



NOVEMBER NEWS

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Open Enrollment Option

Parents/guardians considering open enrollment for their child(ren) into another school district in Iowa need to be aware of the following deadlines for filing the required paperwork.

March 1, 2019 - This is the last date for regular open enrollment requests for the 2019-20 school year. For incoming kindergarten students, the deadline is September 1, 2019.

Applications received after these deadlines will not be approved unless the reason for late filing qualifies for "good cause." There are a number of state-approved reasons that qualify for "good cause," including moving to a new district and change in the parents' marital status.

Transportation Assistance - Parents are responsible for transporting children open enrolled to another district. This applies to all students including those with an IEP. If the need for transportation as a related service is stated in the IEP, as a general rule the parent is responsible for this obligation under open enrollment. If a child open enrolls to a district that is contiguous (borders) to the home district, and the parents' income meets economic eligibility requirements, the family may receive a stipend for transportation or be provided transportation by the district. Income verification must be provided to the resident district.

Students that open enroll in grades 9 through 12, shall not be eligible to participate in varsity contests and competitions during the first 90 school days of transfer. Please contact the Iowa Girls High School

Athletic Union at (515) 288-9741 or the Iowa High School Athletic Association at (515) 432-2011 for questions regarding eligibility.

Contact the Superintendent's Office if you have questions or need an open enrollment form.

Elementary News

by Tom Kerr

Elementary Principal

It was a busy month at BHES during October with many classroom field trips, along with several school-wide assemblies and activities.

Students and staff participated in the IA Healthiest State Initiative 2018 Annual Walk on Wednesday, October 3rd. Moreover, staff and students held Red Ribbon Week activities during October 29th - November 2nd. Red Ribbon Week is a drug and violence prevention awareness campaign in the schools across the United States.

The 4th, 5th and 6th grade students understood their obligation to vote and eagerly cast their ballot during student council elections that were held during the week of September 24th -28th. Students wishing to run for the office of Vice-President, Reporter, Treasurer and Secretary filled out the nomination papers, gave a speech detailing why they should be elected, and made campaign posters to garner votes. A special thank you goes to Mrs. Rensink for all of her efforts in organizing this event, along with being the faculty advisor for the elementary student council.

The students went to the voting booth to cast their ballots.

Congratulations to the following people who were elected by their peers:

- President- Braylen Crawford
- Vice President- Alexis Van Voorst and Corey Kamies
- Secretary- Olivia Buyert
- Treasurer- Jeremy Maassen
- Reporter- Cole Bomgaars

Filling out the student council are the following room representatives:

- 4A- Jakob Pottebaum
- 4B- Sophie Moeller
- 5A- Mya Kleinwolterink
- 5B- Edith Hinojosa
- 6A- Elyse Zwart
- 6B- Makinze Rensin

P is for Pizza Ranch

By: Mrs. Dacken—Transitional Kindergarten Teacher

On October 11th the Transitional Kindergarten class took a field trip to the Pizza Ranch in Hull. They learned how all those yummy pizzas are made and even got to make their own! They also discovered that some pizza toppings such as pepperoni and pineapple start with letter P. This was a fun way to learn more about the letter P!

Second Grade Tours Boyden Fire Station

by Mrs. Nikki Zylstra

The 2nd grade classes visited the Boyden Fire Station on October 12 as part of our lessons during Fire Safety Week. The volunteer firemen showed the students what they wear to a fire, along with pieces of equipment they use to help them fight fires and keep us safe. The EMTs showed us the inside of the

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ambulance and told us about the job they do. The firemen demonstrated using a portable water tank, and the students were allowed to help hold and spray water from one of the water hoses. Cool! Our tour concluded with a ride back to school (in the snow!) on the top of the firetrucks with the sirens and lights blaring!! Thanks to the Boyden Fire Department and EMTs for teaching us so much about how you help others!

Drug Unit Sept.24 - Oct. 12

Students began on Sept. 24 learning about how drugs can change the way the body works and the bodies functions. On Nov. 2nd the 6th grade students will be introduced to this topic by Deputy Waylon Pollema and Deputy Justin DeBruin. Deputy Pollema will go through a powerpoint with student to show them the effects of what drugs can do to your body. Deputy DeBruin will talk about his dog Sunny and give a demonstration where he will have an adult put on a sleeve and approach Sunny to show how powerful a dog he is and how obedient he is to Deputy DeBruin. Students will then have an opportunity to ask questions to both Deputies. The Unit the students have already covered in school showed how drugs can affect the way your body works and have life-long consequences.

3rd Graders Visit Pumpkinland by Cheri Meyn

On Thursday, Oct. 25 the third grade classes from Boyden-Hull went on a field trip to Pumpkinland. We learned about all the different pumpkins, corn, & gourds that they grow. We learned that they grow 11

different kinds of pumpkins. Here are a few: French pumpkin, Lumina (white) pumpkin, Oz pumpkin, Long Island Cheese, Baby Bear, Pie pumpkin, Jarrahdale (green) pumpkin, Wee Bee Little, Munchkin, and Baby Boo. We also ate popcorn that they popped off the cob in the microwave.

We went to Animal Land, which is their petting zoo. The students enjoyed petting and feeding the sheep, a pony, kittens, llamas, a bunny, goats, ducks, and a peacock.

The next week the third graders wrote in their writing journals about their favorite part and what they learned at Pumpkinland. They also wrote thank-yous to Helen Huitink for a great time they had at Pumpkinland!

PICTURE RETAKES

If you need to have your child's picture retaken, they will be done on Tuesday, November 6. Please return your entire order and \$5.00 the day of pictures. If your child was absent on the September date, we'll plan to take their picture on this date as well. Parents should have already received a picture order form as well.

HEARING SCREENINGS **December 10, 11, and 12th**

Hearing screening is conducted annually by personnel from Northwest AEA. The children to be screened will include all TK-5th students, all students new to the district, all children placed in special education classrooms, and all children with previously identified hearing losses. Parents will be informed of the results following the screening. Students who do not

pass the initial test will be rescreened one month later.

GRADES K-6 **CHRISTMAS PROGRAM** by Mrs. Jill L. De Ruyter

The students of Boyden-Hull Elementary will be presenting a Christmas program on Thursday, November 29, at **7:00 p.m.** in the BHES Gym in Boyden. The name of this year's program is "The Christmas Express". Please join us November 29 as we celebrate the true meaning of Christmas.

Due to large attendance for the evening performance, we will again open our final rehearsal at **1:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 29**, to the parents and relatives that wish to attend. We will perform the entire program as a performance, although there may be some slight delays to get organized if needed. **Students are to remain in school after the performance.**

***** Kindergarten students will perform three songs at 1:30 p.m. on November 29. They will not perform in the evening concert. Parents of kindergarten students should plan to attend the afternoon matinee at 1:30 p.m. on November 29.**

SAVE THOSE POP CANS

Our first pop can collection was held on September 6 & 7. This money is used to offset the cost of field trips and to purchase additional books for the elementary library.

Every elementary student benefits from this project! The next collection date is set for December 6 & 7. A big thank you for helping us!

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WEARING OF SNOW BOOTS

As the majority of the elementary school is carpeted, students are strongly recommended to wear boots on days when it is wet and/or snowy. As in the past, we have had excellent cooperation from both students and parents concerning this issue. THANKS!

The String Man

On Tuesday, Oct. 23, the elementary students saw a special presentation by Paul Imholte, otherwise known as *The String Man*. Paul is from St. Cloud, Minnesota and came to demonstrate his many string instruments. He started our day with an assembly in the gym. We sang along as he played the banjo, guitar, violin, mandolin, hammered dulcimer, mountain dulcimer, spoons, and the jaw harp. He also led workshops during the rest of the day for grades 2-6 where he allowed the students to play many more of his instruments, including the ukulele, cello, and viola. We had a great day with *The String Man*!

JH/HS NEWS

by Dan Pottebaum

JHHS Principal

It is amazing that another Fall has come and gone. As a school building, we are able to see the changes rapidly occurring in the construction of the new band/vocal areas as well as the new agriculture/industrial arts areas. The band and vocal areas should be sealed up shortly and continue to make progress through the winter months. The NE area will continue to see changes as long as Mother Nature cooperates. Overall the project is progressing well and it looks like

the initial phases of the project will be completed as planned in the Summer of 2019.

As the construction continues outside, we continue to make subtle changes in the JH/HS. As we begin the start the 2nd quarter, we have started a change for some students. Over the 1st quarter, we have been researching and studying what other districts in the area are doing to help students succeed. One of the ideas identified was a SUCCESS Study Hall. Some students may need a smaller, quieter study hall with a bit more structure to help them succeed in their academic classes. We have created a schedule that will enable a teacher to help these students during their study halls. Each period of the day, a teacher has been assigned to the SUCCESS Study Hall where they will work with a small number of students that have a study hall that period. For some students, it is simply a smaller and more focused work time. Others students may need reminder and organizational help. Still others may need help in study skills or help in the content. The SUCCESS Study Hall provides an opportunity a student needs to get back on his or her feet. We encourage you as parents to help your child view this as a positive opportunity. As a school district, our mission is to create independent and successful citizens. We understand that the SUCCESS Study Hall is a just an opportunity along the way to help your student grow as students and to become independent, successful citizens.

Another change that has occurred has been in the Junior High Science.

As we continue to adopt and implement the Next Generation Science Standards, we are in search of a curriculum that aligns to this pedagogy of teaching. During the 2017-18 school year, we had

researched and decided to pilot the Pearson Elevate Science Curriculum. One of the most notable changes to this curriculum is the change in content. In the past, we have taught Physical Science at the 6th grade, Life Science at the 7th Grade, and Earth Science at the 8th Grade. In the Pearson Elevate Curriculum which is aligned with the Next Generation Science Standards, students are taught each of the sciences (Earth & Space, Life, and Physical Sciences) each year.

They will continue to build on the concepts and phenomenas in each of these areas through-out their middle school or junior high years. The other major change is how the content is delivered to the students. The content is delivered in a guided sequence to the students. First, the student is asked to engage or attempt to answer a real-world science problem in a Quest. In the Quest, the student and class make connections to prior knowledge and to other curricular areas of Math, Literacy, and Language. The students then dig into the content to inquiry and learn the new concepts. At the conclusion of the section or unit, the students then apply the new knowledge to an activity or lab. We are excited for the changes in how the science is taught. In this style of instruction, the student is asking questions and connecting prior knowledge to the new knowledge they are receiving.

Parent Teacher Conferences

As we are in the midst of the Fall Parent-Teacher Conferences, we want to invite you to the conferences on Monday, October 29th (4-7 pm) and Monday, November 5th (4-8 pm). The Fall Parent-Teacher Conferences will follow the traditional style of conferences where parents are able to meet and visit with their students

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instructors. In these conferences, we encourage you to get to know your student's instructor and have a conversation about your student's strengths and areas of growth. In the spring, we will continue the Student Led Conferences that we began last year. Students have already begun setting up and working on their e-Portfolios for this conference.

JMC Parent Portal

It is hard to imagine that we have already rounded the corner into the 2nd quarter. As we lead our busy schedules, parents sometimes forget to check students grades or missing assignments using the student information system JMC. As in the past, JMC has the option to for parent to set up different Alerts or Notifications. These notifications can be for attendance, tardies, missing scores, or when a grade in a class drops below a certain percentage level. Parents can use all of these features or only the ones they feel apply to their situation. Here are the steps to set up these Alerts or Notifications:

1. Go to the Boyden-Hull CSD website: www.boyden-hull.k12.ia.us
2. Select JMC on the left hand margin.
3. Once JMC has been selected, there will be 4 options to choose:
 1. Office/Teacher/Parent/Student
4. Select the Parent option and you will be prompted for your username and password.

1. Username - Student's Last Name
2. Password - Individually selected at registration. If you do not remember your password as parents, please call the JH/HS office or feel free to e-mail me and I will provide it for you.

5. Once logged in, on the left hand margin you will see an item called "Alert Configurations." Select this option.
6. Once you have selected this, you will see your student's name at the top. If you have more than one student in the JH/HS building, you can hit this drop down menu to select your other student. Each student will need to be set up.
7. Here you will see that you have options for the following:
 1. Family Lunch Balance Alert
 2. Period Attendance Alert (Absences and Tardies)
 3. Missing Scores Alert
 4. Grade Alert - Each course can have the same or different percentage based on what you would like to enter for your child. If their grades goes below that percentage, it will send you an alert.

After each option, you will need to click save if you have made any changes. If you need any assistance

in setting up these Alert Configurations, please let me know and I would be happy to help you over the phone or help you set those up personally to aide you in staying informed.

JH Band

by Emily Laackmann

Congratulations to eighth graders Piper Ross, flute, and Rilan Tiedeman, tuba, who have been selected to participate in the 51st annual Northwest Iowa Junior High/Middle School Honor Bands Festival. On Saturday, October 13, over 330 seventh and eighth grade band students from 41 Northwest Iowa schools auditioned for a position in two honor bands. Approximately 190 students were chosen. These selected students will perform a concert at Storm Lake High School, Saturday, November 3.

November Band Events

by Virginia Eulberg

Boyden-Hull Band Schedule for November:

Saturday, Nov. 3- HS Honor Band Auditions leave at 6:30 AM from Boyden
Monday, Nov. 12 Butter Braid and chocolate fund raiser begins
Thursday-Saturday Nov. 15-17 All State Music Festival in Ames
Tuesday, Nov. 27- Fund Raiser ends- forms due
Tuesday, Nov. 27- first Pep Band
Friday, Nov. 30-Pep Band

Boyden-Hull Trombonist Selected for All State Orchestra

On Saturday, November 20 auditions for All State Band, Orchestra and Choir were held in

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Strom Lake. Anna Godtland was selected to be a member of the All State Orchestra! This is a great honor. Only 2 trombonists were selected from northwest Iowa. She will be going to Ames on November 15-17 to prepare and perform in the All State concert, which will be held on Saturday, November 17. The concert will also be televised during the Thanksgiving holiday on IPTV.

varsity level with the classes in front and behind them.

Junior High Nighthawks Wrap Up 29th Shared Football Season by Rob Van't Land

The 2018 Junior High Football Season was an interesting one as several practices were cancelled due to lightning, 2 games were postponed due to weather/field conditions, and a number of our opponents had low participation numbers causing the 7th graders to cancel one game, as well as limiting some opponents to play only one game instead of two at each grade level.

The junior high Nighthawks fielded their 3rd largest squad in the 29 season history of shared football with Rock Valley. There were 75 boys on the team at season's end. Rock Valley had 50 boys on the team while Boyden-Hull had 25. Those numbers reflect the enrollment trends in both schools.

The 7th graders had a total combined record of 5-3 on the season while the 8th graders had a total combined record of 0-8. While the 8th grade team did not enjoy the privilege of winning a game, these boys were fun to coach, showed continual improvement over the season, were willing to learn, and displayed the potential to have a successful high school career, especially when they combine at the

The Epic Escape

Imagine that you're a student who goes to school for a late-night study session and gets locked in. Imagine that your malicious teachers won't let you leave for summer vacation. Or, imagine that a treasure has been lost in the library; it's up to you to find it. Then, imagine you have only 60 minutes to complete the task.

Thus begins The Epic Escape.

WHAT?

If escape rooms are new to you, here's the general premise. Teams of 2-10 people work together to solve puzzles and open locks to gather more clues. Open the last lock and escape in under 60 minutes to win.

WHO?

The rooms are appropriate for children and adults of all ages. Some children under 10 will have difficulty solving puzzles. However, they will enjoy searching for clues hidden in the rooms. Puzzles require no specialized knowledge. If you can manage life, you have the skills.

WHEN?

During Winterfest, Saturday, December 1. Book your escape room on the hour or half hour from 4 p.m. in the afternoon to 9 p.m. at night. Allow 1 1/2 hours to complete the experience. Call Julie Johnson at 712-439-2711 to book your room and reserve your spot. We cannot guarantee availability without reservations.

WHICH ROOM?

This year's event will feature three different rooms.

- **LOCKED IN:** Students in a late night study session get locked into their room. They have 60 minutes to escape. This room was featured last year.
- **SCHOOL'S OUT FOR SUMMER:** This summer themed puzzle reminds
- **LOST IN THE LIBRARY:** Miss Campbell, beloved librarian, has hidden her will in the library shortly before her greedy nephew committed her to an asylum. Find the will and help Miss Campbell escape.

WHERE?

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COST?

\$15 per adult
\$10 for students high school & under

QUESTIONS?

Contact Sara Friedrichsen or Julie Visscher at 712.439.2440 or via email: sara.friedrichsen@boyden-hull.org or julie.visscher@boyden-hull.org

Support Boyd-Hull's
Dollars for Scholars
Scholarship Program
Gather your team;
book your escape room!

2018-19 Emergency Bus Routes

Updated 10-21-18

The Emergency Bus Routes will be used on an “as needed” basis. Families will be informed as to when they will be used. Emergency bus routes have been used only a couple of times in the history of Boyden-Hull. Hopefully, we will not have to use them this year. **Unless you are informed differently, regular bus routes will be used.** If you have any questions concerning the emergency bus routes, please call me at 439-2711. Mr. Steve Grond, Superintendent

Students are not assigned to a specific stop. Parents may decide which stop to use.

No student will be dropped off at a stop unless there is a parent present or a note saying the student will be riding with someone else and that person is there waiting for the student!

The times listed are approximate. Please be at the designated stop early.
Students should wait for the bus on the gravel road that is on the same side as the bus door.

Ken Boone		WB = West Boyden	Ken Nielsen		EB = East Boyden
WB-1	7:25	Mark DeRuyter (3589 Jackson Ave.)	EB-1	7:20	Bruce Schafer (3654 Kingbird Ave.)
WB-2			EB-2	7:22	360 th & L14 (Kingbird Ave.)
WB-3	7:30	350 th & K64 (Jackson Ave.)	EB-3	7:24	Jeff Beyer (3541 Kingbird Ave.)
WB-4	7:33	340 th & K64 (Jackson Ave.)	EB-4	7:25	350 th & L14 (Kingbird Ave.)
WB-5	7:35	Mel Reuvers (3352 Jackson Ave.)	EB-5	7:33	Heath Warntjes (3322 Kingbird Ave.)
WB-6	7:40	330 th & K64 (Jackson Ave.)	EB-6	7:35	320 th & L14 (Kennedy Ave.)
WB-7	8:05	Chad Rozeboom (3718 320th St.) JH/HS	EB-7	7:43	290 th & L14 (Kennedy Ave.)
WB-8	8:08	David Van Grootheest (3582 320th St.) JH/HS	EB-8	7:45	300 th & L14 (Kennedy Ave.)
			EB-9	7:47	310 th & L14 (Kennedy Ave.)
Tom Anderson		LB =Lift Bus	Dwayne Van Leeuwen		NH = North Hull
LB-1	7:20	Randy/Barb Draayer (203 2nd Ave.)	NH-1	7:20	Daryl Van Den Top (3467 260 th St.)
LB-2	7:25	Stephanie Martinez 1111 Birch St.	NH-2		
LB-3	7:29	Tamara Salinas 1215 1st St.	NH-3	7:27	290 th St. & Hickory Ave.
LB-4	7:30	Eric Van Meeteren 1332 1st St.	NH-4	7:32	Hull Lutheran Church parking lot (290 th St. & Indian Ave.)
LB-5	7:33	Brightstart 1003 Okey St.	NH-5	7:35	Mark Van Voorst (3424 290 th St.)
LB-6	7:35	Noah Moser 810 Chestnut St.	NH-6	7:37	Mike Vande Stroet (3328 290 th St.)
LB-7	7:40	Keith Anderson (3461 310th St.)	NH-7	7:41	300 th & K52 (Hickory Ave.)
LB-8	8:00	Jeremy Hoekstra (417 RR St. Boyden)	NH-8	7:44	310 th & K52 (Hickory Ave.)
			HH-9		
			Cal Klarenbeek SH = South Hull		
			SH-1		
			SH-2	7:24	320th (Hyw 18) & Harrison Ave.
			SH-3	7:26	Darwin Te Slaa (3121 320 th St.)
			SH-4	7:32	Harwin Te Slaa (3411 US75)
			SH-5	7:36	320 th & Perkins (East road)
			SH-6	7:39	David Ten Haken (2999 310 th St.)
			SH-7	7:43	310th & Harrison Ave.
			SH-8	7:46	Jake Ten Haken (1103 Hayes Ave.)