School routines are established and the staff and students have settled into the routine of the daily schedule. Bennet students are following our school rules of: Be Responsible, Be Respectful, Be Safe and Be an Active Learner!

The first few weeks have been a review of previously learned concepts along with MAPS testing. Now it’s time for the new and exciting learning to occur. I look forward going into the classrooms to observe the students learning.

Our District OR 1 team is working very hard and doing a fabulous job keeping Bennet the best place to be for your children! I want to thank all of the families who have taken the time to support their child and the school. Your involvement truly makes a difference. The teachers and I want to partner with you to give your child the best education possible!

I continue to welcome the opportunity to visit with you should you have any questions, concerns, or comments.

Linde Walter

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**Parent Teacher Conferences**

Parent teacher conferences are scheduled for Tuesday, September 22nd. Your child’s teacher will be contacting you on September 17th regarding your child’s current progress/grades, and if you would like to set up a zoom meeting for a conference time.

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**Bennet Booster Corner**

The Bennet Boosters meet the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM in the Elementary Commons. We hope to see you Tuesday, September 8th for our next meeting. Please visit the Bennet Elementary Boosters Facebook page to learn more about upcoming events.

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**Reminder NO school Monday, September 7th for Labor Day!**

**Picture Retakes are Wednesday, September 23rd.**

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**No school on Wednesday, September 16th due to cleaning and collaboration of staff.**
**Bennet Elementary Lunch Schedule**

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**POWERSCHOOL**

Please visit our web site at [www.districtor1.org](http://www.districtor1.org) to access Powerschool. There you can check your lunch account balance and grades. If you need an account set up please contact the school office.

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**National Honor Society Tutoring**

Tutoring will be offered at the Palmyra High School Library on Tuesday and Thursday from 3:45 to 4:30 pm. If students choose to use this service they can ride the bus to PHS after school.

This tutoring is FREE and offered by our National Honor Society as a service project.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Chaffee at 402-782-3535.

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**Upcoming Events:**

**September**

- 7th No School Labor Day
- 16th No School Students

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**Parent Drop Off**

The circle drive may be used for drop off of students and pick up at the end of the day. Please remember when using the circle to pull up and have your child ready to exit, so traffic can continue to run smoothly. **If a bus is in the circle please wait to enter the circle.**

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**Electronic Newsletter**

We will begin sending the weekly newsletter electronically next week if you signed up for this option.

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**Accelerated Reading (AR)**

Accelerated Reader (AR) has started for students in 1st-6th grade. Students are able to begin testing at school, at home or the Palmyra Memorial Library. Those students who earned medals last year will be recognized next week along with receiving their medal.

Our new Reading goal for this year is 20,000 points. Reading Rocks!
## Panther Weekly Bulletin

August 28th, 2020

### Breakfast Menu

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### Weekly Athletic Practice Schedule

- **JH Football**
  - Tues. & Thurs 3:45-5:45
  - Wed 3:45-4:45
  - Friday 3:45-5:20
  - All are off the field
Happening this week at PHS

Saturday, September 5th-

Monday, September 7th– NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, September 8th- Early Band 6:45 am, Temp. checks start @ 6:30 am, Golf @ Crooked Creek 9:30 am Van leaves @ 8:30 am, JH VB @ Malcolm 4:00 pm Bus leaves @ 2:15 pm, V VB @ Mead 6:00 pm and 7:00 pm SEE ATTACHED COVID RESTRICTIONS

Wednesday, September 9th-

Thursday, September 10th– Drumline 6:30 am Percussionist Only grades 7-12 Temp. checks start @ 6:25 am, Golf @ Woodland Hills 2:00 pm Van leaves @ 1:15 pm, Cross Country @ Milford Welsch Ball Facility 4:15/5:00 pm Bus leaves @ 1:45 pm, HS VB @ JCC 6:00 pm & 7:00 pm Bus leaves @ 4:15 pm COVID RESTRICTIONS TBA

Friday, September 11th– HS Football @ Conestoga 7:00 pm COVID RESTRICTIONS TBA

Saturday, September 12th-JV VB @ Syracuse 8:30 am Bus leaves @ 7:30 am SEE ATTACHED COVID RESTRICTIONS

Morning bus and student drop off change

Starting Tuesday September 8th all students will enter the east doors of the high school. Students who are dropped off by a parent can be dropped off on the north side of the school and enter the east doors. Additionally, all buses will now drop off in the east drive through and vehicles are not allowed enter when buses are present.
Upcoming Events:

Monday, September 14th- JV FB @ PHS, Cross Country @ Omaha, JH VB @ Syracuse, HS VB MUDECAS

Tuesday, September 15th- Early Band 6:45 am, Temp. checks start @ 6:30 am, JH FB @ PHS, JH VB @ JCC, HS VB MUDECAS

Wednesday, September 16th- NO SCHOOL

Thursday, September 17th- Drumline 6:30 am Temp. checks start @ 6:25 am Percussionist Only grades 7-12, Golf @ Tecumseh, HS VB MUDECAS

Friday, September 18th- Cross Country @ Waverly, HS FB @ PHS

Saturday, September 19th- FYI-

Yearbook update: Due to Covid 19 the manufacturing plant is only running at 65%. Delivery is due late Sept.

Students are not allowed to be in the building before 7:30 am unless they are taking part in an activity that has early practice/meeting times!

The Bus lane at Palmyra is off limits to vehicles during bus pick up and drop off times before and after school!

GO PANTHERS!
Mead Public Schools
115 North Elm Street
Mead, NE 68041-0158
Preparing For The Future. . .

Mead Public Schools
Fall Sports Attendance Plans
As of 8/20/20

This is the current plan for hosting volleyball and football games at Mead Public Schools. We feel this is an appropriate plan based on current information. PLEASE NOTE: These plans may be altered at any time due to updated information or changing circumstances. We appreciate your cooperation as we try to provide an environment that will allow our athletes to complete their athletic seasons.

Volleyball
- All spectators will be required to wear a mask upon entering the building.
- Coaches and event staff, with the possible exception of game officials, will be required to wear a mask.
- Social distancing in the bleachers is expected, and households should sit together when possible.
- Games should be available via livestream.
  - Search YouTube for ‘Mead Public Schools’ or use this link.
- Home and Visitor sides have been swapped from previous years.
- Additional space will be marked off around team benches, behind the scorer’s table, and the front row.
- Teams will not switch benches.
- The stage will be reserved for
  - The waiting team during trianglars.
  - Mead students during duals.
  - Closed during JH.
- Admission payments in exact amounts are preferred to eliminate the need to provide change.
- Concessions items will be limited to individually packaged items such as pop and candy that can be consumed without completely removing a mask.
- Students and children will be expected to remain seated as much as possible. Repeated trips to the Commons for concessions will be discouraged.
- Tables in the Commons will be unavailable to spectators.
- Visiting cheerleaders and bands are not allowed.
- Players will proceed directly to locker rooms or designated areas after games are completed.
- If necessary, attendance may be limited if occupancy recommendations are exceeded.

Football
- Masks are highly recommended for all spectators and required in bleachers, in the restrooms, and in line for concessions.
- There will be porta-johns available to alleviate some crowding at restrooms.
- Spectators who wish to sit but will not wear a mask should bring their own chairs.
- Spectators who do not wear masks should maintain social distancing per public health guidelines.
- We will attempt to livestream home games if technology permits.
  - Search YouTube for 'Mead Public Schools' or use [this link](#).
- Admission payments in exact amounts are preferred to eliminate the need to provide change.
- Students and children will not be permitted to play sideline football or other sideline games that place them at risk for exposure to COVID-19.
- Concessions will be available, but if removal of a mask is necessary, concessions should be consumed outside of the bleachers.
- Cheerleaders are allowed but must social distance outside of the team box and within the roped off area away from spectators. No visiting bands allowed.
- Players will proceed directly to locker rooms or designated areas after games are completed.

**Syracuse JV VB Tournament Covid Procedures**

- Family Members of players and coaches ONLY.
- (Masks and Social Distancing Required) Families will be encouraged to sit in household groups. No loitering in the building.
- Concessions: Will be available but may be discontinued without notice.
9.4.2020

Chaffee Counselor Comments

School counselor, Michael Chaffee, can be reached at Chaffee.Mic@districtor1.net or 402.780.5327 for any issues that might be concerning you and/or your student in the realm of academics, college/career decisions, or social/emotional needs.

Palmyra Junior Senior High School
This is going to be the BEST year ever!

National Honor Society Induction Ceremony

On Wednesday evening, August 26th, 12 new members were added to the rolls of our National Honor Society at PHS.

Demonstrating outstanding accomplishments in scholarship, service, leadership, and character, are seniors: Ausin David, Nathan Palm, Taya Ptacnik and Isaac Thomas. Juniors added to the organization are: Hailey Darrah, Kyla Davis, Nima Faunce, Kylee Kment, Lydia Lang, Kamrin Lippold, Andrew Waltke, and Mollie Whyman.
Conducting the Induction Ceremony: Daniel Frey (President), Gwen Leuschen (VP), Rebecca Traeger (Secy), Trystin Somers (Treas) Jami Gabriel and Holly Wilen.

Seniors...4 must-do tasks for this fall!

1. **Attend the EducationQuest Virtual College Fair Sept. 27-30.** This statewide event will feature colleges from across Nebraska and the nation along with live college-prep presentations.

2. **Apply to your top college choices.** [Click here](#) to find a college application checklist and other helpful resources.

3. **Create a Federal Student Aid account at studentaid.gov** (both you and a parent will need an account). This is the site you will use to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

4. **Complete the FAFSA at studentaid.gov on or after October 1.** The FAFSA is your application for federal, state, and college-based financial aid.

Get FREE help from EducationQuest

- Attend an EducationQuest [Virtual Financial Aid Program](#) to learn about financial aid and the FAFSA. During the presentation, you can register to win a $500 scholarship!
- Find free [FAFSA Tools](#) at EducationQuest.org to help you prepare for and complete the FAFSA.
- Call the location nearest you to set up an appointment for free help: Omaha – 888.357.6300, Lincoln – 800.303.3745, Kearney – 800.666.3721, and Scottsbluff – 800.303.3745, ext. 6654.

September To-Do List

__Juniors and seniors, attend the EducationQuest Virtual College Fair Sept. 27-30.

__Seniors, apply to your top college choices.

__Seniors, create a Federal Student Aid account for you and one for a parent at studentaid.gov.

__Juniors and seniors, attend a Virtual Financial Aid Program.

_____Seniors, register by Sept. 17 for ACT tests on Oct. 10, 17, 24, or 25.
For free help with college planning, contact EducationQuest Foundation:

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Follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram for a chance to win a $500 scholarship!
District OR1

20-21

Activity Calendar

Small Flip Calendar - $5
Large Tear off Calendar - $10

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The Panther Fine Arts and Music Programs

Please contact:
- Karen Bohaty, Fine Arts and Music Booster President
  at 402-269-0325 or bohatykaren@gmail.com
- Or on Facebook at Panther Music and Fine Arts Boosters page

They are going fast!!!!!!!!!!!!!
BUTTON RIBBONS

NAME __________________ PHONE# __________________
RED/BLUE RIBBON ____ PLAIN ___ OR GLITTER ____
FOOTBALL ____ VOLLEYBALL ____ BASKETBALL ____
CHEER ____ MUSIC/BAND/CHOIR ____
(These sports above you can put more than one ribbon but no more than three on the same pin)
BOWLING ____ WRESTLING ____ GOLF ____
TRACK/CROSS COUNTRY ____

NAME __________________
(First, last, or nickname)
$3.00 ribbons only
$5.00 ribbons with name
$8.00 ribbons with 2-3 sports only
$10.00 ribbons with 2-3 sports with name
(Ribbons may vary per sport only if I can get the ribbon for that sport or charm)
If any questions please contact April Dowding 402-440-3399

See picture on next page