

# Principal's Newsletter

## Newell School District

September 2021

"The Newell School District will use all available resources to engage all students in the active pursuit of knowledge to help them reach their full potential now and in the future."

### Upcoming Events



September 27<sup>th</sup> – Coronation 7:30  
September 28<sup>th</sup> – HSVB vs. McIntosh (A)  
5:00  
September 30<sup>st</sup> - HSVB vs. Wall (A) 6:00  
MSVB vs. Spearfish (A) 4:00  
MSFB vs. Hill City (A) 4:00  
X-Country @ Sturgis 9:00  
October 1<sup>st</sup> - HSFB vs. Faith (H) 6:00  
October 2<sup>nd</sup> – MSVB LMC Tourney @ Faith 9:00  
HSVB at Lead Tourney 9:00  
October 4<sup>th</sup> – P/T Conferences 4:00-7:00  
October 5<sup>th</sup> – HSVB vs Dupree (H) 5:00  
MSVB vs. STM (H) 4:00  
October 7<sup>th</sup> – P/T Conferences 4:00-7:00  
MSVB @ Belle Fourche Tri 4:00  
MSFB vs. Moorcroft (A) 4:30  
Book Fair in MPR 4:00-7:00  
October 8<sup>th</sup> – HSVB vs Harding Co (A) 4:00  
MSFB vs. Harding Co (A) 7:00  
October 11<sup>th</sup> – MS Field Trip to Crazy Horse  
School Board Mtg. 6:00  
October 12<sup>th</sup> – HSVB vs. Edgemont (H) 5:00  
MSVB vs. Hill City (A) 4:30  
October 13<sup>th</sup> – X-Country Regions @ Philip 12:00  
October 14<sup>th</sup> – HSVB vs. Moorcroft (H) 5:00  
MSVB vs. Lead (A) 4:30  
MSFB vs. Sundance (A) 4:30  
End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter

### CALENDAR CHANGES

Look at the Newell School Website and Facebook page for all calendar changes and updates.

<https://www.newell.k12.sd.us/> or Facebook at **Newell School District SD**

### Free Meals

Newell School has been approved to offer all students in grades K-12, two free meals per day. The program is sponsored by the USDA. Newell school will be serving local beef on the menu. To donate beef call Wall Meats at (605)279-2348.



### PARENT PORTAL

Parent Portal is a great way to keep up to date on your child's grades, attendance, milk balances, etc. Please visit <https://sis3.ddncampus.net/campus/newell.jsp> for this information. If you have forgotten your username/password or need to get one; Mrs. Lamphere can assist you at 456-2393. Also, our school website has important information like breakfast/lunch menus, school calendars, and upcoming information <https://www.newell.k12.sd.us/>

# Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent Teachers conference will be held on October 4<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-7:00. To help eliminate the number of parents waiting in line, we will conduct conferences in the following fashion.

## Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup>

4:00 - 4:57 Student last name A – J  
5:02 - 5:58 Student last name K – Q  
6:03 - 7:00 Student last name R- Z

## Thursday, October 7<sup>th</sup>

4:00 – 4:57 Student last name R- Z  
5:02 – 5:58 Student last name K-Q  
6:03 – 7:00 Student last name A – J



- 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade will be meeting in their classrooms.
  - HS & shared staff will be in Austin Auditorium.
  - All Specials Education Teachers will be meeting in their classrooms.
- \*There will be no scheduled times for the elementary, please come at the above times\*

Meals will be served both nights from 4:30- 7:00 (Seniors on Monday & Freshman on Thursday)

Usborne Books will be set up for Purchase in the multi-Purpose room books during Parent Conferences October 4<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 7:00 each night. The money raised from the book sale will be used to purchase books and other material for the library.



## 4 Strategies to keep you child motivated

1. Stay involved – When parents are involved in education children do better in school.
2. Positive attitude – Let you child know you believe in them – and if they struggle, work with the teacher.
3. Promote independence – Give you children age-appropriate freedoms.
4. Have meaningful Conversations – One-on-One talks with your child is crucial for tapping into their intrinsic motivation.

## HOMECOMING FUN

**Monday:** America Day – Dress up in all the red, white and blue you can find!

**Tuesday:** Tie Dye Day – Round up all your tie dye clothes and go all out in colors!

**Wednesday:** Superhero/Villain Day – Dress as your favorite superhero or villain!

**Thursday:** Dress to Impress – Search for your Fanciest Clothes!

**Friday:** Maroon and White – This is the day to show up and show out in all your Irrigator gear!

### October 1<sup>st</sup> – Homecoming Schedule

12:00 – Pep Rally in Austin Auditorium

12:30 – Parade on Girard Avenue between 4<sup>th</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> street.

1:30 – Dismiss (busses will run)

Thank you for a wonderful start to the school year. Communication is one of my top priorities as a principal. I have encouraged all staff to be in contact with parents, not only when a student is struggling but when they do great things as well. Think about it; in the history of education there has never been better access to information. We have a school website, emails, newsletters, parent portal, and Facebook pages. Yet, I am always striving to be better with school communication, so if you have ideas or thoughts, please don't hesitate to let me know.

Thank you for your support. I enjoy working together with you for the students of Newell/Nisland/Vale as your principal. We have an awesome community, great kids, amazing staff, and supportive parents.

We are all on the same team with the same goal: THE BEST EDUCATION FOR OUR KIDS!

Irrigator Pride,  
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