

District Update

Mr. McClain & Mr. Busch

IMPORTANT DATES!

Dec. 13 - 7-12 Winter Concert

Dec. 21 - 2 ½ Hour Early Out

Dec. 24- Jan. 2 - Christmas Break

TEXT ALERTS

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

IOWA SCHOOL PERFORMANCE PROFILES

ISPP was developed as part of Iowa's Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) plan and will replace the Iowa State Report Card. Iowa will use these measures to identify public schools for support and improvement: *Student Participation on State Assessments; Academic Achievement (Proficiency & Average Scale Score); Student Growth; Graduation Rate; Progress in Achieving English Language Proficiency; and Conditions for Learning.*

Reports will be released next week.

FUTURE PLANS

We would like to thank you for your patience as we complete this fact-finding phase of our study and for the feedback from those of you who have attended our regular board meetings. After hearing what we've presented at our meetings, those in attendance have told us that there are lots of false rumors floating around. If you have questions, please visit with myself or one of our board members.

As a district, we are continuing to investigate different scenarios for reducing expenditures in the future. We are investigating all options and are being methodical in examining these options in order to make the best long-term decision for our students and district.

We have completed our committee visits with neighboring districts and our committees have completed their tours of our buildings. One theme that we came away with from those meetings is having groups of students and, perhaps, parents visit those districts. If you are interested in visiting one or more of the districts, please see Mr. Busch. Our board will have a workshop this Saturday, December 15 at 8 AM in Royal to discuss the data we've collected and set some timelines, including our next community meeting to share our data.

In addition to the upcoming community meeting, we will be releasing a letter with more details later this week.

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JUNIOR HIGH / HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

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STEM

Ms. Keenen's math class have been getting creative and have been testing their skills in STEM. Students were given a budget and had to design a new room for the school. A student lounge and an updated weight room were just a couple of ideas that students brought to life through a 3D model.

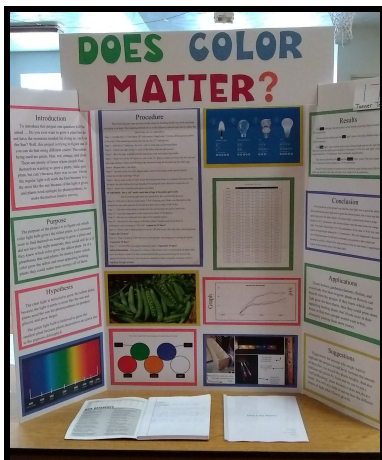


One of the designs. This is a student lounge.

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GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

Countdown to College Calendar

Iowa College Access Network (ICAN)

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JUNIORS: Research scholarships. Keep an ongoing file of scholarship and financial aid information (such as criteria, amounts, contact persons, and deadlines). Meet with college reps at your school and keep looking at colleges online. Register now if you're planning on taking the February ACT. Visit chegg.com for test prep tools and resources.

SENIORS: Visit with your school counselor about application deadlines, local or state scholarships, and grants. Continue to apply for grants and scholarships. Watch for your Student Aid Report (SAR) if you've filed your FAFSA. Check that it lists all the colleges requiring receipt of your FAFSA. **STAY FOCUSED!** Grades your senior year can affect college admittance.

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Register online at actstudent.org

UPCOMING DATES

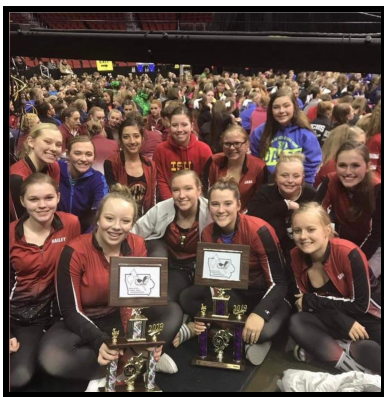
12/14 - Varsity Basketball G-B vs
Akron - Westfield (Away)

12/15 - High School Quiz Bowl

12/18 JV Girls and Varsity G-B vs
MMCRU (Home)

DANCE TEAM

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PLAY

We had a great time directing the fall play this year. We had a lot of fun watching the students grow as they tried something new and different this year.

We would like to thank everyone who attended and helped to make the play a success. We would also like to thank everyone who helped us in any way during the preparations for performance. A special thank you goes to Sondra Dolphin for assisting us when it came to setting up the stage and helping us fix the spotlights. We would also like to thank the Everly Fire Department and Dr. Peterson's office for letting us borrow clothes for costumes. Thank you to Kristina Maaland for coming to our dress rehearsal to take pictures for the yearbook. A huge thank you to the parents and guardians of every member of our cast and crew - not only for allowing us to keep their children for late practices but also for planning an awesome soup supper both nights before the play! We are excited to see what next year brings!

SPEECH

We would like to have auditions for large group speech on December 29th. If there are any conflicts, we need to know before December 19th so we can change the date. Groups will audition to prove that they are ready to perform in front of an audience. They are not auditioning against each other, and we are hoping to bring all of our groups to districts this year. District Large Group Speech is January 19th.



