



Wilcox-Hildreth Public School News & Views

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MAY, 2023

FROM THE FALCON'S PERCH

- Justin Patterson, Superintendent

Falcon Nation,

It has been a fantastic school year in Falcon Nation. Our academic scholars made significant progress this year when we compared benchmarks from the beginning of year to the end of the year. We have an outstanding teaching and support staff to thank for these academic achievements. The Falcon athletic and activity programs also excelled this year. Our teams found success on many levels, and we had multiple students find individual success in both athletics and activities this school year.

The end of each school year concludes another chapter in our school's history. The class of 2023 has graduated and will spend the summer getting ready for their next journey. We have several staff members who will be moving on at the end of this school year, and three of them will be officially retiring. If you see Kay Lieb, Tanice Twohig, or Debra Johnson, please wish them a happy retirement.

As soon as the students and staff leave for summer vacation, our administrative staff and custodial staff start to prepare for our next academic year. Student schedules have to be made, activities need to be planned, and the buildings always have a long list of repairs and updates that need to be completed. Our custodial staff works very hard during the school year to keep our buildings looking nice, but they really shine in the summer. If you see Robert, Carla, Tracy, Chloe or Todd, please let them know how much you appreciate their hard work in keeping our buildings in such great shape for your students.

I hope all of our Falcons enjoy their summer break. As summer begins, we will miss having all of you in the buildings!



Greetings Falcon Nation!

I would like to thank everyone for a great school year. The support that you gave the students, staff, and school district throughout the year was greatly appreciated. Just like with our kids, some days are long, but the years go quickly. The school year can be a very busy time for students and families, if we are not careful we can fill up our summers as well. I encourage all of you to take some time for your family.

I want to congratulate all of our Academic All-State Award winners and at this time recognize the spring winners. While many were eligible only two from each NSAA activity may be recognized.

Music: Keya Knaus and Georgia Ramsey

Boys Track: Micah Johnson and Thomas Donley

Girls Track: Katelyn Bunker and Madison Bunker

Golf: Gavin Patterson and Aubree Overholser

I want to take this opportunity to recognize our Multi-Activity award winners as well. To earn this award students must participate in at least 3 NSAA sponsored activities. For Wilcox-Hildreth Public School those include: Cross Country, Football, Basketball, Volleyball, Wrestling, Play Production, Speech, Music, Golf, and Track. Students who earned this award are: Cara Bunker, Katelyn Bunker, Madison Bunker, Dinah Culp, Thomas Donley, Tate Garrett, Sam Gruwell, Grant Henery, Spencer Jezbera, Makayla Johnson, Mason Johnson, Micah Johnson, Keya Knaus, Cheyenne Lieb, Lucas Linden, Claire Ortgiesen, Addison Overholser, Aubree Overholser, Brody Patterson, Gavin Patterson, Eli Pistulka, Graiden Ritner, Cody Schriener, Brandon Wagner, and Cooper Woollen.

It is with regret that I let you know that some staff will not be with us next year. Deb Johnson, our foreign language teacher, will be retiring this year. Congrats on your retirement! Ms. Kosmicki is moving to Wyoming with her new husband. Congratulations! Amber Haight is leaving our district for other opportunities. Lyndsey Rossen is leaving our district for other opportunities. Julie Tarr filled in for us for one year in our secondary special education department. Deb Farley has been a long term substitute for us all year, first in our agricultural department and then music. We really appreciate Julie and Deb stepping in when we were unable to find people to fill those positions. Our lunch program is really taking a hit with Patti Roads moving to be closer to family and the retirements of Tanice Twohig and Kay Lieb. They will all be missed as they are all a part of our Falcon Family. We wish them all well in their future endeavors. They will always be Falcons whether they were here for a short or long period of time. Good luck to everyone.

This spring we had two students qualify for the State Track and Field Meet. Cara Bunker and Micah Johnson both qualified in the 3200 Meter run. Good luck to both!!

I hope that everyone has a great summer!!

Shannon Lovin

PreK-12 Principal/AD

Wilcox-Hildreth Public Schools

Moments with Muhlbach

Hello.

The end is here and what a year it has been! I am thankful to have had the opportunity to work closely with the Hildreth staff and get to know 59 incredible students. I am sad to pass on the 5th and 6th graders but look forward to getting to know the incoming 2nd graders.



This spring, the Hildreth site completed state and district testing in a new format. The goal of this change was to allow students to focus solely on the assessment. There was no pressures of other classroom assessments, projects, homework, etc. When the students were not completing an assessment, there were games, snacks, and movies to help the students rest and relax. Almost 97 percent of students showed growth on one of the assessments completed.



Mrs. Muhlbach

SCHOOL STUFF

7-12 Counselor Updates

Schedules

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Incoming 9-12 students all have a copy of their 2023-2024 schedules. All students will have the opportunity to make changes to their schedules next fall if needed. Please let me know if you have any questions.

NHS: Cases for CASA Fundraiser

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Thank you to everyone that helped National Honor Society make an impact during our coin war. With your help, our chapter was able to donate \$1,000 to Cases for Casa. This program donates overnight emergency bags to children that are removed from their homes quickly. We are so thankful we could donate such an amount! The 6th graders enjoyed ice cream for being our biggest donors!

Class of 2023

The seniors are officially starting their next chapter, and we are so proud of their accomplishments. Their hard work paid off with the seniors' total accepted scholarships amount totaling to \$230,294!

Senior Scholarship Awards

Brianna Alloway: Wilcox Alumni Scholarship, Rose Bowl Theatre Scholarship, Humpert Memorial Scholarship

Nathan Braddy: Central Community College- Hasting: Committed to Your Success Scholarship, Automotive Technology Scholarship, Carriage House Foundation Scholarship, CCC Transition Advantage Scholarship, Verna Lee Falk Scholarship Jachin Lodge Traveling Scholarship, Wilcox-Hildreth TeamMates Chapter Scholarship, NE JCT 6/10 Cruzerz Scholarship, Hildreth Lions Club Scholarship, Wilcox-Hildreth Staff Scholarship, FFA Scholarship, Charles and Verna Lee Falk Scholarship, Johnny Baxter Carriage House Foundation, DeLaun Rupkalvis Memorial Scholarship, Humpert Memorial Scholarship, Parker Sturgis Memorial Scholarship

Chase Bunger: Full John Deere Technician Scholarship, Donald Rohrer in Memoriam and Sally Rohrer Berlowitz Scholarship, Lower Republican NRD Post High School Scholarship, LLOYD Schubert Family Memorial Scholarship, Fort Kearny Conference Scholarship, Hildreth Lions Club Scholarship, FFA Scholarship AgTech Crop Consulting Scholarship, Cornerstone Bank Scholarship, Humpert Memorial Scholarship, Wilcox Lions Club Scholarship

Emma Donley: University of NE at Kearney: Distinguished Scholar, Honors Scholarship, Lloyd Schubert Family Memorial Scholarship, J.L. Young Memorial Scholarship, Wilcox Area Community Foundation Scholarship



Happy Summer!

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It has been a pleasure to work with your students! As things wind down, I wanted to say thank you for sharing your kids with us. They are truly our why when I think about the reason we chose this profession. This year had a lot of hard moments, but our school has grown even closer together. I wish each of our families and their kids a great summer. I hope you find time to make memories, unplug, and enjoy being together.

- Hana Mach

Alaczander Farr: Central Community College- Hastings: Committed to Your Success Scholarship, Yearend Appeal Scholarship, Susan Thompson Buffett Scholarship

Sarah Jensen: Fort Hays State University Black and Gold Scholarship, FHSU TeamMates Scholarship, CPI Patron Scholarship, Verna Lee Falk Scholarship, Cornerstone Bank Scholarship, Wilcox-Hildreth Youth Group Continuing Your Education Scholarship, Derek Schroeder Big D Memorial Scholarship, Lyndsay Bennetts Memorial Scholarship, Dustin Lukasiewicz Memorial Scholarship, Wilcox-Hildreth Staff Scholarship, Wilcox-Hildreth Education Association Scholarship, Hildreth Alumni Scholarship, FFA Scholarship, Farm Credit Services of America Scholarship

Brodi Moss: 2nd Grade Lemonade and Treats Sale Scholarship

Claire Ortgiesen: Wayne State College RHOP Scholarship, TeamMates New Generation Scholarship, Fort Kearny Conference Scholarship, AgWest Commodities- Susan Platte Scholarship, Nels and Lucille Winther Scholarship, Macon Lions Club Scholarship, FFA Scholarship, Local FFA Supporters Scholarship, Red Cross Hope Begins with You Scholarship, Charles and Verna Lee Falk Scholarship, E.L. Lindsay Memorial Scholarship, Humpert Memorial Scholarship, J.L. Young Memorial, Wilcox Lions Memorial Scholarship

Matthew Sowder: Wilcox-Hildreth Youth Group Continuing Your Education Scholarship

Abby Tarr: University of NE- Omaha Regents Scholarship, McKenna's Rae of Hope Character Scholarship, National Honor Society/Student Council Scholarship, Wilcox-Hildreth Youth Group Continuing Your Education Scholarship, Humpert Memorial Scholarship, Lamoine Johnsen Retired Employee Scholarship, Wilcox Area Community Foundation Scholarship

Macyn Yeutter: Central Community College- Hastings, Committed to Your Success Scholarship, Walter Scott Jr. Career Pathway Scholarship, Transitional Scholarship, Wilcox Volunteer Fire and Rescue Scholarship, Dustin Lukasiewicz Memorial Scholarship, 2nd Grade Lemonade and Treats Sale Scholarship, Johnny Baxter Carriage House Foundation, Napa Sponsorship, Humpert Memorial Scholarship, J.L. Young Memorial Scholarship, Wilcox Lions Club Scholarship,

Wilcox-Hildreth Public School
Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, May 15, 2023 ~ 8:00 PM
Posting Locations:
Minden Courier- May 4, 2023
Franklin Chronicle- May 3, 2023
Conference Room - Wilcox
404 Sapp Street
Wilcox, NE 68982-0190

1. Call to Order. Roll Call

2. Announce location of posted Open Meetings Act

3. Consent Agenda

Motion by Kert Hansen, seconded by Ryan Knaus, to approve the consent agenda. Motion Passed.

Teresa Carey: Yea, Alan Casper: Yea, John Donley: Yea, Kert Hansen: Yea, Ryan Knaus: Yea, Kirk Nelson: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

3.A. Approval of Agenda

3.B. Approval of minutes of Regular April 17, 2023 Board Meeting

3.C. Approval of Claims

3.D. Financial Report

4. Visitors and communication from the public

No visitors in attendance.

5. Action Items

5.A. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve the transfer of \$20,000 from the general fund to the nutrition fund

Motion by Alan Casper, seconded by John Donley, to approve the transfer of \$20,000 from the general fund to the nutrition fund. Motion Passed.

Teresa Carey: Yea, Alan Casper: Yea, John Donley: Yea, Kert Hansen: Yea, Ryan Knaus: Yea, Kirk Nelson: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

6. Discussion Items

6.A. A Board of Education work session is scheduled for Wednesday, May 24 in the Hildreth Conference room at 8:30 am to discuss potential renovation plans for the Hildreth site with Wilkins ADP

Two Board members will not be able to be present at this meeting. Mr. Patterson will work to reschedule the meeting for the middle of June.

7. Administrator Report

7.A. Superintendent Report

Superintendent Patterson reported:

1. Financial Updates

7.B. Principal Report

Principal Lovin Report:

- Track and Field Update
- Bloodmobile

- Summer School
- Bloodmobile
- Gym Floor refinishing

Principial Muhlbach Report:

- Spring Testing Data
- End of the year activities

8. Next Board Meeting: Next regular monthly meeting will be on Monday, June 19, 2023 in the Wilcox conference room at 8:30 p.m.

9. Adjourn

Motion by Ryan Knaus, seconded by John Donley, to adjourn meeting at 8:20 p.m. Motion Passed.

Teresa Carey: Yea, Alan Casper: Yea, John Donley: Yea, Kert Hansen: Yea, Ryan Knaus: Yea, Kirk Nelson: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

2022-2023 WILCOX HILDRETH RETIREES

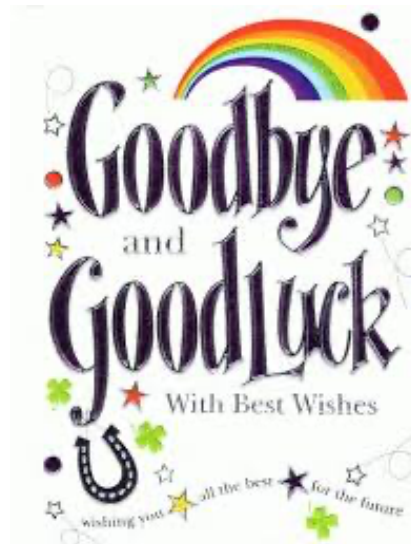


Tanice Twohig

Kay Lieb

Deb Johnson

STAFF LEAVING THE DISTRICT



Patti Roads

Lyndsey Rossen

Amber Haight

Amber Kosmicki

Julie Tarr

Deb Farley

MEDIA CENTER



Happenings



Thank you to teachers, staff, administration, students and our wonderful communities, for an incredible first year as Media Specialist! This is a special place, and am honored to share library skills and my love for reading within our Media Centers! Your advocacy and support has been simply overwhelming!

Happy summer reading!! 

Save the Date



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

(GRADES: PREK-8TH)

Mark your calendars for the Wilcox site Scholastic Book Fair!
This will take place starting September 18th through September 21st.

More details to come!

BLUE-BOTS



Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade students have recently started learning about algorithms and coding. We have had so much fun problem solving how to get these cut little bots from a starting point to specific destinations!



HAL HIGH ABILITY LEARNERS GRADES 3-6, JR. HIGH, HIGH SCHOOL

I had so much fun learning with the HAL students this year and getting to them better! These are amazing students with a love for learning and growing educationally! A big "thank you" to Mrs. Dannehl of ESU11 for providing us with stimulating and challenging learning opportunities!!





SUMMER OFFICE HOURS
8:00-2:00 Monday-Thursday
Closed - Friday



NOTICE TO PARENTS

Fourth Quarter report cards will be mailed after June 1st.

SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM
MAY 30 – AUGUST 4, 2023
WILCOX UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

FREE SUMMER LUNCHES TO ALL KIDS IN THE
WILCOX-HILDRETH SCHOOL DISTRICT.

The United Methodist Church along with the Wilcox Food Pantry is pleased to offer a Summer Lunch Program to children who have completed K-12 grades in the Wilcox-Hildreth School. The program will offer hot, nutritious lunches to children serving at 12:00 noon, 5 days a week (Monday-Friday) for 10 weeks. We will start Tuesday, May 30th, and run until August 4th, 2023. Children should arrive prior to 11:50 a.m. and are expected to leave by 1:10 p.m. No medications will be administered during this time.

If you have any questions, contact Marilee Aspegren at 308-991-7705.



NEEDED: PEN PALS

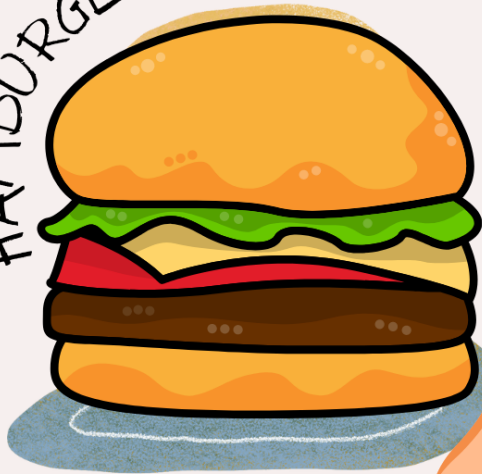
If you would like the pen pal program to continue and are willing to be a pen pal to a 4th grader, please email Kelly Sheen at kelly.sheen@whfalcons.org



FBLA INDOOR BARBEQUE PICNIC

BEANS

HAMBURGERS



SALAD

HOT DOGS



DESSERTS

We will be having a free will donation meal to celebrate our FBLA members attending Nationals this year and support our FBLA Organization here at Wilcox-Hildreth

Please join us Sunday, June 4th

11:30 AM-2:00 PM

in the Activities Entrance at the school in Wilcox

STATE FBLA PLACERS AND NATIONAL QUALIFIERS!

Headed to
Nationals!
Atlanta, GA



1st Place-E-Business
Claire Ortgiesen, Cara Bunger, and Katelyn Bunger

Headed to
Nationals!
Atlanta, GA



2nd Place-Mobile App Development
Georgia Ramsey



State Awards



State Participants

STATE FBLA AWARDS

- Ayva Bendorf (Honorable Mention)-MiddleLevel FBLA Concepts
- Madalynn Mulinde (8th Place)-Middle Level Exploring Computer Science
- Chloe Johnson-(5th Place) Young Leader Award
- Georgia Ramsey (Honorable Mention)-Digital Animation
- Cara Bunger (Honorable Mention)-Parliamentary Procedure
- Claire Ortgiesen, Cara Bunger, Katelyn Bunger (1st Place)-E-Business
- Georgia Ramsey (2nd Place)-Mobile App Development

This year's Wilcox-Hildreth FBLA chapter has been a hard working group of students. We started out the year with efforts to help out in the community and schools with our annual Go Green Projects promoting keeping our world clean and recycling. In October and November as a chapter we collected over 1000 food items to donate to our local food pantries. We also raised over \$300 to donate to the March of Dimes to improve the health of mothers and babies. As a chapter we are always busy supporting these important causes and attending our yearly activities. We bonded as a group this year taking a fun trip to the trampoline park in Grand Island to start out our year. Students attended the Fall leadership Conference in Kearney in September. We competed at the UNK Business Competition Day in February. As we prepared for our State Leadership Conference appearance, we had the awesome opportunity of getting a personal styling session from our local boutique. Erin Sandy at the 308 Boutique in Holdrege, NE shared with us about her business and styled our members from head to toe to get them all professionally outfitted to do their best! This was an amazing experience for our members and they will be dressing professionally for years to come! We truly thank the boutique for their kindness and sharing their business with us. We took this outing in March right before sending students to competition in Kearney in April. They were set to do their best and as you can tell the events of the year definitely led to success. Students competed at the FBLA state leadership conference in April. Students who place in the top 3 at state qualify for Nationals. This year we have 4 students who qualified and will be attending Nationals in Atlanta, GA!



Summer Weight Room Information

Weight room will be opening beginning Tuesday, May 30th

That week it will be open Tuesday-Friday; the rest of the summer will be Monday-Thursday

Weight room will be closed the entire week of July 3-6 (4th of July holiday), and the entire week of July 24-27 (Coaches Clinic in Lincoln)

Sessions will begin at 6:00 a.m. (high school), 7:00 a.m. (high school), and 8:15 a.m. (junior high and Hildreth shuttle)

Hildreth shuttle will leave from the school at 8:00 a.m. and return at 9:15

Once rouging starts, there will be an afternoon/evening session; exact time will be determined later between rougers and coaches

6th-8th Grade Girls Basketball Camp

There will be a skills camp for all girls entering grades 6-8 next year; camp will be held Tuesday, May 30th – Thursday, June 1st (from approximately 9:00-10:15) immediately following high school skills camp. There is no cost to attend – just show up ready to develop your skills and work with next year's teammates!!

2022/23 Yearbook for Sale

\$45.00

We are sorry that we will not be able to guarantee extra copies of the yearbook this year.

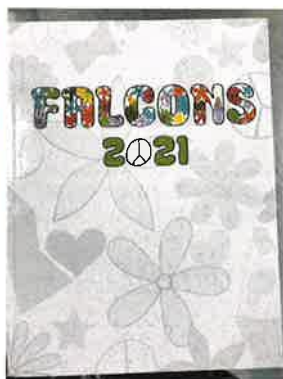
The deadline to pre-order a yearbook is April 29.

The yearbook costs much more than what it is sold for. Because of this, the students sell Valentine cookies, business ads, baby ads, sell previous and current yearbooks, and work concession stands to help offset the difference for you.

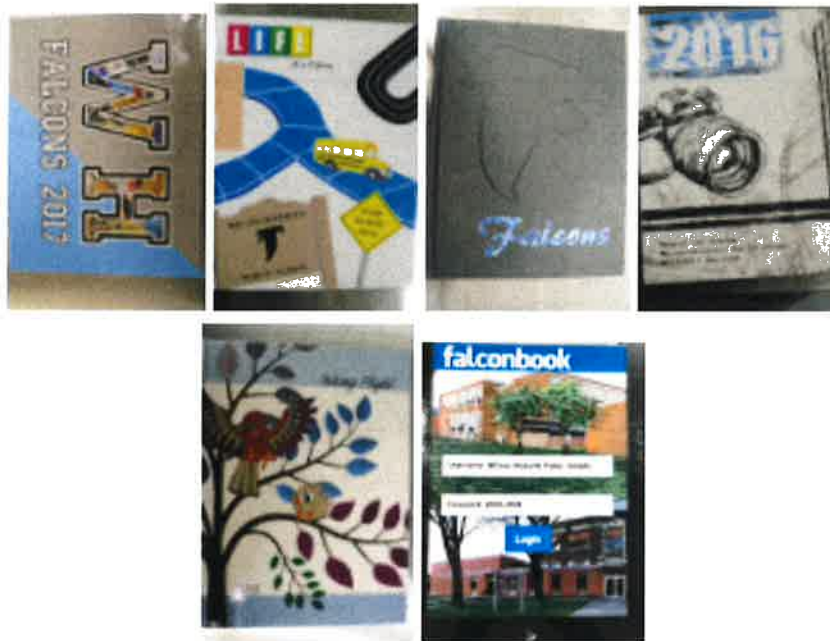
Thank you for supporting the Journalism students.

The yearbook is for all grades Pre-School to Seniors.

Cherish the memories.



2021/22 yearbook	2020/21 yearbook	2019/2020 yearbook
(90 for sale)	(28 for sale)	(36 for sale)
\$45.00 each	\$45.00 each	\$25.00 each



2014/15 (1) 2012/13 (1)

\$5.00 each



2008/2009 (9) 2003/2004 (2) 2009/2010 (5) 2011/12 (2)

Contact: Mrs. Nurita B. Lambert - yearbook sponsor,
308-478-5265, nurita.lambert@whfalcons.org

Name: _____

\$45/\$25

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\$15: 2016/17 _____

2017/18 _____	2018/19 _____	2015/16 _____
2014/15 _____	2013/14 _____	2012/13 _____
Check number _____ or cash _____		

\$5

2008/2009 _____	2003/2004 _____
2009/2010 _____	2011/12 _____ Total _____
amount: _____	
Check number _____ or cash _____	

**If you would like to purchase a business ad – Please email
(nurita.lambert@whfalcons.org) your business card or
attach your business ad to this form.**

Name of Business

1/10 Business card size \$40 _____

¼ page size \$60 _____

½ page size \$100 _____

Full page \$170 _____

Baby ad ¼ page \$40 _____