

STEVE BRISTOL, SUPERINTENDENT

Spring sports and events are in full swing. I did want to highlight speech and quizbowl in this newsletter. They both do a great job in representing Sutherland at events and meets.

Speech

Members of the speech team include:

Glory Naughtin, Will Martinez, Peyton Fisher, Cadence Brown, Raleigh Kadner, Natalie Compton, Tessa Schmidt, Lena Reeves, Marley Reeves and Maleah Vasquez.

Results from District Speech

Peyton Fisher 6th in Entertainment Glory Naughtin District Champion in Entertainment and Reserve Champion in Program Oral Interpretation (POI) William Martinez is District Champion in Humorous Prose William and Glory are District Champion Duet! William and Glory gave their speeches at State Speech in Kearney and both performed excellently!

Quiz Bowl

If you have the opportunity to go and watch a Quiz Bowl meet it is quite interesting. The best way to describe Quiz Bowl is Jeopardy on Steroids.

The following students are out for High School Quiz Bowl this year: 9th: Zayn Green, Eliana Dyer, Lena Reeves, Kale Martinez, Marley Reeves, Maleah Vasquez, Jake Richter; 10th: JT Lantis, Isaac Sinsel, Jackson Saner, Gracie Pearson, Jali Martinez; 11th: Caleb Sutter; 12th: Dylan Goosen, Quintin Arellano, Peyton Fisher, William Martinez, Glory Naughtin.

Quiz Bowl Results

Hershey Meet - JV placed 2nd SPVA varsity only meet - After tie-breakers in a 3 way tie for 3rd, we ended up 4th place Stapleton - JV 2nd place and Varsity 2nd place Paxton - March 25th @6:30pm ESU 16 District meet - March 27th @1pm (no spectators are allowed due to small size of rooms)

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STEVE BRISTOL, SUPERINTENDENT....CONTINUED

Junior High Quiz Bowl Participants

Bryden Redden, Morgan Krajewski, Macradee Lantis, Bryer Brown, Leah Harper, Shaydyn Rasby, Keeley Dempcy, Kate Dyer, Hadlee Scott and Drew Rotert.

Springtime Activities

The springtime activity schedule is fast and furious for our students and sponsors. Students are now competing in state events for FFA, Track and Field, Quiz Bowl, Speech and the Golf team have started their season. Music programs will also be presented this spring as well as the annual field day for elementary students. The dates for our activity programs may be found in this newsletter as well as on our website <u>http://www.spssailors.org/main.html</u> If you are interested in assisting with track meets you can notify Mr.Gunderson

The Last Laugh

On a more serious note. My wife and I have a miniature schnauzer that got into our Scrabble game and ate several of the Scrabble tiles. After eating the tiles the dog was in distress and we had to take her to the vet. The vet kept her overnight for observation. As of today, no word yet.



AMANDA HUEBNER, HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL



Spring is here and that means our spring activities are in full swing now. Graduation will be held at 10:00AM on May 11, 2024 and we are hastily approaching that date. That being said, if you have a student who will be graduating during that time, please check with Mrs. Brunz and the Google Classroom for students and parents to make sure your child is meeting all expectations established for graduating students.

Additionally, while we are very proud and fortunate to have students involved in so many activities, I ask that students continue to communicate with their teachers to make sure they stay caught up with their schoolwork and grades. Doing such will be essential for students to continue to be successful throughout the fourth quarter of school and will also directly impact their semester grades. On the other hand, many of our teachers are involved in coaching as well, so they will be communicating their expectations with students to make sure everyone is on the same page.

That being said, I would like to thank our staff members for their hard work and dedication throughout this school year. Along with teaching, many of them wear multiple different hats, such as coaching and sponsoring, and we could not be successful without their determination. If you get the chance to visit with any of our staff members, please thank them for their efforts and impacts they leave on our students.

It has been a year of many twists and turns for us in Sutherland and I am grateful to work with individuals who are willing to work with our kids as often as they do. I am also grateful for the support from the parents and community. It is a great privilege to work alongside you all and I appreciate all of your time and involvement as well.

Furthermore, we are hosting track meets on March 28, April 12, April 17 (Junior High), April 30, and May 2 (Junior High). These meets take great effort and we are looking for volunteers to help with running events and taking gate. If you are able and willing to help, please let Mr. Gunderson know.

The juniors will take their ACT exam on April 9, 2024. They have been working hard on practice tests and participating in John Baylor Test Prep. Upon their completion of the ACT exam, the juniors will be fed lunch, then dismissed from school for the day. I know these students will do their best on their exams and will represent the school well. A huge "Thank You" to our teachers and Mrs. Sandberg, who have been preparing these students for this exam.

Seniors who have fulfilled the necessary requirements will have their last day of school on Friday, May 3, 2024. We will hold graduation practice at 9:00 AM on Wednesday, May 8, followed by a class picture. Seniors who have their checkout forms completed will be dismissed after the class picture. However, if they have work to do in their classes or if they owe time due to absences or other reasons, they will stay and catch up or make up time from May 6, 2024 through May 8, 2024.

In order to walk through graduation seniors must have all requirements completed by Wednesday, May 8, 2024.

I would like to congratulate this year's class of seniors on a successful year. You all have worked tirelessly to get to this point and you are almost there!

AMANDA HUEBNER, HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL, CONTINUED.....



With the 2023-2024 school year quickly coming to an end, let's finish the year strong and continue setting and achieving positive goals. Each and every one of our students will leave a mark in the world, but it is up to them to determine what kind of mark that will be. I encourage our students to continue doing things the "Sailor Way" and push themselves to achieve all of their goals. The legacy they will leave behind at Sutherland Public School will be one that people will remember!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to visit me in the high school office. It is a great day to be a Sailor!

Sincerely,

Amanda Huebner 7-12 Principal, Sutherland High School amanda.huebner@spssailors.org

March Students of the Month -Fallyn Elfeldt and Charlee Weber



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Congratulations to the 2024 NHS Inductees: JT LANTIS SIDNEY MORGAN JACKSON SANER



SUTHERLAND PUBLIC SCHOOL SAMANTHA PAVELKA, ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL



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S U T H E R L A N D E L E M E N T A R Y N E W S

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



SPRING TESTING

Testing season is upon us. Students in grades 3rd - 8th grade will embark on NSCAS Spring testing and MAP Growth testing. The testing window goes from April 1st - May 10th. It is essential that students are well rested and have had a good breakfast prior to testing.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Sutherland Public Schools will be sailing into year ten of a preschool program with Miss Bassett at the helm. Registration is now open for all children who will be 4 years old on or before July 31, 2024 and who reside in the district. All parents who are planning to send their child to preschool next year are encouraged to register at this time to assist with the planning process. The cost of Little Sailors Preschool is **free**. Parents may register by calling the school at (308) 386-4321.

SMART START SAILOR

ATTENTION: BIRTH TO KINDERGARTEN PARENTS!

On April 23rd, Sutherland Public Schools will be hosting a "light party". From 5:30 - 7:00 pm families will take part in a variety of light activities. This event is sponsored by Tasha Wolf from the UNL Extension Office. Please come join us for some light fun!

UPCOMING DATES

Apr 1 - No School -Easter Break Apr 22 - Elementary Spring Concert Apr 23 - Smart Start Sailor "Light Party" Apr 30 - PreK & JK Parent Meeting at 5:30 pm May 2 - Kindergarten Parent Meeting at 5:30 pm May 3 - Kindergarten Round-Up 9 am - 11:00 am (no Kindergarten that day)

JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN

Sutherland Public Schools currently has enrollment open for our junior kindergarten program. If your child is currently five years old and you are not planning to send them to Kindergarten, **JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN** may be an option. All parents who are planning to send their child to Junior Kindergarten next year are encouraged to register at this time to assist with the planning process. The cost of Junior Kindergarten is **free.** Parents may register by calling the school at (308) 386-4321.

CATHY BRUNZ, COUNSELOR

COUNSELOR NEWS

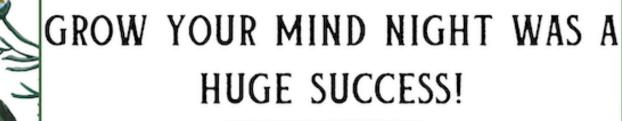
March was a busy one with NHS induction, NHS Scholastic Book Fair, several scholarships being due, gearing up for class registration for the 24-25 school year and SO much more!! We have had several of our seniors apply for various scholarships and now it is just a waiting game to see the award letters come in! I am hopeful with this class that there will be several dollars awarded, relieving some of the financial burden for our students. A reminder to seniors that I will be sending out a Google Form for them to fill out with all of their scholarships and future plans. A scholarship award letter is the equivalent of a check, so please keep track of all of these so you can take them to the office of financial aid at your college, to receive your money.

Currently I am working on the schedule for the 2024-2025 school year. Your child will soon be registering if they will be in high school. If you would like to set up an appointment with me to discuss their schedule, please feel free to email me or call the school. Once a schedule is built, students should be able to see them before we leave for the summer if things all go as planned. Those students that signed up for dual credit classes through Mid-Plains, there has been an email sent to students and parents about signing up for classes. Mid-Plains will be at Sutherland school to help parents and students sign up for classes, date TBD.

The Juniors will be taking the ACT at school on April 9th. The next ACT for the national test dates will be on June 8th and students must register at <u>www.actstudent.org</u> by May 3rd. Next fall those to be seniors will only have the September, October, and December test dates left to try and raise their scores. UNK and UNL will accept the February ACT also for scholarship reasons. If you have any questions about your child's future endeavors, please feel free to email at <u>cathy.brunz@spssailors.org</u>.

Future dates to look forward to this spring:

April 8th - Colby Community College here at 1:30pm April 29th - Senior Cap and Gown Professional photos May 5th - 7pm Baccalaureate at Catholic Church May 6th - 6pm Honors Night May 11th - 10am Graduation



THANK YOU TO OUR AMAZING ELEMENTARY TEACHERS FOR MAKING THIS HAPPEN!

SUTHERLAND ELEMENTARY



FRIDAY, 10 MAY 2024 TRACK & FIELD DAY 9:30 A.M

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY





NEW MEMBERS JACKSON SANER, SIDNEY MORGAN, & JT LANTIS



BACK ROW:SIDNEY, GLORY, BOONE, JT, JACKSON, LUKE CHARLIE FRONT: JORDY, TESSA, STORY, GRACYN, FALLYN, PEYTON

2023-2024 **High School**

Quarter three Perfect Attendance

SENIORS

Ouintin Arellano Peyton Fisher

JUNIORS Luke Harper Caleb Sutter

SOPHOMORES

Evan Krajewski

FRESHMEN

David Bryner

EIGHTH GRADE

Kaydan Kramer

SEVENTH GRADE

Xavier Martin Drew Rotert Jaxson Rotert

2023-2024 Elementary

Quarter three Perfect Attendance

STUDENT

GRADE

Fur all! **FAMILY EVENT**

APRIL 23, 2024 5:30-7:00

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High school quiz bowl team went 3-3 at the SPVA meet.

Finishing 4th! Congratulations!





in Program Oral Interpretation

William-Champioin in Humorous Prose

William & Glory-Champion in Duet

Will & Glory will be going to State Speech in Kearney







APRIL 22, 2024

NORTH GYM

Elementary starts at 5:30pm High School to follow



Jordy Cox and William Martinez







ATHLETIC TRAINERS

March is Athletic Trainer Month and provides a great opportunity to showcase and spread awareness about the importance of Athletic Trainers in our schools and community. This year's NATM theme is "From Head to Toes". Athletic trainers provide the care that keeps you active and healthy in work, life, and sport. They play a vital role in the prevention of injury and are often the first caregivers to tend to an injured athlete. From concussions, head injuries, face injuries, ankle sprains, and fractured toes, Athletic Trainers are here to care for our athletes.

In honor of National Athletic Training month, we would like to recognize Sutherland Alumni and Athletic Trainer Shannon Gier. Shannon graduated from Sutherland Public Schools in 1994 and has been employed by Bellevue Public School providing Athletic Training services to Bellevue West High School, home of the Thunderbirds for the past 25 years. Shannon has helped numerous athletes over the years stay active in their sport and recover from injury.

Sutherland Public Schools currently has the privilege of having two dedicated Physical Therapists who have stepped up and helped our students and athletes with their Athletic Trainer needs. Kyle Stevenson a native of Sutherland and Chad Kershner from Great Plains Health have gone above and beyond to help our students stay active and competitive.

So thank you to all the Athletic Trainers across the state for providing quality healthcare to athletes and active individuals every day in our communities.



The Petrified Wood Gallery hosted an area art show during the month of March. This is a wonderful opportunity for local artists to showcase their talents. The Ogallala Optimists and visitors to the gallery judged the artwork in the show. There were many fantastic works of art entered in this years' show. This year we had seven students enter artwork. Jackson and Taylynn attended the closing reception on Friday March 15th, where they were presented their awards. Participants, their artwork, and awards are below.

Taylynn Huffman-"Singed" Colored Pencil-2nd Place (9th Grade Division) Marley Reeves- "Stretched and Twisted Sister"-Drawing Jackson Saner-"Top of the Morning" Printmaking-1st Place (10th Grade Division) JT Lantis-"Cam the Ram" Printmaking-Honorable mention (10th Grade Division)

Lamia Neu-"The Sad Clown" Sculpture-Honorable mention (10th Grade Division)

Isaac Sinsel-"The Pigeon" clay whistle

Jackson Saner-"Called In" Watercolor Painting

Boone Snyder-"Aztec Gold"-Collage-Honorable Mention (12th Grade Division)





April 2024 Activities

SUTHERLAND PUBLIC SCHOOL

28 1:00 p.m. PreK & Kindergarten Cap N Gown Pictures/ 2025 Senior Banner Photos	21 5:30 p.m. K-12 Spring Concert 7:00p.m. Teammates	14 District Music @Gothenburg 7:00 p.m. Board Meeting 7:00p.m. Teamn	7 8 7:00p.m. Teammates	No School- Easter Break 7:00p.m. Teammates	Sunday Monday
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30 3:00 p.m. Track Meet-Best in the Midwest@Home 5:30 p.m. Preschool/Jr Kindergarten Parent Meeting/Open House	23 FFA Banquet 1st Grade Field Trip to Camp Marantha	16 10:00 a.m. Boys Golf@Perkins County	9 10:00 a.m. Boys Golf@Enders Jr. ACT Test	2 State FFA Convention in Lincoln 10:00 a.m. HS Track Meet@ Dundy Co.	Tuesday
	24 Early Out 2:30 p.m.	17 Early Out 2:30 p.m. 10:00 a.m JH Track Meet@Home Meet@Home	10 Early Out 2:30 p.m. 10:00 a.m. JH Track Meet@Hershey	3 State FFA Convention in Lincoln Early Out 2:30 p.m. Early Out 2:30 p.m. 10:00 a.m. JH Track Meet@Paxton	Wednesday
	25 10:00 a.m. JH Track Meet@Chase County	18 6th Grade Field Trip to Omaha 10:30 a.m. HS Track Meet@Paxton	11 10:00 a.m. Boys Golf@River's Edge	4 State FFA Convention in Lincoln	Thursday
	26 10:00 a.m. HS SPVA Track Meet @Hershey 11:00 a.m. Boys Golf@Home	19 6th Grade Field Trip to Omaha	12 7 a.m. 4th Grade Field Trip to Hastings Museum 10:00 a.m. HS Track Meet @Home	5 State FFA Convention in Lincoln 10:00 am Boys Golf@Arnold	Friday
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April 2024	
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SUTHERLAND PUBLIC SCHOOL

		28	- 2 2	S.					14		7			Sunday
Super Nachos, Salad Bar, Milk	Cereal, Cereal Bars, Fruit, Juice, Milk	29	Spaghetti, Bread Sticks, Salad Bar, Milk	Cereal, Cereal Bar, Fruit, Milk,	22		Mac N Cheese, Peas, Dinner Roll, Salad Bar, Milk	Cereal, Cereal Bar, Fruit, Juice, Milk	15	Gravy, Com, Roll, Salad Bar, Milk	8 Cereal, Cereal Bar, Fruit, Juice, Milk	Easter Break	1 No School-	Monday
Chicken Sandwich, Salad Bar, Milk	Sausage, Pancakes, Fruit, Juice, Milk	30	Grilled Cheese, Cup of Soup, Salad Bar, Milk	Sausage, Waffle, Fruit, Juice, Milk	23	Milk	Chicken Parmesan, Breadstick, Salad Bar,	Breakfast Burrito, Fruit, Juice, Milk	16	Salad Bar, Milk	9 Sausage, Pancakes, Fruit, Juice, Milk	Chicken Sandwich, Salad Bar, Milk	2 Sausage, Waffles, Fruit, Juice. Milk	Tuesday
			Pizza, Salad Bar, Milk	Ham, French Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk	24	Beef In Schools	Mexican Pizza, Salad Bar, Milk	Breakfast Sandwich, Fruit, Juice, Milk	17	Tacos, Salad Bar, Milk	10 Breakfast Casserole (ham, eggs, & cheese) Fruit, Juice, Milk	Chili, Salad Bar, Milk Beef in Schools	3 French Toast, Ham, Fruit, Juice, Milk	Wednesday
*FF Chocolate *FF Strawberry	Milk is served with Every Meal: *1% White	Milly in Control With	Pulled Pork Sandwich, Salad Bar, Milk	Cereal, Poptarts, Fruit, Juice, Milk	25		Italian Dunkers, Salad Bar, Milk	Cereal, Poptart, Fruit, Juice, Milk	18	French Dip Sandwich, Salad Bar, Milk	11 Cereal, Poptarts, Fruit, Juice, Milk	Chicken/Cheese Quesadilla, Salad Bar, Milk	4 Cereal, Poptarts, Fruit, Juice, Milk	Thursday
Employer & Provider	Institution is an Equal	This	Hot Dogs, Chips, Salad Bar, Milk	Cereal, Muffin, Fruit, Juice, Milk	26		BBQ Rib Sandwich, Salad Bar, Milk	Cereal, Muffin, Fruit, Juice, Milk	19	Burritos, Salad Bar, Milk	12 Cereal, Muffin, Fruit, Juice, Milk	Corn Dogs, Baked Beans, Salad Bar, Milk	5 Cereal, Muffin, Fruit, Juice, Milk	Friday
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NEW STAFF \mathscr{L}_{ξ} **MEMBERS**



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Sutherland Public Schools would like to welcome BreAhnna McConnell to our staff. BreAhnna will be leading the high school crew as their new High School Principal for the 24-25 school year.

BreAhnna earned both her Bachelor Degree and Masters from Chadron State College and is currently working on a Specialist Degree in Educational Administration. Presently she is the Principal at Prairie View Elementary in Ogallala, before becoming the principal she was a 5th grade teacher there.

Breahnna lives in Sutherland with her husband Tyler McConnell and their two young boys, Jate who is a soon to be Sailor next year in Kindergarten and Quinton who will be one!

BreAhnna is ecstatic to join our team in the upcoming school year, and is looking forward to cultivating a supportive and dynamic culture for students, staff, and community.





Sutherland Public Schools would like to welcome Daniel Wolken to their high school teaching crew. Daniel will be manning our Social Studies Department, Athletic Director Position, and Boys Basketball Coach for the 24-25 school year.

Daniel has 36 years of experience from numerous schools, his latest being Riverside High School in Cedar Rapids. Daniel graduated from West Central Catholic in 1983, earned a BAE at Wayne State College in 1987, and a Masters from Chadron State College in 2023.

Daniel and his wife, Yun Zhang are excited to be coming to our community. They have 4 adult children, Tia, Ty, Tasha, and Jinlin . They plan on filling their summer with as many camping trips as possible.





NCPA Academic All-State



Boys Basketball J.T. Lantis Boone Snyder Girls Basketball Fallyn Elfeldt Glory Naughtin Speech Peyton Fisher Glory Naughtin Wrestling Luke Harper Aydan Kaps Girls Wrestling Addison Arvdal



Welcome,





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NOTES FROM THE NURSE:

Who needs sunscreen? EVERYONE. Snow, sand and water increase the need for sunscreen because they reflect the sun's rays. A sunscreen offers help to protect your skin from sunburn, early skin aging and skin cancer. Use a sunscreen that has an SPF of 30 or higher, is water resistant and has broad-spectrum protection (protects against UVA and UVB rays). Apply sunscreen first thing in the morning when planning on being outdoors or 15 minutes before going out. Apply enough to cover all exposed skin, and don't forget to apply to the tops of your feet, your neck, your ears and the top of your head. Spring sports are starting so remind all athletes to be using sunscreen.

A reminder to the parents of all upcoming kindergarten and seventh grade students to be sure their immunization records are complete for the school year next fall. A vision exam and physical is also required and a visit to the dentist is recommended. If you have any questions contact the school Health office.

Calendar

April 1, 2024 NO SCHOOL -EASTER BREAK

April 12, 2024 - 4th Grade Field Trip

April 15, 2024 - School Board Meeting 7:00pm

April 18 & 19, 2024 - 6th Grade Field Trip

April 22, 2024 - Spring Music Concert 5:30PM

