

Mustang Minutes



January 2019

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Greetings,

A new year is upon us and with every beginning there is an opportunity to start with a fresh commencement. With that said, the beginning of the second semester begins January 7th, 2019. This is an opportunity for our students to initiate a fresh start with some new goals for the final semester of the school year. I encourage parents to take a few minutes and visit with your kids about setting goals and progressing through the semester with a goal and end in mind.

With that said, our teachers work on professional goals routinely. During Wednesday early outs the East Marshall staff collaborates together and works in Professional Learning Community (PLC) groups. As a group, they look at student trend lines and study how to adjust instruction to improve learning environments for students. A professional colleague and good friend of mine, Mark Crady, often will coach teachers to take one small step at a time. That is exactly what our staff does on a weekly basis. Soon, there will be an adjustment on how students are assessed at the state level. These new annual assessments are called Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress (ISASP). The tests of the past were called Iowa Assessments or Iowa Test of Basic Skills.

ISASP assessments will be given this coming spring. In grades 3-11, the assessments will cover the subjects of reading, language, math, and writing. Science will be assessed in grades 5, 8, and 10. The results of the new assessments will not be received by the district until possibly August. More information will be communicated to parents by the district as we get closer to the testing dates and the district receives additional information from the Iowa Department of Education. Additional information about the ISASP can be found at the following web link, http://iowa.pearsonaccessnext.com/resources/bulletins/ISASP_OverviewOfAssessment.pdf.

As I reflect on the past semester I want to take a moment to thank each of our staff members and supportive patrons. Working together, we have accomplished incredible work during the first semester. We all commit to a purpose of helping our kids be the best they can be. In addition, as a parent in the district, I appreciate all that East Marshall provides. It has sunk in with me that one of my own kids is a senior and we are halfway through her final year of high school. As a family, we plan to make it the best semester it possibly can be. I invite you to do the same.

Happy New Year, and welcome to another fresh start. Set goals, and strive to make it the best ever.

As always, today is a great day to be a Mustang!

Yours in Education,

Anthony Ryan
Superintendent

Middle School Battle of the Books Team Announced

Congratulations to the following on making the 2018-2019 Middle School Battle of the Books team:

8th Graders: Patrick, Rayburn, Chelsea Winn, and Joe Terrones

7th Graders: Alex Clover, Sara Weitzell, and Audrey Andreson

Battle of the Books is a collaborative reading competition for strong readers at the upper elementary and middle school levels. It is designed to enhance student commitment, team building, reading comprehension, and study skills in a fun, informative manner. Teams of up to six students read from a pre-selected list of approximately 30 books. Competition includes written and oral responses.

Books included on the reading lists have been carefully selected and are chosen for their high-interest level, challenging vocabulary, multiple reading levels, and appropriate content. The books are purposefully selected to expose students to a variety of genres, quality authors, diverse cultures, and historical eras.

The 2018-19 Middle School Battle of the Books will be held at the Central Rivers AEA Cedar Falls Conference Center in April.

East Marshall High School

School Board Report

12/4/18

1. The first semester will end on Friday; December 21st. High School students will take semester tests on Wednesday, Dec. 19th – Friday, Dec 21st.
2. Large Group Speech currently has 30 students participating in 12 events. Mrs. Ash is our speech sponsor. Students will be competing in the following events: Readers Theatre, Short Film, Musical Theatre, Radio Broadcasting, Improv, and Ensemble Acting. Large Group Speech contest is held on Saturday 1/19.
3. Mrs. Foval-Johnson is conducting the Angel Tree activity, which provides 24 families with gifts for kids. It has been strongly supported, with staff, students, and community organizations providing gifts.
4. FFA Fruit sales came in this week. Sales were strong by many of the members, with over \$11,000 worth of gross sales. These funds help pay for student contests and the group's State and National Convention.
5. Student Council is holding their annual food drive. The food will be provided to needy families in the district during the holidays and utilized in the backpack program in the elementary and middle school.
6. Basketball and Wrestling seasons are underway, with lots of contests occurring. The Basketball team has home games on 12/4, 12/7, 12/17, & 12/18. Wrestling has a home meet on 12/6.

Upcoming events:

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| 1. HS Christmas Concert | Monday, 12/10 |
| 2. Semester Tests | Wed, 12/19 – Fri, 12/21 |
| 3. End of 1 st semester | Friday, 12/21. |
| 4. Christmas Break | 12/22-1/6. |

Enrollment Information (12/4/18)

<u>Class</u>	<u>Open enrolled</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>Total</u>
9 th Grade:	25 (35%)	47 (65%)	72
10 th Grade:	20 (36%)	35 (64%)	55
11 th Grade:	14 (29%)	35 (71%)	49
<u>12th Grade:</u>	<u>17 (31%)</u>	<u>38 (69%)</u>	<u>55</u>
Total enrollment	76 (33%)	155 (67%)	231

EMHS CHOIR NOTES

In the Spotlight ...

CONCERT CALENDAR

NICL
CONFERENCE
VOCAL FESTIVAL
Tuesday, January 15
7:00 p.m. - LeGrand

EMHS COFFEE
CONCERT
Tuesday, March 5
7:00 p.m. - LeGrand

IHSMA STATE
SOLO & SMALL
GROUP CONTEST
Saturday, March 30
Site & Times - TBD

EMHS SPRING
CONCERT &
AWARDS
Tuesday, April 30
7:00 p.m. - LeGrand

IHSMA STATE
LARGE GROUP
CONTEST
Saturday, May 4
Site & Times - TBD



IHSMA ALL-STATE CHOIR

Soprano - Jordan King and Alto - Grace Johnson performed in the 2018 IHSMA All-State Choir in Ames on Saturday, Nov. 16.

NICL CONFERENCE VOCAL FESTIVAL

East Marshall is hosting one of the four sections of the NICL Conference Vocal Festival on Tuesday evening, January 15. The guest director for the festival is Dr. John Wiles, director of choirs at the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls. Choirs performing at the festival are: BCL-UW, Grundy Center, West Marshall & East Marshall. The Festival Mass Choir will perform in concert at 7:00 p.m. in the new gym. Everyone is invited to attend.

EAST MARSHALL FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT:

Karen Benzing - MS Vocal / Band
Jennifer Kitzman - HS Vocal / Elem. Music
Deidra Mohr - Fall Musical/Spring Play

Mary Potter - MS & HS Band
Hallie Crouse - HS Art
Nicholas Beard - MS & Elem. Art

JANUARY

BREAKFAST 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 No School	2 No School	3 No School	4 No School
7 Breakfast Wrap Juice Apple	8 French Toast Sticks Juice Orange	9 W.G. Cinnamon Roll Juice Cinnamon Apples	10 Omelet Toast Juice Fresh Citrus Fruit Cup	11 W.G. Donut Yogurt Juice Mandarin Oranges
14 Mini Waffles Juice Apple	15 Cinnamon Toast Cereal Bar Juice Pineapple	16 Sausage & Gravy Breakfast Pizza Juice Peaches	17 French Toast Snack Bread Juice Applesauce	18 Apple or Cherry Frudel Juice Banana
21 Cereal Yogurt Juice Pears	22 Breakfast Pizza Juice Peaches	23 Egg Patty Toast Juice Grapes	24 W.G. Long John Juice Mandarin Oranges	25 Pancake Rollup Juice Blueberries
28 Mini Bagel Juice Fruit Cocktail	29 Scrambled Eggs Toast Juice Applesauce	30 Blueberry or Banana CC Snack Bread Juice Orange	31 Mini Pancakes Juice Strawberries	

Nutritional information available upon request
 Milk is also offered for breakfast
 Meals are subject to change
 This institution is an equal opportunity provider

JANUARY LUNCH 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 No School	2 No School	3 No School	4 No School
7 Crispito W / Cheese Lettuce Salad Diced Tomatoes Sidekicks Frozen Juice Apple	8 Cheese Pizza Green Beans Sliced Cucumbers Baby Carrots Cinnamon Apples Orange	9 Bbq. Ribette / Bun Lettuce Salad Cauliflower Bites Celery Sticks Fresh Citrus Fruit Cup Fruit Cocktail	10 Hot Ham & Cheese / Bun Tator Tots Lettuce Salad Garbanzo Beans Mandarin Oranges Pears	11 Chicken Alfredo Garlic Bread Seasoned Peas Baby Carrots Fresh Broccoli Applesauce Peaches
14 Pepperoni & Cheese Pocket Green Beans Baby Carrots Pineapple Apple	15 Chili W.G. Cinnamon Roll Corn Sliced Cucumbers Cauliflower Bites Peaches Sidekicks Frozen Juice	16 Hotdog Baked Beans Baby Carrots Green Peppers Mandarin Oranges Applesauce	17 Chicken Patty / Bun Steamed Broccoli Lettuce Salad Sliced Cucumbers Banana Grapes	18 Walking Taco Shr. Cheddar Refried Beans Lettuce Salad Diced Tomatoes Pears Orange
21 Sloppy Joe Green Beans Lettuce Salad Fresh Broccoli Peaches Pears	22 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Celery Sticks Baby Carrots Applesauce Pineapple	23 Shredded Pork / Bun Baked Beans Lettuce Salad Baby Carrots Mandarin Oranges Grapes	24 Breaded Cheese Sticks W / Sauce Cooked Carrots Sliced Cucumbers Lettuce Salad Blueberries Apple Snickerdoodle Cookie	25 Spaghetti Garlic Bread Lettuce Salad Cauliflower Bites Fruit Cocktail 100% Juice Cups
28 Tator Tot Casserole Bread & Butter Sandwich Seasoned Peas Baby Carrots Applesauce	29 Chicken Tetrizzini W.G. Roll Garbanzo Beans Baby Carrots Celery Sticks 100% Juice Cups Orange	30 Crispito W / Cheese Lettuce Salad Diced Tomatoes Cauliflower Bites Cinnamon Apples Strawberries	31 Breakfast Pizza L. John Donut (Ele. / MS) Yogurt Fresh Broccoli Baby Carrots Mandarin Oranges Banana	

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JANUARY

Sunday
Monday
Tuesday
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Saturday

		1 NO SCHOOL	2 NO SCHOOL	3 NO SCHOOL 6:00 JV/V WR @ Van Horne	4 NO SCHOOL 4:30 JV BB vs W. Marshall 5:30 Fr/So BB vs W. Marshall 6:15 Var BB vs W. Marshall	5 8:00 JV WR @ Van Horne 9:30 Var WR @ Van Horne 5:00 Var BBB @ Wartburg College
6	7 4:15 MS WR @ Colfax 4:15 MS BBB @ Union 4:15 MS GBB vs BCLUW 5:00 JV WR @ Conrad	8 4:30 JV BB vs Hudson 5:30 Fr/So BBB vs Hudson 6:15 Var BB vs Hudson	9 2:20 DISMISSAL	10 4:15 MS WR @ LeGrand 4:15 MS GBB @ Reinbeck 6:00 JV BB vs Colfax-Mingo 6:15 JV/V WR @ Conrad	11 4:15 MS BBB vs Glad-Rein 4:30 JV BB @ Grundy Center 5:30 Fr/So BBB @ Grundy Center 6:15 VAR BB @ Grundy Center	12 9:30 Hudson-Var Tourn @ Hudson
13	14	15 7:00 NICL Vocal Festival @ LeGrand	16 2:20 DISMISSAL	17 4:15 MS WR @ Brooklyn 4:15 MS BBB vs S. Hardin 4:15 MS GBB @ Hubbard 6:15 HS WR @ LeGrand	18 4:30 JV BB @ Ackley 5:30 Fr/So BBB @ Ackley 6:15 Var BB @ Ackley	19 District Large Group Speech Contest 9:00 JV/V WR @ LeGrand
20 Little Kids WR Tourn	21 IHSMA State Jazz Band Festival	22 4:30 JV BB vs S. Hardin 5:30 Fr/So BBB vs S. Hardin 6:00 JV/V WR @ Iowa Falls 6:15 Var BB vs S. Hardin	23 2:20 DISMISSAL	24 4:15 MS WR @ Conrad 4:15 MS BBB @ Welsburg 4:15 MS GBB vs AGWSR 4:30 JV WR @ Wapsie Valley	25 4:30 JV BB vs BCLUW 5:30 Fr/So BBB vs BCLUW 6:15 Var BB vs BCLUW	26 8:00 AM EM Booster Club Boy's BB Tourn 10:00 Var WR @ Parkersburg
27 8:00 AM EM Booster Club Girl's BB Tourn	28 4:15 MS BBB vs State Center 4:15 MS GBB @ W. Marshall	29 4:00 JV GBB @ Reinbeck 5:00 JV BBB @ Reinbeck 6:15 Var BB vs Meskwaki	30 2:20 DISMISSAL	31 4:15 MS BBB @ Reinbeck 4:15 MS GBB vs Glad-Rein 6:15 Var BB vs Meskwaki		

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