



Nevada News

"Preparing Learners Today for Tomorrow"

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Dream Baby Dream

"The young sailor at sea was ordered to climb a mast to adjust a sail during a violent storm. He got halfway up, looked down, got dizzy and sick. An old sailor on deck shouted up to him 'Look up, son, look up'. Young sailor looked up, regained his composure, and completed his mission. Moral: Look ahead, not back."

- Source Unknown



About a year and a half ago an opportunity presented itself to me to become Superintendent of Nevada Schools. Being a goal-oriented person with an eye to future, I explored the opportunity. I found a school district with strong traditions and high standards, filled with caring and passionate personnel, and embedded in a community of support. I saw potential for growth and found people mindful of continual improvement.

Reflection on my first year as Superintendent at Nevada Schools confirmed these aforementioned traits. Through the support and collaboration of many, we have much to be proud of. As I drive around Nevada I see new housing, economic development, volunteerism, and a tremendous quality of life. Likewise, our school district is engaged in many improvements for curriculum & instruction, facilities, and programming opportunities for our students.

Today, however, is not a day for reflection. With the excitement of a new school year upon us, it is important for us to heed the advice of the old sailor and "look up" and "look ahead". Nevada school employees will begin the new school year with David Horsager, author of the bestselling book, *The Trust Edge*. In his book, Horsager notes that, "No matter what your role is, trust affects your influence and success". Based on Horsager's message and an eye to the future, our theme for the upcoming year is *The Cub Edge: Dream Baby Dream*. Please know that we will continue to strive to ensure that "Nevada Schools" is a trustworthy brand.

I trust that the year ahead of us will be our best ever and I look forward to the many opportunities and accomplishments awaiting our students! As always, should you have questions or concerns I can be reached by phone (515-382-2783), email (sgray@nevadacubs.org), or Twitter (@sgray_NCSD).

Sincerely,
Dr. Steve Gray

IMPORTANT ELEMENTARY DATES

Aug. 11	1st-4th Grade Back to School 4:30-5:30 PM Kids and Parents Come Bring Supplies
Aug. 11	Multiage Back to School 6:00-7:00 PM Kids and Parents Come Bring Supplies
Aug. 12	Kindergarten Orientation 10:00-10:30 AM Parents and Kids Ride the Bus to School 10:30-11:00 AM Parents and Kids who Walk or are Dropped Off
Aug. 13	Classes Begin
Aug. 14	Preschool Orientation at 6:00 for AM and 7:00 for PM
Aug. 19	Preschool Starts
Sept. 1	NO SCHOOL

“LATE START” Mondays EVERY MONDAY!

They will now be 90 minutes however as compared to the previous 2 hour late start. We will follow the below schedule each Monday:

9:00 AM	Playground Supervised
9:35 AM	Bell Rings For Students to come into the Building
9:40 AM	Warning Bell Rings
9:45 AM	Tardy Bell Rings and Class Begins

News from the NMS

After School Opportunity

The Middle School will be partnering with The Boys and Girls Club for after school programming for 5th through 8th graders. Club-type enrichment classes will be available twice a week from 3:30 – 5:30pm. Look for a booth, fliers, and more details at Orientation on August 11th.

Orientation Night

NMS Orientation will be held on Monday, August 11th. Parents and students are encouraged to attend. Teachers will be outlining the year, sharing field trip opportunities, and handing out schedules and locker assignments. Students may bring supplies and practice their combinations.

Fifth grade will start in the Chorus room at 6:00pm. Multiage 5/6 will meet in the cafeteria at 6:00pm. Seventh grade will meet in the gym.

NMS Fall Sports meetings will be held at 6:45pm for Parents, Student Athletes, & Coaches. Students interested in football, volleyball, cross country, or cheerleading are encouraged to attend. Football for 7th & 8th graders will meet in the gym. Volleyball for 7th & 8th graders will meet in the cafeteria. Cross country for 7th & 8th will meet in the library. Cheerleading for 7th & 8th graders will meet in the Art Room. All students participating in a Fall sport need to have a current physical and forms on file before s/he may practice.

Orientation for 6th grade will be in the cafeteria at 7:30pm. Eighth graders will meet in the gym at 7:30pm.

NMS Uniforms

Thank you to Nevada Athletic Boosters for the new middle school uniforms! Come to a volleyball game or cross country meet to see our new uniforms.

Chromebooks

Chromebooks will be hitting the middle school this fall. Students will receive their initial training during the first week of school. In order for the student to take a computer home, a parent/ guardian needs to participate in a Parent Rollout Orientation on August 19th in the middle school gym. The first session will be at 6:00pm for parents with last names A through J and parents with last names K through Z will meet at 7:00pm. If a parent can not attend on the 19th, an optional session will be held on the 20th at 6:00pm.

Late Start Mondays

Late Start Mondays will be held weekly this year. Late Start Mondays provide training opportunities for staff from 7:30 – 9:00am.

NMS doors will open at 9:10am; breakfast will not be available on Mondays. Classes will start at 9:40am.

Magazine Sale

NMS has one major fundraiser each year – the Magazine Sale. Students will receive information at the Kick Off on August 29th. The sale will run August 29th through September 9th. Proceeds from the Magazine Sale help to support grade level field trips and transportation, Art supplies, Band and Vocal sheet music, PE equipment, and grade level ROAR incentives. Students who choose to participate are eligible for turn-in day incentives, homeroom challenges, and grade level prizes.

If you need to renew a subscription, let a middle school student help you out!

STAFF CHANGES AT CENTRAL ELEMENTARY

Existing Staff Changes:

Jennifer Bleacher - Jennifer is moving from 2nd grade to 1st grade. We are pleased to add her to the 1st grade team.

Heather Barloon – Heather is moving from Kdg. to 1st grade. We are pleased to add her as the 4th section of 1st grade.

Carol Bell – Carol is moving to the Middle School to teach 5th Grade. She leaves her 4th grade position at Central. We wish her well!

Kerri McLeod – We welcome Kerri from the Middle School! She will be providing Central students support with behavior and social skills through our special education program. We are glad to have her at Central this year.

Erin Murphy – Erin served Central students as a half time Guidance Counselor last year. We are very pleased to bring Erin on full time this year. She and Mrs. Kruse will both serve the students and families of Nevada full time.

New Staff Joining Central:

Lindsay Reicks – Lindsay will teach Multiage 3-4. She joins us from Fort Dodge St. Edmond's where she taught 5th grade. Prior to that she was a 1st grade teacher at Whittier and Unity both in Sioux City, Iowa. Lindsay is a graduate of Morningside for her BS and Walden University for her MS. We welcome Lindsay to Nevada!

Amanda Myers – Amanda will teach Multiage 3-4. She is joining us from Hubbard-Radcliffe where she taught 4th grade for 6 years. She obtained her BS from ISU and her MS from Drake. Welcome to Nevada Amanda!

Alicia Ewalt – Alicia will teach Multiage 1-2. She is joining us from Ames where she taught kindergarten for 2 years. Alicia is a graduate of Iowa State with her BS in Early Childhood Education. We welcome Alicia to Nevada!

Randi Pool - Randi will teach 3rd grade at Central. She has just completed both her BS and MS at the University of Minnesota. She participated in a program that assigned her to a full year of student teaching at Earle Brown Elementary in the Brooklyn Center School District. Welcome to Nevada Randi!

Emily Amundson – Emily will teach 4 Year-Old Preschool next year. She comes to us from Hampton-Dumont where she taught Early Childhood Special Education. She graduated from ISU with her degree in Early Childhood Education. We welcome Emily to Nevada!

Erin Klopstad – Erin will be one of our Reading Specialists this year at Central. She comes to us most recently from Leander ISD in Leander, TX where she was a reading

specialist. Prior to that she was a Reading Recovery and Title I Reading Teacher for the Sioux City Public Schools. She obtained her undergraduate degree from Morningside College and her graduate work was done at the University of South Dakota. We welcome Erin to Nevada!

Katelyn Jamison Hammen - Katelyn will provide programming as one of our special education teachers at Central. She comes to us from West Des Moines where she was a Special Education Teacher at Phenix Elementary for the past 2 years. She is a graduate of Drake University. Katelyn and her husband reside on an acreage just outside of Nevada. Welcome to Central Katelyn!

Carla Creswell – Carla will serve our English Language Learners this year at Central. For the past 2 years she has been the English as a Second Language teacher at Perry. She is a graduate of St. Olaf College in Northfield, MN and received her Elementary Education Degree from the University of Iowa. We welcome Carla to Nevada!

Will Baumann – Will is going to serve as a part-time PE teacher at Central and middle school this year. Will comes to us from Tripoli, IA where he taught Elementary PE and Coached Volleyball. Welcome to Central Will!

Technology

Carrie Hillman--Carrie will be our Technology Integration Specialist. She comes to us from Oelwein where she has been in charge of technology integration, curriculum and library media services.

Middle School

NMS would like to welcome the following new staff members:

Kody Asmus--Kody will serve as our assistant principal and activities director for the middle school. Kody has been a teacher, coach and athletic director at NU High in Cedar Falls, former Dean of Students and coach at Waterloo East and most recently, a teacher and coach at Ankeny.

Kate Wieczorek--Kate will be our 6th grade math teacher. She is a Nationally Board Certified Teacher from West Genesee High School in Camillus, NY.

Amy Hutchinson--Amy will teach language arts for 8th grade. Amy comes to us from Iowa Falls.

Will Baumann --Will will be a PE teacher and volleyball coach. He comes to us from Tripoli, IA where he taught elementary PE and coached volleyball.

Randi Heintz, Molly Sigler and Paige Eddy--Randi, Molly and Paige will be associates at middle school.

Garisa Spikes--Garisa will be our middle school guidance counselor. She comes to us from Webb Middle School in Austin, TX. She has been a guidance counselor and 7th & 8th grade language arts teacher and coach.

April Hanley--April will be a cheerleading coach.

Food Service

David Schmitz--David is replacing Candy Anderson who retired. He is a graduate from Iowa State University and has worked in food service as a director his whole career. He will be assisting the football program this fall. He is looking forward to the school year and making the food service department a great experience for the children of this community. David says, "Bring on the Crispos!!!!!"

High School

Kyle Hutchinson--Nevada High School is proud to welcome Kyle Hutchinson as the new high school assistant principal and activities director. Kyle comes to Nevada from Iowa Falls Alden where he was a high school math teacher and head boys basketball coach. Kyle is married to Amy Hutchinson who is also employed by the district as the new 8th grade language arts teacher.

Leif Segen--Nevada High School would like to welcome Leif Segen to Nevada. Leif will be teaching Project Lead the Way courses, math and science courses at the high school. Leif has been teaching at South Hamilton up until this year, and we are extremely excited about what Mr. Segen will bring to the high school this upcoming year.

Maintenance

Daniel DeYoung--Dan is the new head custodian at the high school.

Melissa Atkinson—Melissa works as a custodian at the middle school.

PTA News

The new school year is quickly approaching! We will soon be trading in our beach towels for back packs and adjusting ourselves to the back-to-school routines. It's a busy, but very exciting time for us all. As you begin filling up your calendar with your children's and family's events, please consider what and how you can partner with the PTA to provide value to our students and staff. We're using the phrase, "Pawing Our Way to the Top" this year as a theme to encourage growth in the organization, which in turn, provides positive contribution to the district. We're so pleased that we have received the time and resource contributions of so many in the past. We're excited to see that continue, and grow going forward. We're teaming up with businesses, hoping to further engage with district staff, and grow parent membership during the 2014-2015 school year. We look forward to seeing your faces at a few PTA sponsored family friendly events that we hope you'll take advantage of.

The annual PTA Pool Party is to be held at Fawcett Family Aquatics Center on Saturday, August 9th from 6:30-8:00PM. Admission is free for all members of your family and we kindly ask that children be accompanied by an adult. While attending, kids can vote on which movie will be shown during the free PTA Family Movie night August 22nd at Central Elementary gym beginning at 5 p.m. The Lego Movie, Despicable Me 2, and The Nut Job are this year's nominees. Popcorn and water will be provided for the movie so plan to enjoy some free family fun time before heading to the other Lincoln Highway Days events!

Once school is in session, PTA meetings will once again be held the first Monday evening of every month at the Central Elementary Library. A volunteer will provide a free dinner for you and your family beginning at 5:45 and we'll kick off our one hour meetings at 6PM. Meeting agendas are always posted ahead of time at our website www.nevadaiaowapta.org.

Meeting times may not work for some, but your help is even further appreciated throughout the year by either providing supplies or volunteering for 30 minutes at one of the PTA's events. Take a look at the list below and consider attending an event as a family and/or volunteering.

Be sure to like us on Facebook for all the latest updates on future events at Nevada PTA

NevadalowaPTA@gmail.com

Back to School Pool Party	August 9th
Family Movie Night	August 22nd
LHD Parade	August 23rd
PTA Meeting	September 8th
Elementary Open House/ButterBraid Kick-off	October 2nd
PTA Meeting	October 6th
Halloween Costume Exchange	
Fall Book Fair	
PTA Meeting	November 3rd
Elementary/Middle School Conference Meals	November 6th
PTA Meeting	December 1st
Festival of Trees	
PTA Meeting	January 5th
Family Reading Night/Book Swap	
Snowflake Dance	
PTA Meeting	February 2nd
Testing Week	
PTA Meeting	March 2nd
PTA Carnival	March 27th
PTA Meeting	April 6th
PTA Meeting	May 4th
Teacher Appreciation Week	May 4th - 8th

Admission to Home Athletic Events

The admission to MS athletic events is \$3 for adults and students are free. HS admission for Varsity events is \$3 for students and \$5 for adults. HS admission for 9th/JV events is \$3 for adults and students are free. Passes are available at the HS Athletic Office and are good for HOME NHS athletic events. Student pass is \$40; Adult 10 event punch card is \$30; Student 10 event punch card is \$20.

Free passes to regular school athletic events will be made to all persons age 65 and over. Applications for passes may be made at the superintendent's office and will be granted upon verification of age.

Nevada FFA chapter attends national Washington Leadership Conference

WASHINGTON, D.C. June 23, 2014

Adriana Saldana, Brooke Mackey, Erik Fevold, Mikaela Rans, and Megan Anderson of the Nevada High School FFA Chapter recently attended the National FFA Organization's 2014 Washington Leadership Conference that was held June 10th through June 14th. The cost of the trip was \$1,017 per student. Nevada FFA Chapter awarded each of the participants with an \$850 Leadership Scholarship. "We think it is important to provide funding for students to attend activities like the Washington DC Conference, money well spent for a great experience!" stated Nevada FFA advisor Kevin Cooper.

The annual conference focuses on leadership development, personal growth and community service. More than 2,200 students - up to 340 a week - from throughout the U.S. who are FFA. The conclusion of each weekly session of the Washington Leadership Conference is a Day of Service, where students work together on a real, hands-on community-service project. Last year, through each week's Day of Service, students contributed a total of \$85,283 worth of volunteer labor to the greater Washington, D.C. area. Students packed, sorted and distributed more than 29.5 tons of produce and shipped more than 100,000 meals overseas.

This year, students will volunteer more than 9,500 hours to pack and ship thousands of meals to Nicaragua to help the third-world country battle hunger.

"Monsanto's support of the Washington Leadership Conference reflects our sole focus on agriculture and commitment to American farm families," said John Raines, lead of customer advocacy at Monsanto. "Monsanto has a long tradition of supporting agriculture youth through scholarships, education and leadership development programs. We are enthused to support FFA members dedicated to developing the leadership skills they'll need to achieve success and personal fulfillment."

For more, visit www.FFA.org/WLC. Follow the conference on Twitter at #WLC2012.

"CSX is proud to support the participation of FFA members in this life-changing leadership development conference," said Tori Kaplan, AVP, CSX Corporate Social Responsibility. "The Washington Leadership Conference is an awesome opportunity for students to learn how to become a visionary and develop their decision-making and goal-setting skills

while expanding their understanding of agribusiness and participating in community service. The experience and skills that students will learn will stay with them for a lifetime."

The National FFA Organization provides leadership, personal growth and career success training through agricultural education to 540,379 student members in grades seven through 12 who belong to one of 7,489 local FFA chapters throughout the U.S., Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.



Nevada FFA members pictured in Washington DC in front of the Supreme Court Building L to R, Adriana Saldana, Brooklynn Mackey, Erik Fevold, Mikaela Rans, and Megan Anderson

About National FFA Organization

The National FFA Organization is a national youth organization of 540,379 student members as part of 7,489 local FFA chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. The FFA mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. The National FFA Organization operates under a federal charter granted by the 81st United States Congress and it is an integral part of public instruction in agriculture. The U.S. Department of Education provides leadership and helps set direction for FFA as a service to state and local agricultural education programs. For more, visit the National FFA Organization online at www.FFA.org, on Facebook, Twitter and the official National FFA Organization blog. Members will attend one of the conference's seven week-long sessions in June and July. "Students come to the Washington Leadership Conference wanting to make a difference. They leave knowing they can—and will," said Dwight Armstrong, CEO of the National FFA Organization. "I believe students are generally aware of global problems like hunger and poverty but many are sheltered and disconnected from what's happening in the world."

During their time in Washington, FFA members experience real-world problems and take critical steps toward personal growth and developing leadership skills they'll need to make a difference in people's lives, starting in their own communities."

Created in 1969 and held annually in Washington, D.C., the conference helps students develop leadership skills, identify personal strengths, develop awareness of societal differences and human needs and strategize how they can help others through community service. Throughout the week, each student develops a community-service initiative for their local community, with the intention of students returning home and implementing their plans.

The 2014 National FFA Organization's Washington Leadership Conference is sponsored through the National FFA Foundation by, Monsanto, CSX, TransCanada, Crop Production Services, Farm Credit and CHS.

\$1,000 Donated to Nevada FFA

Not just another Thursday at the high school when Dale Swanson showed up! After appraising the tractor projects around the Ag Mech lab and some conversation with Mr. Cooper, Swanson produced a check made out to Nevada FFA for \$1,000. "Keep up the good work and use the money judiciously" stated Swanson. Dale & Luz Swanson & family along with sons Andy & Richard, farm in the Nevada area. They also have farms in Schaller, Iowa. Swansons are diversified in their ag production. Sweet potatoes, rare indigenous prairie species, and watermelons are just a few of the other plants grown besides corn and soybeans. "Andy planted 6,000 sweet potatoes again this spring" stated Dale.



Nevada FFA members pictured with Dale Swanson & check for \$1,000, L to R, Jake Barker, Dale Swanson, and Henry Corbin.

DuPont Community Advisory Committee

Tyler Jones, Nevada FFA Vice President and Chair of the Iowa High School Renewable Energy Conference, along with Connor MacVey, and Mr. Cooper traveled to DuPont Pioneer headquarters in Johnston Tuesday evening July 8th. They enjoyed a pork loin dinner in the Ceres Cafe, which is located within the Pioneer Carver Center. John Pieper, Director of DuPont's Cellulosic Ethanol Development Program, briefed everyone on DuPont's core values. Pieper also stated DuPont has a goal of collecting stover from at least 200,000 acres in order to supply the necessary fermentable material for fermentation of the advanced biofuel. Keith Gibson, plant manager, stated that the plant completion is set for by the end of year, and then forty five days of testing before full scale production. The meeting then shifted location to the DuPont Innovation Center where the multitude of diverse DuPont product lines are on display integrated with interactive audio video modules.



Pictured L to R, Connor MacVey; John Pieper, Director, Pioneer Cellulosic Development Program Office US Region; and Tyler Jones.



Big Thank You to Lorna Sellberg for her recent purchaser of an FFA DR brush mower.

Asbestos

Pursuant to the requirement of the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), a copy of the Asbestos Management Plan for each school building is available for review in each respective facility. A complete set of Management Plans is available for review in the District Administrative Office. The Management Plan containing past, present, and future asbestos activity is located at the District Office at 1035 15th Street in Nevada, Iowa. People wishing to view this plan may contact Dave Kroese at the Transportation Facility, 157 11th Street in Nevada, IA (382-4067). The asbestos activity can be found on the District website www.nevadacubs.org

Directory Information

The following information may be released to the public in regard to any individual student of the Nevada Community School District as necessity or desirability arises: Name, address, telephone listing, date & place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of the athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, the most recent previous school or institution attended by the student, and other similar information.

Any student over the age of eighteen (18), parent, or guardian, not wanting this information released to the public must make objection in writing within fifteen (15) days of the date of this publication, or within fifteen (15) days of enrollment should enrollment occur after that date, to the principal or other person in charge of the school which the student is attending.

Educational Equity Policy Statement

Students, parents, employees and others doing business with or performing services for the Nevada Community School District ("District") are hereby notified that the District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, age (except students), religion, national origin, sex, marital status, creed, sexual orientation, gender identity, or disability in admission or access to, or treatment in, its programs and activities.

The District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, age (except students), religion, national origin, sex, creed, sexual orientation, gender identity, or disability in admission or access to, or treatment in, its hiring and employment practices. Any person having inquiries concerning the school district's compliance with the regulations implementing Title VI, Title VII, Title IX, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1974 or *Iowa Code* § 280.3 is directed to contact:

Superintendent of Schools
Located at 1035 15th Street, Nevada, Iowa 50201
Phone: (515) 382-2783

who has been designated by the District to coordinate the District's efforts to comply with the regulations implementing Title VI, Title VII, Title IX, the ADA, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1974 and *Iowa Code* § 280.3 (2005).

District Discipline Policy Statement

"The Nevada Community School Board affirms its intent to support the school discipline policies, to support school staff that enforces the discipline policy, and to hold school staff accountable for enforcing the discipline policy."

Harassment and Bullying

The Nevada Community School District is committed to providing all students a safe and civil educational environment in which all are treated with dignity and respect. The District is also committed to promoting understanding and appreciation of the cultural diversity of our society. The Nevada Community School District shall educate students about our cultural diversity and shall promote tolerance of individual differences. The Board Policies 502.10 and 502.13 can be found in their entirety on the District website www.nevadacubs.org. You also can request a copy be mailed to you by contacting the Office of the Superintendent by calling 515-382-2783 or sending a letter of request to the Office of the Superintendent, 1035 15th Street, Nevada, IA 50201.

Equal Employment Opportunity (Affirmative Action)

It is the policy of the Nevada Community School District Board of Education to extend equal opportunities to all employees and to applicants for employment who meet the qualifications established for a class or a position for which the application is made. It is also the policy of this district to not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, religion, creed, sexual orientation, gender identity or marital status. (Code No. 401.1)

Inquiries regarding compliance with equal educational or employment opportunities and/or affirmative action shall be directed to Affirmative Action Coordinator, Nevada Community School, 1035 15th Street, Nevada, IA 50201. Inquiries may also be directed in writing to the Director of the Region VII Office of Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education, 310 W. Wisconsin Ave., Ste. 800, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203-2292, (414) 291-1111 or the Iowa Civil Rights Commission, 211 E. Maple, Des Moines, IA 50309, (515) 281-4121.

Health Service Responsibilities

The health service responsibilities for grades pre-kindergarten through twelfth are shared by two nurses. Not only is the focus of physical care for the students but on health promotion and health education as well. The complete school health program includes elements of health service, health education and a healthy school environment to help meet the educational and health needs of the student population.

Some of the health services for students and staff include screening programs, illness care, emergency care and first aid, health counseling and communicable disease control. Screening programs which include vision (grades kindergarten through 8th) hearing, blood pressure, height and weight measurements, are completed each year.

Health counseling, an increasingly important part of health service, involves conferences with students on concerns such as family problems, personal health problems, pregnancy, weight-control, stress and/or hygiene.

Another area of school health deals with health education. The school nurse is often a classroom presenter or serves as a resource for the classroom teacher. Programs are provided on subjects such as sex education, sexually transmitted diseases, communicable and chronic diseases, hand washing, dental health, growth and development and CPR.

Through health services and health education the school nurse can help students make healthy and responsible choices.

Iowa Sex Offender Registry

Many communities in Iowa, including Nevada have residents living in the community that are on the Iowa Sex Offender Registry. We are aware of residents living in the Nevada area that are on the sex offender register, although we no longer receive any official notification. The sex offender register is available online at <http://www.iowasexoffender.com>. Parents are encouraged to be aware of this information by accessing this website.

Please be aware that this notification is to serve only as a means for the public to protect themselves. Any action taken by anyone against these individuals or their family can result in arrest and prosecution.

Military Recruiter Access

Under federal law, Nevada must provide military recruiters your child's name, address and telephone number, without your prior written consent. Parents of secondary school students have a right to request that their child's name, address and telephone number not be released to a military recruiter without their prior written consent. Parents/Guardians may request that information not be provided by contacting the High School Guidance office by calling 515-382-2751 ext. 396 or sending a letter of request to the High School Guidance office, 1035 15th Street, Nevada, IA 50201.

Homeless?

Are you between the ages of 5 and 21, and:

- lack a fixed, regular or adequate nighttime residence?
- live on the street, in a car, tent or abandoned building or some other form of shelter not designed as a permanent home?
- live in a community shelter facility?
- live with non-nuclear family members or with friends? (not living with a parent, foster parent or court-ordered guardian)

HELP IS AVAILABLE!

The ways we can help...

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| • Immunizations | | * Enrollment in a friendly school |
| • Provide free school breakfast and lunch | * | Payment of school fees |
| • Support services to help students be successful | * | Seek support for family members |
| • Transportation to and from school | | * Transfer your school records |

Contact Nevada Community School District for assistance: **Administrative Office, 382-2783**
Steve Gray, Superintendent

¿Sin hogar? ¡la ayuda está disponible! Nevada Community Schools. Llame la oficina administrativa. 515-382-2783

Nevada Community Schools Assignments

Multi-Cultural Non Sexist Education Coordinator	Justin Gross	High School Principal	382-3521
Title IX Coordinator	Steve Gray	Superintendent	382-2783
504 Coordinator	Steve Gray	Superintendent	382-2783
Equity Coordinator	Steve Gray	Superintendent	382-2783

Open Enrollment

Parents/guardians considering the use of the Open Enrollment option to enroll their child/ren in another public school district in the State of Iowa should be aware of the following dates:

- * September 1, 2014 – Last date for Open Enrollment requests for students entering kindergarten in the Fall of 2014.
- * March 1, 2015 – Last date for regular Open Enrollment requests for the 2015-16 school year.

Parents/guardians of Open Enrolled students whose income falls below 160% of the federal poverty guidelines are eligible for transportation assistance. This may be in the form of actual transportation or in the form of a cash stipend.

Parents should be aware that the Open Enrollment may result in the loss of athletic eligibility. For further details, contact the Superintendent's Office at 382-2783.

Video Surveillance

Nevada CSD uses video surveillance /electronic monitoring equipment to observe, monitor and/or record the behavior and activity of all persons on school property or grounds, or participating in school functions.

Special Ed Delivery Plan

This plan can be located on the District website www.nevadacubs.org. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this plan please contact Steve Gray, Superintendent at 515-382-2783 or by email at sgray@nevadacubs.org.

Post-Secondary Enrollment Options Act

As Juniors and Seniors plan their class schedules, it is important that they are aware of the opportunity to enroll in college classes. The Post-Secondary Enrollment Options Act is intended to promote rigorous academic pursuits and to provide a wider variety of options to High School students by enabling eleventh and twelfth grade students to enroll part time in nonsectarian courses in eligible post-secondary institutions of higher learning in Iowa. In simple terms – a Junior or Senior in High School has the option to attend a university, college, community college or private institution that is eligible under the act. Several Nevada students have taken advantage of this opportunity in past years.

For students enrolling under this act, tuition is authorized to be paid by the local school district. The amount of tuition reimbursement for each separate course shall equal the lesser of the actual and customary costs of tuition, textbooks, materials and fees directly related to the course taken or two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250). Students and/or parents interested in learning more about earning post-secondary credit while in High School should contact Jeff Baker, High School Guidance Counselor.

School Bus Safety – Kady's Law

One would think it would be difficult to miss the flashing amber and red 8-way flashers on the bulkhead of our buses front and back as well as the red flashing lights on our two bus-mounted stop signs. Unfortunately, this is a common occurrence. The purpose of the law is to protect our students. The fine is issued only after the dangerous action is over and is used as a deterrent in the future. Under the bill, Senate File 2218, a first offense fine is at least \$250 and up to \$675, and a violator can be sent to jail for up to 30 days. A second offense within five years is a serious misdemeanor, with fines ranging from \$315 to \$1,875 and a jail term up to a year. Nevada has cameras mounted in most of our buses. This has been a very valuable tool in identifying the vehicles involved in the situation. Every year we hear about young children getting killed or injured in situations involving school transportation. Most schools, including Nevada design our bus routes to minimize the risk for our students but we need your help. Keep in mind that it is illegal and dangerous to pass a school bus from either direction while the red lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended. You must slow to 20 mph or less and be prepared to stop a minimum of 15 feet away from the bus when approaching from the front when the amber warning lights are flashing. The only time these lights are going to be used is when children are coming to or going away from the bus at their designated stops so please stay clear until all children have left the area. For a complete set of details, please go to the Code of Iowa (Iowa Code section 321.372) at <http://www.legis.state.ia.us/IACODE/2001/321/372.html>.

Teacher Qualifications

Parents/Guardians in the Nevada Community School District have the right to learn about the following qualifications of their child's teacher: whether the teacher has met state licensing criteria for the grade level(s) and subject area(s) taught; whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or provisional status through which state licensing criteria would have been waived; the undergraduate degree major of the teacher, and any graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, including the field of discipline of the certification or degree; if your child is provided services by paraprofessionals their qualifications.

Parents/Guardians may request this information from the Office of the Superintendent by calling 515-382-2783 or sending a letter of request to the Office of the Superintendent, 1035 15th Street, Nevada, IA 50201.

Tobacco/Nicotine Free Environment

In the best interest of students and adults alike, the Board has established a smoke free environment on all school grounds. Knowing that smoking is physically addictive, all persons will be provided the opportunity of breathing clean air in the district's public buildings.

All school district owned facilities and grounds shall be off limits for smoking at all times and the ban is extended to all persons. This includes all school-sponsored events as well as non-school-sponsored events. Persons violating this policy shall be asked to refrain from smoking. Persons failing to abide by this request shall be required to leave the school district premises immediately. School district personnel failing to abide by the request will be subject to disciplinary action.

Use of Video/Audio Cameras on School Buses

The Nevada Community School District Board of Directors has authorized the use of video/audio cameras on District buses. The video/audio cameras may be used to randomly monitor student behavior to maintain order on the school buses to promote and maintain a safe environment. Students and parents are hereby notified that the content of the recordings may be used in a student disciplinary proceeding. The content of the recordings are confidential student records and will be retained with other student records. Recordings will only be retained if necessary for use in student disciplinary proceeding or other matter as determined necessary by the administration. Parents may request to view recordings of their child if the recordings are used in a disciplinary proceeding involving their child.

Student Records

Nevada Community School District maintains records on each student in order to facilitate the instruction, guidance and educational progress of the student. The records contain information about the student and his or her education and may include, but are not limited to, the following types of records: identification data, record of achievement, family background data, aptitude tests, educational and vocational plans, honors and activities, discipline data, objective counselor or teacher ratings, and observations and agency reports.

The records of each student are generally located in the school in which he or she is attending. The person in charge of record maintenance for each school building will note in the student's other records any exception. The name and position of the person responsible for maintenance of student records for each school building is listed below.

Central Elementary	Kathy Goecke, Principal
Middle School	Chris Schmidt, Principal
High School	Justin Gross, Principal

The following persons, agencies and organizations may have restricted access to student records, without prior written consent of the parent or student over the age of 18 years. Any other access to student records shall be only upon written consent or upon court order or legally issued subpoena.

- To school officials within the school district and AEA personnel whom the superintendent has determined to have a legitimate educational interest, including, but not limited to, board members, employees, school attorney, auditor, health professionals, and individuals serving on official school committees;
- To officials of another school district in which the student wishes to enroll, provided the other school district notifies the parents the student records are being sent and the parents have an opportunity to receive a copy of the records and challenge the contents of the records unless the annual notification includes a provision that records will automatically be transferred to new school districts;
- To the U.S. Comptroller General, the U.S. Attorney General, the U.S. Secretary of Education or state and local educational authorities;
- In connection with financial aid for which the student has applied or which the student has received if the information is necessary to receive the financial aid;
- To organizations conducting educational studies and the study does not release personally identifiable information;
- To accrediting organizations;
- To parents of a dependent student as defined in the Internal Revenue Code;
- To comply with a court order or judicially issued subpoena (consistent with an interagency agreement between the school district and juvenile justice agencies);
- In connection with a health or safety emergency; or,
- As directory information.

Student records are reviewed and inappropriate material destroyed periodically and, at a minimum, whenever a student moves from the elementary level to the middle school level, from middle school level to the high school level, and when a student transfers out of the district. Those records not of permanent importance are destroyed within three years after graduation or discontinued attendance.

The parents of disabled students, or disabled students over age 18, will be informed when personally identifiable information in the records is no longer needed to provide educational services, and before the information is destroyed.



2014 – 2015 Nevada Booster Club Membership

Select One (X)	Contributions Level	Amount	Benefits
	White Membership	\$50	\$10 voucher for Nevada Cubs apparel
	Purple Membership	\$100	One (1) punch card ____ OR a \$30 voucher for Nevada Cubs apparel ____ (please select one)
	Bronze Membership	\$150	Two (2) punch cards ____ OR a \$50 voucher for Nevada Cubs apparel ____ (please select one)
	Silver Membership	\$200	One (1) Individual Annual Pass and \$10 voucher for Nevada Cubs apparel
	Gold Membership	\$300	Two (2) Individual Annual Passes and \$20 voucher for Nevada Cubs apparel
	Platinum Membership	\$500	Four (4) Individual Annual Passes and \$50 voucher for Nevada Cubs apparel
	Diamond Membership	\$750	Five (5) Individual Annual Passes and \$70 voucher for Nevada Cubs apparel
	VIP Membership	\$1,000	Six (6) Individual Annual Passes and \$100 voucher for Nevada Cubs Apparel

- **Annual Passes** (available through Boosters only) ~ good for 2014-2015 school year for all home high school/middle school athletic events (excludes district and regional games).

- **Punch cards** ~ good for 10 home high school/middle school athletic events (excludes district and regional games).

When paying as a BUSINESS the business will receive a plaque with annual renewal stickers.

Name (as you would like it to appear in the program for athletic events):

Address: _____ Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____

_____ YES! I can help with concessions and other Booster projects. Call / E-mail me!

_____ YES! I would like to be a Booster Club Board Member! Call / E-mail me!

_____ YES! I'd like to donate my vouchers to the Angel Tree Program.

Please mail this form with a check payable to Nevada Booster Club, P.O. Box 161, Nevada, IA 50201

**Join the Nevada Boosters for the annual TAILGATE at the first High School home
football game **August 29th****

Membership dues accepted at the tailgate. Cub merchandise will also be available!

Current Members of the Booster Club Board

Joe Anderson - Amy Coogler* - Kristin Cook
Mark Crawford* - Tim Fevold - Shane Higgins*
Stacey Kingsbury - Ben Sansgaard - Sara Strottman
DeeDee Thomsen* - Jesse Tibodeau

**completing their 3-year term in September 2014
Please mark your membership above if you'd like to be
added to the ballot to be a board member! Voting takes
place at the tailgate.*

Also find Nevada Booster Apparel at

the Flower Bed
Your Florist

1001 6th Street, Open Mon – Fri 9 - 5pm and Sat 9 -12pm

2014 High School Volleyball

Date	Time		Location
16-Aug	TBD	V	Scrimmage vs Ankeny
23-Aug	TBD	V	Scrimmage vs Johnston
26-Aug	5:00PM	9/JV	Triangular at Gilbert HS
30-Aug	9:00AM	V	Tournament at Ames
9-Sep	5:00/6:30PM	9/JV/V	Home vs Roland-Story
11-Sep	5:00/7:00PM	9/JV/V	Away vs Greene County
13-Sep	8:00AM	V	V Invitational at SE Polk HS
13-Sep	8:00AM	JV	JV Tournament at ADM HS
13-Sep	8:30AM	9	9th Invitational at Ankeny Cent HS
18-Sep	5:00/6:30PM	9/JV/V	Home vs North Polk
20-Sep	9:00AM	V	V Tournament at Ft Dodge
20-Sep	9:00AM	9	9th Tournament at Hampton-Dumont
22-Sep	4:30PM	9	9th Invitational at Saydel HS
23-Sep	5:00/6:30PM	9/JV/V	Away vs S Hamilton
27-Sep	8:30AM	V	Home vs Various
4-Oct	8:30AM	9	9th Invitational at Home
4-Oct	9:00AM	V	V Tournament at Waverly-Shell Rock
6-Oct	5:00PM	9/JV	Triangular Away at ADM
9-Oct	5:00/6:30PM	9/JV/V	Home vs PCM
18-Oct	9:00AM	V	V Tournament at Winterset HS
18-Oct	9:00AM	JV	JV Tournament at East Marshall

2014 Middle School Volleyball

Date	Time		Location
9-Sep	4:30PM	7th	Home vs PCM
11-Sep	4:30PM	8th	Away vs PCM
15-Sep	4:30PM	8th	Away vs Gilbert
15-Sep	4:30PM	7th	Home vs Gilbert
18-Sep	4:30PM	8th	Home vs Roland-Story
18-Sep	4:30PM	7th	Away vs Roland-Story
23-Sep	4:30PM	8th	Home vs S Hamilton
23-Sep	4:30PM	7th	Away vs S Hamilton
25-Sep	4:30PM	8th	Away vs Greene Co
25-Sep	4:30PM	7th	Home vs Greene Co
29-Sep	4:30PM	8th	Home vs PCM
29-Sep	4:30PM	7th	Away vs PCM
2-Oct	4:30PM	8th	Home vs Gilbert
2-Oct	4:30PM	7th	Away vs Gilbert
6-Oct	4:30PM	8th	Away vs Roland-Story
6-Oct	4:30PM	7th	Home vs Roland-Story
9-Oct	4:30PM	8th	Away vs S Hamilton
9-Oct	4:30PM	7th	Home vs S Hamilton
13-Oct	4:30PM	8th	Home vs Greene Co
13-Oct	4:30PM	7th	Away vs Greene Co

For up-to-date Schedules/Calendar of Events

Go to

www.heartofiowaconference.org

click on Nevada Comm School

or

www.nevadacubs.org

click on Activities tab

for up-to-date information



2014 High School Football

Date	Time		Location
29-Aug	7:30PM	V	Away vs Interstate 35
2-Sep	6:00PM	9	Home vs Greene County
5-Sep	4:45/7:30PM	9/V	Home vs Saydel
8-Sep	6:00PM	JV	Home vs Saydel
12-Sep	4:45/7:30PM	9/V	Away vs Bondurant-Farrar
15-Sep	6:00PM	JV	Home vs Bondurant-Farrar
19-Sep	4:45/7:30PM	9/V	Away vs Collins-Mawell-Baxter
22-Sep	6:00PM	JV	Away vs Collins-Mawell-Baxter
26-Sep	4:45/7:30PM	9/V	Home vs Grinnell (HOMECOMING)
29-Sep	6:00PM	JV	Away vs Grinnell
3-Oct	4:45/7:30PM	9/V	Away vs Benton Community
10-Oct	4:45/7:30PM	9/V	Home vs Gilbert
13-Oct	6:00PM	JV	Away vs Gilbert
17-Oct	4:45/7:30PM	9/V	Away vs Ballard
24-Oct	4:45/7:30PM	9/V	Home vs Newton



2014 High School Cross Country

Date	Time	Type	Location
28-Aug	5:00PM	Invitational	ISU Cross Country Course
6-Sep	11:00AM	Invitational	Pella
11-Sep	5:00PM	Invitational	Greene County HS
25-Sep	4:30PM	Invitational	Story City-Riverbend Golf Course
29-Sep	4:30PM	Invitational	Hickory Grove Park
4-Oct	9:30AM	Invitational	Eldora
9-Oct	4:30PM	Invitational	Jewell Golf & Country Club
13-Oct	4:30PM	Conference	ISU Cross Country Course

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2014 Middle School Football

Date	Time		Location
9-Sep	4:30PM	7th	Home vs Bondurant-Farrar
11-Sep	4:30PM	8th	Away vs Bondurant-Farrar
18-Sep	4:30PM	8th	Away vs North Polk
18-Sep	4:30PM	7th	Home vs North Polk
25-Sep	4:30PM	8th	Home vs PCM
25-Sep	4:30PM	7th	Away vs PCM
2-Oct	4:30PM	8th	Home vs Gilbert
2-Oct	4:30PM	7th	Away vs Gilbert
9-Oct	4:30PM	8th	Home vs Roland-Story
9-Oct	4:30PM	7th	Away vs Roland-Story
16-Oct	4:30PM	8th	Away vs Greene County

2014 Middle School Cross Country

Date	Time	Type	Location
15-Sep	4:30PM	Invitational	Huxley
18-Sep	4:30PM	Invitational	Ames
25-Sep	4:30PM	Invitational	Story City Riverbend Golf Course
29-Sep	4:30PM	Invitational	Hickory Grove Park
9-Oct	4:15PM	Invitational	Jewell Golf & Country Club
13-Oct	4:00PM	Meet	ISU Cross Country Course

School Closing/Weather Alerts

Parents: → School Alerts Program

Nevada CSD will be using a system called CodeED to notify parents of weather cancellations, delays, etc. Notifications will go out as a phone call, text message, and email. Please make sure your information is updated and correct in PowerSchool so you get these important messages.

Community: → Media

The following television stations will be primarily used for weather-related announcements: KCCI (8) & WHO (13). Email alerts are available via www.kcci.com. Information will also be posted to the district website (www.nevadacubs.org), Facebook page (www.facebook.com/NevadaCSD), and via Twitter (@sgray_NCSD) or (@NevadaCSD).

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