Sargent Public School

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FBLA NEWS:

With February being just around the corner comes some exciting activities and events in the Sargent FBLA Chapter. On February 7th, seven members (Cassidy, Carsen, Kooper, Hayden, Alli, Corbin, and Kinley) will be competing at the Loper Business Invitational at UNK.

For Valentine's Day, we are once again selling gifts for your special someone. This year we are going back to selling Eileen's 6-inch decorated cookies and also partnering with the Forget Me Not Shoppe by selling carnations and mylar balloons. Another event during February is FBLA week.

Since National FBLA Week happens during State Wrestling and our winter break, we will be celebrating the week before, Febr 5th-10th. This week is used to promote the benefits of FBLA. FBLA week increases awareness in regards to the Sargent Chapter activities, preparing for State Leadership Conference, and to show appreciation for our local businesses who help our chapter and community. We will kick off the eventful week on Monday promoting FBLA with locker posters. Tuesday is "dress for success day." Wednesday is "Teacher Appreciation." Thursday is wear your FBLA t-shirt or hoodie for spirit day and speaking/reading to elementary students. Friday is the Business Appreciation Breakfast to give appreciation to all that our local businesses do.

-Carsen Vincent, Reporter



Music

CONGRATULATIONS to sophomore Hayden Nelson of Sargent Public School for being one of only two bass clarinets selected for the Hastings College Honor Band and Choir. The HCHB is the longest-running high school music honor ensemble sponsored by a college in Nebraska — and features some of the best high school musical talent throughout the region!

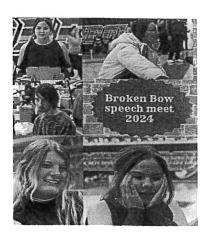
The 60th Annual Honor Band was held January 21-22, 2024, at Hastings College.

We are very proud of Hayden for auditioning and being accepted into this prestigious group.

Hayden was also selected for the Underclassman Honor Band at Kearney High School on January 15. However, he was unable to attend due to school being canceled for weather.

Broken Bow Speech Meet

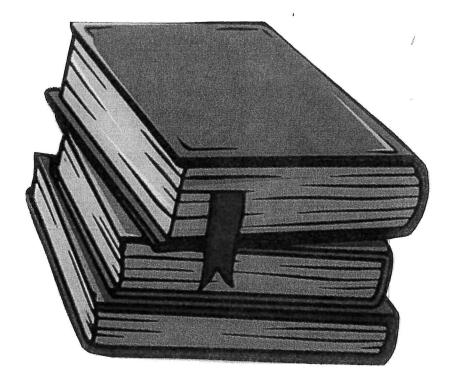
On January 20, 2024, five students competed at the Broken Bow Speech Meet. Sarah Riddle placed 5th in Poetry and got a rating of superior. Christina Lewellyn receives a rating of excellent in her Persuasive speech. Jax Williams receives a rating of excellent in his Entertainment speech. Miah Handley receives a rating of excellent in her Entertainment speech. Phoebe Rowse receives a rating of excellent in her Persuasive speech.



FBLA Valentine's Day Gifts

The FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) is selling Eileen's cookies, Forget-Me-Not Shoppe carnations and mylar balloons. If you are interested in any of the items below, please send a completed order form back with your money or talk to an FBLA member as this is a fundraiser for State Leadership Conference. Thanks in advance for your support! Order NOW to be delivered to the school on Wednesday, February 14th! All orders must be in by Mon, February 5th! Your options are: 6-inch decorated cookie from Eileen's Cookies, a Valentine's Day mylar balloon, and/or a single pink or red carnation. The charge for a cookie is \$8.00 and \$7.00 for the balloon or carnation. However, buy all three items for one person for \$20.

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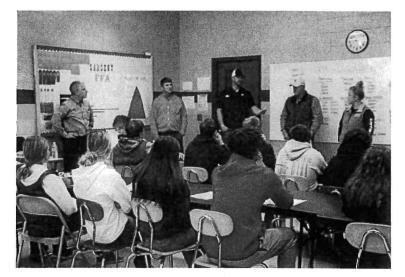
Characteristics of Successful People!

The 2023 December career day keynote speaker, Dave McCarthy, presented 8 character traits to our students of what he looks for when he hires employees. Dave is the Southwest Region Manager for Redline Equipment and has built a successful team of employees around him to help make Redline one of the top equipment dealerships. These qualities include a desire to learn, hold yourself accountable (making mistakes is fine, admit it), strong work ethic, have morals and values, be a team player, social skills(firm handshake, eye contact, engage in conversation), have a humble confidence, and possess fire and energy. He has a passion to share these leadership qualities with students and encouraged them to build these characteristics while they are in school so they are college and career ready when they graduate.

Dave also encouraged our 7th-12th grade to "love what you do, have a passion for your work". The students had opportunities to explore what they might love to do by attending breakout sessions from the six career fields - Health Sciences, Skilled Technical Sciences, Ag, Food, and Natural Resources, Human Services and Education, Business, Marketing, and Management, as well as Communication and Information Systems. These breakout sessions included speakers from many area businesses that shared their knowledge and experiences with our students. Some participating speakers were Janice Nozicka, Tyler Peters, Monte Hermsmeyer, Kalen Grint, Cory Palmer, Ben Morse, Abigail Tilley, Travis Barker, Jerry Helgoth, Clint Marsh, Josh Page, Dan Mankle, Tyler Marotz, Steph Klein, Trooper Flick, Shawn Kaskie, Rachel Scott, Hallie Yantzie, and Madison Chaffin. Students also had an opportunity to visit with colleges, military recruiters, and businesses set up in the gym during one of their breakout sessions. Overall our 10th annual career day was a success by giving students opportunities to explore careers, consider college and military options, as well as building relationships with area community members to help them make informed decisions about their future paths.



Students listen to professionals talk about careers in the Business Marketing and Management field.



A large group of students listen intently about careers in the Ag Food and Natural Resources field.



A student visits with the Army recruiter to explore options in the military.



Students also had opportunities to talk to college representatives about if they offered programs of study they are interested in.

Tips Families Can Use to Help Children Do Better in School

February 2024

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Title I-Educational Service Unit 10

Self-regulation skills help your child stay focused and achieve

Research shows that learning to control impulses and work toward goals improves children's success in school. With family support, even young children can learn these key self-regulation skills.

To improve your elementary schooler's ability to self-regulate:

· Help your child set goals that are tough but achievable, like reading a whole chapter book or learning to jump rope. Ask your child to picture what it will be like to reach the goal.



Then, have your child imagine possible obstacles and ways to overcome them. Your child might ask for help with unfamiliar words in the book or practice jumping rope on grass so tripping and falling won't hurt.

- Coach your child before heading into situations where selfcontrol may be a challenge. Say things like, "We have to run errands today. What can you do if you feel frustrated?" Together, brainstorm solutions, like playing I Spy in the grocery store or stacking coins at the laundromat.
- Praise your child for showing self-control. Be specific so your student can repeat the behavior in the future. You might say, "I know you really wanted pizza, but you ate your chicken without complaining," or "I noticed you practiced your addition facts every day this week—way to go!"

Source: University of Zurich, "Early self-regulation boosts children's educational success," ScienceDaily.



Take steps to ensure safety online

Students' digital safety is a growing concern for elementary school teachers and families. Fortunately, adults can protect children by supervising their online activities and teaching them to make positive choices. At home, you can:

- **Filter out** inappropriate content. Keep devices where you can see them, and use parental controls. Talk with your child regularly about what is and isn't allowed.
- **Keep young children** off social media. More than a quarter of teens report using social media before meeting network age requirements. Insist on waiting until at least the minimum age.
- Monitor online gaming.

Cyberbullying is on the rise among gamers. Playing only with people your child knows and trusts in real life reduces the risk. Tell your child to report cyberbullying to you.

• Discuss online privacy. Teach your child never to share full names, passwords, etc.

Source: F. Martin and others, "Teacher and School Concerns and Actions on Elementary School Children Digital Safety," TechTrends, AECT.

Discuss the pros and cons

Children's experiences with the world are limited, so it's hard for them to imagine the possible results of their actions. So even

if your child knows whether an action is right or wrong, consider the pros and cons



together. What could happen in the short and long term? After your talk, your child will understand why the right choice is right.

Set expectations that fit

High family expectations for students are linked to high outcomes. But to be motivating, your expectations for your child also need to be realistic. Consider these questions when setting expectations:

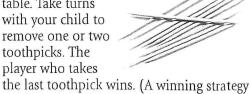
- Are they geared to my child? Take your child's development, personality and maturity into account.
- Are they important? Choose a few expectations that focus on school success behaviors you want your child to develop, such as effort and responsibility.
- Are they easy to understand? State your expectations in clear terms.

Source: M. Pinquart & M. Ebeling, M., "Parental educational expectations and academic achievement in children and adolescents—A meta-analysis," Educational Psychology Review.

Play a math strategy game

A box of toothpicks is all you need to play a game that helps your child practice math reasoning. To play Last One Wins, lay 12

toothpicks on the table. Take turns with your child to remove one or two toothpicks. The player who takes



is to try to leave three toothpicks on the table to guarantee a win on your next turn.)

Helping Children Learn Tips Families Can Use to Help Children Do Better in School February 2024



How can I stop my child from turning into a bully?

Q: Last year, my child was picked on by a group of kids in school and was miserable. So I was shocked when the teacher told me that my fifth grader is now part of a group who is being mean to another child. How can I stop this?



A: Watching your child be mean can be just as painful as watching your child be a target of nastiness.

Unfortunately, your situation is not uncommon, particularly among families of girls at this age. And you are right, it's essential to take action.

Here are some things to do:

- Make things clear to your child. Say that you can appreciate that it feels good to be part of a group. However, just as it was wrong for others to be mean to your child last year, it is wrong for your student to do it now. Remind your child how it felt to be teased—and that it is important to take a stand against such behavior.
- Find out the school's policies about bullying and review them with your child. Your student may face consequences if this behavior continues.
- Talk with the teacher. Ask what the classroom rules are about teasing and exclusion. Explain what you are doing at home, and work together to redirect your child's focus onto learning—and away from mean behavior.



Are you positive about math?

Research shows that family attitudes can affect how well students do in math. Kids do better when their families show that math is useful, interesting and fun. Is your math attitude helping your child? Answer yes or no below:

- __1. **Do you express** confidence that your child can do well in math?
- __3. Do you play math games with your child?
- __4. Do you talk with your child about the ways you use math in your daily life?
- __5. Do you create opportunities for your child to use math,

such as looking for bargains at the grocery store?

How well are you doing?

More yes answers mean you are showing that you think math is worth learning. For each no, try that idea.

Reinforce responsibility

So many student success factors—effort, timeliness, diligence, etc.—are tied to responsibility. To raise a responsible student:

- Assign meaningful tasks, such as getting up to an alarm, caring for pets or plants, seeing jobs through by tidying up afterwards, etc.
- Let your child make decisions and learn from consequences of poor choices.
- Teach your child about budgeting and saving, as well as spending.
- Adjust rules and limits as your child shows more responsibility.

Encourage practice tests

Studies show that when students practice recalling information, it helps them remember it better. That's why taking practice tests is an effective way to study. Your child can take advantage of this study strategy:

- **In class.** Taking quizzes is an opportunity to practice recalling the material.
- **In groups.** Your child might invite a friend or two over to study and quiz one another. Or you can call out questions.
- Independently. Help your child look over notes, reading and handouts and create questions the teacher might ask. Then, your child can answer them.

Send a confidence boost

Give your child's self-confidence a boost this Valentine's Day by sending a valentine fan letter. Praise your student's efforts in



school in a note, poem or silly riddle. Then, send it through the post office or tuck it somewhere your child will be sure to find it. Sign it, "From your biggest fan."

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Latest News Release

Pediatric Influenza Deaths Reported In Nebraska

Flu season is here to stay but it's not too late to get your flu shot. Protect yourself from the flu by:

-Washing your hands often

-Avoiding contact with people who are sick

-Staying home from work, family gatherings and social functions if you're sick

-Covering your mouth and nose when you cough with a tissue or sleeve, not into your hands

-Eating healthy and getting plenty of rest

-Don't smoke

-DHHS recommends speaking with your healthcare provider as CDC recommends flu vaccine for everyone 6 months and older

-Call to schedule an appointment to receive your flu shot to help protect yourself and your loved ones! 308-346-5795.

To read the full article from DHHS, visit www.dhhs.ne.gov



Unlock Your Potential: Join Our Team!

 As a Preventative Services Coordinator at Loup Basin Public Health Department, you will be responsible for organizing and conducting wellness screening clinics, managing the dispersal of colon cancer screening kits, and collaborating with partners to promote health and prevent chronic diseases in our community. Visit our website to apply!

Establishing a Healthy Relationship With Social Media

- 1. Track your social media usage.
- 2. Plan when you'll use social media.
- 3. Set up "no-phone" zones.
- 4. Turn off push notifications.
- 5. Schedule a digital detox.
- 6. Limit the number of apps you use.
- 7. Screen your social media circle.
- 8. Disconnect before bed.
- **9.** Keep electronic devices out of your bedroom.
- Remember that social media isn't always "real."



Wanting to put your phone down more this year?

Social media can be great, but can also impact us negatively if we don't have boundaries.

BKKKKKK WIN Are you prepared for Old Man

Winter?

"The cold never bothered me anyways" Sorry Elsa but the cold bothers us! Don't let winter get the best of you. Make



Protecting Your Home in Cold Weather

· Keep home at a minimum of 55°

· Prevent pipes from freezing by letting warm water drip from faucets

· Open kitchen & bathroom cabinet doors to allow warm air to circulate around plumbing, especially for sinks on an exterior wall

· Insulate pipes running through unheated areas like attics & crawl spaces

· Know where your water shut-off valve is. If a pipe bursts, shut your water off immediately.

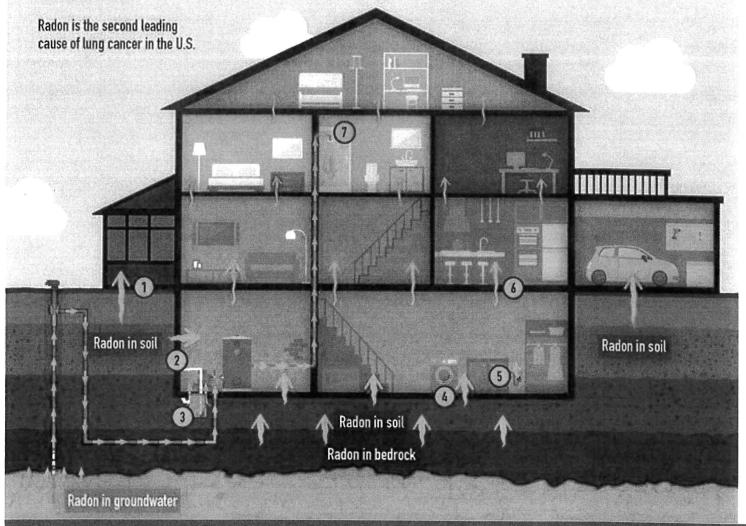




January is National Radon Action Month!

Radon is a radioactive gas. Radon is formed by the natural radioactive decay of uranium in rock, soil, and water. Naturally existing, low levels of uranium occur widely in Earth's crust. It can be found in all 50 states. There's no better time to test your home for radon. Learn how to protect your family in 2024.

How Radon Gets into Your Home



When was the last time you tested your home for radon gas? Testing every two to five years is the only way to ensure you and your loved ones are safe from elevated levels of radon in your home. Don't put this off! Exposure to radon is the No. 1 cause of lung cancer in nonsmokers. Test your living space today and mitigate any high radon levels. Fixing high radon is achievable through a professionally installed system and costs less than many other home repairs. Test. Fix. Save a life. Visit lbphd.ne.gov to get a test kit!

For more information
you can:
-Visit our Healthy
Families Nebraska- Loup
Basin Facebook page, Visit our website
(lbphd.ne.gov)
-Call 308-346-5795 to
speak with a home visitor
or our program manager!

WHAT TO EXPECT FROM OUR HFA PROGRAM:

- CHILD DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES
- FAMILY GOAL PLANNING
- PRENATAL SUPPORT
- SERVICE PLANNING
- TRUSTED SUPPORT
- REALATIONSHIP BUILDING
- REFERRALS TO COMMUNITY RESOURCES









Breastfeeding can help protect you and your baby against some short- and long-term illnesses and diseases!

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What to expect, when you are expecting and join our free program!





Immunization Clinic

North Park Elementary, Broken Bow February 2, 9:00 A.M.- 2:00 P.M.

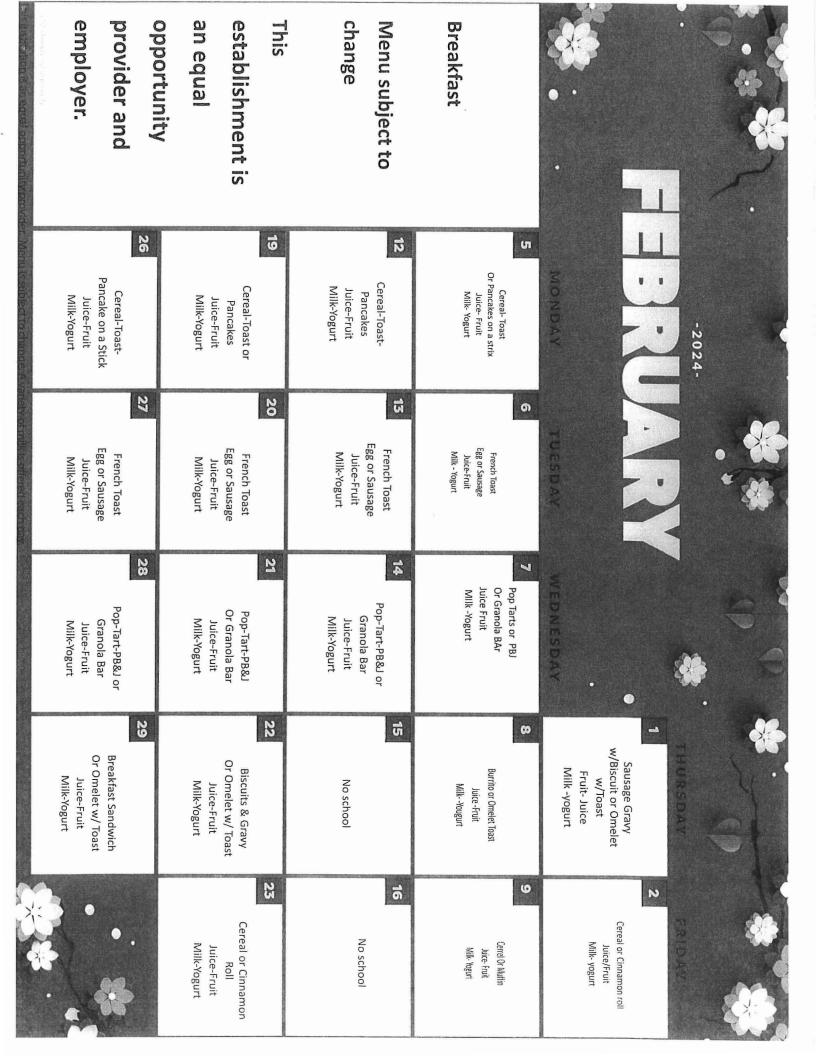
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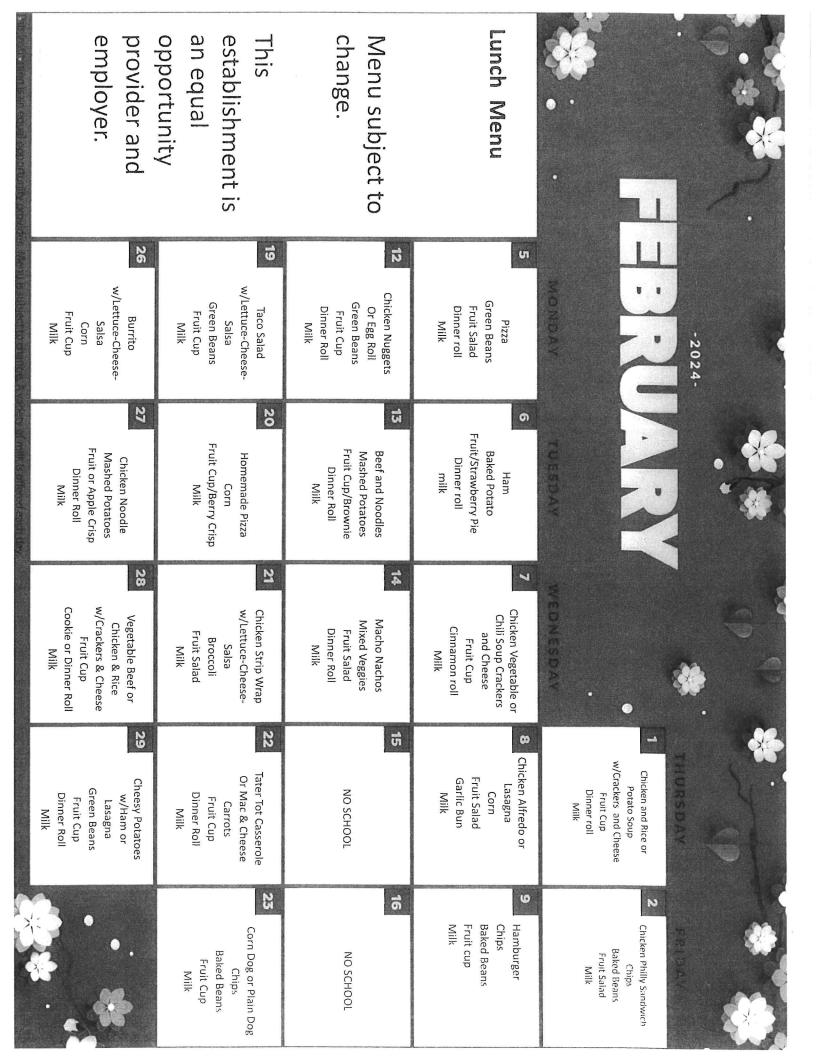
Please call our nurse for a free assessment of your immunization record.

PLEASE CALL TO SCHEDULE

AN APPOINTMENT

308-346-5795





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11	12 G BB Subdistricts	13 B BB Subdistricts	14 HS Quiz Bowl 1:00pm Dismissal Winter Break	15 NO SCHOOL Winter Break G BB Subdistricts State Wrestling Tournament	16 State Wrestling Tournament NO SCHOOL Winter Break 6:00pm BJV BB v Burwell 7:30pm BV BB v Burwell	17 State Wrestling Tournament Speech Meet @Loup City
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25	26 B BB District Finals	27 B BB District Finals	28 District CDE State G BB Tournament	29 State G BB Tournament		