0 lbs

7th grade: 27.1 lbs

Staff&Teachers: 96.3 lbs

Wrapping up your senior year

Seniors...stay on track to college by completing these second-semester tasks:

Complete the financial aid process. By now, you should have filed your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). If you haven't, apply at fafsa.gov.

Compare financial aid award notifications. The colleges you listed on your FAFSA will send you notifications detailing the financial aid they're offering. Compare the notifications to determine which school provides the best package.

Watch your grades. If you slack off and get poor grades, your college admission could be revoked.

Apply for scholarships. See ScholarshipQuest at **EducationQuest.org** to find Nebraska-based scholarships and a list of national scholarship sites.

Make your final college selection. Notify the other colleges so they can take you off their mailing list.

Be aware of deadlines to accept financial aid and college admission offers, submit your housing deposit, and register for new-student orientation.

Juniors...it's time to narrow your college choices.

Narrow your college choices soon to prepare for these upcoming activities:

ACT college entrance exam. When you take the exam this spring, you'll be asked to provide a list of colleges that should receive your score.

Completion of the FAFSA early next fall. You and your parents can complete the FAFSA beginning October 1 of your senior year. The colleges you list on the form will receive the results.

Apply2College Campaign. Early next fall, it will be time to apply to your top college choices. Many high schools will participate in the [Apply2College campaign](http://Apply2College) during which seniors get help during the school day with college applications.

Campus visits will help you narrow your choices

Your spring break is a perfect time to visit schools that interest you. Schedule your visits at least two weeks in advance and be prepared with questions to ask. Find more tips in the "Selecting a College" section at **EducationQuest.org**.

Check out these college-search resources at EducationQuest.org

- "About Nebraska Colleges" provides cost and contact information for Nebraska colleges.
 - College Profiles has information about colleges in Nebraska and across the country.
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Go on a scavenger hunt and you might win \$500 for college

Apply **by March 31** for EducationQuest's \$500 *Scavenger Hunt Scholarship*. Here's how it works:

1. If you haven't already, complete a profile in ScholarshipQuest at **EducationQuest.org**. *ScholarshipQuest* is a scholarship search tool with over 2,000 Nebraska-based awards.
2. If you're a Nebraska resident in grades 9-12, you'll see the *EducationQuest Scavenger Hunt Scholarship* as one of the scholarships you're eligible to apply for.
3. "Scavenge" around the EducationQuest website to find answers to questions in a survey.

EducationQuest will draw a winner from those who answer all questions correctly. The winner will receive \$500 to invest in a NEST 529 College Savings Plan account.

March "To Do" List

Seniors

- ___ If you haven't already, complete your FAFSA!
- ___ Expect financial aid award notifications.
- ___ Continue applying for scholarships.

Juniors

- ___ Register by March 9 for the April 14 ACT.
- ___ Register by April 6 for the May 5 SAT.
- ___ Schedule campus visits.

FAFSA

FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID

What to expect after you submit your FAFSA

The [FAFSA](#) opened October 1 so many of you have already completed and submitted your form. Here's what happens next:

Expect a Student Aid Report (SAR). You'll receive it via an email link if you provided an email address on your FAFSA. The SAR acknowledges that your FAFSA was received, and if you need to take further action to process your FAFSA.

Make sure you applied for admission to colleges you listed on your FAFSA.

Colleges who receive your FAFSA results typically won't send you a financial aid package until you've applied and have been accepted to the school.

Watch for verification requests. The college(s) you listed on your FAFSA might request verification of your FAFSA information. If so, send the required documents to the colleges' financial aid office.

Watch for financial aid award notifications. The colleges you applied to – and listed on your FAFSA – will send you a financial aid award notification detailing the types and amounts of aid they're offering based on your financial need.

This [EducationQuest Blog article](#) has more details about what happens after you submit your FAFSA.

Haven't completed your FAFSA yet?

No problem! You and a parent can complete the form at FAFSA.gov. Before you start, create an FSA ID for you and one for a parent at fsaid.ed.gov. You'll need them to access and sign the FAFSA.

For free help with the FAFSA, watch this [FAFSA Demo](#), use our free [FAFSA Tools](#), or call EducationQuest to make an appointment:

Omaha – 888.357.6300

Lincoln – 800.303.3745

Kearney – 800.666.3721

Scottsbluff – 800.303.3745, ext. 6654

Winning the scholarship game

Follow these tips to increase your chances of earning scholarships:

Don't ever pay for scholarship searches! Use *free* resources such as [ScholarshipQuest](#) at EducationQuest.org with over 2,000 Nebraska-based scholarships. Free national sites include [Peterson's](#), [FindTuition](#), [Cappex](#), and [Chegg](#).

Visit your kind and caring school counselor often for information about local scholarships.

Focus on local and college-specific scholarships because you're more likely to earn them.

Update your activities, honors, community service or paid jobs using the [Activities Resume](#) at EducationQuest.org.

Earn the best possible ACT/SAT scores by taking the exam in the spring of your junior year and again in the fall of your senior year.

Use quality references such as a teacher, coach or counselor. Encourage them to write specific examples of your leadership skills. Give them advance notice and a specific deadline.

Tailor your essay to the scholarship. Ask an English teacher to read your essay and offer advice on making a big impact. Your essay will need to stand out from other applications.

Want some inspiration? [Read](#) how one Nebraska student earned over \$65,000 in scholarships!

February "To Do" List

Seniors:

- If you haven't already, complete the FAFSA.
- Expect financial aid award notifications from the colleges you listed on your FAFSA.
- Apply for scholarships.

Juniors:

- Keep preparing for the Nebraska State ACT on April 3rd. Use your John Baylor OnToCollege videos and the ACT Online Prep materials.

**For free help with college planning, contact EducationQuest Foundation:
EducationQuest.org**



How Do I Hunt for Scholarships?

It is that time of year again when college-bound seniors are looking to pay for all of the costs related to post-secondary education. The good news is that we are in the state of Nebraska with a great selection of tech schools, excellent small colleges, first-rate state schools, two selective universities, and a major Big 10 university at UNL. There are also lots of options and avenues for funding an education in Nebraska. Here are some thoughts and directions we offer to our seniors as they consider funding their after graduation plans.

1) The greatest source for college scholarships is from the college you plan to go attend.

Schools have a vested interest in getting you on their campus, so they are willing to pay for it by offering scholarships. Go to the college/university of your choice. Once you get on their website, look under the financial aid tab or go to the search bar and type in "scholarships." This should get you to where you need to go. **The college or university admissions counselors will usually be of great assistance.**

2) Use EducationQuest!

EducationQuest is one of the best resources available to college-bound people of all ages. And it is

FREE! www.educationquest.org provides all kinds of college information, help with FAFSA, and scholarship searches by simply going to their site. They have locations in Kearney, Lincoln, and Omaha, always being of tremendous help to school counselors, students, and families. I call them often when I am stuck with college questions. They are amazing! We are fortunate as a state to have such a great resource that other states simply don't have. And they do it for free! **DO NOT PAY OTHER COMPANIES FOR COLLEGE PREPARATION!** Establish your account (you should have already done this if you are a senior.) Juniors should do it soon and complete search info on **ScholarshipQuest** and you will get a "hit" on some of the scholarships that are coming up for Nebraska high school seniors.

3) Local scholarships!

These come to our attention all of the time and the school counselor, Mr. Chaffee, shares that information **through Palmyra High School email**, copying both students and parents. Pay attention to your school email; let Mr. Chaffee know if you are looking for a particular scholarship. Check also with coaches, clubs and organizations you are a part of; many of them have scholarships, i.e. FFA, FCCLA, PARTY, TeamMates, Fine Arts, etc.

4) Several scholarships are offered thru District OR

1 Foundation for Knowledge. The deadline is April 1st! An application is available from Mr. Chaffee. Please note that it is a pdf file and can be filled in using a computer: please do that. **Do not submit a handwritten application or essay.**

**Palmyra High School-Scholarships Administered by
The District OR 1 Foundation for Knowledge**

- **Adele Reed/Penterman Scholarship**
- **Alexis Calfee Scholarship**

- **Beecham Family Scholarship**
- **Dale Cheney Family Scholarship**
- **Deb Rood Memorial Scholarship**
- **Gera Stilwell Scholarship**
- **Golf Tournament Scholarship**
- **Learn to Dream Scholarship**
- **Leland Olson Scholarship**
- **Palmyra-Bennet Teacher's Association Scholarship**
- **Randy Vollersten Scholarship**
- **Tim Jensen Memorial Scholarship**

Finally, you will want to take your time and do an excellent job completing applications. The language you use, your grammar skills, and the overall completeness will be representative of you and your education. Do your very best; have someone proofread your work! Make us proud!



Follow EducationQuest on social media and you might win a \$500 scholarship!

Follow EducationQuest on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram and you'll get more than important college planning information...you might win a \$500 ***Get Social Scholarship!***

How it works

Each time EducationQuest reaches specific follower milestones on our social media pages, we'll invite current and new followers to enter into a drawing for a \$500 scholarship. We'll conduct a:

- Facebook drawing when we hit **7,000** followers
- Twitter drawing when we hit **3,500** followers
- Instagram drawing when we hit **1,000** followers

EducationQuest will continue to award \$500 *Get Social Scholarships* each time we reach an additional 500 followers on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram. [Click here](#) for more details.

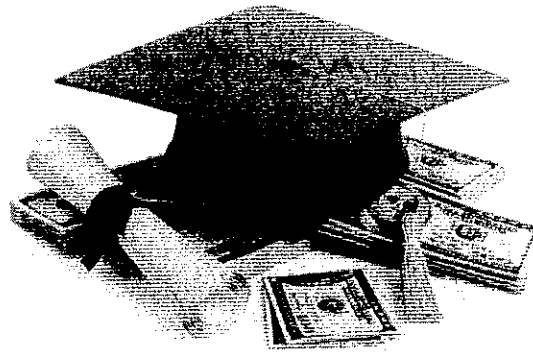
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Omaha	Lincoln	Kearney	Scottsbluff
402-391-4033	402-475-5222	308-234-6310	800-303-3745 xt.6654
888-357-6300	800-303-3745	800-666-3721	

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Your Journey to College Begins with Us



New College Timeline will keep you on track to college

EducationQuest has launched a new **College Timeline** for students in grades 9-12 that spells out steps you should take during fall, winter, spring, and summer to plan for college.

The Timeline also allows you to add your own tasks, get reminders when it's time to complete tasks, and check off tasks when they're complete. You can access these features by creating and/or logging into your MyEducationQuest account at **EducationQuest.org**.

Check it out and give it a try. It will make the college planning process more manageable!

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PALMYRA JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
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District OR1 Driver Education Class

District OR1 is offering a Driver Education Class this spring, May 29, 2018, at Bennet Elementary School with an enrollment of 20 students. Students must be **14 years of age by June 1, 2018 to take this class.**

Classroom: Bennet Elementary School, Tuesday, May 29th thru Friday, June 1 and concludes Monday, June 4th, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Students are required to pass the 20 hours of Classroom and a Department of Motor Vehicle Written Final.

Driving: Starts Tuesday, June 5th. Students are paired up for a 4 day, 3 hour period driving 1.5 hours each day. Dates and times are scheduled during the Classroom portion. Student pick up and drop off will be at the Bennet Elementary School. Students are required to pass the 5 hours of Practical Driving and a Department of Motor Vehicles approved Driving Final.

Students who successfully complete this Driver Education Class have met one of the requirements toward obtaining a School Permit (SCP) or Provisional Operator's Permit (POP).

School Permit additional requirements include: students must be 14 years and 2 months old, held a Learner's Permit (Type LPE) for 2 months, and live 1.5 miles or more from the school he or she will be attending.

Provisional Operator's Permit (POP) additional requirements include: 16 years old and held a Learner's Permit (Type LPD) for 6 months.

Both permits can be purchased using the Online SCP/POP Waiver Program from the Department of Motor Vehicles. Benefits of using the Online Waiver Program are: parents do not have to take time off work, students do not have to miss school, and no waiting in line at the DMV. Since a permit number is a "key" identifier in the Online SCP/POP Waiver Program, **Schools are asking students to have a Learner's Permit before completion of the Driver Education Class.** Learner's Permits can be obtained in Lincoln from the 500 West "O" Street Department of Motor Vehicles site.

Students are not guaranteed a license. They must pass 20 Hours Classroom, a Department of Motor Vehicles approved Written Final, 5 Hours of Practical Driving, and a Department of Motor Vehicles approved Driving Final.

Enrollment begins now with a 20 student limit. Pick up an application from Mr. Wergin or High School Secretary Jane Powell. Cost of the class is **\$250 payable to Palmyra High School.**

Drive Safely! Stay Alive!

Ron Wergin
Driver Education Instructor
Palmyra High School
Email: wergin.ron@districtor1.net

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(Student's Name), _____ has permission to enroll in the 2018 District OR1 Driver Education class at Bennet Elementary. I/we understand that our child is required to successfully complete all Driver Education requirements: pass 20 hours of classroom instruction, pass a Department of Motor Vehicles approved Written Final, pass 5 hours of practical driving, and pass a Department of Motor Vehicles approved Driving Final.

Fill out the following.

First Middle Last

Student's Full Name: _____
(How name appears on birth certificate)

Date: _____ Grade in school this coming fall _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Home Address: _____
Street City Zip Code

Date of Birth: _____, P-Email address _____

H-Phone Number (_____) _____ -- _____

Parent C-Number _____ - _____ - _____

Student C-Number _____ - _____ - _____

**Learner's Permit Number: LPD # _____, LPE # _____

Payment Enclosed: Yes ____ NO ____, **\$250 Payable to Palmyra High School**

Comments or special information the Instructors may need to know here:

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