BRUNING-DAVENPORT U.S.D.

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OCTOBER 2020

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BOLTS: "Building Outstanding Leaders for Tomorrow's Society

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT: On September 16, the Unified Board adopted the 2020-21 budget of \$4,644,128. The budget was decreased by \$187,000 from the previous year. The total tax request was \$4,118,761.46, all of it will go into the General Fund. The Unified Board approved a tax levy of .50 for the General Fund and no Special Building fund tax this year. The total valuation for the district is \$823,752,291, a decrease of 6.7% from last year.

Parent-Teacher Conferences: Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held in Davenport, October 8, from 3:00-8:30 pm. Fall coaches will be available from 6:00-8:30. School will be dismissed at 2:22 on that day. Due to the Covid 19 pandemic we are requiring masks to be worn during conferences. If you are unable to attend please let us know and our teachers can communicate with you by phone another time. We hope you take advantage of the opportunity for direct communication about your child's performance in the classroom. Ask questions of both your child and your child's teacher regarding his or her performance in the classroom. By having those conversations, as a parent/guardian you may be a positive force in your child's educational career.

<u>School Closings</u>: It's that time of year when we may begin to see inclement weather. A message will be sent via our parent notification system, Bright Arrow, if the decision to close has been made early enough in the evening prior to school closing and if we determine an early dismissal is advisable. For closings that are called too late or too early, the following television stations will be contacted regarding any early dismissals or closures: KHAS-TV, KOLN-KGIN TV, and KLKN-TV. We will send an email, text message, and a phone call regarding school closings or late starts. We have been using the system to send important messages out to parents since the school year began. If you haven't received any and would like too please call the Davenport School.

District Social Media: Bruning-Davenport USD has a District Facebook page. You can find it under a button on our District website. We will provide information that is similar in content with what is found on the District's website (<u>www.bruningdavenport.org</u>). It is used to announce notifications that are of a more immediate nature such as school closings and changes in schedules as well as celebrate our students' accomplishments. There are also links to Facebook pages that are directly associated with our Preschool, FCCLA, and FFA programs.

ROM THE PRINCIPAL: October brings the beautiful Fall colors. It also marks the time when the weather cools and our students put the summer clothes away until next May. In terms of academics, it also signifies the completion of the 1st quarter of the 2020-2021 school year. When Mr. Haecker and I began planning and preparing for reopening, we had no idea of all the logistical issues we would face nor the constant modifications we would need to implement. What we did know was that we were going to do everything in our power to educate our students within our buildings.

With that being said, it is important to take this month to celebrate the accomplishments of our staff and students. Both Bruning-Davenport staff and students have begun the school year with enthusiasm and excitement to be reunited. Staff have worked diligently to provide environments that are inviting and effective for student growth and development. Given the significant change in the Spring, there are estimates that predict that academic loss could average a half to an entire year of academic loss due to the COVID school shut down. Because of this, it is crucial to look at the Fall 2020 Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) scores as *a baseline* measurement for all our students. Beginning in September, all students in grades K-12 participated in MAP tests. MAP tests measure each student's academic performance in areas of math, science, language arts, and reading. As students progress throughout each test, the test will increase or decrease with the level of difficulty for each student. Thus providing teachers with an extremely accurate baseline assessment. From there, staff can use those scores to determine the needs for each student and begin modifying curriculum and instruction to meet the needs of all students throughout the district.

You will be receiving your child(ren)'s report cards and their MAP growth reports at the end of the first quarter, which ends on October 16. We will celebrate where our students are now and continue to make plans to move forward and continue to support them in all areas of need. I ask that our parents and community members encourage our students by celebrating their scores and creating goals with students to continue to improve as the year progresses.

I have looked at this school year as a growing experience. I am planning for success, and also remaining flexible in that success may look different than it has in the past. We will keep moving forward, and we will continue to do what is best for our students.

October generally signifies change, but in all honesty, that has been happening for all of the 2020 calendar year. Just as I try to embrace the change in environment that a seasonal change brings, I will also try embrace the change that this year has brought as well. *Mr. Damen Kugel, Principal*



BRUNING-DAVENPORT HOMECOMING 2020: <u>Freshman Attendants:</u> Alexa Houser & Jaron Norder. <u>Sophomore At-</u> <u>tendants</u>: JessaLynn Hudson & Easton Weber, <u>Queen</u>: Jordan Bolte & <u>King</u>: Kyle Ardissono, <u>Junior Attendants</u>: Katelynn Houser & Anthony Schweer <u>Senior Attendants</u>: Jayda McCall & Dom Philippi CONGRATULATIONS TO EVERYONE!!

MEET A SENIOR

KELLIE BAUER is the daughter of Crystal and Shawn Bauer of Davenport. She has four siblings, Kyla, Rebecka, Gracie and Michael. She has been active in Band, Drama and Speech at B-D USD. Kellie has an interest in Art, reading, fashion study on her own time and a passion for music. Her future plans are to join the National Guard and study to be a nurse. Kellie's favorite food is Lasagna, her favorite TV show is Lucifer, Her favorite song is *Moving in the Dark* and her favorite place to go to be alone is her room. Kellie says the most influential person in her life has been her Dad. He has taught her self-defense, how to be strong, and how to have a good work ethic. An equal to that e would be her Mom. What Kellie would like other people to know about her is that she has been an artist for 15 years and hopes to someday make a living off of it.



RODNEY WASSOM is the son of James and Anna Wassom of Alexandria. Rodney has one sibling, Colleen. He is involved in FFA, FCCLA, Letter Club, Band, Track, Football and Basketball videographer. Rodney is involved as a Group leader at the Hebron Bible Church. His interests and hobbies are working on cars and cruising with friends. Rodney's future plans are attending SCC to be a mechanic and then maybe to farm. His favorite food is a Cheeseburger, his favorite TV show is the Dukes of Hazzard, his favorite song is *How Bout Them Cowgirls* by George Strait and his favorite thing to do when he wants to be alone is driving. The most influential person in his life has been his Dad because "I look up to him for advice and am following in his footsteps," says Rodney.



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OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Grade Name

Date

	Beth	Ardissono	23
1	Allison	Mussman	25
1	Barrett	Mussman	25
	Amanda	Barney	27
5	Eva	Oltmans	29
	Ruth	Kowalski	29
8	Addison	Brase	30

OUNSELOR'S CORNER: Virtual College Fair is September 27-30!

Attend a college fair from the comfort of your couch! The EducationQuest Virtual College Fair is September 27-30. To register and to find details, visit <u>eqf.org/collegefair</u>.

During the four-day fair, you can visit college booths, chat with college reps and watch live or recorded sessions on topics such as college admission, paying for college, and finding scholarships.

The college fair will be "open" the following days and times, but college booths and recorded sessions will remain available until Dec. 1.

Sept. 27 – 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. CT Sept. 28 – 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. CT Sept. 29 – 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. CT Sept. 30 – 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. CT

See you at the fair!

It's FAFSA time!

Seniors...beginning October 1, you and your parents can complete the 2021-22 <u>FAFSA</u> (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). The FAFSA is the application for federal, state, and college-based financial aid.

Follow these tips to prepare:

Create a Federal Student Aid Account for you and one for a parent at studentaid.gov.

Attend a Virtual Financial Aid Program to learn about the FAFSA and types of financial aid. When you attend, register for a \$500 Financial Aid Program Scholarship! To find details about school-based programs, <u>click here</u>. To learn about statewide Financial Aid Programs, <u>click here</u>.

Review the **FAFSA** Checklist at EducationQuest.org for items, you'll need to complete the FAFSA.

See FAFSA Tools at EducationQuest.org for helpful resources.

For free virtual help with the FAFSA, call EducationQuest to make an appointment: Lincoln – 800.303.3745, Kearney – 800.666.3721

October "To Do" List

Juniors and Seniors:

- Attend the EducationQuest Virtual College Fair Sept. 27-30.
- Attend a Financial Aid Program to learn how to pay for college.

Seniors:

- ____ Create a Federal Student Aid Account at studentaid.gov for you and one for a parent.
- Complete the <u>FAFSA</u> on or after October 1.
- ____ Complete college applications.
- <u>Register</u> by Sept. 25 for ACT tests on Oct. 10, 17, 24, or 25.

FCCLA FALL LEADERSHIP: On September 21, Bruning-Davenport Junior High and High School FCCLA Chapters attended the Fall Leadership Workshop and District Leadership Conference, which was their first virtual conference. Even though it was virtual, students still had fun networking with other schools virtually about FCCLA, National Programs of Action, leadership, fundraising, STAR Projects, activities, community service, and much more. Students also

participated in community service around Davenport. Although this was very different from previous years, they still made the most of the conference. :)









REMINDER: OCTOBER 8TH

SCHOOL DISMISSES @ 2:22

Parent Teacher Conferences in

Davenport

October 8th 4:00-8:00pm

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Congrats to Jordan Bolte and Dominic Philippi the 2020-2021 Local School Winners of the US Bank Believers & Achievers award.

Staff Spotlight--Mrs. Rohr has been working with the 5th grade students on astronomy the past couple of weeks! She has come up with some fun activities to help the students learn this unit. The 5th grade especially liked making their own telescopes! Thanks for helping our students reach for the stars, Mrs. Rohr!

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Happening (a) Your Library: By the time you read this article, we will have nearly one quarter of the school year finished! We as a library staff are working diligently to make sure our students stay as safe and healthy as possible by following the CDC recommended guidelines for library materials. Everything is being disinfected as best we can and books are quarantined for 3-5 days before returning to our shelves.

October will be a busy month. We hope you all will join us in the <u>Davenport music room</u> for our Scholastic Book Fair during the week of October 5-9! The theme is **Time Machine:** Books Can Take You Anywhere. It will be open each day from 8 AM-4:30 PM plus during Parent-Teacher conferences. In this age of shopping online and touchless payment, it should be noted that we will have a NEW payment option available this year. Your books can be scanned and totaled by a new device. Then all you have to do is insert your method of payment! We will still be accepting cash and checks as in the past. OR, if you prefer to shop online, use the QR code on the flyer included in the newsletter and that will take you to our book fair website <u>https://www.scholastic.com/bf/bruningdavenportelemmidsch1</u>. All orders ship to your home! The website website <u>https://www.scholastic.com/bf/bruningdavenportelemmidsch1</u>. All orders ship to your home! The website also will keep you up to date on book fair activities throughout the week so be sure to visit! As always, we appreciate your patronage because your purchases directly benefit our libraries!

On October 21st, author Geoff Herbach will be spending his day with all of the students in our district. All health district mandates will be followed during his presentations. His other job is being a professor of creative writing at Minnesota State University (Mankato), so our younger students will enjoy his crazy picture book. Geoff has written several books for our older readers that we encourage them to read prior to his arrival. His book *Hooper* was a Golden Sower Award finalist last school year. We hope that everyone stays healthy in both of our states so he is able to make the trip to our great state!



FA: On Tuesday September 15, our officer team went to the Bruning Farms to be a part of a virtual presentation where Reiss and Heather Bruning demonstrated some of the different technology that they use on their farm. They described why they do what they do and how they fall into the beef industry. They also took them to one of their nearby pastures to show what kind of land they were working with and how it helps them execute their goals to raise high quality beef.

On September 14 and 15, Kylie Kinley came to the Bruning school during Mr. Hanson's agriculture classes to inform his students about drones and interview skills. She gave them a hands-on learning experience by bringing her own drone and explaining how it worked. She also had a couple of activities such as sorting out timelines and a drone flying video game that even reached out to our generation.





TEACHER CONFERENCE













Shop online 24/7 here

DAVENPORT MUSIC ROOM

Open all week from 8AM-4:30PM Also open during Parent-Teacher conferences on Thursday! <u>Contactless pay</u> option now available!



September 2020 General Fund Checks

5497	Internal Revenue Service	43,110.75	16062	Kelch Plumbing, Htg & Refrigeration	110.81
5498	Nebraska Department of Revenue	6,503.20	16063	Ken Ekeler	65.00
5499	Nebraska Public Employees Retirement System	37,387.72	16064	KSB School Law, LLO	144.50
16020	AFLAC	127.67	16065	Landmark Implement Inc.	315.15
16021	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.	111.50	16066	Lichti Oil	1,474.57
16022	AFLAC	258.96	16067	Lynn Hanson	87.93
16023	American Funds Service Company	400.00	16068	Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc.	35.58
16024	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.	231.24	16069	Mid-American Research Chemical	792.11
16025	Blue Cross Blue Shield	50,194.85	16070	Mierau & Co., P.C.	1,250.00
16026	Colonial Life	40.48	16071	Momar, Inc.	1,122.59
16027	Cornerstone Bank	1,748.95	16072	Norder Supply, Inc.	56.73
16028	Horace Mann Life Ins. Co.	489.68	16073	One Source	30.50
16029	Horace Mann Life Insurance Company	950.00	16074	PayFlex Systems USA, Inc.	150.00
16030	Kathleen A. Laughlin	531.00	16075	Powr-Flite	571.98
16031	Payflex Account #304734	1,083.33	16076	Precision Signs & Graphics, LLC	416.50
16032	Putnam Investor Services	100.00	16077	Protex Central, Inc.	588.42
16033	Apex Learning	863.75	16078	Rauner Repair Inc.	1,131.88
16034	Black Hills Energy	1,952.00	16079	Riverside Technologies, Inc.	1,600.20
16035	Bowman Electric LLC	97.50	16080	Scholastic, Inc.	106.28
16036	Brody Chemical Company, Inc.	426.83	16081	School Specialty, Inc.	62.59
16037	Bruning Grocery	82.17	16082	Security Services	1,198.80
16038	Bruning Lumber Co.	343.90	16083	Shakira Sunday	79.99
16039	Bruning Motor Services	2,058.15	16084	Shellie Houser	104.65
16040	Bruning-Davenport USD Nutrition Fund	30,000.00	16085	Striv, Inc.	1,975.00
16041	Burton Enterprises, LLC	29.50	16086	Teacher's Discovery	116.36
16042	C J Tire Co.	1,563.75	16087	Thayer County Health Services	166.00
16043	Cenage Learning	57.50	16088	The Garbage Company South	575.00
16044	Central NE Rehabilitation Services	48.00	16089	The Hebron Journal Register	74.27
16045	DAS State Accounting-OCIO	232.49	16090	Tom's Music House	126.50
16046	Davenport Building Supply	239.40	16091	Unite Private Networks, LLC	640.10
16047	Davenport Petty Cash	42.36	16092	Verizon Wireless	47.56
16048	David Morrison	77.60	16093	Victory Too Graphics	850.05
16049	Dean Dirks	29.33	16094	Village Of Bruning	433.82
16050	Deshler Public Schools	6,074.45	16095	Village Of Davenport	2,558.80
16051	Eakes Office Plus	3,175.12	16096	VVS Inc-Canteen	265.47
16052	Educational Service Unit #6	2,574.00	16097	Wells Fargo Payment Remittance	1,957.43
16053	Fillmore County Medical Center	212.18	16098	Wells Fargo Payment Remittance	2,772.44
16054	Geneva Home Center	6.49	16099	Windstream	577.94
16055	Geneva Tire & Auto, Inc	149.35			
16056	GovConnection, Inc.	372.60			
16057	Hebron Glass & Upholstery Shop	39.42		TOTAL PAYABLE CHECKS	252,175.49
16058	Heyen Oil Co.	325.92		PAYROLL CHECKS	136,260.13
16059	Hometown Leasing	1,619.13			388,435.62
16060	IXL Learning	1,519.00			
16061	Kansas State Bank	30,060.77			

President Schroeder called the Budget Hearing to order at 7:32 p.m. After discussion the meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m. President Schroeder called the Tax Levy Hearing to order at 7:37 p.m. After discussion the meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD MEETING - The Unified Board of Education met in Bruning on September 16, 2020. Pursuant to laws and notices posted in Bruning and Davenport, all proceedings were taken while convened meeting was open to the public. President Michael Schroeder called the meeting to order at 7:45 pm. Unified members present were Jerry Baysinger, Sarah Bolte, Dan Domeier, Jeff Hoins, Jamie Koch. Local board members present were Sarah Krehnke, Ryan Miller, Sheri Norder, Rod Tegtmeier, and Brad Williams. Also present were Superintendent Kolin Haecker, Principal Damen Kugel, Sara Dierking, Beth Ardissono, and Leah Werner.

President Schroeder recognized the Open Meeting Act. The Consent Agenda included the agenda, minutes of August 10, and August 24, 2020, Unified Board meetings, Treasurer's Report, and the September claims. Dan Domeier moved to approve the Consent Agenda with an amendment to the August 10th minutes on discussion item D adding Dan Domeier seconding the motion regarding the Title IX Policy with a roll call of 4-0 on all action items under Discussion. Jamie Koch seconded the Consent Agenda.

Principal Kugel's report consisted of August events, Striv update, September events of BDS Band Exhibition, FCCLA, District Leadership Conference, Homecoming, Picture Day. October events of Parent Teacher Conferences, External Team visit from the Nebraska Department of Education. He also reviewed the Measures of Academic Progress and Author Geoff Herbach will be in the district on October 21st.

Superintendent Haecker reported on the Americanism Committee that was prior to the Board Meeting, update on Covid 19, CRC Basketball Tournament, Drivers Education, Homecoming, KSB policy review options, Parent Teacher Conferences, Davenport needing a mower, repairs are needed on the Coach Bus and also reported that the school made the last payment on the Coach Bus. He also referenced finances for the first month of the 2020-2021 School Year.

New Business (All motions require a roll call vote and all carried 6-0 unless noted.)

- A. Koch moved to approve the 2020-2021 Property Tax resolution, seconded by Sarah Bolte.
- B. Jerry Baysinger motioned to adopt the 2020-2021 budget as presented. Domeier seconded the motion.
- C. Motion to adopt the tax levy request at \$0.50 for the General Fund was made by Domeier and seconded by Koch.
- D. Domeier moved to approve the purchase for a Hustler mower for the amount of \$5,998.00 for the Davenport site. Bolte seconded the motion.
- E. Motion was made by Domeier to approve the resolution to systematically update policies and the new policies will supercede any prior conflicting policies. Bolte seconded the motion.
- F. Koch moved to approve the resolution to remove the two-reading requirement to become an official policy. Baysinger seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm by President Schroeder.

Sara Dierking, Recording Secretary

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Davenport & Bruning: No Salad Bar as of this time.	26 Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce Green Beans Peaches/Breadstick Chef Salad	19 French Toast Sticks Hash Browns Sausage Juice Chef Salad	9	5 Chicken & Noodles Peas Pears Cornbread Chef Salad		UNCH MENU
NEBRASKA BEEF	27 Chinese Chicken Rice Broccoli M. Oranges/Cookie Chef Salad	20 Mini Corndogs Macaroni & Cheese Peas Grapes Chef Salad	13 Ham Cheesy Potatoes Broccoli Cornbread Chef Salad	6 Tatertot Casserole Green Beans Apples Buttered Bread Chef Salad		TUESDAY
GRAB AND GO BREAKFAST SERVED DAILY	28 Chili Soup Carrots/Celery Grapes Cinnamon Roll Chef Salad	21 Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Applesauce Dinner Roll Chef Salad	14 Italian Dunkers Marinara Sauce Grapes California Blend Chef Salad	7 Lasagna Romaine Salad Mandarin Oranges Breadstick Chef Salad		School Lunch
Menu Subject to Change *Second Entrée – \$1.00 * EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER	29 Pork Steak Mashed Potatoes/Gravy Apples/Dinner Roll Chef Salad	22 Ham & Cheese on Flatbread Baked Beans Chips/Cookie Chef Salad	Ro	8 Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Peaches Dinner Roll Chef Salad		THURSDAY
	30 NO SCHOOL	23 NO SCHOOL	16 Pulled Pork Sandwich Smiley Fries Mandarin Oranges Chef Salad	9 Meatball Subs Baked Beans Chips Pineapple Chef Salad	2 Chicken Fajitas Lettuce/Cheese Refried Beans Churro Chef Salad	
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ACTIVITY CALENDAR

October 2020

			ACT Test Date	25 26				18 19	JV FB vs. F	School Boa Sandy Cree	11 / 12	JH/JV FB	VB (V) Tri	4			Sunday
	VB Subdistricts				CRC VB				JV FB vs. Heartland @ Shickley 6:30PM	School Board Mtg @ Dav 7:30PM Sandy Creek JH VB Tourney TBA		JH/JV FB @ Giltner 4/6:30PM	VB (V) Tri Smith Ctr @ Silver				Monday
Notes: ALL DATES A	cts			27		Emergency Standard Test Date		20	VB Tri McCool Jct @ Dorchester 5:30/6:30PM	SKIP Flu Clinic	13	VB (V) Tri East Butler/Osceola @ Shickley 5/7PM	JH VB @ Giltner 1PM	6			Tuesday
Notes: ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE				28		NHS Blood Drive @ Opera House	Library - Author Visit	21	PSAT - Juniors	Lions Club Screening	14			7			Wednesday
NGE			FFA Conventio	29	1st round St FB Playoffs			22	HS FB vs. Law/Nel @ Law 7PM	VB (V) Tri High Plains @ Law/Nel 5/6PM	15		School Dismissal @ 2:22 P/T Conf. (4:00-8:30)	8	VB (V) Tri Giltner @ Blue Hill 5/7PM	4	Thursday
	Teacher Inservice	FB Playoffs 2nd Round	FFA Convention Virtual Version	30			No School	23	End of 1st Quarter		16	HS FB vs. Giltner @ Shickley 7:00PM		9	HS FB @ Kenesaw 7PM	2	Friday
	VB District Finals			31		BDS JV VB Tourney @ Shickley 10AM	ACT Test Date	24	HS CRC VB	ACT Test Date JH VB CRC Championship	17	JH VB Tourney @ Davenport 9:30AM	ACT Test	10		ω	Saturday

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