



# Lewiston Consolidated Schools District Newsletter

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## December, 2023

### Important Dates

Dec 8th	No Preschool
Dec. 11th	School Board Meeting @ 7:30pm
Dec. 14th	PK-12th Grade Music Concert PK-6th @ 6:30pm 7-12th @7:45pm
Dec. 20th	End of 1st semester End of 2nd Quarter
Dec. 21st-Jan 3rd	Winter Break

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### You are welcome to attend the Preschool Advisory Meeting At Lewiston Consolidated School

Lewiston Preschool Advisory Committee Meeting  
January 15, 2024  
Time: 5:30 PM

1. Call to order
2. Welcome and Introductions
3. Review 2022 Minutes
4. Preschool Presentation
  - a. Outcomes
  - b. Update State Information
  - c. Round up KG Transition plans (changes)
  - d. Pyramid Updates
5. Upcoming Events, Training Opportunities
6. Adjournment

### Junior Cheer Camp

January 9th & 11th  
3:45pm-5:30pm  
(Grades K-6 Only)  
\$40 Fee includes:

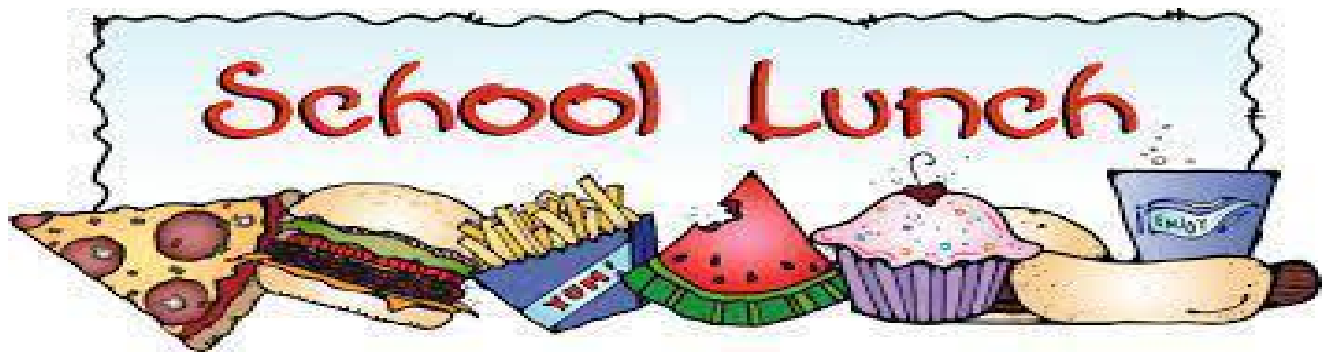
- 2 training sessions with the Lewiston Cheer Team
    - 1 set of poms
    - Cheer T-Shirt
    - Cheer Bow
  - Snack at each training
  - One Free popcorn at performance game
  - Performance participation at halftime of the January 16th Varsity Boys Basketball game.
- Please see flyer sent home, or school website for sign up information.

Contact [hcampbell@lewistonschool](mailto:hcampbell@lewistonschool) for further information.

# December

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31					1 ASFAB Test (Juniors)	2 JH Boys BB Tournament @ FCSH 9am
3	4 JH Boys BB vs. Lourdes in Lewiston @ 4pm	5 HS BB vs HTRS in Humbolt @ 4:45pm	6	7 HS BB vs. College View in Lewiston @ 4:45pm	8 <u>No Preschool</u>	9 HS BB vs. Tri- County in Lewiston @ 2:45pm
10	11 JH Boys BB Tournament in Lewiston @ 4pm  School Board Meeting @ 7:30pm	12 <u>HS BB vs. FCSH in Fall City @ 4:45pm</u>	13 JH Boys BB vs Pawnee City in PC @ 1:30pm	14 PK-12 Music Concert Pk-6 @ 6:30pm, 7-12 @ 7:45pm	15 HS BB vs. Diller Odell in Lewiston @ 4:45pm	16
17	18 HS G/B-Basketball vs. Parkview Christian in Lincoln @ 6pm	19	20  End of 2nd Quarter	21	22	23
				No School (Winter break)		
24	25 (Christmas)	26	27	28	29	30
No School (Winter break)				HS Basketball vs Dorchester 4:45pm Start	No School (Winter break)	

Notes:



## December

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
31					1 Chicken Sandwich Chips Fruit & Veggie	2
3	4 Philly Sandwich Tator Tots Fruit & Veggie	5 Chicken Nuggets Mac&Cheese Baked Beans Fruit	6 Smokies Fruit & Veggie Cookie	7 Chicken Noodle Soup Cheesy Bread Fruit & Veggie	8 Walking Taco Black Beans Fruit/Veggie	9
10	11 Spaghetti Garlic Bread Fruit & Veggie	12 Chicken Noodles Over Potatoes Corn Fruit	13 Bbq Pork Baked Beans Potato Salad Fruit	14 Chicken & Rice Bowl Fruit & Veggie	15 Pizza Fruit & Veggie	16
17	18 Ham-Scaloped Potatoes Corn Roll Fruit	19 Hot Dog Bar Chips Fruit & Veggie	20 Breakfast For Lunch	21 No School	22 No School	23
24	25 No School	26 No School	27 No School	28 No School	29 No School	30

**Breakfast Monday-Friday Grab And Go**

\*\*Menus Subject To Change

\*\*Milk Served With All Meals



# Counselor's Currents

## December 2023

~ Apply to College Day ~  
 Congratulations, Seniors, for  
 choosing your futures!



Charidise Minzel



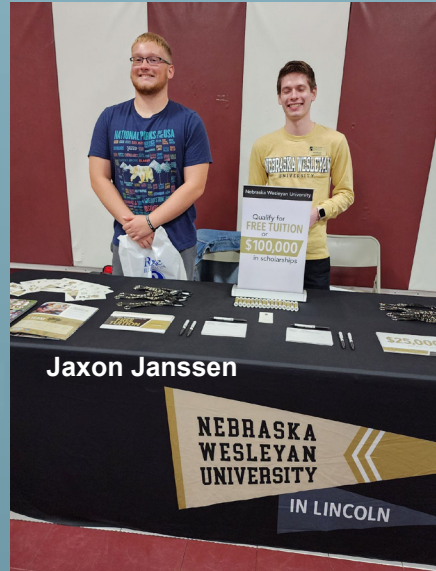
Leah Christen

UNIVERSITY OF  
**Nebraska**  
 Lincoln



Brady Bledsaw

NEBRASKA ARMY  
 NATIONAL GUARD



Jaxon Janssen

NEBRASKA  
 WESLEYAN  
 UNIVERSITY

IN LINCOLN

Thank you to all the parents of  
 seniors who attended the  
 EducationQuest presentation for  
 FAFSA updates and financial aid  
 information!



Sara Wiemers

**Peru State**  
 College

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All Juniors will  
 be taking the  
 ASVAB test  
 Friday, Dec. 1,  
 2023

### December To Do:

#### Seniors ~

- Sign up for a MyEducationQuest account.
- Make sure you're on track to meet graduation and college admission requirements.
- Apply to your top college choices.
- Get serious about applying for scholarships.
- Watch for communication from the colleges you applied to.
- Update your Activities Resume.

#### Juniors ~

- Stay on track to meet college admission requirements.
- Get involved in extracurricular activities.
- Focus on your career interests.
- Research colleges that interest you.
- Prepare for the ACT.
- Set up a ScholarshipQuest profile.
- Update your Activities Resume.

### 2023-2024 ACT Test Dates

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration (\$36 fee required)
Feb. 10, 2024	Jan. 5, 2024	Jan. 19, 2024
Apr. 13, 2024	Mar. 8, 2024	Mar. 22, 2024
June 8, 2024	May 3, 2024	May 17, 2024
July 13, 2024	June 7, 2024	June 21, 2024

If you miss the regular deadline, you may register during the late period but must pay the additional nonrefundable late fee.  
**NOTE: All materials sent by mail must be RECEIVED by the last date of the late period, regardless of when they are postmarked.**  
 If students are wishing to register at school, he/she must have their social security number and a credit card to pay for registration.

**TEST FEES**  
 Registration for the ACT without writing is \$68.00.  
 ACT with writing costs \$93.00.

**Juniors and Seniors qualifying for F/R Lunch may see Mrs. Houston for a fee waiver.**



### College Visit Tips:

**Explore your career interests.** Think about your career interests and then research colleges that fit your interests. Visit the Exploring Careers section at [EducationQuest.org](http://EducationQuest.org) for free resources.

**Schedule your visits at least 2 weeks in advance.** Ask for appointments with an admissions representative, financial aid counselor, and a faculty member in your area of interest.

**Try to visit while the colleges are in session.** You won't get the true flavor during breaks or finals week.

**Be prepared with questions to ask.** It's important for YOU to ask questions, not just your mom or dad.

**If you can't visit a college, check out college websites.** You'll find admission requirements, academic and financial aid information, and campus photos. Many colleges now have **virtual tours**, so you may explore the college from home.

**EducationQuest's GoVisitCollege!** Page has a link to a list of all colleges in Nebraska with links to their websites.



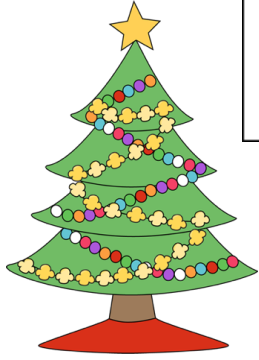
Peru State College hosted the Future Teacher Academy REACH event in November. Charidise Minzel, Sara Wiemers, Jayden Nickels, Justice Currie, and Evan Christen participated.



Happy Holidays!

From Mrs. Houston  
and the Counseling  
Department!





# From the Corner Room December 2023

## *Merry Christmas From the Corner Room!*

December is here! Christmas Break is only three weeks away! We are doing many activities in the Corner Room this month.

The Foods Classes are preparing desserts, Christmas candies and cookies. Their semester final will be to prepare a recipe on their own without supervision using the information they have learned all semester.

Senior Skills students are finishing up their food preparation unit with breads and soups in the coming weeks. They have a short time left to complete their Senior Slide show and complete a citizenship unit. My hope is that they have learned some skills to help them transition to young, independent adulthood.

The Intro to Design class will spend a week learning about Graphic Design. The remaining two weeks will be spent reviewing Elements and Principles of Design.

Problem-Based Learning class will be finishing up their projects. They will also be helping decorate the room for Christmas.

## LCS Information

November Blood Drive was held November 14 in the Lewiston South Gym.



The LCS Christmas Activity for this year will not be a movie as in the past. Members will be assisting Mrs. Smith with setting up and organizing a "Game Day" for students the day before Christmas Break.



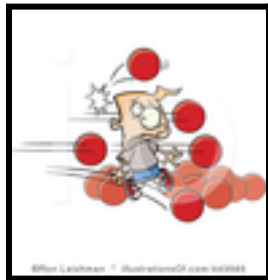
# National Honor Society

National Honor Society members welcomed visitors and school students to the Veteran's Day Program November 10, in the Lewiston North Gym.



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## Events for National Honor Society



National Honor Society member Tristen Ray set up a Dodge Ball tournament for students to play the day before Thanksgiving break. 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders played a double elimination tournament. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade were the final winners by the end of the day.



## Food Drive November 27-December 9, 2023

National Honor Society members Leah Christen and Jenna Anderson are organizing a canned food drive for the Beatrice Area Food Pantry November 27-December 9. Canned food donations will allow admission to home basketball games at a reduced price.

Merry  
Christmas




# December to Remember

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4 <b>Mad About Plaid:</b> Wear your plaid today. 	5 <b>Tree Topper:</b> Wear your favorite hat or fun head gear. 	6 <b>Santa's Ho-Ho Hoedown:</b> Dress in your western clothes 	7 <b>Tiger Spirit Day!</b> 	8 <b>Festive Feet Day:</b> Wear your Christmas socks 	9
10	11 <b>Holiday Shirt Day!</b>	12 <b>Candy Cane Day:</b> Dress in red and white. 	13 <b>Ugly Sweater Day:</b> Wear your ugly Christmas sweater.	14 <b>Jingle Bell Rock:</b> Wear jingle bells today. 	15 <b>Santa vs. the Grinch</b> Dress as Santa or the Grinch	16
17	18 <b>Buddy the Elf Day:</b> Dress as an elf.	19 <b>Mad About Plaid:</b> Wear your plaid today. 	20 <b>All Aboard...Polar Express Day</b> Wear your PJs	21	22	23



**Lewiston Consolidated Schools  
School Board Meeting Minutes  
November 16, 2023**

A regular meeting of the District 69 Board of Education, Pawnee County, was held on Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 p.m., the meeting being open to the public and proceeded in notice as required by law. Notice of this meeting was given to the President and all members of the Board and a copy of the acknowledgement of notice and the agenda is noted in the minutes.

Availability of the agenda was communicated to the public in advanced notice and to the President of the Board and all Board members.

The meeting was called to order, the Open Meetings Law poster recognized, and verbal notice that the meeting was recorded was given by the President and on a roll call vote, the following members were present: Bredemeier, Howell, Mencl, Rule, Searcey, and Wehrbein.

Excused Absence: none. Also present: Rick Kentfield and several visitors.

The agenda was reviewed. Moved by Howell and seconded by Searcey “to approve the agenda as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Howell, Mencl, Rule, Searcey, Wehrbein, and Bredemeier. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Visitor comments. There were no visitor comments.

Moved by Howell and seconded by Mencl “to approve Consent Agenda items 4.1 and 4.2 which included the October 12<sup>th</sup> board meeting minutes and October treasurer’s report. Those voting in favor of said motion: Mencl, Rule, Searcey, Wehrbein, Bredemeier, and Howell. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Motioned by Wehrbein and seconded by Searcey “to approve November payroll in the amount of \$376,983.27 and October claims in the amount of \$105,903.88. Those voting in favor of said motion: Rule, Searcey, Wehrbein, Bredemeier, Howell, and

Mencl. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Rae Lynn Bredemeier left the meeting at 7:50.

Motioned by Searcey and seconded by Howell “to approve the quote submitted by Naylor Lovell to paint two owned bus barns in the amount of \$6,500.00”. Those voting in favor of said motion: Searcey, Wehrbein, Howell, Mencl., and Rule. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Motioned by Howell and seconded by Wehrbein “to approve change order #001 submitted by Blue-Cor Construction Group in the amount of \$44,127.00 as presented”. Those voting in favor of said motion: Wehrbein, Howell, Mencl, Rule, and Searcey. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Motioned by Searcey and seconded by Howell “to approve the 2023-2024 safety audit report submitted by Lang Safety Consulting”. Those voting in favor of said motion: Howell, Mencl, Rule, Searcey, and Wehrbein. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Discussion was held regarding the Superintendent’s salary and benefits for the 2024-2025 contract year. Formal action will take place at the December meeting.

Juli Smith, Principal, reported several school activities and initiatives. Cari Burris, Lewiston agricultural teacher updated the board on programming, events, and celebrations.

Rick Kentfield, Superintendent, reported on the Veterans’ Day program, Lewiston School Foundation, and upcoming board agenda items. Board Committee Report – The board’s negotiations committee members updated the board on their meeting with the LEA negotiation committee.

Moved by Howell and seconded by Searcey “to adjourn at 9:11 p.m.”. Those voting in favor of said motion: Mencl, Rule, Searcey, Wehrbein, and Howell. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Next regular school board meeting will be Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 p.m.

Rick Kentfield

Board Secretary, Dist. #69

# Beatrice Trap Team

(Team consists of students from Beatrice, Diller-Odell, Lewiston, Freeman, Tri-County and Wymore)

The Beatrice Trap Team will be starting their season with **Sign-Up on January 7, 2024 at 1:00 P.M. at Beatrice Gun Club** (5954 W Hoyt Rd, Beatrice, NE).

This is open to both girls and boys 6th—12th grade.  
(Hunter's Safety is required. Online classes will be available for students who need this.)

Trap shooting is a great team and individual sport you will be able enjoy for the rest of your life!

Hope to see a lot of new students join this great team!!







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