



## Bobcats of the Month

### Jacob Mason

Jacob is a hard worker inside and outside of class. He is always one of the first to be done with papers and even when he is gone, he gets his work done on time. He has a great sense of humor and gets along great with other kids. Jacob is an all around good kid and leader in and out of class.

Miss Ord



### Kinsey Pflaster

Kinsey is living above the line with her positive attitude and willingness to help others! She is eager to assist a Kindergarten friend with daily reading. She meets with the Kindergarten during breakfast to read and they often exchange friendly greetings in the hall! Thanks Kinsey! Keep smiling!

Mrs. Ross



### Keeley Witthuhn

Keeley comes to class everyday ready to work.

She is excited to try new things. She works really hard and utilizes her time well. She is eager to finish each project and to implement the recently learned techniques on the next project.

Mrs. Campbell



### Dalton Kunkee

I nominate Dalton as Bobcat of the Month. Dalton has a wonderful work ethic. He always does his best on any assignment. He has proven to be an outstanding leader in the class and is willing to help his classmates. Also, he is respected by his classmates. I appreciate that he is always reliable.

Mrs. Pitkin



## **FCCLA Members Plan End of Year Banquet**

The 2014-2015 FCCLA Chapter will hold its end of the year banquet on April 20, 2015 at 7:00PM at the Community Center in Callaway. Members and their families should plan to attend! The meal will be potluck and the dress will be formal/nice wear. We will disperse awards and elect officers for the upcoming year. Please RSVP by April 15<sup>th</sup> to Mrs. Walz.

## **Kindergarten Round Up**

We encourage parents to pre-register their Kindergartners for the upcoming school year during our Kindergarten Roundup. More information will be arriving soon. If you do not receive anything from the school and are planning on attending, please contact the school office. Students must be five years old by July 31, 2015 to attend Kindergarten. This will help us plan our school staff needs and provides parents with the needed information to help prepare for that important first year of school. Please plan to attend the Parents Meeting on **Thursday, April 23rd @ 7:00pm** in the Learning Center. Then on **Friday, April 24th from 10am-2pm** we will have Kindergarten Roundup. Please drop off your child at the Kindergarten Room. Lunch will be served. Any questions please call the school at 308-836-2273. We look forward to seeing you!

## **Bobcat Weight Room**

The weight room received an update this month. The High School art classes all worked on painting the walls and stripes. The walls are now grey with a thick blue stripe and bordered with a thinner white stripe that goes around the whole room. More impact was added with the addition of



3 murals. A bobcat, the word 'BOBCATS', and a paw print are new additions to our schools weight room. The murals were painted by Stephanie Ellison, Harley Svenson, and Tiffany Potter. The students all worked really hard on this project. They took a lot of pride in having it done on time (less than a week) and having an outstanding finished product.

## Jordan Rush

Jordan Layne Rush was born to Jarod and Nicole Rush on 06/04/97. Jordan enjoys hanging out with her friends. She is involved in Volleyball, Basketball, and Track. Jordan's favorite class is "Art, because I can use my creativity in that class." Her advice to underclassmen is, "Do whatever makes you happy!" When asked what her favorite memory of high school is she responds, "Probably Homecoming week. I love when we dress up and do pep rallies." When asked what her most embarrassing memory is she states, "When my name is called to go the coaches office, I always get the ohh your in trouble thing!!" Jordan is afraid of snakes. Her most prized possession is her dog, Bella. Jordan's favorite color is light blue. Jordan's future plans are undecided. As a child she wanted to be a teacher.



## Honor Roll 3rd Quarter

### Seniors

Layton Dockweiler  
Kelsey Haidle  
Jacob Mason  
Jordan Rush  
Dakota Seng –All A's

### Juniors

Emma Badgley  
Emily Kimball  
Lafayette Loper  
Amber Ross

### Sophomores

Natalie G'Schwind  
Seth Pearson  
Savannah Weverka

### Freshman

Vayle Berger  
Brett Haidle  
Lucy Kimball  
Jack Rush  
Isaac Stallbaumer—All A's  
Marshall Still  
Samantha Stowell  
Brittany Trumbull

### Eight Grade

Kalen Dockweiler  
Wryleigh Doyle  
Garrett Hrupek  
Weston Kunkee  
Cheyney Loper  
Mikayla McFate  
Hannah Pearson  
Ellana Willis

### Seventh Grade

Eddie Berger  
Taylor Conroy  
Dakota Erstrom  
Kalie Glendy  
Jaelynn Hemphill  
Conner Rosfeld  
Trevor Ross  
Jessie Sallach



## 6 FCCLA Members Attend Retreat



Over 300 students from across the state of Nebraska attended the FCCLA Peer Ed Retreat February 23 in Kearney. In attendance from Callaway were Hallie Conroy, Noah Edgington, Hannah Pearson, Amber Ross, and Emily and Lucy Kimball. The theme this year was "Soar UP! with Peer Education". The Peer Ed Retreat is put together by the State Peer Officer Team (SPOT). The State Peer Officer Team (SPOT) is made up of high school students across Nebraska that have been elected through an application and interview process that represent 3 areas of

FCCLA and Family and Consumer Sciences including Student Body, Financial Fitness, and Families First. The students attended a keynote speaker, Dr. JoAnne Owens-Nauslar, which was the favorite of the day. She discussed being a success and that you must move to improve. The three breakout sessions included taekwondo, Fund Your Dreams with Sally Bernard, and Soar UP with Peer Education



with the SPOT members. The day ended with the closing ceremony and door prizes. Overall, it was a great day and we look forward to going again next year.



FCCLA Calendar:

April 12-14: State Leadership Conference at Lincoln, Nebraska

April 20: 7:00pm FCCLA Recognition Potluck Banquet- Community Center

# Speech 2015



The Callaway High School Speech Team competed in tournaments in Broken Bow, Ord, North Platte, Gothenburg, and Loup City during the regular season, earning many medals and superior ribbons at each meet.

CHS also competed at MNAC—Loup Valley Tournament on Monday, March 2, 2015, and was the 2nd place team, with ten entries earning medals.

On March 16th, the Bear Speakers participated in the D2-4 District Competition at North Platte. The team took 3rd place honors qualifying the 7 team members in 5 events to compete at the state tournament.

The NSAA Speech Tournament will be held at the University of Nebraska-Kearney campus on Friday, March 27th, 2015.



## Box Tops for Education

The Callaway sixth grade class has been counting Box Tops all year. So far they have counted 7,000 Box Tops. This is equal to \$700! Our goal is 10,000 Box Tops. If each student in the elementary would bring in only 10 Box tops, we will have an additional 1,000 Box Tops to add to our collection.

Last year we were able to help purchase a Smart-board. We would like to do that again for another elementary classroom. We will appreciate all your help with our protect.

Also anyone in the community or high school that is willing to help, can turn in their Box Tops to the office or the Callaway Market. We thank everyone for their participation!

## Callaway Public Schools Report to the Public 2013-14

All information taken from the Nebraska Department of Education website, State of the School Report, linked to our district, as information is available online.

### Callaway Demographics

#### ▶ Characteristics

- The Callaway Public School District is a 321.2 square mile class III school system located in the town of Callaway in Custer County. The district operates 4 bus routes and provides transportation for approximately 125 students. The school district employs 37 people in various capacities. The economy of the area is primarily supported by agriculture however; the Callaway District Hospital and the Good Samaritan Center provides employment opportunities for a significant number of people.

#### ● Information

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### School Improvement Goals

- ▶ All Students will increase their reading comprehension scores.

# Terra Nova Assessment Scores

Terra Nova  
Average Student Scores  
Normal Curve Equivalent Score (NCE 1-99)

	District			State		
	Average Normal Curve Total Score (NCE Range: 1-99)	Reading	Math	Average Normal Curve Total Score (NCE Range: 1-99)	Reading	Math
Grade 04	64	65	55	53	53	56
Grade 08	76	76	75	62	61	64
Grade 11	66	64	67	62	61	61

Students Tested	% Students Tested	Students Not Tested	% Students Not Tested
45	97.83 %	1	2.17 %



## NeSA Reading Data

Nebraska State Accountability (NeSA) – Reading  
All students

Percent Proficient

All Grades	
2009-2010	71 %
2010-2011	77 %
2011-2012	73 %
2012-2013	86 %
2013-2014	87 %



## NeSA Math Data

Nebraska State Accountability (NeSA) – Mathematics  
All students

Percent Proficient

All Grades	
2010-2011	76 %
2011-2012	74 %
2012-2013	81 %
2013-2014	86 %





## NeSA Science Data

Nebraska State Accountability (NeSA) – Science  
All students

Percent Proficient

All Grades	
2011–2012	77 %
2012–2013	88 %
2013–2014	*

\* Data has been masked to protect the identity of students using one of the following criteria:

- 1) Fewer than 10 students were reported in a group.
  - a) Fewer than 5 students were reported at a performance level.
- 2) All students were reported in a single group or performance category.

## NeSA Writing Data

Nebraska State Accountability (NeSA) – Writing  
All students

Percent Proficient

All Grades	
2012–2013	51 % ^
2013–2014	-- ^^

^^ In 2014 students in grades 8 and 11 experienced technology issues with the online test. Valid results are not available for all districts or for the state for NeSA–Writing at grades 8 and 11.

## District AYP Status

- ▶ The “NOT MET” Status in the performance levels of the elementary, middle school and high school students in the areas of Reading and Math is essentially a meaningless label, as federal requirements outlined in NCLB Legislation calls for 100% of students in all grade levels tested to be proficient in all areas tested. As a result, few if any schools in the nation received a “MET” rating.

# District Financial Information

based on actual figures from 2013 audit

	Receipts	Percent
County Receipts	\$11,240.00	0.36 %
Federal Receipts	\$104,177.00	3.33 %
Local Receipts	\$2,616,294.00	83.62 %
Other Receipts	\$133.00	0.00 %
State Receipts	\$397,092.00	12.69 %
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$3,128,936.00</b>	



## Financial Information Continued

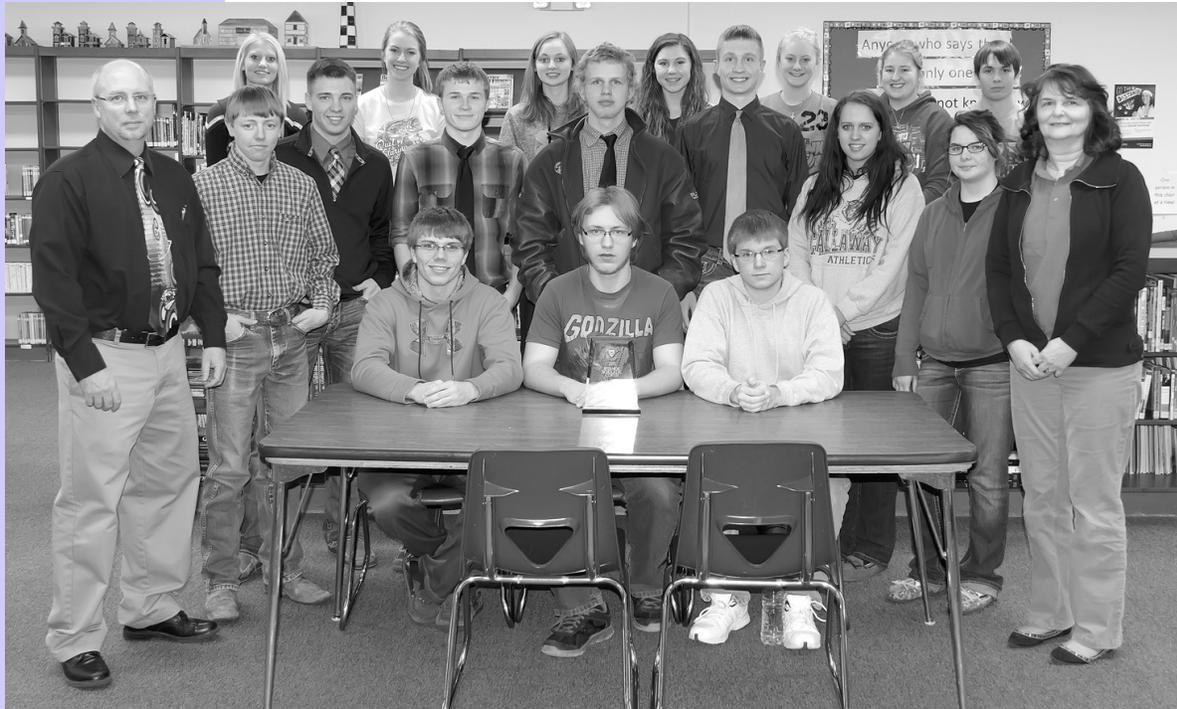
	Expenditures	Percent
All Instruction Expenditures	\$1,876,737.00	62.80 %
Federal Expenditures	\$140,258.00	4.69 %
General Administration	\$89,028.00	2.98 %
Maintenance & Operation Expenditures	\$321,721.00	10.77 %
Office of the Principal Expenditures	\$91,709.00	3.07 %
Other Expenditures	\$40,000.00	1.34 %
State Categorical Programs	\$2,425.00	0.08 %
Support Services – Business	\$112,649.00	3.77 %
Support Services – Pupils Expenditures	\$74,243.00	2.48 %
Support Services – Pupils Transportation	\$200,659.00	6.71 %
Support Services – Staff Expenditures	\$39,023.00	1.31 %
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$2,988,452.00</b>	



## Teacher/Student Information

- ▶ In 2013–14 we employed 20.5 teachers on a fulltime basis. Of those staff members, 36% have a Master's degree, and 64% have a Bachelor's degree. Our teaching staff average 19.55 years of experience. Our student to teacher ratio is 1:10.
- ▶ Our average class size is 14.8 students per class. Students are in attendance 95% of the time. Our graduation rate is 93.33%. We have a mobility rate of 13.54%, a free and reduced lunch rate of 32.64, and 11% of our students come from ethnic backgrounds. 18.23% of our students qualify for Special Education.





Twenty students represented Callaway High School well at the 2015 Mid-Plains Community College's Inter-High Scholastic Contest and the Tech-Knowledge Fair by taking tests in a myriad of disciplines. Test takers competed against other students from all classes/divisions with points awarded for first, second, and third places. Points earned were then used to award the top three places in three separate divisions, with divisions based on high school student population. Callaway High School came away with the Division III championship in the academic contest with first places from Dakota Seng in Chemistry and Noah Edgington in North Platte Community College (NPCC) Facts, and a second place from Noah in Dramatic Arts. Jacob Mason added to the place winners in the Tech-Knowledge category with a second place finish in Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC). Callaway students finished the day in impressive style with 25 total tests taken in 14 areas. Of these 25 tests, 16 landed in the top 25% of all test scores, and scores from 11 of these tests were in the top ten, regardless of divisions. Two students just missed the third place mark with fourth place finishes.

"I am very proud of our students, not only for the way they displayed their skills and knowledge, but for the way they represented themselves and our school as respectable young women and men. All students deserve to be commended" (Dr. Beshaler)

A list of tests administered and Callaway High School test takers follows:

Accounting: Amber Ross, Cassy Coons, Tiffany Potter, Tyrel Rieker; Grammar and Composition: Emma Badgley, Kelsey Haidle, Emily Kimball, Amber Ross; Dramatic Performance: Noah Edgington; NPCC Facts: Noah Edgington; Art: Stephanie Ellison; Health Occupations: Erin Johnson, Rebecca Still; Chemistry: Kelsey Haidle, Dakota Seng; Literary Analysis: Jacob Mason, Emily Kimball; Biological Science: Seth Pearson, Savannah Weverka; Mathematics: Lafayette Loper, Dakota Seng; Business Communications: Tiffany Potter; Information Technology: Rollie Schleichardt; Building and Construction: Layton Dockweiler, Clayton G'Schwind, Seth Pearson, Isaac Stallbaumer; Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC): Jacob Mason

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## 2014-2015 YEARBOOK SALES

The 2014-2015 Callaway Yearbooks are on sale now. If you would like to order one the cost is \$40.00. Please return this form to Mrs. Ellis by May 21st to reserve your Callaway Yearbook.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to purchase:

\_\_\_ 2014-2015 Callaway Yearbook(s) @ \$40.00

Total \_\_\_\_\_ (please make check payable to Callaway Public Schools)

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