



Walthill Public School

October/November 2011
Newsletter



FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT:

I would like to thank all the students, parents, and staff for such a great start to our school year. I would also like to thank families for filling out the free and reduced lunch information when you enrolled your child. If you didn't get a chance to fill out this form, please come in and take the time to fill one out. This helps increase our grant and other revenue opportunities for the school.

Our mission statement: High Expectations in a Safe Environment. Our goal is that everyone in our community helps us to provide this for our students and future generation. I walk around our school building and see great opportunities for students to get a quality education and be prepared for the future.

Attendance is a critical factor in providing a quality education. I would like to thank all the families for their support in our efforts to improve in this area. You may be receiving phone calls or home visits by some of our staff members if attendance is an issue. The court systems and Nebraska Department of Education have continued to make attendance a priority. Attendance reports are being sent to them on a regular basis. Everyone is working together to improve attendance and provide an education for our students to be successful in life's endeavors.

The Walthill School website is <http://walthweb.esu1.org/> . Take time to visit our website to see more of the academic and activity achievements of our students throughout the school year.

The month of October and November can bring about the chance of inclement weather. I will post any cancellation, early dismissal or late start on the local news channels. The school uses "One Call Now" for parent notification of late starts or cancellations. Please stop at the school and leave us the phone number to provide this service to you.

Parent / teacher conferences are scheduled for Thursday, October 6 from 3:00-7:00. Research has shown that parent involvement is a key factor in a child's educational progress. Please visit with your child's teachers and keep the lines of communication open.

Sincerely,
Ed Stansberry
Superintendent

Missing School also means missing out on learning

A missed day here, a missed day there-does being absent really affect learning?

"YES!" says experts. When kids miss too much school, everyone suffers.

Absent students may fall behind, and catching up distracts from lessons and may be disruptive to the rest of the class.

Some absences are unavoidable, of course, but it helps when families: *Prepare at Night. Choose outfits, and prepare school bags at night.

Get to bed on time and set a morning alarm.

*Streamline Mornings. Wake up at the same time each day and stick

to a routine. If your child tends to forget certain responsibilities, make a chart to keep on track.

*Avoid Conflicts. When possible, schedule appointments and trips when

school isn't in session. If your child needs to miss school,

notify the school and ask about make-up work.

*Learn School Policies. Find out when students should stay home from school and the difference between excused and unexcused absences. If child care, transportation or other issues affect

your child's attendance, ask about helpful community resources.

Check out our website at:

<http://walthweb.esu1.org/>

If you are not set up to check your child's grades, and wish to be, please call the school at 846-5432

From the desk of Mr. Jorgenson:

It is time to celebrate! Walthill Public School is now nationally accredited through the Advanc-Ed organization. What does that mean? It means that a team of evaluators from across the state and the country has been at the school system and made a thorough assessment of the school and the district has achieved a high standard of excellence. The staff of Walthill Public Schools will continue to promote high expectations and make improvements as necessary to keep this accreditation. Way to go Blujays!

Another new opportunity for students has begun at Walthill schools as well. This new opportunity has been named "The Pit". Now students have the opportunity to get some extra help outside of the school day. "The Pit" is a room in the lower level of the elementary building where staff will be available until 5:00 P.M. to give students extra help on their school work. Right now the art and culture classes are giving the room a new look and that should be completed soon. If you would like your student to take advantage of this opportunity you just need to encourage your student to attend and the staff at Walthill will do the rest. See you in "The Pit"!

Honor the Good!! Two times a quarter, Walthill Public School's will "Honor the Good" students that walk through the halls on a daily basis. Students with good attendance, behavior, and grades will be honored and rewarded two times every quarter. Rewards will vary from time to time but the district has decided to reward the students for doing such a great job. Keep up the great work Blujays!

The staff of Walthill Public School is always looking for parents to become involved in decisions making and in helping out the students in anyway they can. If you are one of those who would like to be more involved with the education of students at Walthill, please let either office know and we will put parent groups together to support the students of the school. Your help would be great.

Bryce Jorgenson, High School Principal

The 2011-2012 school year has welcomed in many new things to the elementary. One of those things was the addition of a number of new students and new faces to our school. The Walthill Public School District welcomes the new students to our district and we would like to give the student's families a warm welcome as well. For those who don't know me, I am Marty Slaughter and I am the Elementary Principal here at Walthill Public School. I have some pretty big shoes to fill referring to the former Elementary Principal, Mrs. Ostrand. Mrs. Ostrand is still a part of our school district as she has taken on the new role as Assistant Principal/Intervention Specialist.

For the 2011-2012 school years, our 5th and 6th grade students will be located in the metal building located on the west side of the campus. The 2nd story of the main elementary building will house the 3rd and 4th graders. Last but not least our kindergarten through 2nd grade will be located on the first level of the main elementary building. We invite anyone who wishes to come spend some time with us and see all the great learning and activities that are taking place "on the hill". Since the start of school, which was August 17th, students have been working hard for their teachers and continuing the quest in getting an education. This past week, our students have been taking the MAPS Assessment. This assessments score shows the district's student proficiencies, teacher effectiveness, and other data that is critical in determining future curriculum needs. As a school district, we need to analyze all students' needs for learning which is based on exactly where each student is at. From these assessments, we hope to gain a better understanding for simplifying education with such data programs as MAPS which stands for Measures of Academic Progress. Along with these assessments the elementary with continue to use other assessment tools which include DIBELS and AIMSweb. If you have any questions or concerns feel free to call the school at 402-846-54323.

**Yours in education,
Marty Slaughter
Elementary Principal**



We are in the process of scheduling school pictures,
a note will be sent home with your child with the date

"Life doesn't require that we be the best, only that we try our best."

H. Jackson Brown Jr.



Important Information

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October 7 th	NO SCHOOL
October 14 th	1:30pm Dismissal for Students
October 31 st	NO SCHOOL
November 21 st	NO SCHOOL
November 23 rd	1:30pm Dismissal
November 24/25	NO SCHOOL



Once again, Walthill Public School is participating in Hy-Vee's school cents. When you shop at Hy-Vee, save your receipts for your groceries, flowers, or prescriptions. Have your child bring the receipts to their teacher. For every \$100.00 turned into the school, we earn \$1.00. The school does not look at what was purchased or how it was paid for, all we want is the receipt so the school can earn money. Any questions, please call Mrs. Rodasky at 846-5432

Child Find

The Walthill Public School requests your help in locating handicapped children. The school implements the Federal Handicapped Children's Act (PL 94-142) which guarantees a free appropriate public educational program for all children between the ages of 0 and 21 years of age. If you have a student or know of any young person with special needs between 0-21 years of age that is not enrolled in an appropriate public education program, please call 402-846-5432 or write to:

Shannon Burgett

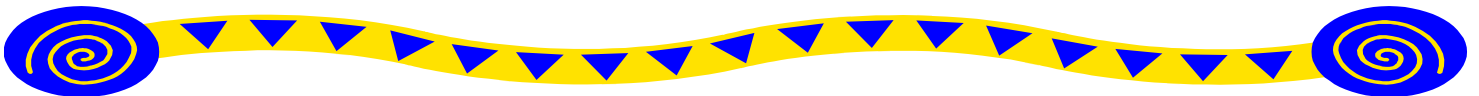
Special Education Coordinator

Box 3C
Walthill, NE 68067

ILC Update

Another years has begun for Walthill Public Schools Individual Learning Center with the assistance from Mr Stankiewicz , the students are busy working on completing requirements for graduation, preparing post-secondary goals and achieving other personal goals. I encourage people who have questions or concerns about the Walthill Public Schools ILC program to stop in and visit. Have a great year.

Mr. Stankiewicz
ILC Director



Mrs. Fernau's 5th/6th Science Class

.Students with good attendance were given chances to qualify for a fieldtrip to the Outdoor Expo at Ponca State Park on September 16th. In spite of cool weather, those who qualified had a great time. The following are a few things we enjoyed:

1. We were informed on bluebirds
2. We got to tag 3 monarch butterflies for scientists to track their migration back to Mexico
3. We met Frank Addington, a bow and arrow sharpshooter. He's from West Virginia and a grandmother of his was Cherokee. The students taught him a few Omaha language words and we learned a synonym of "good-bye" in Cherokee. We were also privileged to see him shoot 3 baby aspirins with his bow and 3 arrows, all at once.
4. The students made their own plant presses which we will use during our Life Science studies in the Spring.

A super lunch was provided by Ms. Hillsinger and her staff and I believe that all the students had a really great time.

In our classroom, we have been learning about chemical reactions and physical changes.



Library News

Get ready to read, and join us at the Book Fair Monday, October 3rd to Monday October 10th. We will be open during Parent-Teacher Conferences, so join us for free food, and prizes while you visit the Book Fair. Walthill School also has a new online library catalog. The address is <http://walthillschool.follettdestiny.com> and it is accessible from not only school, but home as well. So students and family members can now explore the books available at the Walthill School Library. Happy Searching!

Mrs. Low & Mrs. White Eyes



A Pirate Homecomin'
Come Sail Away With Me





**Parade Banner Winner, 1st Graders!!
Winner, Seniors, Class of 2012**



Parade Banner



**Homecoming Attendants
Left to Right: Samone,
Carly, HopeAnne, Manuel,
Demitria, Jamal, Marcell,
Jalise, Roderick, Chance,
Jaylen (Harley, not
pictured)**



King and Queen






**Chance
Clinchers
And
HopeAnne
Merrick**

Congratulation



October 2011





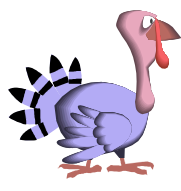
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2	3 JHVB at Winnebago at 3:00	4 JHFB home vs. Winnebago at 4:00	5	6 P/T Conferences from 3:00-7:00 <u>Early Dismissal at 1:30</u>	7 <u>No School</u> VFB at Omaha Nation at 7:00	8 VVB Gayvill Tournament at Gayville at 9:00 am
9	10	11	12 	13 JHVB & VVB at Santee at 3:00 & 5:00	14 End of 1st Qtr. <u>Early Dismissal at 1:30</u> VFB home vs. Pender at 7:00 Parent's Night	15
16 	17	18 JHVB home vs. Emerson-Hubbard at 3:00	19	20 VVB at Omaha Nation at 6:15	21 VFB at Bancroft- Rosalie at 7:00	22
23	24 VVB Lewis & Clark Tourney	25 VVB Lewis & Clark Tourney	26	27 VFB Playoffs 1st Round	28 VVB Lewis & Clark Tourney	29 
30	31 Native American Symposium. <u>No School for Students</u> VVB Sub districts					



November 2011



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6	7	8 VFB Playoffs Quarterfinal	9	10 VVB State Tournament at Grand Island	11 VVB State Tournament at Grand Island	12 VVB State Tournament at Grand Island
13	14 VFB Playoffs Semi-Finals	15	16 	17	18	19
20	21 VFB State Championship at Lincoln <u>No School</u> for Students. L&C Play	22	23 <u>Early Dismissal at 1:30</u>	24 <u>No School</u> Happy Thanksgiving	25 <u>No School</u>	26 
27	28	29 JHBBB at Emerson-Hubbard at 2:30	30			

October 2011

Breakfast: Offered Daily
Milk and Juice, Fresh or Canned Fruit
Lunch: Offered Daily
Milk and Salad Bar 7-12

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3 Donut/Cereal/Fruit Cheese Burger French Fries Baked Beans Rosie Applesauce	4 Omelet/Bacon/w/w Toast Mostaccioli [Goulash with Meat Sauce] Garlic Bread Peas Diced Pears	5 Sausage Gravy/Biscuit Ham in Au gratin Potatoes Corn Diced Peaches Roll	6 Fruit Turnover/Cereal Chicken Tetrazzini California Blend Apple Crisp Roll	7 No School! Conferences on Thursday !
10 Breakfast Pizza/Salsa/Fruit Chicken Nuggets French Fries Corn Pineapple Tidbits Cookie	11 Sausage/Egg/Cheese Biscuit Chili/Crackers Cinnamon Roll Carrots & Celery Apple	12 Sausage Gravy/Biscuit Salisbury Steak Potatoes & Gravy Green Beans Diced Peaches Roll	13 Cinnamon Roll/Cereal Crispito w Cheese Sauce Spanish Rice Corn Tropical Fruit	14 Pancakes/Sausage Fish Sticks Macaroni & Cheese Peas Jell-o Fruit Cup
17 Granola Bar/Cereal BBQ Pork on Bun French Fries Baked Beans Rosie Applesauce	18 Breakfast Wraps/Salsa Chicken Noodle Soup PB & Jelly Sandwich Carrots/Celery/Crackers Mandarin Oranges	19 Sausage Gravy/Biscuit Roast Pork in Gravy Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Diced Peaches Roll	20 Muffin Cereal Hot Dog on Bun Macaroni & Cheese Peas & Carrots Jell-o Fruit Cup	21 Waffle Sticks/Sausage Chicken Al Fredo California Blend Cherry Crisp Roll
24 Breakfast Bites/Fruit Teriyaki Chicken on Bun Rice Pilaf Corn Tropical Fruit	25 Bacon/Egg/Cheese Sand. Vegetable Beef Soup Biscuit & Cheese Slice Apricots Brownie	26 Sausage Gravy/Biscuit Chicken Fried Steak Potatoes & Gravy Green Beans Diced Peaches Roll	27 Pop Tart/Cereal Lasagna Casserole Garlic Bread Peas Diced Pears	28 French Toast/Bacon Sausage Pizza Lettuce Banana Pudding Cookie
31 NA Symposium No Students!				

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7 Breakfast Pizza/Fruit Cheese Burger on Bun French Fries Baked Beans Rosie Applesauce	8 Sausage/Egg/Cheese Biscuit Chicken Noodle Soup PB & Jelly Sandwich Carrots/Celery/Crackers Apricots	9 Sausage Gravy/Biscuit Chicken Fajita Garnishes Spanish Rice Sour Apple Jell-o	10 Cinnamon Roll/Cereal Spaghetti w Meatballs Garlic Bread Peas Diced Pears	11 Waffle Sticks/Sausage Hot Dog on Bun Macaroni & Cheese Green Beans Banana Cookie
14 Granola Bar/Cereal Tavern on Bun French Fries Baked Beans Rosie Applesauce	15 Breakfast Burrito/Salsa Chili/Crackers Cinnamon Roll Carrots/Celery Diced Peaches	16 Sausage Gravy/Biscuit Turkey in Gravy Mashed Potatoes Corn Cranberry-Apple Jell-o Roll	17 Muffin/Cereal Crispito w Cheese Sauce Spanish Rice Lettuce Salad Pineapple Tidbits	18 French Toast/Bacon Tater Tot Casserole With Green Beans Blue Berry Crisp Roll
21 No Students! Host Lewis & Clark Play	22 Bacon/Egg/Cheese Sand. Ham & Bean Soup Corn Bread & Honey Carrots/Celery/Crackers Diced Pears Cookie	23 Sausage Gravy/Biscuit Pepperoni Pizza Lettuce Salad Banana Pudding	24 No School! Thanksgiving Break	25 No School! Thanksgiving Break
28 Donut/Cereal/Banana Chicken Nuggets French Fries Corn Tropical Fruit	29 Omelet/Bacon/w/w Toast Vegetable-Beef Soup Biscuit/Cheese Slice Diced Peaches Cookie	30 Sausage Gravy/Biscuit Chicken Fajita Garnishes Spanish Rice Jell-o Fruit Cup		

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ENCLOSED

**October and November
Calendars for Activities, Project and Lunch
are enclosed**

Important Dates to remember



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