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DATES TO REMEMBER


 Elementary Grandparents Day
May 4th

 Academic Awards Night
May 8th
7:00 PM

 School Board Meeting
May 9th
7:30 PM

 Graduation
May 12th
5:00 PM

 Elementary Spring Concert
May 14th
7:00 PM

 Preschool Graduation
May 17th
6:30 PM

 Kindergarten Graduation
May 17th
7:30 PM

 **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**
May 18th
1:00 DISMISSAL



Thank you!

A big thank you to Eric Heithoff for producing the monthly newsletter this year. Also thank you to everyone who contributes news items for the newsletter. This monthly newsletter would not be possible without all of your help!

Paula Jensen
Secretary



From Mrs. Borer

We've had a few days that actually felt like spring! On those days students love to go outside to the Eagles' nest and read.

Pictured l to r: Chloe Henn, Kaeden Schwarting, and Riddick Graham

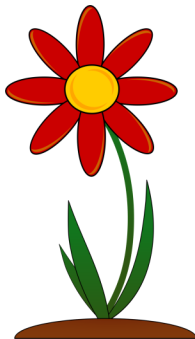


From Mrs. Thiele- Blecher

Concordia Volleyball Camps
Elgin Area Satellite Camp!
3rd – 8th Grade Area Students
June 20th & 21st 1:00 – 3:00 PM
At Elgin Public Gym!
Cost: only \$40
Contact Coach Thiele for a form!
Tina.thieleblecher@elgineagles.org

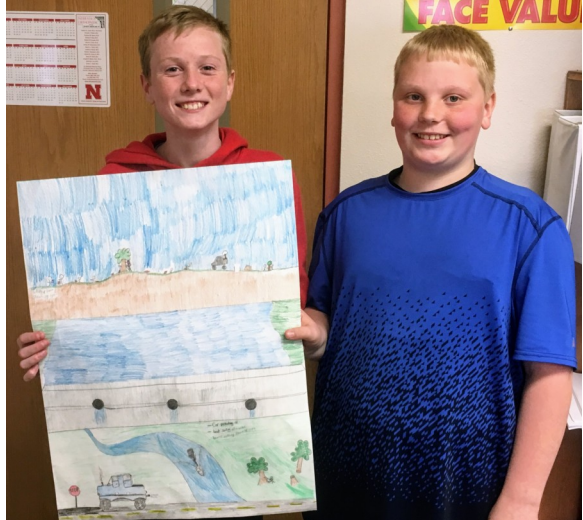
From Mrs. Zwingman

Your mind is a garden, your thoughts are the seeds. YOU can grow FLOWERS, or YOU can grow WEEDS.



From Mr. Eisenhauer

Here are the 6th graders with their ecosystem posters about how humans affect ecosystems in a positive and negative way.



From Mrs. Schumake-Henn

EPS Speech Returns with Six State Medals

The EPS Speech Team did not return from Kearney empty handed.

Two of the three qualifying events broke finals and earned state medals.

Lydia Behnk captured the third place medal in Entertainment Speaking.

The OID of Behnk, Ashton Evans, Kira Widger, Hunter Reestman and Adam Dreger earned fourth place medals.

Shelby Dohmen narrowly missed finals with her Superior Rating in Humorous Prose.

The team placed 9th overall out of the 41 teams representing at the D1 level.

The coaches had words of praise for their team.

“We are thrilled with the accomplishments of these kids this season. They worked hard and surpassed our expectations once again. Not only have they honed a skill that will come in handy in all facets of their lives, but they have also had a great time doing it.”



From Mrs. Schwartz



Elgin Agriculture/FFA Greenhouse will be open for business!

Come and support your home town agriculture and FFA programs! Flowers, hanging baskets, and veggies. Great for graduation decorations or for Mother's Day!

- Thursday May 3rd - 2pm - 5pm**
- Friday May 4th - 2pm - 5:30pm**
- Saturday May 5th - 10am - 3pm**
- Sunday May 6th - 1pm - 5pm**

From Mrs. Beckman and Mrs. Wemhoff

The Second Grade hid Easter Eggs for the kindergarteners before Easter Break.



From Mr. Becker

Faith Regional Health services of Neligh will be offering sports physicals for the 2018-19 school year on May 8th from 5:00-7:00. The physicals will take place at Pope John high school and are \$25. Each school will be given a portion of the proceeds. Any questions contact Mr. Becker or check out the school website.

From Mrs. R. Heithoff

Blake Henn and Libby Evans received Blue ribbons for Superior work at the ESU Elementary Art show in Neligh. Jessica Getzfred, John Zwingman and Gentry Zwingman earned Red ribbons for Excellent work.



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NAME John Zw

ESU 8
ART SHOW

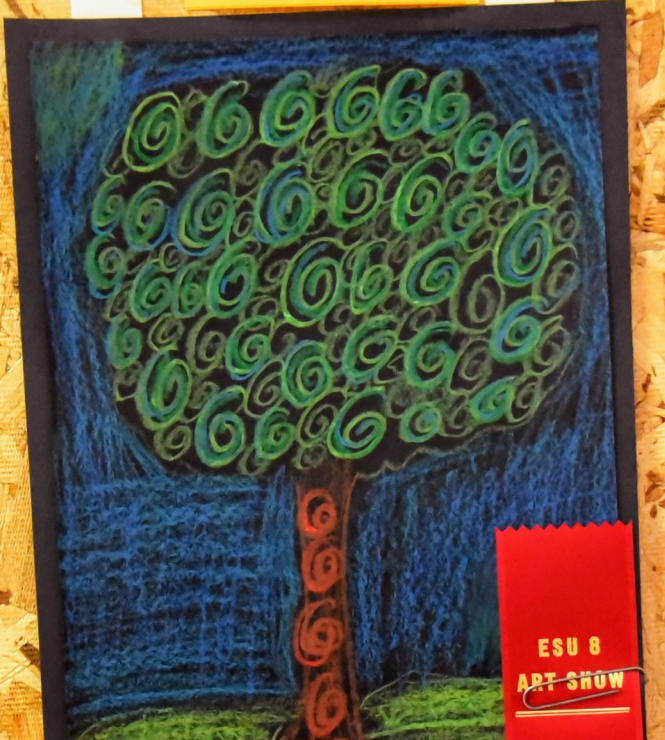


ESU 8 K-8 SPRING ART FESTIVAL
NAME Libby Evans
SCHOOL Elgin Public
MEDIA Drawing
GRADE 3rd Grade

FIRST PLACE ESU #8



ESU 8
ART SHOW



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ART SHOW



ESU 8 K-8 SPRING ART FESTIVAL
NAME Blake Henn
SCHOOL Elgin Public
MEDIA Sculpture
GRADE 3rd Grade

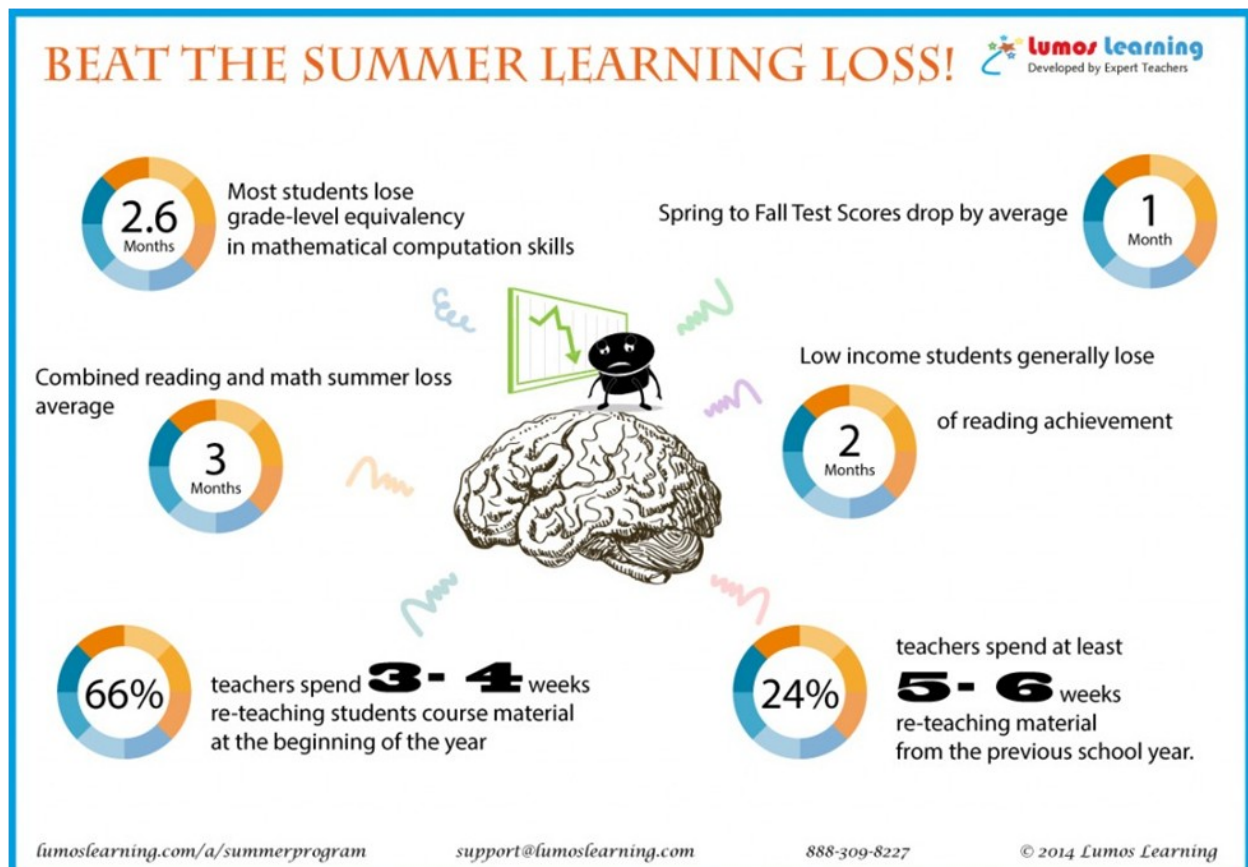
From Mr. Coakes

On Monday, April 9th, Elgin Public Schools had its yearly science fair. All students in grades 7-12 that currently have a science class participated. The project topics varied from investigating plant growth, studying motion, to comparing product on a scientific level. Students created display boards to share the results of their investigations. Some of the best projects clearly showed how students followed the scientific method and were able to draw valuable conclusions as a result. While all projects were judged the night of the fair, the winners of each division will not be announced until awards night on May 8th.



Preschool parents with children entering Kindergarten need to have Physical Forms, Vision Forms and Immunization Records complete and turned into the school as soon as possible! The school needs this information BEFORE your child can start Kindergarten!

From Mrs. Thiele-Blecher



From Mrs. Rittscher and Mrs. D. Heithoff

On March 22, the 7th & 8th Graders traveled to the Lifelong Learning Center to participate in the UNL Extension's "Real World Money" Simulation.

Students in these pictures are working through the simulation which included drawing a career/income card, deciding on major purchases like housing and automobiles, paying bills such as daycare and insurance, and a variety of other real-world needs and wants.

"The simulation was by far the favorite part of the day," commented Sonia Rittscher, the School Counselor. "It put into perspective the importance of having a good job that earns a salary/wage that can support the needs of a family."



Junior High Math Teacher, Dorothy Heithoff also attended. On the day, she commented that students gained an understanding of maintaining and using a bank account, including writing checks and understanding income and the real-world skills of deposit, withdraw, maintaining a sufficient balance, etc.

From Mrs. Cooper

First graders have been learning about life long ago. To end the unit, first graders celebrated by playing games that were played long ago. Games they played were marbles and hopscotch.



From Mrs. Eisenhauer

3rd and 4th grades attended "Life on the Farm" in Bloomfield. They learned about many agricultural topics such as swine, beef, dairy, poultry, corn, soybeans, and ATV safety.



From Mrs. Lindgren

This is a very busy time of the year, and students are looking for ways to cope with many different obligations. It can be easy to give up on one thing because it seems too hard or unnecessary, and unfortunately, school subjects like math or science seem to be put in the unnecessary list. Here is a quote that to encourage students as they finish out the year:

Courage does not always roar. Sometimes, courage is the quiet voice at the end of the day saying, "I will try again tomorrow." *Mary Anne Radmacher*

Summer Opportunities!

See Mrs. Rittscher if interested! Space is limited in several opportunities!

<p>UNMC Nursing Summer Camp Who? 10th-12th Graders interested in going into nursing When? Wednesday, June 13 Where? NECC Fees? \$25 Application & Two Teacher Recommendations due April 25</p>	<p>NECC College Summer CAMP Health & Wellness Featuring: Nursing, Paramedics, & Physical Therapy Assistant Who? Grades 9-12 When? May 30-31 Where? NECC Fees? FREE Apply online at northeast.edu/2018/Health-Wellness-Camp</p>	<p>NECC College Summer CAMP Ag-Citing Careers Featuring: Agribusiness, Agronomy, Animal Science, Horticulture & Gold Course Management, & Precision Agriculture Who? Grades 9-12 When? June 12 & 13 Where? NECC Fees? FREE Apply online at north-east.edu/2018/Ag-Citing-Camp</p>	<p>NECC College Summer CAMP Find Your Future Featuring: Diversified Manufacturing & Drafting Who? Girls Grades 9-12 When? June 19 & 20 Where? NECC Fees? FREE Apply online at northeast.edu/2018/Find-Your-Future</p>
<p>NECC College Summer CAMP Raspberry Pi Karaoke Featuring: Information Technology Who? Grades 9-12 When? May 30-31 Where? NECC Fees? FREE Apply online at northeast.edu/2018/Raspberry-Pi-Camp</p>	<p>UNL College of Architecture Summer CAMP Career Explorations: Architecture, Interior Design, & Landscape Architecture Who? Grades 11-12 When? June 17-22 Where? UNL Fees? \$585 (scholarships available) Apply by April 27 online at architecture.unl.edu/workshop/application</p>	<p>UNL College of Architecture Summer CAMP Adventures on the Niobrara River—Discover Landscape Architecture Who? Grades 11-12 When? July 22-25 Where? UNL Fees? \$250 (scholarships available) Apply by April 27 online at architecture.unl.edu/workshop/application</p>	<p>UNK Science Summer CAMP Mathematical Problem Solving with Technology Who? Youth Entering Grades 10, 11, & 12 When? June 4-8 Where? UNK Fees? \$200 (scholarships available) Apply online at unk.edu/Scienceand Society-Camps</p>
<p>UNK Science Summer CAMP Crime Scene Investigation Who? Youth Entering 7, 8, & 9 OR Entering 10, 11, & 12 When? June 12 (Grades 7-9) or 13 (Grades 10-12) Where? UNK Fees? \$50 Apply online at unk.edu/Scienceand Society-Camps</p>	<p>UNK Science Summer CAMP Crime Scene Investigation Who? Youth Entering 7, 8, & 9 OR Entering 10, 11, & 12 When? June 12 (Grades 7-9) or 13 (Grades 10-12) Where? UNK Fees? \$50 Apply online at unk.edu/Scienceand Society-Camps</p>	<p>UNK Science Summer CAMP Pre-Law Who? Youth 10, 11, & 12 When? June 8 Where? UNK Fees? \$85 Apply online at unk.edu/Scienceand Society-Camps</p>	<p>UNK Science Summer CAMP Cybercamp at UNK Who? Youth Entering Grades 7-12 When? June 6-9 Where? UNK Fees? \$200 Apply online at yvs.nebraska.edu/camps/cybercamp</p>
<p>UNK Science Summer CAMP Astrocamp Who? Youth Entering Grades 7-12 When? June 13-16 Where? UNK Fees? \$365 Apply online at unk.edu/Scienceand Society-Camps</p>	<p>UNK Science Summer CAMP UNK Health Science Day Who? Youth Entering Grades 11-12 When? June 15 Where? UNK Fees? \$90 Apply online at unk.edu/Scienceand Society-Camps</p>	<p>UNK Science Summer CAMP Soil & Plants in Agriculture Who? Youth Entering Grades 7-9 When? June 11-15 Where? UNK Fees? \$250 Apply online at https://yvs.nebraska.edu/camps/msroots</p>	<p>Southeast Community College Automotive Summer Camp Who? Must be at least 16 years of age When? June 8 & 9 Where? SCC's Milford Campus Fees? \$29 Registration due June 1 Contact Rick Morpew at rmorpew@southeast.edu</p>

Administratively Speaking . .



By Supt. Dan Polk
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I am simply AMAZED that we have already arrived at the last newsletter of the year!!! It's been another great year here at the Elgin Public Schools and I would again like to thank the board, parents, staff, students and patrons for their work, support and efforts throughout the year. We all continue to help Elgin Public be the little school that can. Once again we have VERY few staff leaving us for other endeavors and will come back almost intact from this year.

We also once again have several summer projects to over-see and while maybe not as costly as the last few years, just as important. It's always nice to have parents and kids come back to campus improvements in the fall, even if just fresh paint and designs or mechanical and amenity improvements. It makes you feel good about your facilities and in turn more proud and more apt to take care of them as well. That's a great basis to then begin teaching from and build a positive environment. I continue to be a proud Eagle and to strive to maintain a reasonable cost of maintenance for a public school while at the same time provide for our students and community rather than just "getting by".

I am EXTREMELY proud with what we have been able to accomplish in the last six years and hope to continue to make Elgin a Beacon for small school success and an example of what small schools can accomplish both in facilities and more importantly in educational results and opportunities for students. Any concerns or questions regarding the school please feel free to call Mr. Wemhoff or myself at any time.

From Mr. Mlinar

Now that the school year is coming to a close, accounting students have a good grasp on how to complete the accounting cycle. Students can...

- Analyze Transactions
- Journalize Transactions
- Post Transactions
- Prepare Work Sheets
- Prepare Financial Statements
- Complete Adjusting and Closing Entries
- Prepare Post-Closing Trial Balance
- Repeat for the Next Fiscal Period

Good job Liam, Ashton, and Adam!



From Ms. Cooper

April 8th through the 10th, Kenzie Rudolf and Talena Woodard attended FCCLA's State Leadership Conference in Lincoln. Kenzie competed in her STAR event National Programs in Action and received a gold rating. Talena served as the Elgin's voting delegate and was able to take part in selecting the 2018-2019 state FCCLA officers.



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rom the Principal's desk . . .

by Greg Wemhoff
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With the year quickly winding down and the weather warming it is easy to catch spring fever! We are all anxiously awaiting summer and all the wonderful plans that we've made. I ask that students and parents stay vigilant at the task of learning. Two of the most important things that I am requesting your assistance on are attendance and homework. I know that it is very tempting to stay at home and enjoy a beautiful spring day. It is equally tempting to enjoy the extra daylight we now have in the evening to spend time doing recreational activities and staying outside just a little bit longer. Please help make sure your children are also keeping up with their schoolwork and getting plenty of rest.

FINISH STRONG!!!

From Mrs. Schwartz

FFA members have been incredibly busy this last month! Here are some pictures of events and successes that they've experienced.



Livestock Mgt. Team of Lauren Seier, Haley Zegers, Faith Kinney, Marie Meis and Calli Krebs won the swine division of livestock management during the 2018 State FFA Convention.



Marie Meis was elected as a 2018-2019 Nebraska State FFA Officer



Chapter Members who attended State Convention served by helping pack meals for those in need.

From Mr. Heithoff

The Northeast Jazz Machine stopped by EPS on their annual tour this year, and put on a great Jazz concert for all our students. Thanks Northeast Jazz Machine!



District Music Results

On April 20th, members of the 7-12 Band and Choir competed at District Music Contest in Wisner. Results are as follows:

Band– 1 Superior
Choir– 2 Excellent
Breanna Carr Solo– 2 Excellent
Olivia Lindgren Solo– 3 Good
Kaylee Martinsen Solo– 2 Excellent
Allyson Wemhoff Solo– 2 Excellent

Great job by all our musicians! I am incredibly proud of all the hard work and effort you have put in this year!

Last day for students --- May 18 (Early dismissal 11:00 a.m.)

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