

WILDCAT PRIDE

October NEWSLETTER



The school year is plugging right along. I have been busy completing teacher evaluations during this month & have spent a lot of time in classrooms observing. I want you all to know you should sleep well at night knowing your child is in good hands. I have seen a ton of great teaching by both teachers and paras. I also see our staff working hard to hold our students accountable for their work and actions. They are teaching our children not only content, but also how to act and be good people. I hope you feel the same way and continue to support these efforts and echo in your home what we try to teach them here. I hope you all received useful information regarding your child during conferences. Conferences are very important and a great time to hear about how your child is performing academically and behaviorally. **We had 96% of parents last fall and 94% this fall.** We would love to have 100% in the spring. Thank you all for taking the time to visit with your child's teacher last week. Together, we can continue to make progress for our students. It's crazy October is nearly over and I hope you all have a fun and safe Halloween and Thanksgiving this coming month. We will have a 1:30 early out on Nov 27th to begin Thanksgiving break and there will be **no Kids First Program that day**. Until next month, take care and GO WILDCATS! Mr. Hansen

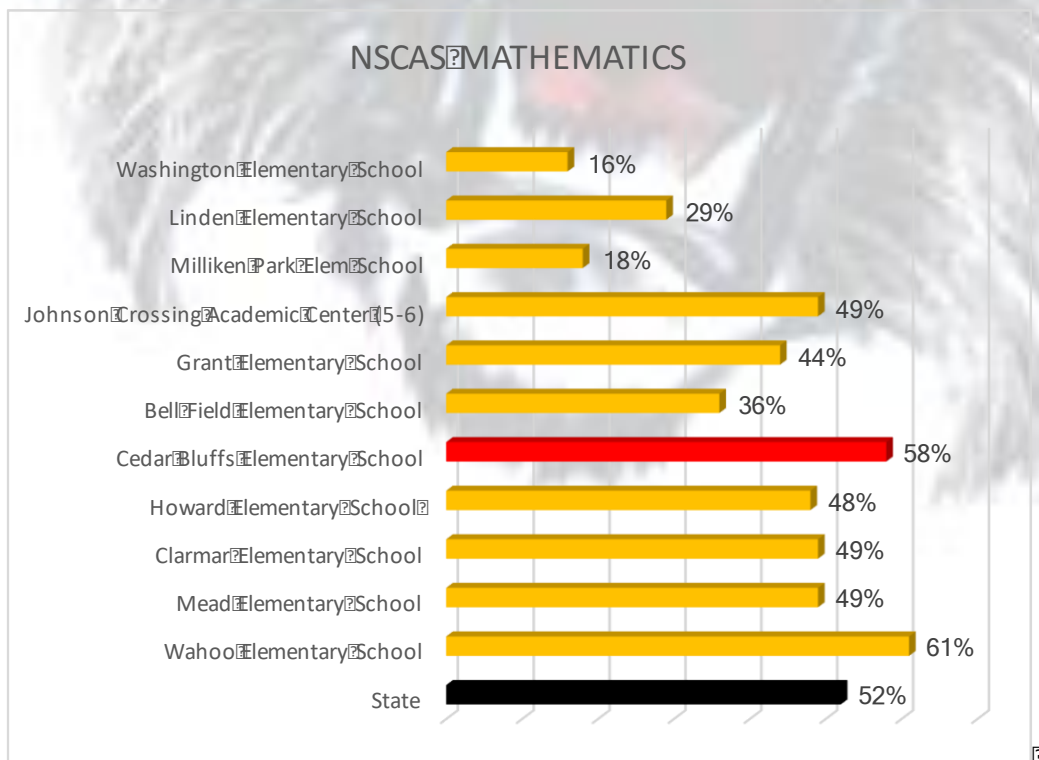
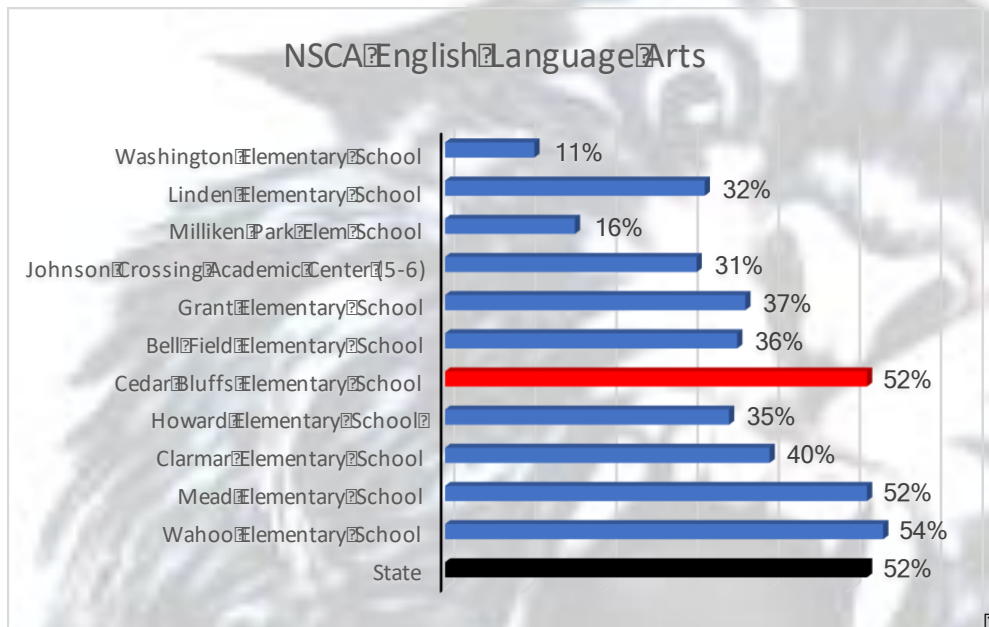
REMINDERS

- * As stated in the Elementary Handbook, students will generally be sent home if, they **throw up and feel ill, have a fever of 100, have suspected head lice, or some other possible communicable illness.**
- * If a student injury occurs while at school, we will do our best to determine the level of severity based on what the accident was, if there is an obvious deep cut, or visible broken bone, as well as the student's demeanor 15-20 minutes after the injury. If the injury seems severe we will attempt to contact parents to inform them and if necessary contact emergency services. If a student calms down after 20 minutes and goes on with their day we may consider them to be okay, but will still try and make contact in case the injury turns out to need treatment.

Other Information

- *ALL LOST AND FOUND items from the beginning of the year were donated after conferences. There has been a very large number of items left around the building. We will keep items until there is no room left to store them and will then donate those items throughout the year. If you notice something missing from your child's wardrobe come check at the office immediately.
- *Fall youth sports ended and winter youth sports are underway. We had over 120 students take part in a fall sport and currently for basketball and wrestling we have about the same amount of students participating. That is amazing! Thanks to our students, their families and our coaches for making it possible to have so many kids involved in an activity and for your support as we continually work to improve our operation of these programs with the Foundation.
- *For transportation issues contact Myk Kuhns, for Kids First After School Program and Youth Sports, Contact Jeff Beckman, for classroom related behaviors and academics contact your child's teacher. If you need additional support in one of these areas contact Mr. Hansen.
- *Nov 11, at 10:30 Veteran's Day Program

We recently received data from the Nebraska Department of Education regarding our school's performance on state testing from the 2018-2019 school year. Schools receive a ranking of Excellent, Great, Good, or Needs Improvement. On average 10 percent of schools attain a score of Excellent, 40 percent attain a score of Great, 40 percent earn a Good score and 10 percent get classified as Needs in Improvement. Our elementary earned the status of **GREAT!** We are proud of our students, teachers, paras, parents and **ALL** who are involved in making our school days operate smoothly. Included below are graphs showing Cedar Bluffs Elementary scores in math and reading in comparison to the state averages and also in comparison to all other elementary schools in the local area. We did very well in comparison local schools and are in the top 2 in each category.



October **PRIDE** Award Winners Were:

Kindergarten: Timothy Routh, Elaina Wesch, Ava Carruthers **First Grade:** Madalyn Anderson, Reno Green
Second Grade: Aurora Hoover, Phoenix Pickenpaugh **Third Grade:** Carolina Anaya, Reid Shanahan **Fourth Grade:** Matthew Bell, Sophea Vincent **Fifth Grade:** Charlotte Routh **Sixth Grade:** Wyatt Johnstone

These students were nominated by a teacher in the building for exhibiting **RESPECT** throughout the month of October. Congratulations to these students for being leaders in our building and exemplifying what it means to be a Cedar Bluffs WILDCAT.

GO WILDCATS!

