

# The Knight Times

*Life is a journey; Education is the roadmap and compass.*



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## Upcoming Events

### June 9

School Board Meeting

### June 16 - July 2

Gym Floor Refinished  
(Gym Closed)

### June 22 - 28

Ballerina Camp @  
Halsey Gym



## Mullen and Sandhills Conference Art Show Results

The Mullen and Sandhills Conference Art Shows were held in Mullen on Thursday, April 10. Rebecca Brauner and Mrs. Simonson put up 116 total works of art created by Sandhill's 7-12 grade Art Students.

The shows were judged separately by two sets of judges. The students finished very well in over-all artistry in both competitions. The Senior High and the Junior High won third place in over-all artistry in the Sandhills Conference. Both groups finished fifth in the Mullen Show out of 16 schools.

Sandhills won a total of 61 ribbons for the day. Ribbon winners were: Jaylee Simonson, Elizabeth Peterson, Ridge Anderson, Taylor Downing, Nolan Marten, Shawna Smith, Riggin Anderson, Paige Martindale, Amanda Payne, Heidi Saner, Jacy Hafer, Logan Hernandez, Carlie Collier, Michaela Goedeke, Kylie Cadwallader, Alan Rooney, Rebecca Brauner, and Kaitlin Marten.

The K-12 Art Students would like to invite you to their end of the year art display. It will be held in the commons area of the high school in conjunction with the Spring Music/Awards Program on Monday, May 5 from 6:30 p.m. to the end of the music program.



**Thanks to all the listeners that listened to the 1<sup>st</sup> Graders Friday Reading this school year. These include:**

Rachael Cox & Kallan  
Yvonne Cox  
Shasta Chavez, Cesar & Ember  
Jennifer Martindale & Corra  
Tricia & Ed Schukei  
Mariah Utter  
Leah Gillespie  
Patty Shoemaker  
Julie Chase  
Elaine Zutavern & Mattee  
April Hickman & Brayden



**The 1<sup>st</sup> Graders had fun making binoculars. We also made tents, out of sheets in our Classroom!**

**Sandhills Public School  
Board of Education Regular Meeting  
May 12, 2014**

***MINUTES***

**Regular Board Meeting**

The Sandhills Board of Education regular meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. All board members were present. Also present were Dallas Watkins of Ameritas; Dan Morrell and Tammy Wobig of Conditioned Air Mechanical; and Superintendent Dale Hafer.

**Consent Agenda:**

Michelle Milleson moved and Jeff Martindale seconded to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed 6 – 0.

**Administrative Report:**

Superintendent/Principal's Report:

- a. Supt. Hafer discussed/facilitated the following discussion items:
1. Dallas Watkins provided additional information regarding low interest financing options available through Ameritas to finish HS HVAC project.
  2. Dan Morrell answered questions related to current HVAC capacities, requirements, and abilities to adapt to future needs.
  3. Mr. Hafer reviewed the Advanc-Ed External Review Report with focus on the school's power practices and required actions.
  4. NASB e-Meetings service was discussed with Mr. Hafer agreeing to bring more information and specific pricing to the June board meeting.
  5. Board President Anderson read a "thank you" card from the elementary teachers showing their appreciation for attending reading conference.
  6. Available inventory and pricing possibilities for buses will be brought and discussed at the June meeting.
  7. Mr. Hafer updated the board on necessary adjustments to the HS class schedule as well as current status of schedules, related to paraprofessional use, at the elementary.
  8. The board was updated on the current hiring and vacancies situation in that the Language Arts position had been offered but no candidate secured as of yet.
  9. Mr. Hafer encouraged the board to attend the NASB School Law Seminar.
  10. Mr. Hafer discussed superintendent based leadership training with the board noting the board's support for professional development and the superintendents willingness to continue to grow and improve.

**S-T Coop:** The COOP advisory committee met April 23<sup>rd</sup> at Halsey Elementary. Updates regarding coaching assignments were discussed as well as details regarding an assistant athletic director and the use of “High School Cube” to stream activities live via the internet.

**New Business:**

- a. No patrons were present for purposes to address the board.
- b. Jeff Martindale moved and Tedd Teahon seconded to direct Superintendent Hafer to advertise for proposals, with service agreements, to complete the new HVAC project at the High School Building. The motion passed 6 – 0.
- c. It was moved by Michelle Milleson and seconded by Tedd Teahon to approve Ameritas to provide new HVAC project financing options for consideration at the June regular board meeting. The motion passed 6 – 0.
- d. The 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of board policy 1005.07 was tabled until the June or July board meetings.
- e. Tedd Teahon moved and Jeff Martindale seconded to accept, with regret, the resignation of language arts teacher Joe Hamik. The motion passed 6 – 0.
- f. The item of business related to automatic sprinklers was tabled until the June or July board meetings.
- g. Tyson Cox moved and Michelle Milleson seconded to approve the ability to allow 6<sup>th</sup> grade students to participate in Junior High Athletics according to Rule 10 guidelines and regulations. The motion passed 6 – 0.
- h. Board President Anderson adjourned the meeting at 11:18 p.m.

**Official Notice of Upcoming Board Meetings:**

The May regular board meeting of Sandhills Public Schools will be **June 5, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. Please note this is a change from the normal 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday meeting schedule.** The meeting will be held in the high school lecture hall and is open to the public. An agenda is kept continually current and is available for public inspection in the Superintendent’s Office during regular hours.

Respectfully Submitted:  
Dale J. Hafer  
Recording Secretary



May 12, 2014 Board Meeting

SANDHILLS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Total Resources Available	\$	3,264,202.00
<b>Total Budget Available for Expenditures</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,914,202.00</b>
May Beginning Balance	\$	1,417,721.35
Less: May Expenditures	\$	162,639.79
Plus: Checks thru 9000	\$	-
May Ending Balance	\$	1,255,081.56
<b>Balance of Expenditure Budget</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,255,081.56</b>

**GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS**

Received to Date (04-01-14)	\$	1,274,373.05
04-02-14 State of Nebraska	HHS MCP	\$ 346.81
04-02-14 State of Nebraska	HHS MCP	\$ 43.38
04-02-14 State of Nebraska	HHS MCP	\$ 84.06
04-09-14 Patrons	Activity Bus	\$ 44.00
04-15-14 Custer Co Treas	MVPR	\$ 94.61
04-15-14 Logan Co Treas	Co Fines	\$ 67.29
04-17-14 Thomas Co Treas	MV; Local; MVPR; In Lieu; Co Fines	\$ 6,529.26
04-17-14 Brown Co Treas	MVPR; Co Fines	\$ 75.62
04-17-14 Blaine Co Treas	MV; Local; HS; In Lieu; Co Fines	\$ 17,979.50
04-18-14 State of Nebraska	SPED	\$ 4,426.00
04-25-14 Joe Hamik	House Rent	\$ 250.00
04-25-14 Phyllis Saner	Dwight's Memorial	\$ 245.00
04-25-14 Broken Bow Schools	Medicaid Admin	\$ 263.63
04-25-14 ESU 10	Title I; Sub Reimb	\$ 29,032.19
04-25-14 Patrons	Activity Bus	\$ 16.00
04-30-14 State of Nebraska	State Aid	\$ 3,929.57
04-30-14 WNB	Interest Earned	\$ 19.34
	<i>April Total</i>	\$ 63,446.26
	<b>Total to Date</b>	<b>\$ 1,337,819.31</b>

**BANK BALANCE FOR GENERAL FUND**

BALANCE 04-01-14	\$	141,006.87
Receipts	\$	63,446.26
Expenditures	\$	172,988.41
Bank Charges	\$	-
<b>BALANCE 04-30-14</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>31,464.72</b>

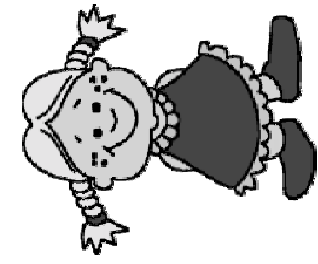
**Certificate of Deposits**

CD #10114, \$107,037.84  
 CD # 9867 \$ 100,833.91

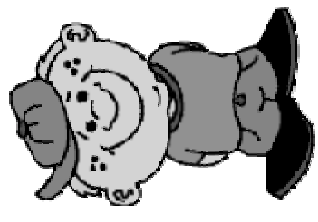
**PLEASE NOTE!** The date of the receipts do NOT necessarily reflect the date in which it was received by the office or the date that it was deposited. If you have any questions feel free to call the office.

## May 2014 Expenditures

Date	Check Payee	Description	Amount
05/12/2014	27135 Academic Superstore	Comp. Software	\$ 3,640.60
05/12/2014	27136 AS Central Services	Dist Learning	\$ 233.21
05/12/2014	27137 Broken Bow Clinic	Bus Physical	\$ 123.00
05/12/2014	27138 CARS	Tire Repair	\$ 13.50
05/12/2014	27139 Cash-Wa Distributing	Supplies	\$ 439.76
05/12/2014	27140 Celeste Rogers	Proff.Develop	\$ 250.00
05/12/2014	27141 Conditioned Air Mechanical	Repairs	\$ 1,030.80
05/12/2014	27142 Consolidated Telephone	Phone & Fax	\$ 280.76
05/12/2014	27143 Corporate Payment Systems	Credit Cards	\$ 638.38
05/12/2014	27144 Crown Awards	Awards	\$ 19.40
05/12/2014	27145 Custer Public Power District	REA	\$ 3,322.64
05/12/2014	27146 Dawn McFadden	1st Sem Mileage	\$ 146.51
05/12/2014	27147 DirSec, Inc.	Comp. Hardware	\$ 2,329.95
05/12/2014	27148 Dunning Water	Water/Sewer	\$ 349.00
05/12/2014	27149 ESU 10	Training/Service	\$ 1,336.53
05/12/2014	27150 Fishnet Security	Comp. Software	\$ 550.20
05/12/2014	27151 Halsey Frontier Inn	AdvancED Rev.RM	\$ 230.00
05/12/2014	27152 Harding & Shultz, P.C., L.L.O.	Legal Service	\$ 90.00
05/12/2014	27153 HireRight Solutions Inc.	Drug Testing	\$ 129.00
05/12/2014	27154 Hometown Leasing	Copiers/Printers	\$ 798.71
05/12/2014	27155 Island Supply Welding	Ag Supplies	\$ 653.16
05/12/2014	27156 J&J Sanitation, Inc.	HS Trash	\$ 730.10
05/12/2014	27157 J.W. Pepper & Son, Inc.	Music Supplies	\$ 158.90
05/12/2014	27158 Joshua Deines	Drive to Practice	\$ 90.00
05/12/2014	27159 Jostens	Awards	\$ 122.46
05/12/2014	27160 Kittle's Music	Music Supplies	\$ 187.00
05/12/2014	27161 Lea Essman	Science Supplies	\$ 88.03
05/12/2014	27162 Lori Zutavern	Mileage/Conference	\$ 165.83
05/12/2014	27163 MCI	Long Dist.	\$ 74.63
05/12/2014	27164 N A S B	Law Seminar	\$ 150.00
05/12/2014	27165 NE Council of School Administrato	Workshop	\$ 130.00
05/12/2014	27166 NE DOL/Boiler Inspection Prograrr	Boiler	\$ 36.00
05/12/2014	27167 Nebraska Central Telephone Co.	Dist. Learning	\$ 1,647.04
05/12/2014	27168 Nebraska Public Health Envir Lab	Well Testing	\$ 31.00
05/12/2014	27169 NETA	Conference	\$ 150.00
05/12/2014	27170 Norm's Auto	Repairs, Fuel, etc	\$ 2,512.07
05/12/2014	27171 NSNA School Health Conference	Conference	\$ 165.00
05/12/2014	27172 Oper Reimb	Reimb	\$ 1,351.01
05/12/2014	27173 Presto X Company	Service Contract	\$ 97.12
05/12/2014	27174 Quill	Supplies	\$ 79.98
05/12/2014	27175 Region 26 Council	Desks	\$ 150.00
05/12/2014	27176 Sandhills Education Coop	SPED	\$ 5,635.06
05/12/2014	27177 The Mandt System, Inc	SPED Training	\$ 2,850.00
05/12/2014	27178 Trophy Depot	Awards	\$ 56.33
05/12/2014	27179 Two Rivers Wellness	Weight Room	\$ 150.00
05/12/2014	27180 Wenquist	Repairs, Fuel, etc	\$ 167.43
05/12/2014	27181 Western Nebraska Bank	DD Payroll	\$ 46.25
		Total Vendor	\$ 33,626.35
		Payroll & Payables	\$129,013.44
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$162,639.79</b>



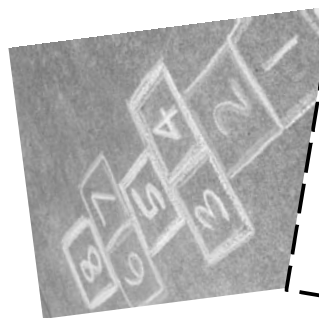
# I am Thankful for My School!



Box Tops help us to make our school an even better place!

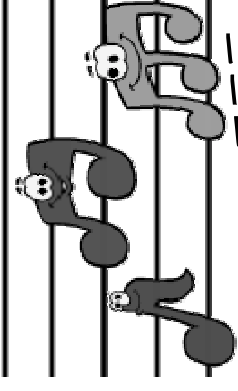
Place one Box Top on each great thing about our school. When the sheet is full, turn it in to your

teacher!



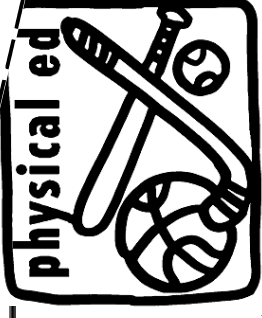
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Great Teachers!



Music Class

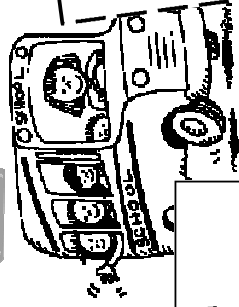
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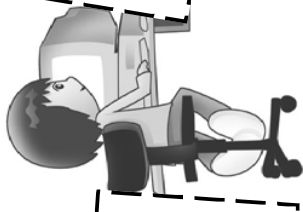
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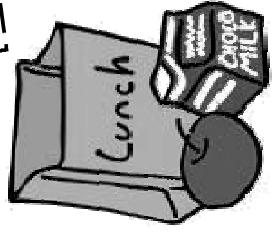
Field Trips



Computer Lab

Arts & Crafts

Healthy Lunches



Draw what you're thankful for about our school in the box below

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

## **The Loup 2 Loup Open Road Race Giving Back To Local Organizations**

On August 8, 2013 the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Loup 2 Loup (L2L) Open Road Race asked its surrounding communities to help with the race that runs the 12 miles between Halsey and Purdum and back again. Just like the year before they came forward to help in so many ways. Some gave their time selling T-shirts and cooking breakfast while others sat along the course and kept watch on the road to keep the drivers safe. Firefighters and EMT's alike brought their life saving skills in case there was a need, timers and technicians helped make the race the success it was, and of course the land owners allowed us access to their property. Thank you to each and every one of you.

The following organizations received donations from the proceeds of the event.

\$500 to Halsey / Purdum Service Club

\$500 to Blaine County Area Community Foundation

\$500 to Purdum Women's Fellowship

\$500 to Halsey Fire Department

\$500 to Purdum Fire Department

\$500 to Scholarships offered to Sandhills Public Schools & Thedford High School seniors

\$250 to UCC Church in Halsey

\$500 to Blaine County Education Association

\$500 to Thedord Fire Department

\$250 to the Village of Halsey

\$3500 Halsey Elementary School

The Loup 2 Loup is grateful to all those helping with this event and is delighted to give back to the local community organizations that help to make this area such a great place to live.

The 2014 L2L Open Road Race will be held on August 7, 2014. If you would like to volunteer or become a sponsor please contact Board President Red Christensen at 308-533-2323.

For additional information on the Loup 2 Loup Open Road Race please visit our web page at

[www.sorcrace.com/loup2loup](http://www.sorcrace.com/loup2loup)





Yvonne Cox receiving the \$500 check to the Halsey/Purdum Service Club from President Red Christensen.



Kris Ganoung accepting a \$500 check from Secretary Kim Carr for the Blaine County Education Association.



Halsey Elementary students with the \$3500 worth of tables and chairs donated by the Loup 2 Loup.



Dawn Hasebroock receiving a check of \$250 to the UCC Church of Halsey from President Red Christensen.





## Nursing Notes

School physicals for students who will be in grades 7-12<sup>th</sup> for the 2014-15 school year will be Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup>. The school will be sending home packets for the parents with all the information. No immunizations will be given during the physicals. Incoming 7<sup>th</sup> graders will need to have the Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) immunization prior to the start of school in August/State Law.

Children who will be Kindergarteners this fall are required to have their booster immunizations, an eye exam and a physical. The physical must be done within 6 months of the first day of Kindergarten.

May is National Salad Month & National Strawberry Month. Enjoy this delicious, healthy salad.

Mix together:

2 tablespoons sesame seeds

1 tablespoon poppy seeds

¼ cup sugar or sugar substitute

¼ cup olive oil

3 tablespoons vinegar

¼ teaspoon paprika & worcestershire sauce

Cover & chill at least 1 hour

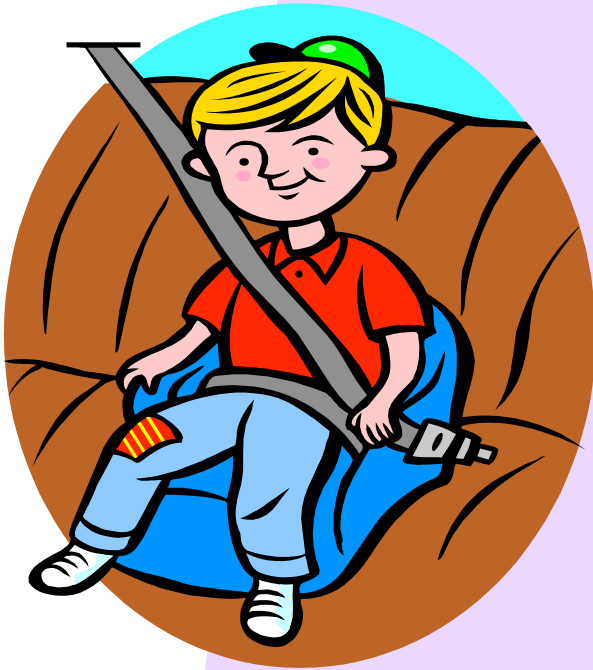
Toss fresh spinach, sliced red onions, sliced strawberries and a few slivered almonds. Add the dressing & refrigerator 10-15" before serving. YUM!

May 3<sup>rd</sup> is School Lunch Superhero Day which honors the schools nutrition staff who make a difference in the lives of every child/staff/visitor who comes through the food line. The week of May 5-9 is School Nutrition Employee Week. Here's a big THANK YOU to our School Nutrition Staff!

In Good Health,  
Lori Zutavern, RN-C  
School Nurse

# CAR SEAT CHECK UP

## Broken Bow Fire Station



**Date: May 23, 2014**

**Time: 12:00 — 4:00 pm**

**Location: 116 S. 11th Ave.**

**4 out of 5 car seats are used  
incorrectly. Is yours one of them?**

**Be sure that your child is safe when you travel...**

**Have your child's car seat inspected by a  
Certified CPS Technician!**

**Expectant parents, infants, and children up to age 12 will be served.  
*New car seats available for a suggested donation.***

***Please bring your child, the vehicle the car seat is in most often, and the car seat instructions.***

**Sponsored by:**

**Custer County Campaign Buckle-Up\* and Nebraska State Patrol**

**\*Sponsored by Central Nebraska Community Services (CNCS), funded by Nebraska Office of Highway Safety**

**For more information call CNCS at 308-745-0780 Ext. 145 or 1-800-736-7491 Ext. 145**





Third grade ready for the track meet!

Third graders No#1 tracksters!!!



A new year of school has finally arrived!! Here is a suggested list of supplies that your student might need during the school year.

Second Grade Supplies:

Small school box  
Several pencils  
Large eraser  
Bottle of glue OR stick glue  
Crayons OR colored pencils  
1 pen any color  
Scissors  
Ruler  
Paint shirt  
Water bottle  
1 box of Kleenex  
1 one inch 3 ring binder

**5th and 6th Grade School Supply List**

- \*Red pen for correcting
- \*cm/in ruler
- \*Scissors
- \*Wide ruled spirals--1 subject--70 sheets--I pick them up at Wal-Mart for \$0.19 each. Please pick up one of every color: black, blue, red, yellow, purple, and green. We color code for our various subjects.
- \*Wide lined notebook paper
- \*Box of kleenex
- \*No trapper keepers
- \*No mechanical pencils
- \*No pencil boxes- **pencil bags** will fit in the desks better.
- \*No water bottles needed. We have access to water in the classroom.

**More grades to follow in the upcoming newsletters**

**Transportation Reimbursement Claim**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Semester 2013-2014**

One way mileage of \_\_\_\_\_ less (3) miles for \_\_\_\_\_, which is multiplied by 1.5960 for regular resident district students and .7980 for the eligible enrollment option students to provide the daily reimbursement rate of \$\_\_\_\_\_. The daily rate multiplied by \_\_\_\_\_ days of attendance of the child/children of the family to provide a reimbursement value of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the **2<sup>nd</sup> Semester** of the 2013-2014 school year.

Applicants Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list names of all students: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE NOTE, IF YOU ARE ENROLLMENT OPTION, YOU MUST QUALIFY FOR **FREE LUNCH** TO RECEIVE MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT.

Deadline to submit 2013-2014 mileage is June 30, 2014



# Class of 2014

## Scholarship Recipients

### Breanne Bannan

Joyce Neben Memorial Scholarship  
 Eastern Star Scholarship  
 The Osmond Family Entrepreneurial  
 Scholarship  
 Max E. Fay Memorial Scholarship  
 Mabel Lamprecht Memorial Scholarship  
 Western Nebraska Bank Scholarship

### Cody Buesing

Western Nebraska Bank Scholarship

### Kylie Cadwallader

Blaine County Farm Bureau Scholarship  
 Halsey/Purdum Service Club Scholarship  
 University of Nebraska College of Technical  
 Agriculture Rawson Scholarship and Jorgenson  
 Scholarship  
 Consolidated Companies Scholarship  
 Past Exalted Scholarship  
 Elks Vocational Scholarship  
 Sandhills Community Scholarship  
 Susan Thompson Buffet Scholarship  
 Student Council Valedictorian Scholarship  
 American Red Cross Young Minds Change Lives  
 Scholarship  
 Terry and Pam Rodocker Memorial Scholarship  
 Sandhills Open Road Challenge Scholarship  
 Western Nebraska Bank Scholarship

### Tanner Freeman

Eastern Wyoming College Black and Gold Award  
 Dunning Youth Rodeo Scholarship  
 Western Nebraska Bank Scholarship  
 Noah Treer Memorial Scholarship

### Kaitlin Marten

Halsey/Purdum Service Club Scholarship  
 Loup 2 Loup Open Race Scholarship  
 Virginia D. Smith Charitable Trust Scholarship  
 Lee Miller Memorial Scholarship  
 Mabel Lamprecht Memorial Scholarship  
 Western Nebraska Bank Scholarship

### Mikal Stuelpnagel

Western Nebraska Bank Scholarship  
 Sandhills Open Road Challenge Scholarship



### Kacie Payne

Mid-Plains Community College Board of Governors Tuition  
 Scholarship  
 Western Nebraska Bank Scholarship  
 Sandhills Open Road Challenge Scholarship

### Leah Pickering

University of Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture  
 Rawson Scholarship  
 The Future of Agriculture Scholarship  
 Neal and Pauline Keller Scholarship  
 Max E. Fay Memorial Scholarship  
 Mabel Lamprecht Memorial Scholarship  
 American Red Cross Young Minds Change Lives Scholarship  
 Western Nebraska Bank Scholarship

### Brinnon Schukei

Sandhills-Thedford Wrestling Club Scholarship  
 Western Nebraska Bank Scholarship

### Jacy Spencer

University of Nebraska Lincoln CASNAR Scholarship and  
 Regents Scholarship  
 Loup 2 Loup Open Race Scholarship  
 Consolidated Companies Scholarship  
 Nebraska Elks Most Valuable Student Scholarship  
 Neuman M. and Mildred E. Harris Scholarship  
 Sandhills Alumni Scholarship  
 Lee Miller Memorial Scholarship  
 Sandhills Cattle Association Scholarship  
 Student Council Salutatorian Scholarship  
 American Red Cross Young Minds Change Lives Scholarship  
 Western Nebraska Bank Scholarship  
 FBLA Scholarship



## Grades 5 and 6 News

The theme for this year's American Legion Auxiliary was 'How can I show my pride in being an American?'

In 6th grade, our 1st place winners Dylan Lister and Bryan Zutavern. Bryan was the overall winner and his essay moved on to the state level. Our 2nd place winner was Lorraine Wonch, and our 3rd place winner was Brooklyn Leach.

In fifth grade, Reed McFadden was our 1st place winner. Our 2nd place winners were Cecilia Wonch and Brett Downing, and our 3rd place winner was Kylie Hewett.



### How Can I Show My Pride in Being an American?

By Bryan Zutavern

"I like to see a man proud of the place in which he lives. I like to see a man live so that his place will be proud of him." Abraham Lincoln.

I have pride in my flag and understand what each part of the flag represents. Because 50 states came together to form one nation, I am proud. I know that there are 50 stars for 50 states and 13 stripes for the 13 colonies that gave us our freedom. I don't let the flag touch the ground. I make sure the flag is the highest possible, unless it is 9/11. To pledge allegiance to the flag, and stand at attention while facing the flag are ways of being proud.

I show my American pride by celebrating Independence Day and knowing why it is a holiday. Independence Day is special to my community because on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July we declared freedom from Great Britain. I shoot off fireworks to celebrate our independence. I think of George Washington and those who fought for our freedom. They fought for our freedom hundreds of years ago and our troops are still fighting to keep our freedom today.

I show my pride by knowing why we sing the National Anthem, who wrote it, and what the National Anthem represents. Francis Scott Key wrote the words after the United State's flag continued flying over Fort McHenry after a bombardment during the War of 1812 in the Battle of Baltimore. At sporting events I stand up and sing our National Anthem, "Oh say can you see by the dawn's early light."

When I show pride in being an American, my country will be proud of me.

## How Can I Show My Pride In Being an American?

By Dylan Lister

“We here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this nation shall have a new birth of freedom; and that this government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.”

~Abraham Lincoln

I show my pride in being an American by respecting my nation’s flag. I will never let the flag touch the ground. Our flag is sacred to our country. If I ever let it touch the ground, I shall burn it because it shows I didn’t keep it safe and I dishonored it. On September 11<sup>th</sup>, will fly our flag at half-mast to honor those who passed on that tragic day.

When I am old enough, I will proudly join the armed forces. I will support my country and continue fighting for our freedom. I will protect my country from intruders and invaders. I am proud of our country helping others, and I will also proudly help those who are in need.

Reciting the Pledge of Allegiance shows my pride in being an American. By putting my hand over my heart I am showing that I love my country. I pledge to follow my country. I will stand behind my country and support it and its decisions. I pledge to bring justice to all. I am proud that we strive for equal rights for all people.

As Abraham Lincoln said, “We will not let these dead die in vain, and we shall have the birth of a new freedom.” I am proud to be an American because it is my nation it is my home. It is the land where I am free.

## How Can I Show My Pride in Being an American

by Lorraine Wonch

“We can't all be Washingtons , but we can all be patriots.”

Charles F Browne

I was made in America and I am proud to be an American. I show my pride in the United States of American in the way that I live my life. Many things that I do display how I love this country and how I am thankful that my ancestors were given the chance to settle in this great nation.

Singing our National Anthem is showing my pride in being an American. My mom and my sisters and I sing the Star Spangled Banner for my family members. I respect our National Anthem by singing it right while I look at the flag. I put my hand over my heart with pride and remember the veterans who served to keep us free. This is just a simple, yet grand gesture to show my pride and gratitude.

When I recite the Pledge of Allegiance, I show my pride in being an American. I put my hand over my heart and Pledge Allegiance to our country. Every day at school I show my pride in being an American when we recite this pledge.

The fireworks of 4<sup>th</sup> of July show my pride in being an American. The fireworks remind us that we are free to celebrate our freedom. The red , white and blue fireworks remind me of our flag. I am proud that years ago we declared ourselves free from Great Britain.

So, I might not be our first president, but I am a proud, sixth grade patriot.

## How I Can Show My Pride in Being an American?

By Brooklyn Leach

“Then join hand in hand, brave Americans all!

By uniting we stand, by dividing we fall,” said John Dickinson.

I show my pride in being an American by singing our National Anthem, The Star Spangled Banner. When I put my hand on my heart during the National Anthem I feel proud for my free country. I show my pride and respect for our National Anthem by taking off my hat while it is playing. When I sing the National Anthem I think of what the National Anthem means to me. The National Anthem means our country to me.

I show my pride by saying the Pledge of Allegiance everyday in school and in Awana. When I recite the Pledge of Allegiance, I think of my family members who have also proudly proclaimed the Pledge in the past.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> of July my family and I go and watch the red, white, and blue fireworks. When I go and see the fireworks I can show my pride by acting like a lady during the fireworks. I am proud of who I am. This is the best thing that I can do for showing my pride as an American in the U.S.

By uniting we stand by diving we fall. In America this is how I show my pride in America how do you show you show your pride. We will stand together and proclaim our pride in being an American.

## How Can I Show My Pride in Being an American?

By Reed McFadden

“Ask not what your country can do for you, but what can you do for your country.”-John F. Kennedy.

I show my pride in my country when I wear the colors red, white and blue on the Fourth of July. These colors are important because they are on our flag. White stands for my country's purity and innocence. Red means strength and bravery. Blue signifies observant, determination and justice.

Every morning I show pride in our country by putting up the flag and saying the Pledge of Allegiance. Our national song is the Star Spangled Banner. Lyrics of this song tell how soldiers died fighting for our country.

There are many ways to show pride for my country. I can attend Veteran's Day programs, help with care packages for soldiers or volunteer at community events. But my favorite activity to show pride for my country is by attending the Fourth of July celebration in Halsey. I spend time with my whole family, which is fun. We eat and socialize with friends and neighbors in the community. The evening ends with a display of fireworks to celebrate our freedom.

There are many ways to show pride for the United States. I read books written by American authors such as Mark Twain, Laura Ingalls Wilder, and Gordon Korman. I celebrate holidays with others. I help support soldiers near and far by writing letters and sending care packages. But most importantly, I show pride in my country by wearing the colors of the flag and saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

## How Can I Show My Pride in Being an American?

By Brett Downing

“I am an American; free born free bred.” -by Theodore Roosevelt

To show my pride in being an American, I say the Pledge of Allegiance. I pledge to the citizens and flag of the United States of America. I have pride in what we have. I know that the flag will never be turned down and will always wave. I pledge to do right. I hope I never have to do any wrong. I pledge to be an American citizen. I want to represent our country.

Because of my pride I will always respect our flag. I will never hurt our flag. I will never let our flag touch the ground or have it get a hole through it. I will always put up our flag to the top of the pole, except on September 11, to honor our flag. I will fly our flag every day. I will sing our National Anthem and say The Pledge of Allegiance.

I am proud of our American songs: You're a Grand Old Flag, American Soldier, and The Star Spangled Banner. The reason why I like those songs the best is that I think the songs really express my feelings. I will sing to honor America. My purpose is to honor the red, white and blue. I am proud to be free in this nation.

I am an American, I was born free, and plan to stay free in our country.

## How Can I Show My Pride By Being An American?

by Cecilia Wonch

“I, Cecilia Wonch, am proud of being an American. There are many ways I display my pride.”

I celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July to show my pride about American and our history. I am proud to celebrate with my family because we are proud to live in this country. My family and I proudly celebrate with fireworks that remind us of our freedom. The fireworks also remind us of the birth of our nation. ON the 4<sup>th</sup> of July at a family cap sight by the Dismal River, my cousins and I run up a big hill and we sing the Star Spangled Banner because we are proudly full of American spirit.

I enjoy singing the Star-Spangled Banner. Every time I hear it being played before games and rodeos, I am very proud of being an American because it reminds me of freedom. My sisters and I practice our national anthem a lot so we can sing it well. I'm showing my pride by singing it my best. When my mom wants to sing, she asks my sisters and I to sing it with her. Proudly, we sing high, low, together and alone.

I am proud of our flag. Betsy Ross designed the first flag and it has been added to several times over the years. It has survived many wars and men and women have sacrificed to protect it. That is why I fold our flag neatly with pride. I do not let the flag touch the floor. When I pledge to the flag, I am saying that I am a grateful citizen who will be faithful.

I am proud of America and being an American. I show others how proud I can be.



How Can I Show my Pride in Being an American?  
by Kylie Hewett

I can show my pride of being an American by honoring the flag every day at school. The 5th and 6th grades raise the flag to the top of the flagpole to wave proudly. We do not let it drop or let it touch the ground. If the flag is damaged, then it needs to be burned. Flying the flag shows pride because it went through many hard times with the soldiers.

Every day I put my hand over my heart when I recited the Pledge of Allegiance in class. Putting my hand over my heart means that I love my flat which symbolizes my country. The soldiers fight to protect us. Not even knowing us, they still serve in the military. When I put my hand over my heart, I think of what they do for me. They sacrificed themselves, and they left their home, family, and friends. They do not know if they were coming back or not. Putting my hand over my heart means I care for them.

Americans sing our national anthem, The Star Spangled Banner, to show pride. The words mean that the soldiers fought in war. Bombs bursting in air remind me that people died. But, our flag was still there showing pride and standing high on the pole with holes in it. That is why we sing the Star Spangled Banner at rodeos and other sporting events. The Star Spangled Banner means a lot to me. The Star Spangled Banner was written by a prisoner, Francis Scott Key. Francis Scott Key was held on a British ship during the Battle of Fort McHenry. It wasn't til after the battle that he saw the American flag was still flying. He wrote our national anthem after that battle that we won.

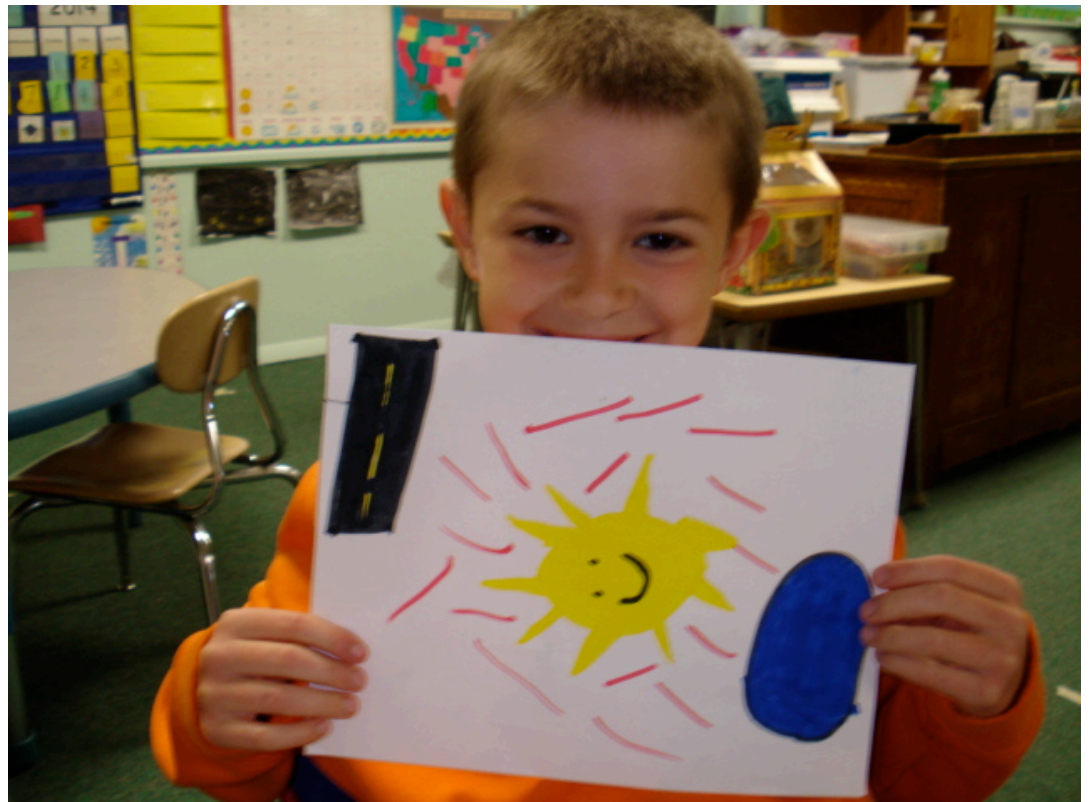
The way I show my pride is by letting the flag wave, putting my hand over my heart, and by singing our national anthem, the Star Spangled Banner. I stand proud for the red, white, and blue.

# The Sun

by the kindergartners

Yellow, yellow big bright star.  
You're so hot you might melt  
my car.

Up above the world so high  
Like a crayon in the sky.  
Yellow, yellow big bright star.  
You're so hot you might melt  
my car!



## I Wonder by the kindergartners

I wonder how the sun got so smart.  
It knows when to come up and when  
to go down.  
It knows when to make colors.  
It knows how to grow plants.  
It knows when to get hot so I can go  
swimming!



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