

District Update

Mr. McClain & Mr. Busch

IMPORTANT DATES!

Nov. 29th - State Dance

Nov. 30th & Dec. 1st - Fall Play

Dec. 6 - K-6 Winter Concert

Dec. 7 - 2 ½ Early Out

Dec. 10 - School Board Meeting (Royal)

Dec. 13 - 7-12 Winter Concert

Four Point Grading Scale

As we work with our new grading scale, we will continue to make modifications in the best interest of our students. We will continue with the following guidelines:

Retakes and Revisions

- a. When a student needs more time to demonstrate learning for a course standard, they will be provided with multiple opportunities for success.
 - a. Opportunities for success include re-teaching, assignment redos, quiz and test retakes, project corrections, and differentiated assessments and assignments.
2. Academic Standards
 - a. Assessment scores will be tied to content standards
 - b. Extra credit will not be given. We want assessment scores to fully represent learning of the standard.
3. User-Friendly Standards
 - a. User-friendly power standards will be used in each class to assess student learning of academic standards.
 - b. Teachers will determine student scores using evidence from student learning. Teachers will

(where appropriate) work to consider multiple data points with weight toward the most recent data when making determinations of student scores.

- c. The score of zero will not be given. If students fail to turn in work, arrangements will be made for the student to complete assignment. Late work will be given full credit. Students will instead be given a score on **Employability Skills** to reflect poor work habits.

Following these guidelines, middle and high school teachers will revert back to using the 100 point scale until such time as standards-based grading (SBG) is fully implemented. At that time, the MS/HS will join the elementary in using the four point scale.

TEXT ALERTS

For updates on school closings and other events, text @mavericku to 319-774-1606

Future Plans

I would like to address some rumors that have been circulating in the high school and, I'm sure, in the community regarding the future of our school district. As a district, we are continuing to investigate different scenarios for reducing expenditures in the future. These scenarios include closing one building and moving to one K-12 campus and sharing students and/or staff with other districts.

We are being methodical in examining these options in order to make the best long-term decision for our students and district. We are examining cost savings for several different scenarios; we have independent committees reviewing each

building to determine pros/cons of having each house our K-12 students; and we are having discussions with neighboring districts about the possibility of sharing activities, staff, and students. We do not want to make a knee-jerk decision but, rather, collect as much data as possible to make the best decision possible.

I have been sharing information with staff as we collect it. On Wednesday, November 7, we had an assembly with 7-12 students to address their questions and concerns. Our students had thoughtful questions and a genuine concern for the future of CCE. I encourage all of us to continue to promote all the good things that are happening here.

Once again, we are not closing our doors at the end of the year. We are investigating opportunities to continue to provide the best education for our students and provide longevity for our district. We will have another community meeting in the near future. Thank you for your patience as we work through this process.

Mr. Dennis McClain, Superintendent
Clay Central Everly School

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Mr. CCE

If you were at the high school on November 2nd around 7 o'clock PM you might have seen a sight. The Junior class put on Mr. CCE, where the 9-12th grade boys dressed in dresses and showed off their pageant skills. The boys had to answer a series of

questions in the interview portion. Then they moved onto the talent portion. In this portion, the boys got to show off their talents. After intermission, we came back into the gym and found out who won.

Best Talent- Ethan Stevens



Mr. Congeniality - Cole Maaland



Mr. CCE - Stevie Mowery



Extracurriculars

FFA

UPCOMING DATES

- 12/1- Quiz Bowl
- 12/3- JH Boys Basketball vs
Hartley Melvin (Home)
- 12/3- JV and Varsity vs
West Bend- Mallard (Away)
- 12/4- JV and Varsity G-B Basketball vs
Hartley - Melvin - Sanborn (Away)
- 12/7- JH Boys Basketball vs
Sioux Central (Away)
- 12/7- Varsity Basketball G-B vs
Gehlen Catholic (Home)
- 12/11- JV and Varsity G-B Basketball vs
South O'Brien (Home)
- 12/14 - Varsity Basketball G-B vs
Akron - Westfield (Away)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPEECH

It's that time of the year again. Large Group Speech has started.

FALL PLAY

This year the high school is putting on a Fall Play. They have just announced the name of the play, "Trap."

4 members of the Clay Central Everly Soil Judging team competed at the Iowa FFA Soils Evaluation Career Development Event held at Iowa State University on October 20, 2018. The team, consisting of Dalayna Brugman, Paige Maaland, Cole Maaland, and Skyler Tessum, placed 10th overall and received a gold rating. Individually, Paige Maaland received 7th place overall. FFA teams from 29 chapters, including 112 individuals participated in this year's Career Development Event.

The event is designed to provide the student an opportunity to display their agricultural knowledge and skills in the area of Soils Evaluation. The Soils Evaluation Career Development Event included the evaluation of four soil pits, plus a written exam about soils in Iowa. The score card used to judge the soil pits is divided into five parts: Surface Features, Soil Features – The Profile, Land Capability Classification and Productivity Potential, Evaluation of Management Practices, and Sustainability of Soils for Non-Agricultural Uses.

The Iowa FFA Soils Evaluation Career Development Event was made possible with support through the Iowa FFA Foundation. The Iowa State University Department of Agronomy served as the host for the event. Amber Anderson of Iowa State University coordinated the event.

This is the first time the CCE FFA has competed in the state soils contest. The team qualified for the event after receiving 4th place at the district contest. Congratulations!

ELEMENTARY

NEWS

PBIS

On November 12th Kindergarten through sixth-grade students learned about square dancing during their PBIS celebration.



3RD GRADE

On November 2nd the third graders visited Sanford Museum and Planetarium and had the opportunity to dig for fossils.

RED RIBBON WEEK

On October 22-26 CCE celebrated Red Ribbon week. The students got to dress up every day and they were given treats in the morning.

DRESS UP DAYS

Monday: “Too Bright for Drugs”
(Students wore Bright Clothing)

Tuesday: “Winners Don't Do Drugs”
(Students wore Jerseys)

Wednesday: “Red Ribbon Spirit Day”
(Students wore Red)

Thursday: “Being Drug-Free Is No Sweat”
(Students wore Sweats)

Friday: “Follow Your Dreams and be Drug-Free”
(Students wore their PJs)

