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Twin Cedars



Community School

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From the Desk of Mr. Roby

Once again, our seniors had a wonderful day trapshooting on October 5th. All seniors were given the opportunity to visit the Marion County Sportsman's Club participating in Lifetime Learning Activities -- doing and learning a variety of activities such as water safety, gun safety, hatchet throwing, archery, and trapshooting. I would like to extend my gratitude to the Sportsman's Club, as well as Ken Kenyon and other members of the Marion County DNR who take the time out of their busy schedules to lend their knowledge to our students.

On November 1st and 3rd from 3:00-6:30, Twin Cedars will be having parent teacher conferences, and I strongly encourage you to attend if at all possible. This is a chance to hear directly from your son or daughter's teachers about how he/she is getting along in class. If you can't attend but still wish to speak with our teachers, please call the school, and I will make sure it gets set up.

Music

The Twin Cedars Music Boosters is missing their planko from about two years ago. If anyone has any information, please let Mr. Smith know!

On Monday, October 31st, interested students will be attending the Bluegrass Conference Vocal Festival. There will be a concert at Moravia High School at 7:00 pm. Congratulations to the following students who have been selected: Lindsey Bolton, Chloe Swank, Nathan Payne, Saylor See, Harlee Stout, Emily Wolfe, Kaylee Burns, Kendra Kennedy, Rebecca Bates, Makayla Carter, and Joanne Wolfe.

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to attend the Bluegrass Honor Band: Jessie Grice, Destany Stewart, Casandra Whitlow, Kayla Carter, James Elliott, Andrew Stanhope, Casey Selix, Anna Lopez, Colton Spaur, Thad Tuttle, Laci Messamaker, Ali Mockenhaupt, Andrew Surbaugh, Emily Wolfe, Levi Messamaker, Nathan Payne, Chloe Swank, Jetta Sterner, Hailey Curry, Mason Sanders, Tommy Bozeman, Dallas Clark, Christian Doty, Brennon Clare, Tyler Doty, Kinzee Nichols, and Josiah Smith.

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Athletic Boosters

Those in attendance: Deb Haselhuhn, Brandy Dunkin, Danisha Durian, Trish McCarty, Mark Bacus, Andrea Moore, Kristen McCombs, and Kim Roby

Meeting opened at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 5, 2016

Treasurer's report: \$22384.02

Old Business:

We received the freezer from Micks for \$599, and it works wonderfully.

Questions came up about feeding refs during games from concessions. Mr. Roby called around and other schools do provide food, typically a hot dog and drink.

Clothing orders have been reordered for a couple of weeks now. We are just waiting on Ramaekers.

Trish checked on popcorn machine prices at Sam's Club 12-14 oz. \$844, was Bolten was \$2037 for a 14oz., Gold Medal was \$970 for 16oz., Amazon for 16 oz. was \$1374.

Andrea made a motion to buy the Gold Medal popcorn machine. Kim seconded. It passed unanimously.

Trish also said we could ask about taking the old one to Gold Medal to get cleaned and new doors.

Mr. Roby was working on the US flag for the gym. Total cost is \$3100. Our flag will go horizontally, rather than vertically. Varsity Girls Basketball, Volleyball, Music Boosters, and PTO, and other groups may contribute toward the purchase as well. We will pay the balance after these groups have contributed.

New Business:

Jessica Kirsch Manser of the Lovillia Betterment Committee contacted Mr. Roby about fundraiser ideas. Boograms or mystery bags are what she was offering for sale, and was wondering if Boosters would like to sell them. It was decided that we would leave it for other groups such as elementary TAG.

Trish also brought up Blush Boutique out of Eddyville, and the fact that they are looking for more business. The owner said she could work up some ideas. She said she is going to make up a flyer by November 1 so that we could get orders by Christmas.

Kristen brought a TC flag so we could see. She said we need to sell 25 flags to make a profit.

A date for the Cancer game was also discussed. Tuesday, January 17 was discussed a tentative date.

Brandy said she would work concessions for the volleyball regional game, which is Tuesday, Oct. 18.

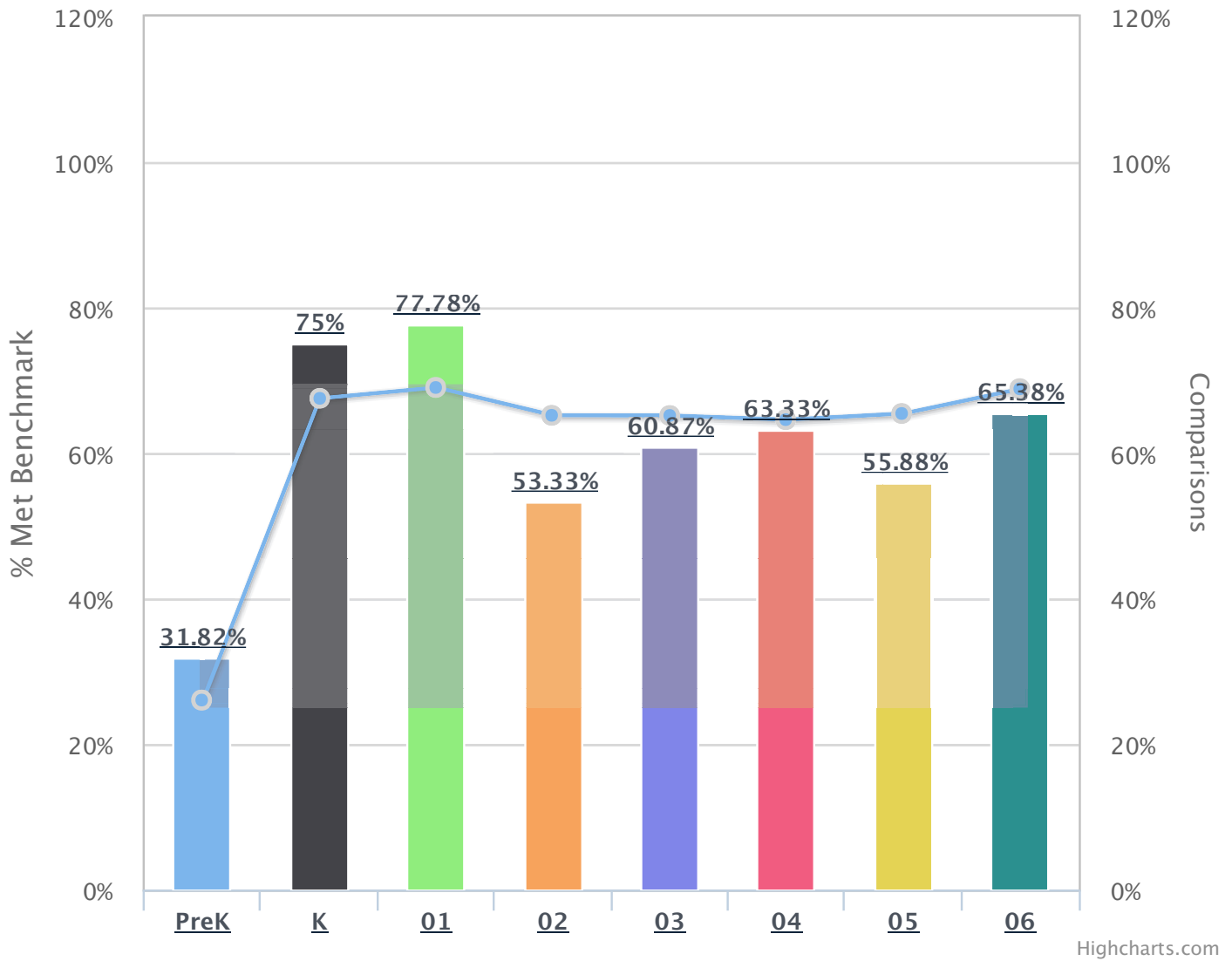
Brandy motioned to adjourn and Deb seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45.

FAST Testing

Our Fall FAST data is complete and scores have been distributed to students. If you did not receive your child's individual FAST scores, please contact Kim Roby (kroby@twincedarcsd.org). Below is the summary results for the elementary school. The trend line is showing the average proficiency scores for the students in each grade level across the state.

Fall 2016-2017, Twin Cedars Elementary (6512-0418), by Grade



TAG

The high school talented and gifted students visited the Des Moines Register on September 28. The students had an incredible experience as the editors of the Register spent approximately 2 hours describing the daily life in a newspaper. These employees encouraged the students to find their passion and pursue it, whatever it may be!

FFA

Our FFA chapter took two teams to district soil judging on September 27. We had Kate Coalbank, Hailey Groenendyk, Pat Dykstra, Lane Anderson, Adam Stanhope, and Daryan Jones compete. They all received a silver! Better than any previous year.



There are many FFA members who have been working in the “Circus of Freaks” haunted house in Bussey. It has gotten a lot of business and our members seem to enjoy doing it. If you want a good scare and to support our chapter, check out the “Circus of Freaks” on Facebook for more details. We have also been around the high school and elementary selling “Boo-Grams” to be delivered to that special someone on Halloween Day. It has been a real fun and easy fundraiser and everyone seems to really enjoy it.

We had two teams compete at the Kirkwood Livestock Judging contest on October 11th. The individuals that competed were Adam Stanhope, Pat Dykstra, Cloee Stout, Hailey Jones, Kate Coalbank, Gracie McCombs and Keeton Huff. They all did a wonderful job especially since a lot of them had never judged before.

Mark your calendar for November 12! You don’t want to miss this!!! We are having a Farm & Home show in the high school gym. There will be vendors from Pampered Chef, Avon, homemade items, and much, much more! If you are interested in a vendor spot, please contact Mrs. Johnson asap. We want this to be the best Farm and Home Show around! This is open to the public and anyone can attend. This would be a great spot to get Christmas shopping done and other presents bought. We will be serving lunch that day as well. So bring your appetite and shop until you drop!

We have 14 members attending the 89th annual National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana. They will be learning the importance of FFA and what it is really about. Not only will they be attending Opening Session with Diana Nyad, attend a Cole Swindell Concert, a Cinch Rodeo and of course a haunted house. It has not been in Indianapolis for over three years now, everyone is ready to see some new ideas this year at convention.

The Twin Cedars FFA Alumni meeting took place on the 13th of this month and a lot of work got completed. If you would like to be part of the alumni chapter please let Megan Anderson or Mrs. Johnson know. It is a great way to help out and support our chapter. They meet the 2nd Thursday of every month and you do not have to attend every meeting. Please think about joining, you never had to be in FFA, you didn’t have to graduate from Twin Cedars or even have kids in FFA. Just come and support our chapter!

Thanks to all of those that purchased fruit and other items from our chapter. We feel like we have great success with this fundraiser this year. All items will be in the first week of December!

K-6 Students Decorate Trees for the Festival of Trees at DeVore Homes

In the spirit of the season, DeVore Homes is teaming up with Twin Cedars Elementary (K-6) for the 2nd Annual Festival of Trees. The decorated trees will be on display in each of our homes and in the main office at 2108 Highway 5, Bussey, Iowa (the Bussey Stub).

We would like to invite you to enjoy this event with your family and usher in the spirit of the holiday season! You are encouraged to visit with your student and walk-through the homes at DeVore and vote for their tree with a cash donation in our main office. At the end of the festival, the tree that gets the most votes (cash) will receive their vote money as well as a \$75 donation from DeVore Homes. Each class will get the vote money that their tree earned and DeVore will donate an additional \$50 to the class that received 2nd place and \$25 to the class with the 3rd place tree.

We are excited to partner with Twin Cedars Schools and bring the community together during this special time of year.

The Festival of Trees will be held November 28th thru December 19th, 2016. Our office hours are Monday thru Saturday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. On Saturdays in December, DeVore Homes will have refreshments for your family to enjoy before or after your tour of trees.

Minutes of Meeting

Twin Cedars Board of Directors

October 10, 2016

5:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Twin Cedars Board of Directors was held on the above date.

President Steve Gilkerson called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Directors Kelly Carlson, Paul Haselhuhn, Brian Moore and Ashley Carlson were in attendance. Dave Roby and Kim Roby were also in attendance.

A motion was made by Director K. Carlson and supported by Director Moore to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Director A Carlson and supported by Director Haselhuhn to approve the September 12, 2016, regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial reports were reviewed and filed for audit.

A motion was made by Director Moore and supported by Director K. Carlson to approve the bills as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Communications

There was no communication to the board through mail or through citizens.



Administration Reports

Mrs. Roby shared results of the Fall FAST testing for Pre-K thru 6th grade.

Mr. Roby reported that the senior class went trap shooting. They have done this the past several years. They learn about water safety as well. October 25th at 6:00 is the National Honor Society ceremony. Lauren Haselhuhn will be the guest speaker this year. Parent/Teacher conferences are November 1st and 3rd from 3:00-6:30. Seven students will be attending Character Counts. Twin Cedars will be hosting a volleyball regional game on October 18th at 7:00. Mr. Roby will be attending a Teach Iowa training in West Des Moines and a Legal Lab in November. The Bluegrass Conference Vocal concert will be on October 31st. Ms. McNally wrote and received a \$500 energy grant. She would like to use it to purchase wind turbine kits for the classroom.

Mr. VanderSluis had bids for the parking lot project. After reviewing the bids it looks like maybe there is something wrong as the asphalt and concrete numbers are exactly the same. Mr. VanderSluis will check into this and get the correct numbers. This is still being planned for the Summer of 2017. We will go out for bids in January. Mr. VanderSluis said the new scoreboard has been installed at the football field. The baseball and softball scoreboards will be installed later. The softball board will be relocated closer to centerfield. The fence at the softball field needs replaced. The backstop is leaning. He shared some bids on this. Mr. VanderSluis also shared that the district needs to look at purchasing a pickup for pushing snow, etc. He looks at the cost for one with the state bid, single cab, 4WD, 8ft bed. The board thought this would be the best plan since the current pickup that is used is 30 years old. Mr. VanderSluis also handed out a tentative student count. As of today, Twin Cedars is up 14 students from a year ago.

New Business

Mr. VanderSluis covered the new business of the parking lot in his reporting. There was no other new business to be discussed.

Action Items

There were no action items.

Announcements

The FY 16 audit was completed last week.

The football team will be hosting HLV for the final regular season football game on Friday, October 21st.

The next board meeting will be Monday, November 14th at 5:00.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Director K. Carlson

and supported by Director A Carlson to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 PM. The motion carried unanimously.



SHOW YOUR SABER SPIRIT!

Twin Cedars Sabers Flag:

Show your school spirit year round by purchasing a Twin Cedars Sabers flag. Flags will be 3' x 5', single sided, in saber blue & white as shown.

TAKING PREPAID ORDERS NOW!

**Cost \$40.00; cash or check made payable to TC Athletic Boosters
{Minimum order of 25}**

Questions or to see a flag in person, please contact:

Kristen McCombs: 641-218-8867 kristen.mccombs@yahoo.com

Heather Dunkin: 641-218-8865 khdunkin@iowatelecom.net

Return to school if you wish to purchase:


Name: _____

Phone Number: () _____

of Flags you wish to purchase: _____ \$40 per flag. Payments of cash or checks made out to TC Athletic Boosters will be accepted. Deadline for ordering will be November 15th.

Make sure payment is included when you return this slip.


November Breakfast Menu ~ 2016

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>All breakfast served with fruit and juice and choice of milk. Menu subject to change</p>	<p>1 Cinnamon Roll</p>	<p>2 Bacon, Egg & Cheese Biscuit</p>	<p>3 Egg & Toast</p>	<p>4 French Toast Sticks</p>
<p>7 Breakfast pizza</p>	<p>8 Pancakes</p>	<p>9 Sausage & Toast</p>	<p>10 Cereal</p>	<p>11 Donut</p>
<p>14 Mini Cinnamon Bagels</p>	<p>15 Cinnamon Roll</p>	<p>16 Bacon, Egg & Cheese Biscuit</p>	<p>17 Egg & Toast</p>	<p>18 French Toast Sticks</p>
<p>21 Breakfast pizza</p>	<p>22 Pancakes</p>	<p>23 No School</p>	<p>24 Happy Thanksgiving! No School</p>	<p>25 Black Friday! No School</p>
<p>28 Mini Cinnamon Bagels</p>	<p>29 Cinnamon Roll</p>	<p>30 Bacon, Egg & Cheese Biscuit</p>		<p>*This institution is an equal opportunity provider*</p>

- Pop Tart
- Bacon/Egg/Cheese Biscuit
- Breakfast Pizza
- French Toast Sticks
- Donut

- High School has a one week rotation with a Pop Tart or Cereal Bowl offered as an alternate.
- There is also Ala Carte available.
- All Breakfast is served with fruit and juice and choice of Milk.
- Menu is subject to change.
- This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

November Lunch Menu ~ 2016

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>All meals served with choice of milk. Menu subject to change.</p>	<p>1 Beef burger Pineapple Fruit (9-12) California blend veggies Fries</p>	<p>2 Cheddar/bacon/ranch sub Kidney beans Fresh carrots Apples Fruit (9-12)</p>	<p>3 Thanksgiving Meal~Turkey, mashed potatoes w/gravy, Hot roll, Homemade dressing, Corn, Mandarin oranges, Fruit (9-12) Dessert</p>	<p>4 Elem: Cereal bowl & egg patty HS: BEC biscuit Little smokies Cauliflower Hashbrown Juice cup Fruit (9-12)</p>
<p>7 Bbq pork w/bun Pork & beans Mixed veggies Pears Applesauce (9-12)</p>	<p>8 Beef veggie soup Bosco stick Fresh cauliflower Mandarin oranges Fruit (9-12) Saltine crackers (9-12)</p>	<p>9 Chicken alfredo Broccoli w/cheese Salad Banana Mixed fruit (9-12) Breadstick</p>	<p>10 Hot dog Corn Peaches Grapes (9-12) Tortilla chips w/salsa</p>	<p>11 Breaded pork patty Steamed green beans Fresh carrots Power jell-o Fruit (9-12) Graham crackers</p>
<p>14 Bbq rib sand w/bun Steamed carrots Pineapple Fresh grapes Salad Graham cracker (9-12)</p>	<p>15 Turkey sub w/cheese, lettuce & tomatoes Strawberries & bananas Baked cheetos Pears (9-12)</p>	<p>16 Soft shell taco Cheese cup Lettuce Tomatoes Black beans Applesauce Graham cracker (9-12) Fruit (9-12)</p>	<p>17 Chicken nuggets w/sauce, Rice, Fresh oranges Mixed fruit (9-12) Steamed corn Graham crackers (9-12) Fresh broccoli</p>	<p>18 Shrimp Banana Steamed peas Fresh cucumbers w/dressing Cheese stick Pb sandwich Fruit (9-12)</p>
<p>21 Crispito, coleslaw Brown rice, red peppers, string cheese, mixed fruit, graham cracker (9-12) Fruit (9-12)</p>	<p>22 Chicken patty sand Fresh carrots Apples Pears (9-12) Fresh celery w/pb cup</p>	<p>23 No School</p>	<p>24 Happy Thanksgiving!! No School</p>	<p>25 Black Friday!! No School Have Fun Shopping!!</p>
<p>28 Hamburger w/bun Broccoli w/cheese Pears Fruit (9-12) Baked beans</p>	<p>29 Popcorn chicken Cheesy potatoes Steamed green beans Apples Mandarin oranges (9-12)</p>	<p>30 Super nachos Black beans Fresh carrots Pears Cantaloupe Graham cracker</p>		<p>*This institution is an equal opportunity provider*</p>

November 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bluegrass Vocal Contest Halloween 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 3:00 PM -6:30 P/T Conferences 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 3:00 PM -6:30 P/T Conferences 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daylight Saving Time End 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SCIBA JH Honor Band Election Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Veterans Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FFA Farm & Home Show
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ACT Aspire test V G BB @ Pekin 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 AM Saturday School
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM JV/V G BB vs SE Warren 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> V B BB @ Pekin 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NO SCHOOL 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thanksgiving 	
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:00 PM JH G BB @ Pleasantville 4:00 PM JH B BB vs Pleasantville 6:00 PM JV B BB vs Knoxville 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:00 PM JH B/G BB vs Moravia 6:00 PM V G/B BB @ Wayne 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:00 PM JH B/G BB vs Wayne 6:00 PM JV G BB @ Seymour 7:30 PM JV/V B BB @ Seymour 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM V G/B BB @ Lamoni 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM WR @ Pekin 	

December 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:00 PM JH B BB vs Pleasantville 4:00 PM JH G BB @ Pleasantville 6:00 PM JV B BB vs Knoxville 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:00 PM JH B/G BB vs Moravia 6:00 PM V G/B BB @ Wayne 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:00 PM JH B/G BB vs Wayne 6:00 PM JV G BB @ Seymour 7:30 PM JV/V B BB @ Seymour 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM V G/B BB @ Lamoni 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM WR @ Pekin
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:45 PM JV B BB @ Davis County 6:00 PM V G/B BB @ Davis County 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:00 PM JH B/G BB vs Edyville-Blakesburg 6:00 PM V G/B BB vs Seymour 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12:00 PM Senior Citizen's Dinner 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:00 PM JH B/G BB @ Melcher-Dallas 5:30 PM WR @ SE Warren 6:00 PM JV G/B BB @ Moulton-Udell 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM V G/B BB vs Moulton-Udell 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM JV B BB @ Montezuma 2:00 PM V G/B BB vs Albia 	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM EL Christmas Concert 7:30 PM HS Christmas Concert 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:30 PM JV G BB @ Murray 6:00 PM V G/B BB @ Murray 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:30 PM JV G/B vs Knoxville 6:00 PM WR @ East Union 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:30 PM JV B BB vs Ankeny Christian 6:00 PM V G/B BB vs Ankeny Christian 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WR @ Lynnville-Sully 8:00 AM Saturday School 	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM JV G BB vs Edyville-Blakesburg 	WR @ Iowa Valley		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WR @ Iowa Valley 9:00 AM End of 1st Semester 12:30 PM Early Dismissal 	NO SCHOOL - Christmas Break	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Christmas Day	NO SCHOOL - Christmas Break					