

Nevada News

"Preparing Learners Today for Tomorrow"

A Publication from the Nevada Community School District

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Nevada CSD Building On Strengths

Nevada school administrators are currently completing their first of six book studies this year, *Lead Positive*, by Kathryn D. Cramer. The book is centered around the concept of Asset-Based Thinking (ABT), which provides a framework to look at one's current situation "through the eyes of what is working, what strengths are present, and what the potentials are" (p. 217).

This seems an applicable introduction to the District's current plans to expand the existing Ag-Mech facility, add a structure to host a regional welding program (DMACC certified), and add a fully functional greenhouse.

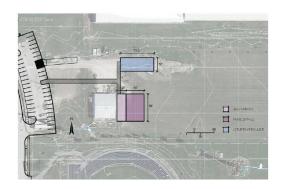
Nevada CSD has a long and proud tradition of excellence in agricultural programming and strong regional support for such programming. The current plans will allow for expanded curricular opportunities in this area, the potential for greater partnerships with advanced manufacturing, and enhanced career opportunities for students.

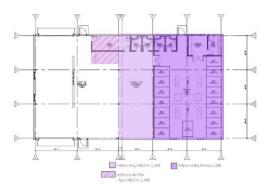
Construction is expected to begin in February 2015, with a substantial completion date projected for September 23, 2015. Classes will begin in the new facilities in August of 2015. The projects are being funded with bond funds remaining from the most recent high school renovation. Additional funds may be required from the District's sales tax reserves.

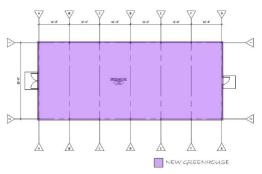
As always, should you have questions or concerns I can be reached by phone (515-382-2783), email (sgray@nevadacubs.org), or Twitter (@sgray_NCSD).

Yours in education,

Steve Gray
Dr. Steve Gray







Important Dates

Nov. 4 1 Hour Early Dismissal

For Elem & MS ONLY

P/T Conferences K-8

Nov. 6 1 Hour Early Dismissal For Elem & MS ONLY P/T Conferences K-8

Nov. 7 NO SCHOOL Teacher Work Day

Nov. 20 2:15pm Dismissal
For HS ONLY
P/T Conferences 3-7pm

Nov. 27-28 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break

Dec. 19 End 2nd Quarter

Dec. 22 NO SCHOOL

Teacher Work Day

Dec. 23-Jan.2 NO SCHOOL

Winter Break

Jan. 5 Classes Resume 3rd Quarter Begins

Jan. 15 Elementary Parent Info Night 6:30pm



READ TO YOUR CHILD-The most important 20 minutes of your day!

Veterans Day program planned at Nevada High School.

The Nevada High School will again be recognizing the sacrifices made by our veterans with a Veterans Day program scheduled on November 11th at 10:00 am in the Josephine Tope Community Auditorium.

The program is open to the public and will begin promptly at 10:00 am, doors to the auditorium will open at 9:30 am.



Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 is the law that prohibits schools from discriminating against students with disabilities. Section 504 sets minimum standards for providing related services and aids to students with disabilities that substantially limits a major life activity. All accredited Iowa schools must comply with Section 504, Section 504 applies to elementary and secondary education, preschool and adult education, and private education.

For more information on consideration of a 504 Plan for your child, please contact your child's Principal. The Principal will then take steps to convene a team of individuals who are knowledgeable about your child to determine, based on evaluation data, if a 504 Plan is warranted.

Following is a link to the Iowa Dept. of Education website

http://educateiowa.gov for more information on Section 504.

What is the difference between a cold and the flu?

The flu and the common cold are both respiratory illnesses but they are caused by different viruses. Because these two types of illnesses have similar flu-like symptoms, it can be difficult to tell the difference between them based on symptoms alone. Usually, the flu is worse than the common cold, and symptoms such as fever (100 degrees +), body aches, extreme tiredness, and dry cough or chest discomfort are more common and intense. Colds are usually milder than the flu. People with colds are more likely to have a runny or stuffy nose. Colds generally do not result in serious health problems, such as pneumonia, bacterial infections, or hospitalizations.

What are some ways to help prevent getting a cold or the flu?

It may seem inevitable to catch a cold or the flu every year given how common they are but there are several easy things you can do to lessen your risk:

- Get a flu shot
- Wash your hands often-use soap and water and aim for at least 20 seconds
- Eat a healthy diet with plenty of fruits and vegetables
- Get 7-8 hours of sleep per night
- Avoid touching your face, especially the eyes and nose
- Teach kids good hygiene-washing hands, coughing and sneezing into tissues, etc.
- Cleaning-especially the kitchen and bathroom. If you use sponges or rags to clean change them often and/or soak in bleach at least 15 minutes
- Exercise is a proven immunity booster-aim for 45 minutes/day, 5 days/week
- Avoid others who are actively sick if possible

<u>Tobacco/Nicotine Free</u> Environment code #905.2

Nevada Community School District facilities and grounds, including school vehicles, are off limits for tobacco or nicotine use, including the use of look-alikes where the original would include tobacco or nicotine. This requirement extends to students, employees and visitors. This policy applies at all times, including school sponsored events, wherever held, and non-school sponsored events on District facilities and grounds. Visitors failing to abide by this policy are required to extinguish their smoking material, dispose of the tobacco, nicotine or other products or leave the District premises immediately. Students or employees failing to abide by this policy are subject to additional sanctions. It is the responsibility of the administration to enforce this policy.

Nevada High School Speech Department

About Us

Nevada High School speech is just bursting with excitement as we prepare for our speech season. Students start practice in early November with early morning practices for large group. Events from Group Improv, Readers Theater, to short film are all a part of Large Group Speech. Individual speech season starts in December with 14 different categories from original oratory, solo musical theater, to acting.

Competitions

Our first competition is District Large Group on Saturday, January 24 at Ankeny Centennial High School and then State Large Group is on Saturday, February 7 at West Des Moines Valley High School. District Individual Speech Contest is Saturday, February 28th site to be determined. State Individual Speech Contest will held at Nevada High School and Middle School on Saturday, March 14th.



Volunteers Needed-Please Help!

Volunteers needed for hosting State Individual Speech Contest at Nevada on Saturday, March 14th. We need 150+volunteers to help support the 110 schools that will be coming. Around 1000 speech entries will be performed that day. If you are interested in helping with this contest, please contact **Heather Ludwig** at **515.382.3521** or hludwig@nevada.k12.ia.us

Nevada FFA News

Nevada FFA Earns Silver at State Livestock

The judging workouts and classroom studying paid off for the Nevada FFA at the State FFA Livestock Career Development event held at Iowa State University on Saturday, August 23, 2014. The contest provided an opportunity for FFA members to display their agricultural knowledge and skills in the area of livestock evaluation. Activities included: placing breeding and market classes of beef, swine, and sheep; grading classes of beef, swine and sheep, and three sets of oral reasons. Nevada placed 25th of the 48 teams to earn silver award placing. The contest was held in the new Hansen Agriculture Student Learning Center. Members of the FFA judging team were Austin Doty, Nicole Dewell, Savannah Kyle, and Jack Henry. Unfortunately, Jack was unable to attend. Mr.Cooper is the Nevada High School Ag Ed instructor and FFA advisor.



Nevada FFA Livestock Judging team that earned Silver award at State FFA contest, L to R, Austin Doty, Nicole Dewell, and Savannah Kyle.

Nevada FFA Soils Judging Results

Nevada FFA placed 18th out of 67 teams competing at North Central District FFA soils judging contest held at North Iowa Area Community College in Mason City on Wednesday, October 1st. Soils judging consists of a comprehensive soil knowledge written test, and the students must evaluate four different soil profiles for characteristics, slope, drainage, and numerous other factors related to management and potential. Connor MacVey individually placed 67th out of 237 individuals.



Nevada FFA Soils Judging team pictured in front of soil profile #1 L to R Courtney Davis, Nicole Dewell, Savannah Kyle, and Connor MacVey

Green Hand Fire Up & Leadership Workshop

While the Nevada upperclassmen were judging soils, 28 new FFA members attended the Green Hand Fire Up & Leadership workshop on campus. The freshman participated in breakout sessions which provided information on what FFA activities they are able to participate in. Other sessions allowed the students to meet other FFA members from the north central district high school FFA chapters in attendance.



Nevada FFA Freshman Greenhands (1st year members) front kneeling L to R, Chance Steffes, Brianna Pratt, Grace Francis, Bailey Montgomery, Sydney Handsaker, Grace Oxley, Logan Stufflebeam, Kevin Arends, Kennedy Wierson Standing L to R, Jazalyn Jones, Jessica Sturtz, Alejandra VazquezPerez, Lexi Koudelka, Hunter Anderson, Felicity Robinson, Abbie Jepsen, Jacob Larsen, Abbie Lindsey, Emilio Saldana, Catelyn Adelmund, Amanda Harter, Katy Griffin, Madison Thompson, Nora Anderson, Kenzie Dunson, Luke Merfeld, Dennis Garcia, and Luke Fevold.

Nevada FFA Sells John Deere B

Randy Brekke of Nevada purchased a John Deere Model B from Nevada FFA for \$3,500. Two years ago, Brekke had donated and delivered the tractor to the FFA chapter. Students disassembled the fuel system, hood, steering, clutch and various other components. Henry Corbin finished the tractor restoration this past summer and exhibited the tractor at the Iowa State Fair. Titan Tire Company donated a completely new set of tires for the tractor. Nevada Monument donated the sandblasting of the tractor. Local adult professionals donating expertise and services included Van Wall technicians Tyler McDonald & James Scarlett. Lyle Stahl, grandfather to Henry Corbin also volunteered several hours to the project.



Randy Brekke presents check to Henry Corbin payable to Nevada FFA for \$3,500

Nevada FFA Sells Massey Ferguson 180 Tractor

On Thursday afternoon, October 2nd, Tim Couser presented Nevada FFA with a check in the amount of \$7,000 for the purchase of the chapter's Massey Ferguson 180 Diesel tractor. The tractor was donated in August 2013 by Rich & Nancy Degner of Ankeny. The Degners used the tractor on their farms near Ogden and Boone. The Nevada high school ag mechanics students and members of the Nevada FFA made necessary repairs & refinishing, and entered the tractor at the 2014 Iowa State Fair. It won Reserve Champion at the state fair FFA ag mechanics tractor competition. The tractor was also entered in the Chevron Delo national tractor competition receiving numerous votes on-line.

Thanks to Rich & Nancy Degner for the initial donation. Thanks to Tim Couser for the purchase of the finished tractor.

Thanks to Linda Adamson & Titan Tire for donating the tires

Also, thanks to the students and volunteers that contributed as well, including Tyler McDonald, technician at Van Wall Equipment for his donation of time & assistance.



Rich Degner at farm north of Boone, August 2013



Nevada FFA members Dana Ackerman & Courtney Davis accepting check from Tim Couser

Swanson Farms Provide Fresh Produce

Dale Swanson, and son Andy grow more than just corn & soybeans at their Nevada and Schaller, Iowa Farms. Lately, the green beans, yellow beans, eggplant, tomatoes, and watermelons have been ready for harvest. Nevada High School agriculture students and FFA members have assisted with the harvest and preparation of these locally grown commodities. "I think it is good for young people to see how easy and how much you can grow of your own food!" stated Dale Swanson. Recently, over 400 lbs. of watermelons were harvested and delivered to the Nevada Community School's lunch program. This was enough watermelon for all three educational centers. Earlier, the students enjoyed fresh cut beans. "The yellow beans flavor was really good" added Ben Toot, Nevada High School sophomore. "Later this fall, over 6,000 sweet potato hills will be ready for harvest also" says Andy Swanson. All of the produce, including delivery and handling have been donated to the school by the Swanson family. Mr. Cooper, Nevada High School Ag Ed instructor and FFA advisor has facilitated the collaborative effort along with student volunteers.



Nevada High School student volunteers pictured with Dale Swanson and fresh watermelons, L to R, Megan Anderson, Dale Swanson, Mekenlie Jones, and Alex Good.



Mekenlie Jones, Megan Anderson, Caden Trygstad, and Alex Good pictured with a cart full of fresh watermelons destined for the Nevada school lunch program.

HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

* THE GUIDANCE WEBSITE

The Nevada High School Guidance Department updates the website periodically with new <u>SCHOLARSHIPS</u> that we receive in the office. We have them filed in wall folders in the Guidance office. Check out the following website for new scholarships and other helpful links:

www.nevadacubs.org

- click on "Nevada High School"
- click on "School Counseling Department"

* A NOTE TO SENIORS & THEIR FAMILIES:

Now is the time to be sending those college apps! You <u>PO NOT</u> have to wait until you take the ACT, if you haven't taken it already. Also, start the scholarship search! You can check the guidance office for the scholarships we receive and check the online links on the Guidance website. Make sure to give the people you're asking for letters of recommendations at least a 1-2 week notice. And don't forget, the FAFSA needs to be filled out after January 1st (www.fafsa.gov).

* A NOTE TO JUNIORS & THEIR FAMILIES:

This is a very important year for every junior. If you've started out high school not so good, you can turn things around this year and finish your final 2 years strong. If you've started out high school strong, keep it up! Juniors, now is also the time for you to start searching for scholarships. The majority out there are for seniors, but there are plenty for juniors. Also, soon all juniors will take a free Pre-ACT. You should then take the real ACT in the spring. Also in the spring, you want to start narrowing down your college choices. If you want to make a college visit, you

can do that as a junior. See Mr. Baker for more information.

* NEED A TUTOR?

Check the Guidance website for a link to a list of tutors for hire in the Ames area:

ames.universitytutor.com

There are close to 700 tutors available, ranging in price from \$5/hour to \$50/hour. You can sort by price, subjects, etc. Check it out!

* IMPORTANT DATES:

Thursday November 20, 2014 – Parent-Teacher Conference Night

** Presentations by ICAN this night:
1) College Planning Presentation –
5:30pm – IMC

A seminar presented by the Iowa College Access Network geared towards juniors and seniors and their families as they prepare to go to college. Topics covered include college transition, financial aid, the application process, cost, scholarships, and much more! This is free and you do not have to RSVP.

2) Financial Aid Presentation – 7:00pm – IMC

A free seminar presented by the Iowa College Access Network geared towards college-bound seniors and their families (juniors are also welcome). They will cover the financial aid process, loans, grants, scholarships, school costs, and the FAFSA. This is free and you do not have to RSVP.

FREE PRE-ACT – Gates Hall – Two Dates:

This is a <u>FREE</u> Pre-ACT that is being offered to replace the PLAN Test, which was discontinued by ACT. It is being administered by Sylvan. This will be <u>required</u> for all juniors, as it will count as Nevada's mandatory 2nd Assessment. Juniors do not need to sign-up, but all other grade levels can sign-up in the Guidance Office.

- Thursday November 13, 2014 8:00am – JUNIORS ONLY -> REOUIRED
- Tuesday November 18, 2014 8:00am – ALL OTHER GRADES

CPR DATES:

It is a requirement in the state of Iowa that students take a CPR class in order to graduate. We offer free sessions every year to juniors, and also seniors who still need it. If a student became CPR certified in any of their high school years (grades 9 on) from a job or activity (i.e. lifeguard, Boy Scouts), they do not need to take our class, but it is up to the student to supply proof to Mrs. Huse in Guidance. Students need to sign-up for a session in Guidance. The remaining dates are:

- Tuesday February 3, 2015 2:30-4:30 Gates Hall (early out day)
- Thursday February 5, 2015 2:30-4:30 Gates Hall (early out day)
- Friday February 6, 2015 9:00-11:00 – Gates Hall (non school day)
- Friday February 6, 2015 11:15-1:15 – Gates Hall (non school day)

Mid-Late February 2015 – Iowa College Goal Sundays

The Iowa College Access Network will be hosting this event to help students and families fill out their FAFSA for FREE. The dates have not been finalized, and we believe this will be held at the Iowa State University in Ames. Please keep an eye out for more information later. FAFSA website: www.fafsa.gov

UPCOMING ACT DATES:

Website to register --- <u>www.actstudent.org</u> Nevada High School code --- 163125

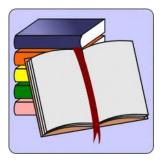
December 13, 2014 → registration deadline is November 7, 2014

February 7, 2015 → registration deadline is January 9, 2015

April 18, 2015 → registration deadline is March 13, 2015

June 13, 2015 \rightarrow registration deadline is May 8, 2015

- The cost is \$38.00. We recommend you register online but you can see Guidance for registration info and a full-length practice test. You can also check the Guidance website (see above) for links to registration and practice websites.
- We have fee waivers for families if needed. Please see Mr. Baker for any questions regarding the qualification for a fee waiver.
- If you are interested in the <u>SAT</u>, see Mr. Baker



Nevada PTA ~ Pawing Our Way to the Top

We hope all the teachers, students and their families have had a great start to the new school year! The Nevada PTA has had a great beginning as we continue to Paw Our Way to the Top. Our goal for this year was to increase membership and knowledge of what contributions the PTA brings to the district. The PTA is seeing lots of new faces at meetings along with new ideas and a fresh perspective. We also appreciate all the returning members that continue to offer their time, ideas and support.

New this year is the Nevada PTA business partnerships! To date, we have a total of 11 Nevada businesses that have aligned with the PTA and our hope is to continue to add others. If you are a community business and have interest in this please contact us as we would love to discuss further.

As in years past, the Nevada PTA offered Butter Braid samples, Alley's pizza and other snacks with a free will offering for a family dinner at the Central Elementary Open House. This also represents the kick-off for the Butter Braid sales. The Butter Braids fundraiser is key in allowing our Central Elementary students to attend field trips – these field trips are invaluable experiences for these kids and thus your continued support is much appreciated. If you haven't had a chance to buy a Butter Braid yet find a Central Elementary student and they would love to help you out!

October also saw the second Nevada PTA Halloween Costume Swap where kids are able to bring in an old Halloween costume and then pick out a new one for them. This is a great way to repurpose costumes and off-set some costs for our school families. We had 95 costumes available to be swapped on October 14th and we appreciate all the families who attended.

PTA meetings are held the first Monday of every month in the Central Elementary Library with a meal starting at 5:45 and the hour long meeting begins at 6:00 pm. Being a member does not mean you have to attend every meeting as we do post agendas and minutes to our website for you to continue to keep upto-date. If you're not already a member, we do accept registration all year long so please keep it in mind — the PTA would love to have your help in making a difference with the school district's teachers, students and their families!



1. Benefit your Child!

Research shows that children perform better when parents are involved both at home and school.

2. Get Connected!

There is no better way to know what's happening at school.

3. Tap into a Network!

PTA connects you to other parents and teachers through meetings, events and communications, helping to build a sense of community.

4. Be a Role Model!

By becoming a PTA member, you'll be demonstrating to your child the importance you place on education.

5. Witness Improvement!

By getting involved in PTA you'll be part of the solution – helping to make positive changes.

Upcoming PTA Meetings & Events

PTA Meeting November 3rd Elementary/Middle School November 4th

Conference Meals

PTA Meeting December 1st
Festival of Trees December 13-14th
PTA Meeting January 5th

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Family Reading Night & TBD

Book Swap

PTA Meeting February 2nd Snowflake Dance February 7th

Testing Week

PTA Meeting March 2nd
PTA Carnival March 27th
PTA Meeting April 6th
PTA Meeting May 4th
Teacher Appreciation May 4-8th

Week

Website: www.nevadaiowapta.org
Email: nevadaiowapta@gmail.com

Facebook: Nevada Iowa PTA

Like us on Facebook to stay up-to-date!

Nevada Music Parents

Used Instrument List

If you have been renting an instrument for your child to play in band, visit the Used Instrument tab at http://nevadamusicparents.weebly.com. You just may find an instrument to buy! We also need sellers! We would like to add to this list, so if you have an instrument collecting dust, consider selling it! To list an instrument for sale, please visit the above website. Nevada Music Parents maintains this list to help out the music community, and does not charge for this service! All sales are between the buyer and seller.

4 New Tubas

The high school band has four new tubas this year! Two were funded by the Music Parents, with two being funded by the school. They will be used by the concert band, once the marching season is over!

Calendar and Cookie Cookbook Sales

Nevada Music Parents will be selling 2015 *Our Iowa* calendars and *Best of Country Cookies* cookbooks again this year. The cost is \$10 each and they will be available for purchase before and after the school concerts this year. They make great gifts! For more information or to place an order, contact Ann Kurtenbach by e-mail Kurtenbach@midiowa.net or by phone 515-291-9818.

Nevada Music Parents 2014-2015 Membership Form

Yearly membership dues are \$10 per family. Please fill in this form and return to: Nevada Music Parents, P.O. Box 93, Nevada, IA 50201. Make checks payable to Nevada Music Parents.

Phone	
E-mail address	
Please check how you would be willing to help.	
Work in the concession stand during football games or track meets Provide food items for our suppers before the concerts Donate money to be used to purchase meat and miscellaneous ite Cooking or serving during our fundraising meals Serving on a committee for a single event Serving as a board member (elections in May) Other (Please specify)	

Name__ Address

Profits from fundraising activities are used to purchase items for our middle school and high school music departments, such as uniforms, choir robes, contest fees, awards, contest judges fees, etc.

Nevada Athletic Booster Club

What We Do

The booster club provides support for Nevada Cubs middle school and high school athletics. We have given over \$200,000 to Nevada athletics over the past four years alone. You help support Nevada athletics by visiting our concession stands, membership dues, purchasing booster merchandise, attending our youth wrestling (Feb. 15) and basketball (Dec. 6-7) tournaments, and volunteering.

Membership

It is easy to join or renew. You can find our 2014-15 membership form here: www.nevadaboosterclub.org. Just fill it out and mail it in. Membership includes game passes or apparel vouchers.

Nevada Booster Club Youth Basketball Tournament on December 6-7, 2014

Our annual youth basketball tournament is December 6-7 for boys and girls in 5th thru 8th grades. Entry fee is \$125 per team. Every effort will be made to complete each division in one day. Entry deadline is November 22, 2014. This tournament is for school teams only. See our website for entry forms and rules: www.nevadaboosterclub.org.

Wendell Williams Youth Wrestling on February 15, 2015

Our annual youth wrestling tournament is February 15, 2015. See www.thepredicament.com for entry forms.

More Information

Want more info on the boosters and volunteering? Check out our website: www.nevadaboosterclub.org. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

2014-2015 Nevada Athletic Booster Club Board

Jesse Tibodeau, President
Tim Fevold, Vice-President
Sara Strottman, Treasurer
Erin Rewerts, Secretary
Joe Anderson
Andy Arthur
Amy Coogler
Kristin Cook
Stacey Kingsbury
Ben Sansgaard
Jeremy Williamson



<u>2014 – 2015 Nevada Booster Club Membership</u>

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 cardsOR a \$50 voucher for Nevada Cubs apparel (please select one)
	Silver Membership	\$200 One (1) Individual Annual Pass a 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

- <u>Annual Passes</u> (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:	ss:Phone Numb	ber: E-mail:
	YES! I want to help with the Youth Basketball To	Tournament December 6-7, 2014. Call / E-mail me!
	YES! I want to help with the Wendell Williams V	Wrestling Tournament February 7, 2015. Call / E- <mark>mail</mark> me!
	YES! I want to help with the Boys or Girls Socce	er concessions in spring of 2015. Call / E-mail me!
	YES! I want to help with the HS Softball concession	sions in summer of 2015. Call / E- <mark>mail</mark> me!
	YES! I want to help with the HS Baseball concess	sions in summer of 2015. Call / E- <mark>mail</mark> me!
	YES! I would like to be a Booster Club Board M	Member! Call / E-mail me! (Voting takes place at the tailgat
	YES! I'd like to donate my vouchers to the Angel	Tree Program.

Join the Nevada Boosters for the annual TAILGATE at the first High School home football game September 5th

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

Also find Nevada Booster Apparel at



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



Cubs Encouraging Nevadians To Read

CENTR (Cubs Encouraging Nevadians To Read) is a new teacher-led group at the high school on a mission to create lifelong readers and learners in the Nevada Community. For more information, you can check out their website at http://centrproject.weebly.com/ or search for CENTR Project on Twitter and Facebook.

According to the latest national statistics, approximately six million teens cannot read at grade level. This is concerning considering how vital literacy skills are to success in high school, college, and the workforce. The teachers in CENTR want to make sure our high school students don't become another negative statistic. For that reason, they are working to promote a love of reading with students and collaborating with colleagues to use effective research-based reading strategies in the classroom to help students comprehend required content-area reading, a.k.a. reading for school work.

So far this year, CENTR has done a lot in a month. We've

- established a temporary little free library in the high school commons (a permanent one will be built by students in the shop class second semester).
- sponsored a weekly twitter contest where students can win a front-of-the-lunch-line pass by posting a picture of themselves reading to @CENTRproject #NevadaCubPride.
- sponsored a dress-up day to celebrate International Literacy Day.
- sponsored a story contest between classes at the high school.
- created posters of what teachers are currently reading to post around the school.
- had one class create posters of what they are currently reading to post around the school.
- had a mention on CubTV, and CubTV started a book-of-the-week contest.
- put a display of banned books courtesy of Mrs. Haddock, the school librarian, in the northwest corner of the building.

We would like to do more for our students, and you can help. If you can be of assistance with any of the items below, please email Emily DeYoung at edeyoung@nevada.k12.ia.us.

- We would like to start a book club but need sets of current young adult novels to use with students.
- We would like to start more little free libraries around town, including one outside of the high school.
- We would like to be able to host more contests with bigger and better prizes.
- We need ideas of how to promote a love of reading with high school students.

2014-15 7th Grade Boys Basketball

Date	Opponent	Time	Location	
25-Nov	PCM	4:30PM	PCM MS	
4-Dec	Gilbert	4:30PM	Gilbert MS	
11-Dec	Roland-Story	4:30PM	Roland-Story MS	
15-Dec	South Hamilton	4:30PM	Nevada Elem	
18-Dec	Ballard	4:15PM	Huxley	
6-Jan	Greene County	4:30PM	Greene Co MS	
8-Jan	PCM	6:00PM	Nevada MS	
15-Jan	Roland-Story	4:30PM	Nevada MS	
20-Jan	South Hamilton	4:30PM	Ellsworth	
22-Jan	Gilbert	4:30PM	Nevada MS	
23-Jan	North Polk	4:30PM	Nevada MS	
29-Jan	Greene County	4:30PM	Nevada MS	

2014-15 8th Grade Boys Basketball

Date	Opponent	Time	Location
20-Nov	Ballard	4:15PM	Nevada MS
24-Nov	PCM	4:30PM	PCM MS
4-Dec	Gilbert	4:30PM	Gilbert Intermediate
15-Dec	South Hamilton	4:30PM	Nevada MS
8-Jan	PCM	4:30PM	Nevada MS
12-Jan	Gilbert	4:30PM	Nevada MS
19-Jan	Roland-Story	4:30PM	Nevada MS
22-Jan	Greene County	4:30PM	Greene Co MS
23-Jan	North Polk	4:30PM	North Polk MS
26-Jan	South Hamilton	4:30PM	Ellsworth Gym
29-Jan	Roland-Story	4:30PM	Roland-Story MS
2-Feb	Greene County	4:30PM	Nevada MS

2014-15 7th Grade Girls Basketball

Date	Opponent	Time	Location
25-Nov	PCM	4:30PM	Nevada MS
4-Dec	Gilbert	4:30PM	Nevada MS
11-Dec	Roland-Story	4:30PM	Nevada MS
16-Dec	South Hamilton	4:30PM	Ellsworth HS
18-Dec	Ballard	4:15PM	Nevada Elem
6-Jan	Greene County	4:30PM	Nevada MS
8-Jan	PCM	6:00PM	PCM MS
15-Jan	Roland-Story	4:30PM	Roland MS
20-Jan	South Hamilton	4:30PM	Nevada Elem
22-Jan	Gilbert	4:30PM	Gilbert Intrmd
23-Jan	North Polk	4:30PM	North Polk MS
29-Jan	Greene County	4:30PM	Greene Co MS

2014-15 8th Grade Girls Basketball

Date	Opponent	Time	Location
20-Nov	Ballard	4:15PM	Huxley
24-Nov	PCM	4:30PM	Nevada MS
8-Dec	Gilbert	4:30PM	Nevada MS
15-Dec	South Hamilton	4:30PM	Ellsworth HS
8-Jan	PCM	4:30PM	PCM MS
12-Jan	Gilbert	4:30PM	Gilbert MS
19-Jan	Roland-Story	4:30PM	Roland MS
20-Jan	North Polk	4:30PM	Nevada MS
22-Jan	Greene County	4:30PM	Nevada Elem
26-Jan	South Hamilton	4:30PM	Nevada MS
29-Jan	Roland-Story	4:30PM	Nevada Elem
2-Feb	Greene County	4:30PM	Greene Co MS

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2014-15 High School Jr Varsity Wrestling

Date	Opponent	Time	Location
2-Dec	Meet	6:30PM	Maxwell
20-Dec	Invitational	8:00AM	North Polk MS
6-Jan	Quad	5:00PM	Boone HS
15-Jan	Meet	6:00PM	Greene Co MS
17-Jan	Tournament	9:30AM	Greene Co MS
20-Jan	Dbl Dual	6:00PM	Nevada HS
27-Jan	Meet	6:00PM	North Polk HS
2-Feb	Invitational	5:30PM	DCG-Meadows

2014-15 High School Varsity Wrestling

Date	Opponent	Time	Location
2-Dec	Meet	6:30PM	Maxwell
6-Dec	Tournament	10:00AM	Nevada HS Gym
11-Dec	Dbl Dual	6:00PM	Jewell
13-Dec	Tournament	9:30AM	Jewell
18-Dec	Dbl Dual	6:00PM	Nevada HS Gym
20-Dec	Invitational	10:00AM	Ft Dodge HS
6-Jan	Quad	5:00PM	Boone HS
10-Jan	Invitational	10:00AM	Ames HS
15-Jan	Meet	6:00PM	Greene Co MS
17-Jan	Tournament	10:00AM	ADM HS
20-Jan	Dbl Dual	6:00PM	Nevada HS Gym
22-Jan	Meet	5:30PM	Pella HS
24-Jan	Conference	10:00AM	Gilbert HS
27-Jan	Meet	6:00PM	North Polk HS
31-Jan	Tournament	8:00AM	Guthrie Ctr HS
7-Feb	Sectionals	TBD	TBA
14-Feb	Districts	TBD	TBA

2014-15 Middle School Wrestling

Date	Opponent	Time	Location
24-Nov	Saydel	4:30PM	Saydel
2-Dec	Boone	4:30PM	Boone
4-Dec	Multiple	4:15PM	Bondurant MS
11-Dec	Multiple	4:30PM	Nevada HS Gym
16-Dec	Multiple	4:30PM	Saydel HS
15-Jan	Multiple	4:30PM	North Polk MS
20-Jan	Multiple	4:30PM	Conrad
22-Jan	Multiple	4:30PM	Gilbert MS
27-Jan	Multiple	4:30PM	Roland-Story MS



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2014-15 HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL

Event Date)	Opponent	Time	Location
2-Dec	JV/9	Collins-Maxwell-Baxter	4:30/6:00PM	Nevada MS
2-Dec	٧	Collins-Maxwell-Baxter	7:30PM	Nevada HS
5-Dec	JV/9	North Polk	4:30/6:00PM	Nevada MS
5-Dec	٧	North Polk	7:30PM	Nevada HS
9-Dec	JV/9	Saydel	4:30/6:00PM	Nevada MS
9-Dec	٧	Saydel	7:30PM	Nevada HS
12-Dec	JV/V	Greene County	4:30/7:30PM	Greene Co MS
12-Dec	9	Greene County	6:00PM	Greene Co Rec
16-Dec	JV/9	Roland-Story	4:30/6:00PM	Ne vada MS
16-Dec	٧	Roland-Story	7:30PM	Ne vada HS
19-Dec	JV/9	Gilbert	4:30/6:00PM	Gilbert Intrmdt
19-Dec	V	Gilbert	7:30PM	Gilbert HS
20-Dec	9/JV/V	Ballard	2:30/4:00/5:30PM	Ne vada HS
6-Jan	V	PCM	7:30PM	PCM HS
9-Jan	JV/9	South Hamilton	4:30/6:00PM	Nevada MS
9-Jan	٧	South Hamilton *H.O.F	7:30PM	Nevada HS
13-Jan	JV/9	Colfax-Mingo	4:30/6:00PM	Nevada MS
13-Jan	٧	Colfax-Mingo	7:30PM	Nevada HS
16-Jan	JV/V	Collins-Maxwell-Baxter	4:30/7:30PM	Baxter West Gym
16-Jan	9	Collins-Maxwell-Baxter	6:00PM	Baxter East Gym
17-Jan	JV/9	Bondurant-Farrar	1:00/2:30PM	Nevada MS
17-Jan	٧	Bondurant-Farrar	4:00PM	Nevada HS
19-Jan	9/JV	South Hamilton	6:00/7:30PM	Jew ell
20-Jan	JV/9	North Polk	4:30/6:00PM	North Polk MS
20-Jan	V	North Polk	7:30PM	North Polk HS
23-Jan	JV/9/V	Saydel	4:30/6:00/7:30PM	Saydel HS
26-Jan	JV/9	PCM	4:30/6:00PM	PCM HS
27-Jan	JV/9	Greene County	4:30/6:00PM	Nevada MS
27-Jan	٧	Greene County	7:30PM	Nevada HS
30-Jan	JV/V	Roland-Story	4:30/7:30PM	Story City North
30-Jan	9	Roland-Story	6:00PM	Story City South
31-Jan	J۷	JV Tournament	9:00AM	Nevada HS
31-Jan	9	9th Grade Tournament	9:00AM	Nevada MS
3-Feb			4 00/0 00011	Name de MO
	JV/9	Gilbert	4:30/6:00PM	Nevada MS
3-Feb	JV/9	Gilbert Gilbert	7:30PM	Nevada MS
3-Feb 6-Feb				
	٧	Gilbert	7:30PM	Nevada HS
6-Feb	V JV/9	Gilbert PCM	7:30PM 4:30/6:00PM	Ne vada HS Ne vada MS
6-Feb 6-Feb	V JV/9 V	Gilbert PCM PCM	7:30PM 4:30/6:00PM 7:30PM	Nevada HS Nevada MS Nevada HS
6-Feb 6-Feb 10-Feb	V JV/9 V	Gilbert PCM PCM South Hamilton	7:30PM 4:30/6:00PM 7:30PM 7:30PM	Nevada HS Nevada MS Nevada HS Jew ell

2014-15 HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL

Event Date	2	Opponent	Time	Location
17-Nov	V	Varsity Jamboree	6:00PM	Story City North Gym
24-Nov	9/JV/V	Boone	4:45/6:00/7:30PM	, ,
25-Nov	JV/V	Colfax-Mingo	6:00/7:30PM	Colfax-Mingo HS
2-Dec	JV/V	Collins-Maxwell-Baxter	4:30/6:00PM	Nevada HS
2-Dec	9	Collins-Maxwell-Baxter	7:30PM	Nevada MS
4-Dec	9/JV	South Hamilton	6:00/7:30PM	Jew ell HS
5-Dec	JV/V	North Polk	4:30/6:00PM	Nevada HS
5-Dec	9	North Polk	7:30PM	Nevada MS
8-Dec	9/JV	PCM	6:00/7:30PM	PCM HS
9-Dec	JV/V	Saydel	4:30/6:00PM	Nevada HS
9-Dec	9	Saydel	7:30PM	Nevada MS
12-Dec	JV/9	Greene County	4:30/7:30PM	Greene Co Rec Ctr
12-Dec	V	Greene County	6:00PM	Greene Co MS
16-Dec	JV/V	Roland-Story	4:30/6:00PM	Nevada HS
16-Dec	9	Roland-Story	7:30PM	Nevada MS
19-Dec	JV/V	Gilbert	4:30/6:00PM	Gilbert HS
19-Dec	9	Gilbert	7:30PM	Gilbert Intermediate
6-Jan	V	PCM	6:00PM	PCM HS
9-Jan	JV/V	South Hamilton	4:30/6:00PM	Nevada HS
9-Jan	9	South Hamilton	7:30PM	Nevada MS
13-Jan	JV/V	Colfax-Mingo	4:30/6:00PM	Nevada HS
13-Jan	9	Colfax-Mingo	7:30PM	Nevada MS
16-Jan	V	Collins-Maxw ell-Baxter	6:00PM	Baxter HS West Gym
17-Jan	JV/V	Bondurant-Farrar	1:00/2:30PM	Nevada HS
17-Jan	9	Bondurant-Farrar	4:00PM	Nevada MS
20-Jan	JV/V	North Polk	4:30/6:00PM	North Polk HS
20-Jan	9	North Polk	7:30PM	North Polk MS
23-Jan	JV/V/9	Saydel	4:30/6:00/7:30PM	Saydel HS
24-Jan	JV/V	Waverly-Shell Rock	3:00/4:30PM	Waverly-Shell Rock HS
27-Jan	JV/V	Greene County	4:30/6:00PM	Nevada HS
27-Jan	9	Greene County	7:30PM	Nevada MS
30-Jan	JV/9	Roland-Story	4:30/7:30PM	Story City South Gym
30-Jan	V	Roland-Story	6:00PM	Story City North Gym
3-Feb	JV/V	Gilbert	4:30/6:00PM	Nevada HS
3-Feb	9	Gilbert	7:00PM	Nevada MS
6-Feb	JV/V	PCM	4:30/6:00PM	Nevada HS
6-Feb	9	PCM	7:30PM	Nevada MS
10-Feb	V	South Hamilton	6:00PM	Jew ell HS
18-Feb	V	Districts	TBD	TBA

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 (www.facebook.com/NevadaCSD).

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