

# TIGER TALK



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Dear Parents and District Patrons,

What a busy time of year! Activities are in full swing with Basketball past the halfway mark, Wrestling Districts quickly approaching, Speech and Quiz Bowl contests are underway and District Music contests will be here before we know it.

Along with activities comes the responsibility of good sportsmanship by students, faculty, parents, and fans. I am pleased at the support our community gives our students in all activities and would like to stress the importance of good sportsmanship while attending these activities.

Please keep in mind the following:

**WE ARE PAXTON**

**We appreciate your positive support  
of our school activities.**

**We thank you for respecting officials,  
participants and coaches.**

**WE ARE PAXTON**

**Encouraging  
Respectful  
Understanding**

**Leading By Example  
For Our School  
& Community**

Thank you for the support you show all the students at Paxton Schools. Your support does not go unnoticed.

We continue to have isolated cases of Covid, cold and flu throughout our school system. We will follow CDC guidelines and recommendation for all Covid cases. This information is included in this newsletter and on our school website [www.paxtonschools.org](http://www.paxtonschools.org) Thank you for keeping your children home when they are not feeling well. We appreciate your help to keep our school safe and well.

Educationally yours,

**Delbert F. Dack  
Superintendent  
Paxton Schools**



## Child Find Screenings

Paxton Consolidated School district in cooperation with ESU 16 are sponsoring an opportunity for parents of preschool children to participate in Child Find Screenings. This spring screening will be made available in each school district at the request of parents.

Child Find is a screening program for preschool children between the ages of birth and five. Professionals will be available to answer questions from parents regarding their preschool child's speech and language development, motor development, social/emotional development, hearing and learning skills. Parents who suspect that their child (age 0-5) may need special help in these areas are encouraged to call their school district. The local school district will arrange for evaluation in cooperation with ESU 16. Evaluation will be done at a time and place convenient for the family.

Children between the ages of five and twenty-one who reside in Arthur, Grant, Hooker, Keith, Lincoln, Logan, McPherson, Perkins and Thomas counties may be referred to the school's Student Assistance Team. The Student Assistance Team provides suggestions for accommodation/modification. This referral may result in an evaluation for special help. Parents should contact their local school district to request this referral.

Further information is available from your local school district or from the Educational Service Unit 16 office (308-284-8481).

Brittany Brott, Preschool Coordinator  
Kristi Chessmore, Director of Special Education

**2021-2022 Paxton School Annual Report  
The Paxton Consolidated School Annual Report  
for the 2021-2022 school year is now available  
for viewing on the school's web site at:  
[www.paxtonschools.org](http://www.paxtonschools.org).**

**Patrons wishing to receive a hard copy of the  
report are asked to contact the school office at  
239-4283.**

## **Tiger Pride - Mrs. Chittenden, Secondary Principal**

Happy February! Our staff and our students in grades 6-12 prove that Tiger Pride remains fierce at Paxton Consolidated Schools! Be sure to check out what's happening at [paxtonschoools.org](http://paxtonschoools.org) Live Feed! Here are just a few highlights:

### **Speech**

The Paxton HS Speech Team includes Jasmine Burch, Damin Luedke, Jayden Gartner, Audrey Holm, Haley Holzfast, Ruby Mendez, Noah Coppersmith, Miah Fox, John Fricke and Miles Rogge. The Tigers are coached by Jerri Luedke. The first speech meet was held Saturday, Jan. 15, 2022 in Wallace. Damin earned 1st in Poetry, Jasmine 2nd in Entertainment and Jayden 3rd in Informative! Watch for future speech updates on our school web page!

### **FFA**

Each year, FFA Chapters around the country celebrate National FFA Week. This year, The Paxton FFA Chapter will plan activities for National FFA week February 19-26, 2022. The FFA members **are also preparing for the Career Development Event Contests Feb. 9 & 23, 2022!**

### **RPAC Art Contest**

Medal winner: Jasmine Burch: "Ready for the Fight"

1<sup>st</sup> Honorable Mention: Zaydee Crowe: "A Girls Night Out"

2<sup>nd</sup> Honorable Mention: Miah Fox: "Woman In A Scarf"

3<sup>rd</sup> Honorable Mention: Savanna McMahon: "Keep Swimming"

### **RPAC Quiz Bowl**

Paxton attended the RPAC Quiz Bowl Jan. 12, 2022 at Hitchcock Co. Paxton finished the afternoon with 2 wins, placing third in our pool! Quiz Bowl participants included: Damin Luedke, Ally Jay, Jacob Holzfast, Brenden Jenkins, Jayden Gartner and Audrey Holm. Katie Stevenson coaches PHS Quiz Bowl. Paxton will host Quiz Bowl March 28, 2022 @ 5:30 PM!

### **Successful Homework Completion Recognition**

Paxton middle school and high school students were recently recognized for having successful homework completion the entire first semester of the 2021-22 school year! 63% of our middle school students and 60% of our high school students earned lunch at Ole's in recognition of their successful homework completion in the first semester. Completing tasks successfully and meeting deadlines are important life skills that our students are working to achieve at Paxton Schools! We know how busy our young people are. Many have responsibilities at home, work a part time job and participate in extracurricular activities. We are proud of our students for successfully completing all of their school assignments on time!

We are so proud of all of the efforts of our students and staff in the classroom and in extracurricular activities. Our entire Paxton Consolidated Schools Tiger Family is AMAZING! We look forward to sharing more examples of Tiger Pride as we go through the school year!

#We Are Paxton!      Positive      Respectful      Responsible      Safe





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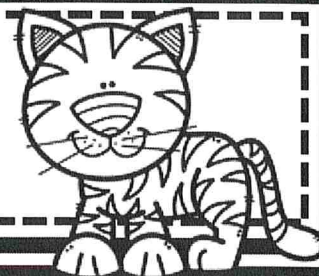
## Happy Valentine's Day

## Paxton Consolidated Schools Activity Calendar

| Sunday | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday  |
|--------|---|--|---|--|---|---|
|        |   | 1<br>Health Screens<br>JV/V Girls BB @ St. Pats<br>@ 5:00 PM | 2<br>JH G/B BB @ Brady @<br>1:00  | 3<br>Jr Law Cadet Boys &<br>Girls State Interviews                   | 4<br>JV/V G/B BB @ Paxton<br>VS Sandhills Valley @<br>4:00                              | 5<br>V Wrestling @<br>Southwest Invite @ 9:00<br>Speech @ Sutherland                        |
| 6      | 7<br>RPAC Vocal Clinic @<br>Maxwell @ 10:45<br>Concert @ 6 PM   | 8<br>JV/V G/B BB @ Hershey<br>@ 4:00                         | 9<br><b>10:00 LATE START</b><br>JH G/B BB @ Paxton VS<br>Wallace @ 1:00 | 10<br>JV/V G/B BB Parent's<br>Night @ Paxton vs<br>Sutherland @ 4:30 | 11<br>V Wrestling Districts   | 12<br>V Wrestling Districts @<br>Bridgeport HS<br>North Platte Blue and<br>Gold Speech Meet |
| 13     | 14<br>V Girls BB Subdistricts<br> | 15<br>Girls BB Subdistricts                                  | 16<br>RPAC Speech @<br>Medicine Valley @<br>Curtis                      | 17<br>Girls BB Subdistricts<br>V State Wrestling @<br>Omaha          | 18<br>V/JV Boys BB @ St.<br>Pat's @ 5:00<br>V State Wrestling @<br>Omaha                | 19<br>Ogallala Speech Meet<br>V State Wrestling @<br>Omaha                                  |
| 20     | 21<br><b>NO SCHOOL</b><br>V Boys BB Subdistricts  | 22<br>V Boys BB Subdistricts                                 | 23  | 24<br>V Boys BB Subdistricts   | 25<br>Speech North Platte Best<br>Of The West Meet<br><br>V Girls BB District<br>Finals | 26<br>V Boys BB District<br>Finals  |
| 27     | 28<br>NSAA Spring Practice<br>Starts<br>District Speech   |  |   |  |   |   |



# Tiger News



February 2022

Dear Parents,

I can't believe that February is already here! The second semester is well underway now, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter is flying by. February brings with it cold/flu/virus season. Please remember, if your child is not feeling well, to keep him/her home. Also remember that students must be fever free for 24 hours, without the use of fever reducing medications, before returning to school. Please notify the school office as early as possible if your child will be absent from school for any reason. Thank you for partnering with us to keep our students and staff healthy!

GO TIGERS!!!!  
Mrs. States



BRR!

Now that we are in the month of February, we are starting to see a drop in temperatures. It is **very important** that your child comes to school prepared for the appropriate conditions. Please remember that our students go outside year-round, and now is the time to pack or bring extra layers, coats, hats, gloves, and mittens. THANK YOU!

**Tigers are...**  
**Positive**  
**Respectful**  
**Responsible**  
**Safe**  
**#paxtontigerpride**

## Important Dates To Remember.....

January 31- NO SCHOOL PK-12  
February 9- 10:00AM Late Start K-12  
February 21- NO SCHOOL PK-12  
March 3- Family STEM Night 6:30-8:00PM






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## Happy Valentine's Day

### Paxton Schools Breakfast & Lunch Menu

| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday  |
|--|--|--|---|---|---|---|
| THIS IN AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER                              |  | Scrambled Eggs & Buttered Toast<br>Chicken Fajita In A Tortilla Shell  | Waffles & Syrup<br>★ Hamburger Gravy Over Mashed Potatoes, Vegetables, Bread & Butter | Sausage & Buttered Toast<br>★ Cheeseburger Soup, Crackers & Bread Stick | GRAB & GO<br>★ Sloppy Joes On A Bun & Tater Tots        | BREAKFAST IS SERVED WITH MILK, FRUIT ALTERNATE CEREAL & TOAST IS AVAILABLE EVERYDAY |
| 6  | 7<br>Oatmeal & Buttered Toast<br>Pigs in a Blanket & Cheesy Broccoli or Cauliflower  | 8<br>Eggs, Bacon, Potato Casserole & Buttered Toast<br>Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Bread & Butter | 9<br><b>No Breakfast 10:00 Start</b><br>★ Spaghetti & Meat Sauce, with Bread Stick    | 10<br>Donuts<br>★ Hamburger Surprise, Biscuit & Butter                  | 11<br>GRAB & GO<br>Pizza & Corn                         | 12  |
| 13   | 14<br>Muffin Monday<br>Taqitos, Dipping Cheese & Rice<br> | 15<br>Apple Or Raspberry Churro<br>★ Cheeseburger Casserole, Biscuit & Butter With Green Beans                 | 16<br>Yogurt Parfaits Buttered Toast<br>Grilled Cheese On A Bun & Cheesy Peas         | 17<br>Uncrustables<br>★ Beef Enchiladas & Corn                          | 18<br>GRAB & GO<br>Corn Dogs & French Fries             | 19  |
| 20<br>LUNCH IS SERVED WITH MILK AND CHOICE OF FRUITS & VEGETABLES. | 21<br><b>NO SCHOOL</b>   | 22<br>Scrambled Eggs & Butter Toast<br>★ 2-Tacos, 2 Scoops of Corn, 2 Rice Krispies Treats                     | 23<br>Breakfast Burrito<br>★ Cavatini & Bread Stick                                   | 24<br>★ Cheeseburger On a Bun<br>Pizza Sticks & Green Beans             | 25<br>GRAB & GO<br>★ Flying Saucers, Corn & Bread Stick | 26<br>★ DESIGNATES DONATED BEEF BY THE TIGER BEEF CLUB                              |
| 27   | 28<br>Donuts & Buttered Toast<br>Hot Dogs & Chips  |  |   |   |   |   |

# Counselor's Corner

-Mrs. Jean Spencer

Second semester is in full swing! Scholarships for seniors are coming in almost every day. These are posted on the School Counseling website <https://paxtonschoolscounseling.weebly.com/>. There is also a link off of the website for Paxton Counseling. The seniors have been informed that this is where to find the scholarship information that I have. Often I will send them an email letting them know that the website was just updated.

The juniors are working on preparing to take the ACT test this spring. Our practice date is March 1, 2022. They have access to an Online Prep. We will be setting some goals together of scores that they would like to reach for the April 5 test.

Amanda Christensen and Leigha Christensen from the Ogallala Sandhills Crisis Intervention Program will be coming weekly to meet with the 8th graders to teach them from the curriculum called Wise Minds. I am excited to have them share their wisdom with us.

**NAVIGATE  
YOUR  
FUTURE**

**2021/2022 TEST DATES**

| SEP. 11 | OCT. 23 | DEC. 11  | FEB. 12 |
|---------|---------|----------|---------|
| APR. 2  | JUN. 11 | JUL. 16* |         |

\*This test center is scheduled in New York for the July test date.

**WHEN IT COMES TO TEST PREP, WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED**

ACT offers test prep programs for every learning style with live video lessons, interactive practice questions, full-length practice tests, and on-demand tutorials. Explore your test prep options, including a free practice test, at [act.org/prepare](https://act.org/prepare)

Register online at [act.org/bts](https://act.org/bts)

# NHS NEWS

MEMBERS: JAYDEN GARTNER, ALLY JAY, JACOB HOLZFASTER, AND DAMIN LUEDKE

- Applications have been sent out to 10-12th grade students with a Cumulative GPA of 93% or higher to apply by February 9, 2022. The Induction ceremony will be held on March 1 at 6:30 pm in the school gym.
- Our next donation is February 24 from 10:30-4:30 at the **School!!!** Contact a member to schedule an appointment! You can also schedule one on the Blood Donor app! There is a blood supply shortage, please consider donating.
- Our senior members are working on scheduling their service projects for this Spring. The Goodwill truck will be coming to town in April along with the school participating in a community clean up day. More details to follow.

**2021-22 Q2 "A" Honor Roll**

12th grade - Jasmine Burch, Josie Callihan, Sierra Hicks, Allyson Jay, Ashton Krab, Damin Luedke, Island Olson, Emma Vasquez

11th grade - Isaiah Fox, Jayden Gartner, Jacob Holzfaster, Rylin Johns

10th grade - Joshua Eakins, Gunnar Foster Searl, Alexander Fricke, Audrey Holm, Haley Holzfaster, Jacelyn Jorgensen, Ainsley McConnell,

9th grade - Sarah Brott, Jordan Clouse, Noah Connick, Noah Coppersmith, Noah Curtis, Mercy Egan, Miah Fox, Madison Hansen, Ethan Hardin, Tanner Hebblethwaite, Savanna McMahon

8th grade - Eva Crowley, Ella Fote, Marlee Gleason, Tristan Hebblethwaite, Madilynn Mullen, Preston Runge, Kepler Spurgin, Angeline Villa-Enriquez

7th grade - Colton Fote, Reece Glinn, Thomas Jay, Natalie Jorgensen, Hadleigh Kramer, Tyler Markussen, Raleigh Reeves

6th grade - Jesse Connick, Xavier Diaz, Abigail Fote, Victoriah Fox, Jakcee Mitchell, Kaydence Mullen,

Gabriel Natividad, Jaden Searl, Eden Villa Enriquez

**2021-22 Q2 "B" Honor Roll**

12th grade - Zaydee Crowe, Trista Detmer, Tyanna Geho, Caden Holm, Kyle Hunt, Cody Kennicutt, Anthony TenEyck

11th grade - Easton Finch, Jada Florom, Brenden Jenkins

10th grade - Nayeli Diaz, Kobe Florom, Dominick Geho, Thomas Markussen, Kathleen McMillian-Peters, Esmeralda Mendez

9th grade - Eden Coppersmith, Joseph Eakins, John Fricke, Madyson Hunt, Anthony Pierce, Miles Rogge, Kayden Vazquez, Wyatt Walker

8th grade - Destiny Florom, Kenyon Florom, Jaleigh Hansen, Skylar Johnson, Elijah Meyer, Christopher Natividad, Griffin Perlinger

7th grade - Kade Bartow, Landon Drews, Hallelujah Griffith, Chase Holm, Alyssa Hunt, Ashtin Johns, Matthew McMillan-Peters, Mackenzie Sanchez

6th grade - Alexandria Jenkins, Jayden Montelongo, Andromeda Spurgin



**2021-22 S1 "A" Honor Roll**

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11th grade - Easton Finch, Isaiah Fox, Jayden Gartner, Jacob Holzfaster, Rylin Johns

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10th grade - Nayeli Diaz, Rebecca Fox, Dominick Geho, Thomas Markussen, Kathleen McMillian-Peters, Esmeralda Mendez

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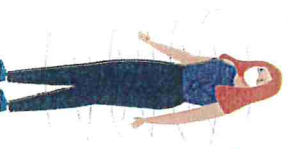
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# COVID-19 POSITIVE OR SYMPTOMATIC Isolation Guidance for the General Public

If you tested positive or have symptoms of COVID-19, stay home and isolate for at least 5 days!



## WHAT TO DO: STAY HOME, MASK & MONITOR

**GIVE SPACE TO PEOPLE YOU LIVE WITH & DO NOT HOST VISITORS**  
Stay in a separate part of your home when possible and use a different bathroom if you can.

**WEAR A MASK FOR 10 DAYS**  
Over your mouth and nose. Even at home, if you live with other people.

**WASH YOUR HANDS**  
With soap and water, for 20 seconds each time you wash them.

**CLEAN ALL "HIGH TOUCH" SURFACES**  
Wipe down and sanitize shared spaces often.

### STAY HOME FOR 5 DAYS

Start counting on the date of your positive test, OR on the first day of symptoms.

If you start out asymptomatic but get symptoms during your 10-day isolation period, begin the 10-day count again. The first day of symptoms is your new Day 0.

**WATCH FOR SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19**  
For a full list visit [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)



## COVID-19 EXPOSED NOT UP-TO-DATE ON YOUR VACCINE & BOOSTER

You are **NOT** up-to-date if you are not vaccinated, not fully-vaccinated, or if you are not boosted and you completed both doses of the Moderna or Pfizer vaccine more than 6 months ago or you completed the single dose of the J&J vaccine more than 2 months ago.

### WATCH YOURSELF FOR SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or trouble breathing
- Tiredness
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

### PROTECT OTHERS WEAR A MASK AROUND OTHERS FOR 10 DAYS

Especially if you live with someone who is not vaccinated **OR** is at high risk of severe disease.

If you start to have COVID-19 symptoms...  
Get a test and stay home.  
\*see "Isolation Guidance"

## WHAT TO DO: STAY HOME FOR 5 DAYS



If you have been within 6 feet of someone with COVID-19 for a total of 15 minutes or more on any day that they may have been infectious, stay home for 5 days, monitor and mask for at least 10 days, and test if possible.

If you cannot stay home for 5 days, mask around others for 10 days.

### Get tested, if possible.

If test is positive: Start isolation guidance\*. Stay home, wear a mask, and tell your close contacts.

If test is negative: Resume normal activities and continue to wear a mask around others.

Day 0  
Day 1  
Day 2  
Day 3  
Day 4  
Day 5  
Day 6  
Day 7  
Day 8  
Day 9  
Day 10

Last day of masking around others.

Isolation guidance and more resources at:  
[www.netracing.org](http://www.netracing.org)



Learn more at Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) | CDC

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## COVID-19 EXPOSED UP-TO-DATE ON YOUR VACCINE & BOOSTER

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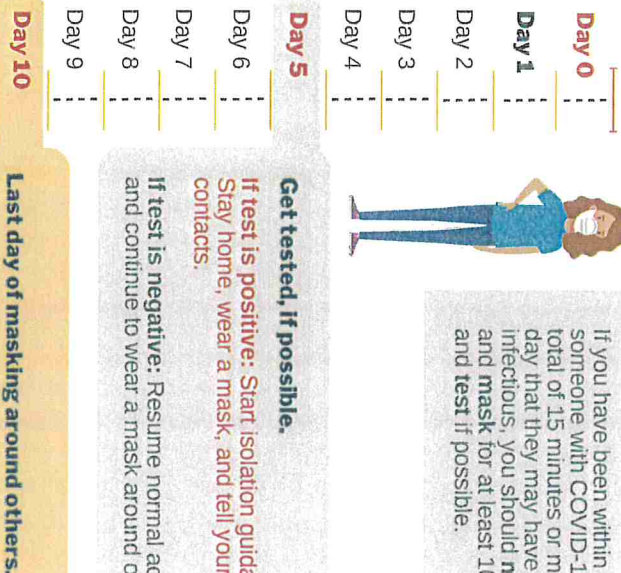


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# **IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR BABY'S DEVELOPMENT**



**All children develop at different rates.  
Listed below are some guides to see  
How your child is developing.**

## **0-1 YEARS**

**Holds head up by four months  
Picks up objects by six months  
Responds to sounds by six months  
Makes some of the sounds made by others by nine months  
Uses furniture to pull self to standing position by 12 months**

## **1-2 YEARS**

**Holds out arms and legs while being dressed by 18 months  
Points to objects he/she wants by 18 months  
Walks without help by 18 months  
Says two words by 18 months  
Drinks from a cup by two years  
Shows one body part (eyes, nose) when asked by two years**

## **2-3 YEARS**

**Speaks in 2-3 word sentences by three years  
Walks up and downstairs without help by three years  
Plays with an adult by three years  
Undresses self by three years  
Asks some questions by three years  
Speaks so non-family members understand most words by three years**

**For your questions or concerns contact your doctor,  
your local school district or call**

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