



HYANNIS LONGHORNS



Staying in the loop with Hyannis Area Schools



Danielle Fattig prepares to spike the ball in the scrimmage.

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STARTING WITH A PARTY!!!

By Mackenzie Spencer

The 2021-2022 school year started off with a bang. The school employees hosted a party for the students of Hyannis Area Schools on August 18th. There were hotdogs, chips, and drinks being served through the night. Starting at 4 p.m. the teachers were in their classrooms greeting everyone that came by and answering any questions. Students were also able to play outdoor games such as flag football and many others. When 5 p.m. rolled around the varsity volleyball team started their scrimmage. The team played three sets against each other. The scrimmage lasted until 5:45 followed by a parent meeting about this year's sports seasons and school year. Starting at 7 p.m. the varsity boys had an eight-man football scrimmage until 7:45. The night ended with the boy's scrimmage. Thank you to all the members of the team that helped put this party together. It was a great way to start off the new school year!



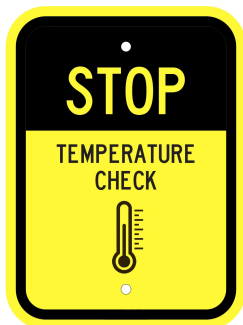
Varsity boys scrimmage against each other.



Food is served to our visitors.

REMINDER

Please remember to check symptoms every day before your child leaves for school. With a temperature of 100.4 or greater, students are asked to stay home and remain home until they are fever-free without medication for at least 72 hours.



MEET MS. PATCH

By Mackenzie Spencer

Jamie Patch started teaching at Hyannis High School this year. Ms. Patch said she feels like she is at home. Ms. Patch grew up in western Nebraska and moved around a lot as a kid. The first school she went to was the Vinton schoolhouse. A few other schools she attended while moving are Henry, Minatare, and Oxford.

Jamie Patch graduated from Kennesaw and started teaching in 2014. Before beginning to teach in Hyannis she was teaching in the rehabilitation center located in Kearney Nebraska. Jamie Patch states that moving from Kearney back home has had some huge changes. For example, her classes and the number of kids in each class are much smaller. She feels like she has a good set of students to teach with a lot of ambition to learn.

She believes her biggest challenge this year will be her consumer math class and her applied math class. The reasoning for this is because there is only one student in each of those classes. She thinks it will be hard because there will be no other students to discuss the problems with and help with work.

Ms. Patch would like her students to tell her what they think of her classes and what they would like to learn or how they like to learn. We all hope Ms. Patch enjoys her time teaching at Hyannis High School.



Jamie Patch relaxes in her new classroom!

MR. CASPER COMES TO HYANNIS

By Parker Provost

You may notice a new face as you step into the history room. Mr. Casper grew up in Albion, Nebraska. He has seven siblings. A fun fact about him is that he played the saxophone in high school. He graduated college at Chadron State. Before coming to Hyannis he lived in Colstrip, Montana where he was a teacher.

Mr. Casper says, "I'm excited to be in a small town and excited to get to know everybody." Mr. Casper teaches a variety of classes including History of Sports, Psychology, Geography, American History, and many others. We are very glad to have Mr. Casper in our school and community.



MS. KROEGER—A CHANGE IN SCENERY

By Stetson Matteson

Amanda Kroeger is not a new face this year but will be taking on a new role. Last year, she was a student teacher in both 1st and 5th grade. This year she will be teaching 6th grade at Hyannis Elementary. Amanda grew up in Ogallala, Nebraska. Most of her mother's family lives around here and that is what brought her to student teaching in this area. As far back as Amanda could remember she has always wanted to be a teacher. Amanda had some great teachers and that is what helped her stay with teaching. As an Ogallala High School graduate, she played volleyball and basketball throughout all four years of high school and one year of college. She attended North Platte Community College for one year and then finished at Chadron State College. Ms. Kroeger plans on coaching junior high volleyball and basketball this year. Amanda is super excited to be teaching at Hyannis and we are excited to have her as part of our team.



CHANGES IN STAFF ASSIGNMENTS

By Jorja Grover

With each new school year comes change. This year we have a few changes within our teaching and coaching staff. Ellie Anderson has a full-time teaching position as a music teacher K-12, has brought back band for the elementary, and will continue band 7-12. Her schedule is also sprinkled with a General Science class. Mrs. Anderson will also be coaching junior high girls basketball and is the assistant for boys basketball.

Michelle Provost has added Special Education and American Sign Language to her schedule and will continue in the English department. Kendra Rambat is now helping with the Title I program full-time. We are excited that she will be able to spend time with students individually and in small groups helping them with reading and math.

Coach Ferguson has a busy season ahead of him. Not only is he coaching the boy's varsity basketball team, but he is also coaching the girl's varsity basketball team and will be assisted by Kevin Kostman and Casey Henderson.

We are excited about the new changes this year will bring and know that fantastic things are bound to happen.



SENIOR SPOTLIGHT GAVIN ANDERSON

By Parker Provost

The largest class of Hyannis High School will be graduating this year. In every newsletter one or more seniors will be spotlighted and Gavin Anderson is the very first one of the year.

Gavin Anderson began school at Hyannis Area Schools as a Kindergartener. From a young age, Gavin gained an interest in building things such as models and legos. He also has an interest in playing the guitar and trains.

Gavin plans to attend the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology for mechanical engineering. After college he plans on getting a house out of the city, getting married and having a family. He is not certain on a specific career but he definitely wants to work in engineering.

Being an asset to the school is one of Gavin's great qualities. He participates in One Act, Speech, AcaDeca, FFA, Student Council, football, and wrestling, placing 5th at the state wrestling tournament last year. We are glad to have Gavin in Hyannis and wish him the best for his senior year.



THE COMMITMENT OF THE RODEO TEAM

By Stetson Matteson

In July of 2021 the Hyannis rodeo team had a busy month. State finals took place in Hastings, Nebraska on June 16th through the 18th. At the state finals Monte Bailey took third in the bronc riding, and ninth in the team roping. Ashton Werth won the queen contest for the state of Nebraska, and took ninth in the rein and cow competition. Kassidy Rambat made it to the state finals but sadly was unable to attend due to an injury. Ashlyn Henderson took 5th place in goat tying 10th place in pole bending and also placed 6th in barrel racing.

The following weekend, Monte Bailey competed in saddle bronc at the National High School Finals Rodeo in Lincoln, Nebraska and Ashton Werth placed 3rd runner-up in the National High School Finals Rodeo Queen Contest. Our cowgirls and cowboys are amazing athletes and represented Hyannis well. Congratulations!



Ashton Werth carries the title of Nebraska High School Rodeo Queen.



Ashlyn Henderson runs off her horse to tie down her goat.



Monte Bailey stays in the saddle to make an 8 second ride.

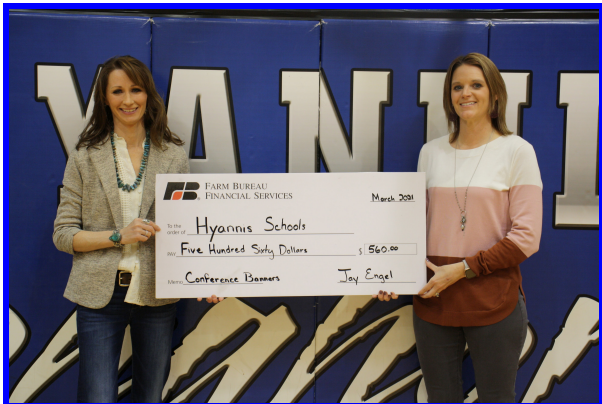
NEW BANNERS DECORATE GYM

SPRING 2021 HONOR ROLL

By Jorja Grover

As you step into the gymnasium of Hyannis High School, you may notice a new addition. Ten bright and colorful conference banners adorn the east wall including Hyannis, Anselmo Merna, Arthur County, Sandhills Thedford, Sandhills Valley, Twin Loup, Cody Kilgore, South Loup, Mullen, and Brady. Hyannis High School was excited and appreciative to receive the donation from Melissa Sheets, the Farm Bureau Sales Associate of Jay Engel, who donated \$560 to buy conference banners. The conference banners will show the different schools that we compete against in sports and other educational competitions. The banners arrived on March 29, 2021, and were hung during the summer in preparation for the school year.

Hyannis Area Schools would like to thank Melissa Sheets and Farm Bureau for this generous donation.



Melissa Sheets of Farm Bureau presents a check for \$560.00 to assistant principal Tiffany Rice.



Seniors

Wyatt Hebbert

Juniors

Danielle Fattig

Sophomores

Rylee Anderson

8th Grade

Gary Brennemann

Benjamin Connell

7th Grade

Faith Ferguson

Orabella Heaton

Kevin Hernandez

Abbigail Rath

Joslin Smith

VOLLEYBALL AND FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Aug. 26 - Varsity FB v. Sandhills Valley 7 pm
Aug. 26 - Varsity VB v. Arthur 4 pm
Aug. 30 - JH FB @ Dundy County Stratton 2 pm
Sept. 2 - Varsity VB triangular @ Hyannis 4 pm
Sept. 3 - Varsity FB + VB @ South Loup 5 pm
Sept. 4 - Varsity VB triangular @ Stapleton 9 am
Sept. 9 - JH VB + FB v. Hemingford 3 pm
Sept. 10 - Varsity VB + FB v. Thedford 4 pm- Sr. Night
Sept. 11 - Varsity VB round-robin @ Bridgeport
Sept. 14 - Varsity VB triangular @ Cody-Kilgore 4 pm
Sept. 16 - JH VB + FB @ Garden County 1 pm
Sept. 17 - Varsity VB + FB @ Leyton 4 pm
Sept. 20 - JV FB @ home 5 pm
Sept. 21 - JH VB + FB @ Hyannis 12:30 v. Sandhills Valley
Sept. 21 - JV VB triangular @ Hyannis 4:30 pm
Sept. 23 - Varsity VB v. Hemingford 4 pm
Sept. 24 - JV + Varsity VB v. Mullen 4 pm
Sept. 24 - FB v. Mullen 7 pm
Sept. 27 - JV FB @ Dundy County Stratton 5 pm
Sept. 29 - JH VB v. Sandhills-Thedford 1pm
Sept. 30 - JH FB v. Perkins County 2 pm
Oct. 1 - VB + FB @ Garden County 4 pm
Oct. 2 - JH VB + FB v. Perkins County 9 pm
Oct. 2 Varsity VB Round Robin @ Hyannis 10 am
Oct. 4 - JV VB + FB v. Sandhills-Valley 4 pm
Oct. 5 - JH FB @ Bayard 2 pm
Oct. 7 - VB triangular @ South Platte
Oct. 8 - FB @ Kimball 6 pm
Oct. 12 - JH VB + FB @ Mullen 1 pm
Oct. 12 - VB triangular @ Hyannis 4 pm
Oct. 14 - VB MNAC
Oct. 15 - FB v. Morrill 7 pm
Oct. 16 - VB MNAC
Oct. 19 - VB triangular @ Potter-Dix
Oct. 22 - JV tourney @ Sargent 12 pm
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HYANNIS TAKES SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

By Winston Woerner

Hyannis Area Schools takes very seriously the safety of your child. We follow the Safety Response Protocols of the “I Love You Guys” foundation. It was started in 2006 and is now in over 30,000 schools and organizations.

“I Love You Guys” was the last text that Emily Keyes sent her family as she was being held hostage in Platte Canyon High School. Although her loss was tragic, her parents started a foundation in her honor, and its mission is to “restore and protect the joy of youth through educational programs and positive action in collaboration with families, schools, communities, organizations, and government entities.”

Several times throughout the year, we will complete several fire drills, a tornado drill, and one lockdown drill to prepare your student for an emergency.

There have been a couple of changes in the vocabulary going from “Lock Out” to “Secure” and a few other minor changes. The following two pages include the guidelines we follow in an emergency situation. It also includes the precautions that parents can take from home.

These posters are hanging in each classroom in our building. As a school, we want our parents and families to be informed of the policies we have in place to ensure the safety of your child.



INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

Our school has adopted The "I Love U Guys" Foundation's Standard Response Protocol (SRP). Students and staff will be training, practicing, and drilling the protocol.

COMMON LANGUAGE

The Standard Response Protocol (SRP) is based on an all-hazards approach as opposed to individual scenarios. Like the Incident Command System (ICS), SRP utilizes clear common language while allowing for flexibility in protocol.

The premise is simple - there are five specific actions that can be performed during an incident. When communicating these, the action is labeled with a "Term of Art" and is then followed by a "Directive." Execution of the action is performed by active participants, including students, staff, teachers and first responders. The SRP is based on the following actions: Hold, Secure, Lockdown, Evacuate, and Shelter.

HOLD

"In Your Classroom or Area"

Students are trained to:

- Clear the hallways and remain in their area or room until the "All Clear" is announced
- Do business as usual

Adults and staff are trained to:

- Close and lock the door
- Account for students and adults
- Do business as usual



SECURE

"Get Inside. Lock outside doors"

Students are trained to:

- Return to inside of building
- Do business as usual

Adults and staff are trained to:

- Bring everyone indoors
- Lock the outside doors
- Increase situational awareness
- Account for students and adults
- Do business as usual



LOCKDOWN

"Locks, Lights, Out of Sight"

Students are trained to:

- Move away from sight
- Maintain silence
- Do not open the door

Adults and staff are trained to:

- Recover students from hallway if possible
- Lock the classroom door
- Turn out the lights
- Move away from sight
- Maintain silence
- Do not open the door
- Prepare to evade or defend



EVACUATE

"To a Location"

Students are trained to:

- Leave stuff behind if required to
- If possible, bring their phone
- Follow instructions

Adults and staff are trained to:

- Bring roll sheet and Go Bag (unless instructed not to bring anything with them, dependent on reason for evacuation.)
- Lead students to Evacuation location
- Account for students and adults
- Report injuries or problems using Red Card/Green Card method.



SHELTER

"State Hazard and Safety Strategy"

Hazards might include:

- Tornado
- Hazmat
- Earthquake
- Tsunami

Safety Strategies might include:

- Evacuate to shelter area
- Seal the room
- Drop, cover and hold
- Get to high ground

Students are trained in:

- Appropriate Hazards and Safety Strategies

Adults and staff are trained in:

- Appropriate Hazards and Safety Strategies
- Accounting for students and adults
- Report injuries or problems using Red Card/Green Card method.





STANDARD RESPONSE PROTOCOL

PARENT GUIDANCE

In the event of a live incident, parents may have questions about their role.

SECURE

"Get Inside. Lock outside doors"



Secure is called when there is something dangerous outside of the building. Students and staff are brought into the building and the outside doors will be locked. The school might display the Building is Secured poster on entry doors or nearby windows. Inside, it will be business as usual.

SHOULD PARENTS COME TO THE SCHOOL DURING A SECURE EVENT?

Probably not. Every effort is made to conduct classes as normal during a secure event. Additionally, parents may be asked to stay outside during a Secure event.

WHAT IF PARENTS NEED TO PICK UP THEIR STUDENT?

Depending on the situation, it may not be safe to release the student. As the situation evolves, Secure might change to a Monitored Entry and/or Controlled Release.

WILL PARENTS BE NOTIFIED WHEN A SCHOOL GOES INTO SECURE?

When a secure event is brief or the hazard is non-violent, like a wild animal on the playground, there may not be a need to notify parents while the Secure is in place.

With longer or more dangerous events, the school should notify parents that the school has increased their security.

LOCKDOWN

"Locks, Lights, Out of Sight"



A Lockdown is called when there is something dangerous inside of the building. Students and staff are trained to enter or remain in a room that can be locked, and maintain silence.

A Lockdown is only initiated when there is an active threat inside or very close to the building.

SHOULD PARENTS COME TO THE SCHOOL DURING A LOCKDOWN?

The natural inclination for parents is to go to the school during a Lockdown. Understandable, but perhaps problematic. If there is a threat inside the building, law enforcement will be responding. It is unlikely that parents will be granted access to the building or even the campus. If parents are already in the school, they will be instructed to Lockdown as well.

SHOULD PARENTS TEXT THEIR STUDENTS?

The school recognizes the importance of communication between parents and students during a Lockdown event. Parents should be aware though, during the initial period of a Lockdown, it may not be safe for students to text their parents. As the situation resolves, students may be asked to update their parents on a regular basis.

In some cases, students may be evacuated and transported off-site for a student-parent reunification.

WHAT ABOUT UNANNOUNCED DRILLS?

The school may conduct unscheduled drills, however it is highly discouraged to conduct one without announcing that it as a drill. That's called an unannounced drill and can cause undue concern and stress.

Parents should recognize that the school will always inform students that it is a drill during the initial announcement.

It's important to differentiate between a **drill** and an exercise. A drill is used to create the "Muscle Memory" associated with a practiced action. There is no simulation of an event; this is simply performing the action. An exercise simulates an actual event to test the capacity of personnel and equipment.

CAN PARENTS OBSERVE OR PARTICIPATE IN THE DRILLS?

The school welcomes parents who wish to observe or participate in drills.



LUNCH MENU

SEPT. 1 - SWEET & SOUR CHICKEN, RICE, BROCCOLI, EGG ROLL, FRUIT
SEPT. 2 - CAVATINI, GARLIC BREAD, CALIFORNIA BLEND, FRUIT
SEPT. 3 - SHREDDED BEEF SANDWICH, POTATO SALAD, BBQ BEANS, CHIPS, FRUIT
SEPT. 6 - NO SCHOOL - LABOR DAY
SEPT. 7 - SUB SANDWICH, TATER GEMS, PISTACHIO SALAD, FRUIT
SEPT. 8 - ENCHILADA CASSEROLE, LETTUCE SALAD, SMILEY FRIES, FRUIT
SEPT. 9 - CHICKEN NUGGETS, MASHED POTATOES & GRAVY, BABY CARROTS, FRUIT
SEPT. 10 - SLOPPY JOES ON BUN, CURLY FRIES, CORN, FRUIT
SEPT. 13 - BURRITO, SEASONED RICE, FRESH VEGGIES, FRUIT, PUDDING
SEPT. 14 - BEEF STROGANOFF, GREEN BEANS, COFFEE CAKE, FRUIT
SEPT. 15 - SLICED HAM, SCALLOPED POTATOES, HOT BREAD, FRUIT
SEPT. 16 - BBQ MEATBALLS, MASHED POTATOES & GRAVY, CORN, HOT ROLL, FRUIT
SEPT. 17 - CHICKEN PATTY ON BUN, CURLY FRIES, BROCCOLI, FRUIT YOGURT
SEPT. 20 - SPAGHETTI WITH MEAT SAUCE, LETTUCE SALAD, GARLIC BREAD, FRUIT
SEPT. 21 - CHICKEN TAQUITO, TRI-TATER, BABY CARROTS, FRUIT
SEPT. 22 - RIB-E0QUE SANDWICH, CHIPS, GREEN BEANS, FRUIT
SEPT. 23 - BEEF STICKS, MASHED POTATOES & GRAVY, CORN, HOT ROLL, FRUIT
SEPT. 24 - HAMBURGER ON BUN, FRENCH FRIES, FRUIT, COOKIE
SEPT. 27 - CHICKEN STRIPS, MASHED POTATOES & GRAVY, HOT ROLL, CORN, FRUIT
SEPT. 28 - TATER TOT CASSEROLE, GREEN BEANS, FRUIT TURNOVER
SEPT. 29 - FRENCH DIP, CURLY FRIES, BBQ BEANS, FRUIT
SEPT. 30 - MINI CORN DOGS, CHEESE CURDS, FRESH VEGGIES, FRUIT

GUIDE FOR INFLUENZA, COVID-19, AND STOMACH VIRUS



Flu and COVID-19 can have different signs and symptoms, ranging from no symptoms to severe symptoms. The stomach virus is an infection of your stomach and intestinal tract and is usually spread by contact with an infected person or through contaminated food or water.

SYMPTOM	INFLUENZA (FLU)	COVID-19	STOMACH VIRUS
Fever (higher than 100.4 F)	Common	Common	Rare
Headache	Common	Common	Rare
Muscle pain or body aches	Common	Common	Sometimes
Fatigue, weakness	Common	Common	Sometimes
Congestion or runny nose	Sometimes	Common	Rare
Chest discomfort, cough	Common	Common	Rare
Sore throat	Sometimes	Common	Rare
New loss of taste and smell	Rare	Common	Rare
Vomiting and/or nausea	Rare	Sometimes	Common
Stomach ache, pain	Rare	Sometimes	Common
Diarrhea	Rare	Sometimes	Common