# **BRUNING-DAVENPORT U.S.D.**

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**BOLTS:** "Building Outstanding Leaders for Tomorrow's Society

**ROM THE SUPERINTENDENT:** On September 11, the Unified Board adopted the 2019 budget of \$4,831,000. The total tax request was \$3,975,183.80 of which \$175,791.58 is designated for the Special Building Fund. The Unified Board approved a tax levy of .432261 and the Special Building fund tax request of .020000 for a total tax request of .452261. The total valuation for the district is \$878,957,903, a decrease of 4.8% from last year.

**Parent-Teacher Conferences**: Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held October 10, from 3:00-8:00 pm in the Davenport building. Fall coaches will be available from 3:00-4:00 and 5:30-8:00. We hope you can take advantage of this configuration. 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.

**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.

**SafeSchools Alert**: Bruning-Davenport USD has a report system for bullying, safety issues, and general tips. The SafeSchools Alert link is found under the Parent and Student pull down menu on the District website, <u>www.bruningdavenport.org</u> You can be anonymous if you wish. The more details you provide, the better job the administration can do to investigate and address your issue properly. You can report via email, text, web, or phone. The information is taken by SafeSchools and then reported to the administration. *Mr. Kolin Haecker, Superintendent* 

**ROM THE PRINCIPAL:** As I look outside, I see leaves falling and pumpkins on porches. The weather is changing, and it is hard to believe that we have been in school for well over a month. Students are settled into their routines and teaching and learning practices are in full swing. It marks a time when the weather cools and our students exchange their shorts for pants and their tanks for jackets. I love this time of year, as it symbolizes so much about the beauty of change, growth and new beginnings.

As the season of Fall begins, our first quarter of school comes to an end. This is marked by parent-teacher conferences. On Thursday, October 10th Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held in Davenport from 3:00-8:00 pm. This is an important time for parents to come together to discuss their child(ren) with their teachers. Continual celebrations of academic success and conversations about growth and goals are crucial in the success of our students. Please take the time to attend these conferences and be open to teaming with the B-D staff to continue your child's academic growth. If you are unable to attend the scheduled conference time/date, we ask that you please contact your child(ren)'s teachers to reschedule or touch base with your student(s)' progress. Following the conferences, there will be no school on Friday, October 11th. We hope that you can take this time to join us for our Homecoming celebrations, in Bruning, on October 11th.

Fall also represents the season of volleyball and football, both squads have gotten off to strong starts. The Eagles volleyball team will look to defend their 2018 MUDECAS and CRC Championships this month and the Eagles football team will begin district play. Both teams are looking to defend their district championships and look to return to the postseason after having very successful 2018 seasons

The Bruning-Davenport Marching Band and One Act are also beginning the year on a positive note. This year, the Marching Band and One Act are under the direction of new staff members, Mr. David Morrison, and Ms. Megan Frerichs. The band has marched at the Nebraska State Fair and Milo Days, as well as competed at the University of Nebraska-Kearney Band Day. Additionally, One-Act auditions have taken place and students have begun working on the script for *Goldilocks on Trial*. The play is packed with humor and will be a great opportunity for our students to enjoy the art of the theater.

Finally, the FFA has also had a change in leadership. Mr. Lynn Hanson has taken the reigns of the FFA and has begun building curriculum, content, and student engagement through various classroom hands-on activities, land judging contests, and leadership trainings. Mr. Hanson has also made significant changes to the shop classes that will help build vocational skills that can be applied to post-secondary occupations and careers.

Bruning-Davenport has been undergoing a lot of change this year and continues to have a lot of activities going on throughout the district. Please join us for some Fall activities, as we prepare for the inevitable winter.

As always, I want to reiterate my appreciation to the parents and communities for your continued support of our students, staff, and district as we work towards our district mission of "Building Outstanding Leaders for Tomorrow's Society." *Mr. Damen Kugel, Principal* 



The band ventured off to the State Fair on Aug 30th to perform in a morning parade. The band stopped twice during the parade route to play "Conquest" (their marching piece) for the fair goers. After a job well done, the band members got to walk around the fair and enjoy all the fair foods. Mr. Morrison thought the band did a great job but can't wait for the rest of the marching season. The band will be marching Oct. 5th in Grand Island for Harvest of Harmony!

on't Let the Flu Bug Sneak Up on You! Public Health Solutions doesn't want to have the Flu Bug Sneak Up on You. When more people get the flu vaccine, many less people will become sick with the flu and thus there will be less people spreading influenza to others. This is especially important if you are around infants 6 months or younger or the elderly as they are at a greater risk to have serious complications due to flu. Most healthy school aged children may not experience flu complications, but could risk exposing an elderly grandparent or baby brother/sister to the virus.

Public Health Solutions District Health Department will again be offering flu immunization clinics for students at your school. Prior to the start of clinics, students will bring home consent forms and fact sheets explaining the importance of getting the flu immunization. Parents and guardians are encouraged to read the information carefully, complete and sign the consent form, and send it back to school with their student.

Show the Flu Bug who is the winner! Not only will students have received protection against the flu by getting a flu shot, they will also be entered into a drawing. All students who return a completed permission form AND get the flu shot the day of the school clinic will be entered into a drawing for a \$20.00 gift card. Don't let the flu bug win!

Public Health Solutions District Health Department will be at your school on October 8, 2019 more information, contact your school health office, or Public Health Solutions at 402-826-3880.

#### **MEET A SENIOR**

TANNER DUFF is the son of Jason Duff & Ashley Mentgon-Duff and Sarah & Jay Krehnke. Tanner has seven siblings. He has been active in basketball, track, speech and FCCLA at Bruning-Davenport USD. Tanner is active in Trinity Luther League in Bruning. His interests and hobbies are woodworking and video games. Tanner's future plans are to attend SCC Milford and would like to some day start his own construction company. His favorite food is pancakes, his favorite TV show is Married With Children, his favorite song is "Duality" and he likes to go outside when he wants to be alone.





**RYLEE HAECKER** is the daughter of Kolin & Crystal Haecker. She has two sisters, Karlee and Haylee. Rylee is involved in volleyball, basketball, track & field, NHS, STUCO, Letter Club and FCCLA Student Leader. She is also a involved in her church youth group and holds a leadership group for youths. Rylee enjoys sports, hanging with friends and family and also running. She plans to attend Concordia University and will major in Elementary Education. Rylee's favorite food is Chipotle Spice Bowls, favorite TV show is Friends, her favorite song is "Every Little Thing" and her favorite place to go to be alone is her room. The most influential people in Rylee's life have been her parents and her sisters. They continually show me unconditional love, servant leadership support through all my activities and point me back to Jesus." says Rylee

### **OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

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12	Isaac	Else	15
11	David	Lee	16
K	Breydon	Nutsch	16
PreK	Schulte	Ryder	17
	Cammie	Freitag	17
2	Cambrie	Linscomb	18
	Pat	Remmers	21
11	Kyle	Ardissono	22
4	Emma	Hoins	22



K	Kaelyn	Schoenholz	22
K	Korah	Schoenholz	22
	Beth	Ardissono	23
12	Tanner	Wenske	25
K	Allison	Mussman	25
K	Barrett	Mussman	25
	Amanda	Barney	27
4	Eva	Oltmans	29
	Ruth	Kowalski	29
7	Addison	Brase	30

**Counselor's Corner...It's FAFSA time!** Seniors...beginning October 1, you and your parents can complete the 2020-21 <u>FAFSA</u> (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). The FAFSA is the application for state, federal, and college-based financial aid.

#### Follow these tips to prepare:

Create a Federal Student Aid ID (FSA ID) for you and one for a parent at <u>fsaid.ed.gov</u>. You and a parent will each need an FSA ID to access and sign the FAFSA.

Attend an EducationQuest Financial Aid Program to learn how the FAFSA and financial aid can help you pay for college. When you attend, register for a \$500 Financial Aid Program Scholarship!

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 help with the FAFSA, call EducationQuest to make an appointment: Lincoln - 800.303.3745, Kearney - 800.666.3721

Seniors, are you ready to Apply2College? This fall, over 200 Nebraska high schools are holding *Apply2College* events to help seniors complete college applications. Whether or not your school is participating, please talk with Miss Hoffman or visit Education-Quest.org for resources and tips on what you will need to apply to college.

Meet with college reps at upcoming events: Talk to representatives from colleges across the state, region and nation during upcoming events.

<u>Lincoln Area College Fair</u>, Sunday, September 22, 1:00-3:00 p.m. – Southeast Community College <u>Omaha Area College Fair</u>, Sunday, September 29, 1:00-4:00 p.m. – University of Nebraska at Omaha <u>Educational Planning Programs</u> (EPPs) – these smaller college fairs are being held statewide. Click the link for dates and locations.

**Register for a barcode:** Before attending a college fair or EPP, visit <u>NebraskaCollegeFairs.org</u> to register for a barcode. Print the barcode – or download it to your phone - and take it to the event so college reps can scan it. This will save time spent completing college information cards.

Winning the scholarship game: Follow these tips to increase your chances of earning scholarships:

**Don't pay for scholarship services!** Free resources include <u>ScholarshipQuest</u> at EducationQuest.org, your school counselor's office, and EducationQuest offices in Omaha, Lincoln, and Kearney.

Focus on college-based and local scholarships. You're more likely to earn them over large national awards.

**Continually update your activities, honors, and volunteer or paid jobs** using the <u>Activities Resume</u> at EducationQuest.org. Miss Hoffman has past resumes that can help you, as well.

Earn the best possible ACT/SAT scores by taking the exams in the spring of your junior year and again in the fall of your senior year.

Use quality references such as a teacher, coach or counselor. Give them advance notice, a specific deadline, and a copy of your Activities Resume.

Ask at least two people to proofread your application.

#### October "To Do" List Juniors and Seniors:

Attend a College Fair or Educational Planning Program in your area.

Attend a Financial Aid Program to learn how to pay for college.

#### Seniors:

<u>Create an FSA ID</u> for you and one for a parent. You'll need them for the FAFSA.

Complete the <u>FAFSA</u> on or after October 1.

\_ Complete college applications. If your school is hosting an Apply2College event, participate!

Register by September 20 for the October 26 ACT.

<u>Register</u> by October 3 for the November 2 SAT.

## 2018-19 YEARBOOKS ARE STILL AVAILABLE \$29 EACH. CON-TACT EITHER SCHOOL OFFICE OR EMAIL Ms. RENZ @ brenz@bdstorm.org

hat's Happening @ Your Library Nebraska author Julia Cook visited our elementary students on September 12th in the Davenport gym. She read her books about various topics. Her dog Kirby (a chihuahua) was unveiled at the end and dismissed each group. Julia was SO complimentary of our PreK-4th graders! She thought all of our students were so well behaved, which is a compliment to our parents and staff. :)



During the week of Parent-Teacher conferences, we will be holding our semi-annual Scholastic Book Fair in Davenport. It will be open on Monday-Thursday from 8-4:30 and then on Thursday night during Parent-Teacher conferences. It's a great opportunity to do a bit of early Christmas shopping and

we get a percentage of the sales to spend on books for the libraries. Anyone can also shop our book fair online. Shipping is free (it will come to the school)! We hope you chill out with us at our Arctic Adventure book fair on October 7-11th!

**TH GRADE TO AG VENTURE DAY**. On September 16, the 4th graders attended Ag Venture Day. We learned just how important Agriculture is in the world. Students went to different stations to learn about different Ag related topics. Some of our

favorites were learning how to rope a cow, learning about dairy cows, and learning about the Ogallala Aquifer.



FA TO AG VENTUE DAY:

Members of the FFA officer team were put in charge of leading groups of fourth grade students around the Fillmore County Fairgrounds. The officers led the students to



multiple exhibits to help establish a better understanding about the importance of agriculture. Hopefully, we have a new generation of future agriculture advocates after the students learned from exhibitors.

FA TO HUSKER HARVEST DAYS: The Bruning-Davenport FFA Chapter attended Husker Harvest Days located in Grand Island on September 11. Each of the students had opportunities that allowed them to make connections with many of the businesses that were there. Students were able to reach out to a variety of businesses



that interested them. They also learned about the new innovations, possible career paths, and the steps it would take for them to work for some of these companies. Students also worked on a scavenger hunt put on by UNL and received several items that the companies were handing out along the way.

**PIRST DAY OF SCHOOL:** Students participated in welcome back activities and we welcomed our friends from Shickley Public School. DeMoine Adams gave a motivational message to all students.



President Schroeder called the Budget Hearing to order at 7:33 p.m. After discussion the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. President Schroeder called the Tax Levy Hearing to order at 7:36 p.m. After discussion the meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD MEETING** - The Unified Board of Education met in Bruning on September 11, 2019. 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 7:39 pm. Unified members present were Dan Domeier, Jeff Hoins, Jamie Koch, and Sarah Krehnke. Local board members present were Sarah Bolte, Ryan Miller, Sheri Norder, Ryne Philippi, and Brad Williams. Also present were Superintendent Kolin Haecker, Principal Damen Kugel, Sara Dierking, Tim Lichti, and Ruth Kowalski.

Jeff Hoins made the motion to excuse the absence of Unified Board Member Jerry Baysinger, seconded by Jamie Koch.

President Schroeder recognized the Open Meeting Act. The Consent Agenda included the agenda, minutes of August 12, 2019 Unified Board meeting, Treasurer's Report, and the September claims. Sarah Krehnke moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented and Dan Domeier seconded the motion. Roll call vote carried 5-0.

Principal Kugel's report consisted of a summary of August events, and the following September events: Newsletter is now digital, MAPS testing will begin in September and will take approximately three weeks to complete, Author Julia Cook will be in Davenport in September and visit with students in grades PreK-4. Other events for September will include, Mudecas Volleyball, Explore It Day for all 7-12 grade students, 5<sup>th</sup> grade students to Water Jamboree and Middle School will host the Thayer County Health Fair.

Superintendent Haecker reported on a conference in Lincoln that he would attend, the BDS Coop, an update of the Davenport facility installing carpet in the entry way. He also updated the board on his meeting with Donovan Knigge, and Aaron Oltmans regarding the future parking lot north of the school. His report also referenced items relating to the New Business on the agenda.

New Business (All motions require a roll call vote and all carried 5-0 unless noted.)

- A. Domeier moved to approve the 2019-2020 Property Tax resolution, seconded by Hoins.
- B. Koch motioned to adopt the 2019-2020 budget as presented. Krehnke seconded the motion.
- C. Motion to adopt the tax levy request at .432261 and the Special Building Fund tax request at .02 for a total tax request of .452261 was made by Koch and seconded by Domeier.
- D. Motion made by Domeier to approve the local substitute Miranda Johnson, seconded by Hoins.
- E. Motion to approve the FFA National Convention trip and to pay only accomodations to Indianapolis, IN on October 30-November 2nd made by Koch, seconded by Krehnke.
- F. Hoins made the motion to approve transfers from the General Fund to the Davenport Depreciation fund and Bruning Activity fund, seconded by Domeier
- G. Krehnke moved to accept the propane bid from Lichti Oil at 0.89 through April, seconded by Koch.
- H. Motion made by Domeier to update policy 801.04 (Safe Pupil Transportation Plan), seconded by Hoins.
- I. Koch moved to approve the addendum to policy 412.02 (Classified Staff). Domeier seconded the motion.
- J. Domeier moved to approve the Coop with Shickley for athletics (Football, Volleyball, Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, and Track) from 2020-2022, seconded by Hoins.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 pm by President Schroeder.

Sara Dierking, Recording Secretary

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NEBRASKA BEEF	29 Pizza Romaine Lettuce Breadstick Bru/Wisconsin Cheese F/V Bar	22 Hamburger on a Bun French Fries Bru/Veg, Beef F/V Bar	I Chicken Fajita   1 Chicken Fajita   Refried Beans   Lettuce/Salsa   Churro   Bru/Beef Noodle   F/V Bar   8 Chicken Patty   Sandwich   Smiley Fries   Broccoli   Bru/Chicken Noodle   F/V Bar   15   Popcorn Chicken   TaterTots   Cookie   Bru/Cheeseburger	A
*Bruning/Soups on Tues. & Thurs.	30 Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Dinner Roll Bru/Salad Bar F/V Bar	23 Chinese Chicken Rice Broccoli Bru/Salad Bar F/V Bar	WEDNESDAY 2 Mini Corndogs Mac N' Cheese Calif. Blend Veg. Bru/Salad Bar F/V Bar 9 Pork Steak Mashed Potatoes Dinner Roll Bru/Salad Bar F/V Bar 16 Chicken Quesadilla Refried Beans Bru/Salad Bar F/V Bar	School Lunch
*Menu Subject to Change* *Second Entrée – \$1.00 *	31 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Bru/Wisconsin Cheese F/V Bar	24 Chili Celery/Carrots Cinnamon Roll Bru/Veg. Beef F/V Bar	THURSDAY     3   Popcorn Shrimp     Popcorn Shrimp   Spicy Fries     Bru/Beef Noodle   F/V Bar     10   Italian Dunkers     Calif. Blend Veg.   Bru/Chicken Noodle     F/V Bar   Italian Dunkers     Calif. Blend Veg.   Meatballs     Bru/Chicken Noodle   F/V Bar     17   Meatballs     Baked Potatoes   Dinmer Roll     Bru/Cheeseburger   F/V Bar	
		25 Lasagna Romaine Lettuce French Bread Bru/Salad Bar F/V Bar	FRIDAY   4 Hot Beef Sandwich Corn Bru/Salad Bar F/V Bar   18   NO SCHOOL   18   Crispitos Spanish Rice Corn Churro Bru/Salad Bar F/V Bar	October
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Notes: ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE	VB Subdistricts	Lions Club Vision/Hearing Screenings @ both Bldgs.	29		CRC HS VB	Domestic Vio	22	HS VB Tri Dorchester/ McCool Jct. @ Shickley 5:30/7:30			15	HS VB Tri East Butler @ Osceola (V) 5:00/6:00	HS VB @ Osceola (C) 4:00	SKIP Flu Immunizations	60	HS VB @ Southern (JV, V) 6:00/7:00	JH VB Dorchester @ Shickley 1:00 FCCLA Leadership Conf. Setup School pictures	FFA Fundraiser	1	CALENDAR	BRUNING-DAVENPORT USD
JECT TO CHANGE			30			Domestic Violence Awareness Week -	23				16	FFA - Land Judging			9		Conf. @ CCC Hastings	FCCLA Dist. 4 Leadership	2	Wednesday	~
	FB Playoffs - 1st Round	FFA - Nationa				FCCLA	24	HS VB Tri Law/Nel @ High Plains (V) 6:30/7:30			17	P/T Conf. 3-8PM @ Dav.		12:30 Homecoming Pep Rally	10	HS VB Tri Blue Hill/Giltner (V) @ Shickley 5:00/7:00			3	OCTO	
		National Convention @ Indianapolis		HS FB @ Thayer Central 7PM			25	HS FB @ Cross County 7PM			18	NO SCHOOL-End of 1st Qtr.	HS FB HTRS @ Bruning 7:00 B-D Homecoming	6PM Senior Class Hamburger Fundraiser	11	HS FB Tri Co. @ Shickley 7:00 Parent's Night	(C, JV) 4:00/5:00	HS VB Tri-County @ Shickley	4	DBER 2019 Friday	
				BDS JV VB Tourney @ Shickley 10:00			26	CRC HS VB	CRC JH VB @ York Auditorium	×	19	FFA - EDGE (Officers & Underclassmen)	HS VB Quad cedar bluffs, Friend @ Heartland (V) 3/4:15	BDS JH VB Tourney @ Dav 9:30	12			Rand to Harvest of Harmony	5	019 Saturday	

STANDARD NON-PROFIT PENDING #9410 PRE-SORTED MAIL DAVENPORT, NE 68335

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