

Blue's News

The Cat's out of the Bag!!

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Communication is extremely important in your child's education. We truly appreciate you keeping the school informed on illnesses, rides home after school, appointments and other important information that the school needs to know. With this in mind, please be mindful and respectful of teachers' time outside of school hours. If you have an emergency, it is okay to contact teachers outside of school time. Otherwise, please contact them during school hours and allow them to have time to themselves and their families. Thank you and Merry Christmas!



From: The Callaway Yearbook Staff

South Loup Boys Basketball



The South Loup Boys Basketball team has been off to a great start. The Bobcats are starting off the season 3-1. Their only loss comes from the Amherst Broncos, which is 3-2 on the year. They have four returning starters this year as well as many experienced players. Leading the way for the Bobcats are Cade Connell, Kalen Dockweiler, and Jack Rush. The South Loup Boys Basketball Team will be playing three more game before Christmas. The next two games will be played at Maxwell for their annual Holiday Tournament on December 18th and 19th.

By: Jessie Sallach



South Loup Lady Bobcat Basketball



The South Loup Lady Bobcats are 5-1 on the start of the season. They have beaten Twin Loup, Amherst, Hershey, Cambridge, and SEM. They fell to Pleasanton by one point after the fourth overtime of the game. The next three upcoming games are Medicine Valley, the Holiday Tournament, and Sandhills-

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By: Kalie Glendy



Door Decorating Contest

By: Matti Stout

Callaway Public Schools held a competition for door decorating. It was each grade against each other. The winners in the high school were the freshmen in 1st place, the 7th Grade in 2nd, and the juniors in 3rd. The winners in the elementary were the Pre-schoolers in 1st place, 1st Grade in 2nd place, and Kindergarten in 3rd place. The freshmen had decorated their door to look like a Christmas tree made out of the elements on the periodic table. It is called the "Chernis Tree". The Seventh Grade had decorated their door to look like a chimney with a little home scene through a glass window.



The juniors had decorated their door out of Styrofoam cups. They made a snowman out of the cups and put a matching hat and scarf on it. The Pre-Schoolers had put a paper up with snowmen made out of their feet. It says Walking in a Winter Wonderland. The First Graders had a chimney with stockings that had all of their names on them. In the chimney you could see Santa's feet. The Kindergarten class had cut their faces out and made it look like they were caroling.



New Chairs in the Elementary

This year, Callaway Public Schools received a grant from Custer County Foundation that allowed us to purchase new chairs. We also received money last spring from the Booster Club that further helped with the cost. The new chairs help the students focus easier and have more ability to move. Some kids need more movement than others, and these adaptive seating devices allow them to do that freely. Some chairs that the school purchased are urgo urgo seats, wobble chairs, stability balls, and active seat cushions. In 2003, a study was published in the American



Journal of Occupational Therapy concluding that in students with learning disabilities, sitting on adaptive seating, such as ball chairs were able to sit still, focus more, and write more words clearly. These chairs allow the students to burn some energy while they are learning. Young students have the natural instinct to wiggle around and move. With these chairs, they can have the ability to do so while they are paying attention to their teacher.

By: Macy Rynearson



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On the 13th of December, LDE (Leadership Development Events) was held in Loup City which included different types of speeches, employment skills, parliamentary procedure, and ag demonstration. Also seven Junior High students were lucky enough to be in the quiz bowl. They went onto the 4th round with Team One winning three and losing one. Team Two ended up winning one and losing two. The participants of this years Junior High quiz bowl team are these 7th graders Abby Stallbaumer, Grant Hrupek, and Taylor Ross. The 8th graders on the team were Owen Stallbaumer, Heidi Donegan, Megan Donegan, and Emalee Glendy. Mrs. Chytka would like to thank Marla Stallbaumer who helped judge the employment skills, and Samantha Olson, who helped with extemporaneous.



Christmas Concerts

On the 7th of December, the Elementary had a Christmas concert and it involved grades Pre-k through 6th grade. Each grade had many songs to perform including the 4th grade that played a few Christmas songs on guitars that they learned to play throughout this semester. The 3rd graders also played two songs on recorders. They even included a small skit that was based on the poem 'Twas The Night Before Christmas.' The Middle School and High School concert on the night of December 14th. The Junior High Choir sang many songs including "Noel", "We Wish You A Merry Christmas", and "Betelehemu." This concert included many soloists on instruments including a flute solo, piano solo, and many others. Then there was a Jazz Band by the High School Band. At the very end they even had a Senior High Choir that sang three songs that were called "Mele Kalikimaka", "The Gift of Christmas", and "Once Upon a December."



By: Cheyenne Bunch

Senior Biography

Brittany Danielle Trumbull

Parents: Dan and Jo Trumbull

Birthday: June 28, 1999

Favorite Book: If I Stay

Favorite Food: Spaghetti

Favorite type of music: Country and Pop

In my spare time, I: Hang out with friends

Favorite movie/ tv show: How to be Single

Favorite quote/ motto: When life gives you more than you can stand, kneel.

Favorite High School memory: State One Acts my Freshmen year

Extracurricular Activities: Band, Speech, and One Acts

Best advice your parents gave you: Work hard, spend your money wisely, and make good decisions.

What you wanted to be when you were little: To be a nurse just like my grandma was

Future Plans: Go to Hastings CCC to get a degree in human services.



Amanda Lee Harrison

Parents: Carol Harrison

Birthday: May 27, 2000

Favorite Book: Running Dream

Favorite Food: Sweets and Sushi

Favorite type of music: Country

In my spare time, I: Spend time with friends and work

Favorite movie/ tv show: The Office

Favorite quote/ motto: "Be the reason someone smiles today." - Unknown

Extracurricular Activities: Cheerleading

Best advice your parents gave you: "Smile Sunshine"

What you wanted to be when you were little: A model

Future plans: Become a Vet Tech or open a smaller Pet Daycare.



Wrestling

So far this season, there have been two wrestling meets. The first one was in Broken Bow on December 6. As a team, the Bobcats placed 5th. No one got first at Broken Bow. The second was in Merna December 9. There the team placed 4th. Marshall Still and Tayten Eggleston got first at Merna. There is one more meet before winter break. That one is in Sutherland on December 16. Coach Johnson said that they need to get into better shape because they have only had four practices before their first meet. There was also sickness and One-Acts that had effect on the practices. They are doing great. Half of them are young and the other half are veterans. Coach Johnson is pleased on how well they are doing. There is good leadership shown in the seniors and juniors and the freshmen already have some mat experience from junior high. Their goal is to get as many people to state as possible. Every meet is only one step closer to getting to districts, then to state.

By: Suzy Heusman

State One Act's One Last Performance

On December 5th, the One-Act Team traveled down to Norfolk to perform their very last performance on December 6th at State. Out of the competition, we got fifth out of the six teams. Our team was recognized by winning an award for Outstanding Technical Crew. The Class D1 State Champion is Wausa. Brett Haidle was awarded with an Outstanding Performance Award.

Mr. Ellis stated, "I thought we performed very well, it is always a great experience. We got to see the best of the best and I hope we all learned from it. I am very proud of everybody, but extremely proud of the seniors to have been great leaders."

Congrats on a great season!

By: Taylor Conroy

Bobcat of the Month

By Suzy Heusman



"I have Brittany in class and as my Teachers Aide. She works very hard during class and is very personable to me and her classmates. She is also willing to help out whenever she is needed."

~ Mrs. Walz

"Taytum is very eager to learn. He is always helpful in class and displays good citizenship."

~ Mrs. Wilcher



"I chose Jasmyn because she is always willing to help out. Everyday at lunch time she brings the folding chairs to the teacher's table and sets them up for us."

~ Mr. Keeney

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College Planning Bulletin

A monthly college planning guide for Nebraska high school students

January 2018

Winter break: a good time for college prep!

Take advantage of free time over the holidays to do some prep work for college. Here are a few things you can do!

Seniors, complete your FAFSA

If you haven't already, complete your [FAFSA](#) (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). Need help? Use our free [FAFSA Tools](#) or call us to make an appointment for free help: Omaha - 888.357.6300; Lincoln - 800.303.3745; Kearney - 800.666.3721; or Scottsbluff - 800.303.3745, ext. 6654.

Juniors, prepare for the ACT

All Nebraska high school juniors will take the ACT college entrance exam this spring. Here's a [list of resources](#) to help you prepare.

Search for scholarships

Use our free [ScholarshipQuest](#) tool to find Nebraska-based awards. You'll also find links to national scholarship sites.

Update your Activities Resume

Our free [Activities Resume](#) is an easy way to track your extracurricular activities, accomplishments, volunteer work, and part-time jobs. The information is then readily available when you apply for scholarships and employment.

Volunteer

In addition to giving back to your community, your volunteer work can lead to scholarship opportunities. Make sure you track your involvement on your [Activities Resume](#).

January "To Do" List

Seniors:

- ___ If you haven't already, complete the [FAFSA](#).
- ___ Apply for scholarships; see [ScholarshipQuest](#) for Nebraska-based awards.
- ___ Update your [Activities Resume](#).

Juniors:

- ___ Update your [Activities Resume](#).
 - ___ Check out [ACT prep resources](#).
 - ___ [Register](#) by January 12 for the February 10 ACT.
 - ___ [Register](#) by February 9 for the March 10 SAT.
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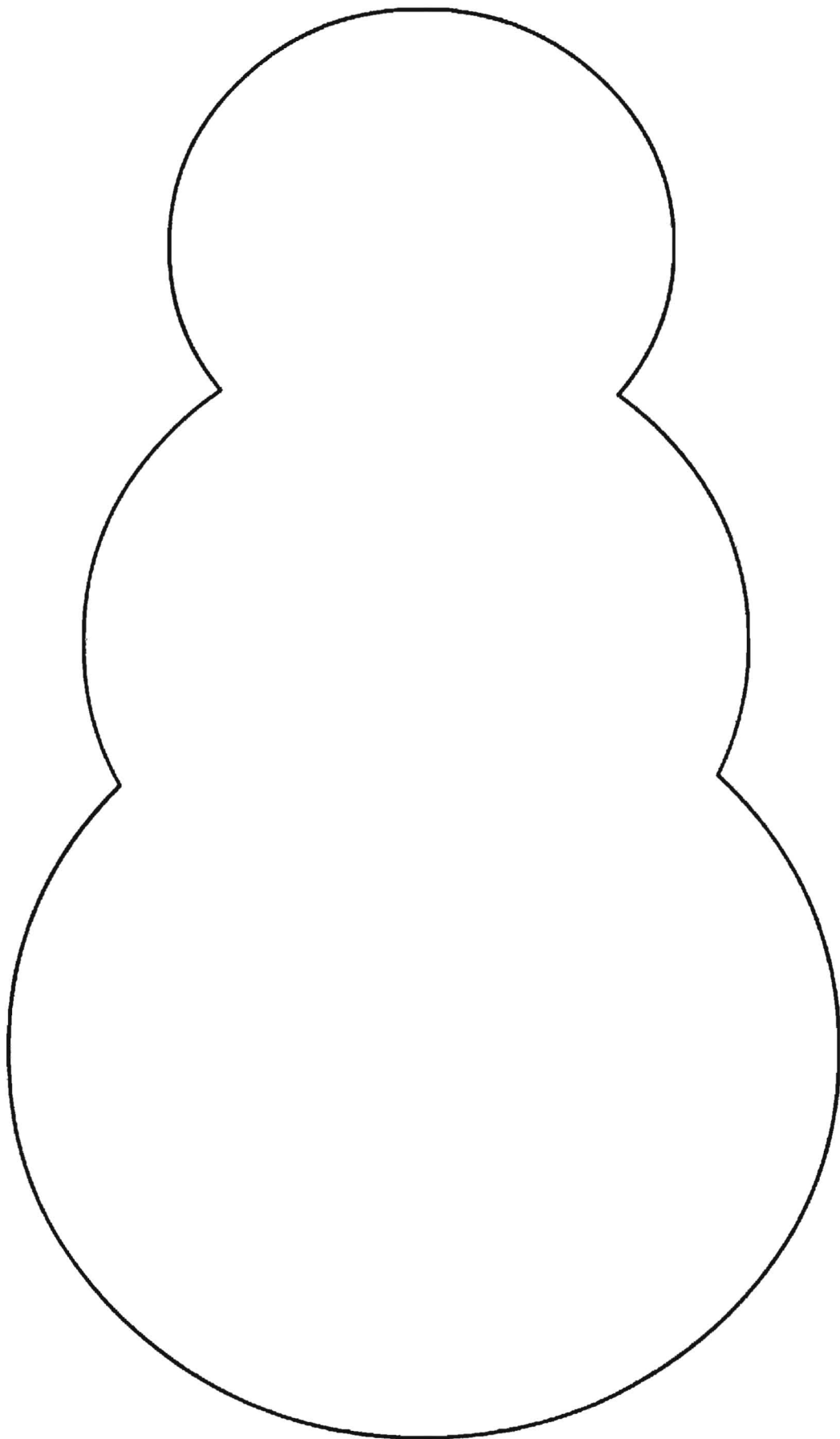
For free help with college planning, contact EducationQuest Foundation:

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402-391-4033	402-475-5222	308-234-6310	800-303-3745 ext. 6654
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Color and return to Miss Ord for her to hang in the hallway at school.

Daily Learning Planner

*Ideas parents can use to help children
do well in school*

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Daily Learning Planner: Ideas Parents Can Use to Help Children Do Well in School—Try a New Idea Every Day!

- ☐ 1. With your child, read the label on a food your family eats. How much nutrition does it provide? How much sugar is in it?
- ☐ 2. Make a list of favorite activities you did with your child last year. Schedule time on the calendar to do some again this year.
- ☐ 3. Talk with your child about things we get from plants (food, clothing).
- ☐ 4. Pick a category, such as vehicles. Let your child pick a letter. How many items in the category can you each name that begin with that letter?
- ☐ 5. Make a chore chart with your child. List chores he's responsible for and when they should be completed.
- ☐ 6. Put an assortment of objects on a tray. Have your child look at them, then close her eyes and name as many as she can remember.
- ☐ 7. Hold a family meeting. Discuss everyone's goals and achievements.
- ☐ 8. Help your child find fractions in the newspaper. Which sections have the most fractions?
- ☐ 9. Have your family try eating with chopsticks tonight.
- ☐ 10. Post a new vocabulary word and its definition on the bathroom mirror your child uses. Change it every three or four days.
- ☐ 11. How many farm animals can your child name?
- ☐ 12. Ask your child what he thinks he is good at and why.
- ☐ 13. What skill would you and your child like to learn? Check out a how-to book or video.
- ☐ 14. Have your child alphabetize things, such as books or spices.
- ☐ 15. Ask your child to close her eyes and describe sounds that she hears.
- ☐ 16. Avoid overscheduling. Kids need downtime to think, imagine and play.
- ☐ 17. After dinner, have a family sing-along. Ask family members to share their favorite songs.
- ☐ 18. Ask your child what he would do if he were invisible for a day.
- ☐ 19. It's National Soup Month. Make soup with your child—and enjoy the book *Stone Soup* together.
- ☐ 20. Ask your child to help you organize something, such as a closet.
- ☐ 21. Challenge your child to invent a delicious drink, such as "banana hot chocolate."
- ☐ 22. Have your child pretend to be "Mayor for a Day." Brainstorm ideas to make your community a better place.
- ☐ 23. Ask your child to read to you while you cook.
- ☐ 24. Start a sentence-a-day story in a special notebook. Have your child add one sentence each day.
- ☐ 25. Hunt for treasure. Make a map that will lead your child to a small treat.
- ☐ 26. Check in the newspaper or online to see if there's a nearby place you and your child can go skating.
- ☐ 27. Teach your child how to take her pulse. Have her jump up and down 15 times and take it again. Has it changed?
- ☐ 28. Do a crossword puzzle together. It's a great way to learn new words.
- ☐ 29. Suggest that your child write a letter to his favorite living author.
- ☐ 30. At the store, have your child figure how much tax you will be charged.
- ☐ 31. Watch a nature program on TV together.

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Encourage mental math to strengthen problem-solving skills

Your child may be learning math in different ways than you did. The strategies taught today are designed to help students better understand the concepts behind the computations. Doing *mental math*—working out problems in their heads—helps kids practice using these strategies to solve problems.

To help your child with mental math in the early grades:

- **Start with the basics.**

Give your child a number and ask, "What do you get when you add 1 to this number?" Then have him add 2 to his answer, then add 3 to that answer, and so on. Later you can ask him to take away 1, then 2, etc.

- **Practice "skip counting"**—counting by twos, threes, fives and tens. This helps your child add faster and lays a foundation for multiplication.

Later, as your child progresses:

- **Work with money.** Teach your child the values of coins. Understanding that there are 100 cents in a dollar, and that a quarter is worth 25 cents (or 25 percent, or one-fourth of a dollar) helps him get comfortable with easy combinations ($75+25=100$), fractions and percentages.
- **Challenge your child** to do quick calculations. "I have to figure out a tip. What is 20 percent of this bill? Can you divide the total by 10 and then double your answer?"



It's time to restore routines

Has your child's bedtime begun to slip? Are mornings more rushed? Is her regular study time not quite so regular? January is a great time to get back into helpful habits. Sleep and study routines make life easier—and help kids do better in school.



Teachers need your help

Teachers know that parents are key partners in helping children learn. Here are three things teachers wish parents would do:

1. **Be role models.** Show your child what a positive attitude and enthusiasm for learning look like.
2. **Stay in touch.** Respond to notes or voicemails from the teacher. Ask how your child is doing in class. Ask questions if you don't understand something your child is learning.
3. **Have fun.** Enjoy good times together.

Source: R. Gillett, "19 things teachers say parents should do at home to help their kids succeed," *Business Insider*, nswc.com/ideas.

Serve your child a better day

For years, studies have shown that eating a nutritious breakfast helps children concentrate and perform better in class. Recently, researchers studying school children in Kansas found that kids who ate breakfast scored higher on standardized tests. They also found that eating a low-sugar meal including whole grains positively affected scores, while drinking fruit juice had a negative effect.

Get your child off to a good start. Make sure she eats a healthy breakfast each day.

Source: L.T. Prome, Ph.D. and others, "Breakfast Intake and Composition is Associated with Superior Academic Achievement in Elementary School Children," *Journal of the American College of Nutrition*, Taylor & Francis.



Amplify the power of read-aloud time

Don't stop reading to your child just because she has learned to read to herself. Reading aloud together can continue to improve her literacy skills and be fun for both of you. To provide the best experience:

- **Do it every day.** This shows your child that reading is too important to miss.
- **Preview the book** beforehand. Reading aloud is performing. You will do better if you're familiar with the material.
- **Choose books you like.** If you are excited about a book, odds are your child will be, too. Consider books you enjoyed as a child.
- **Emphasize the first line.** Strive to grab your child's attention and make her want to listen.
- **Add plenty of expression.** Widen your eyes to show surprise. Use different voices for different characters.
- **Leave your child wanting more.** Stop each day's reading at a point where she is eager to hear what will happen next.

Callaway HS (South Loup) - January 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 8:00 AM School Resumes for Students	4 1:00 PM G JH BKB @ Sandhills Thedford Knights 2:00 PM B JH BKB @ Sandhills Thedford Knights 4:00 PM G JV BKB @ Sandhills Thedford Knights 5:00 PM B JV BKB @ Sandhills Thedford Knights 6:00 PM G V BKB @ Sandhills Thedford Knights 7:30PM B V BKB @ Sandhills Thedford Knights	5	6 10:00 AM B V WR @ Amherst High School 4:00 PM B JV BKB @ Bertrand High School 4:00 PM G JV BKB @ Bertrand High School 5:30 PM G V BKB @ Bertrand High School 7:00PM B V BKB @ Bertrand High School
7	8 7:00 PM Board Meeting	9 10:30 AM YLCC meeting @ Arnold 1:00 PM B JH BKB Anselmo-Merna High School 1:00 PM G JH BKB Anselmo-Merna High School	10 1:00 PM District 4 District Meeting in Kearney	11	12 1:00 PM B V WR @ Sumner-Eddyville-Miller High School 4:00 PM G JV BKB @ Maxwell High School 5:00 PM B JV BKB @ Maxwell High School 6:30 PM G V BKB @ Maxwell High School 8:00PM B V BKB @ Maxwell High School	13 10:00 AM B V WR @ Shelton High School 2:00 PM G JV BKB @ Brady High School 3:00 PM B JV BKB @ Brady High School 5:00 PM G V BKB @ Brady High School 6:30 PM B V BKB @ Brady High School
14	15 Basketball Rosters Due 1:00 PM B JH BKB CO-OP Ansley-Litchfield 1:00 PM G JH BKB CO-OP Ansley-Litchfield	16	17	18 4:00 PM G JV BKB @ CO-OP Ansley-Litchfield 5:00 PM B JV BKB @ CO-OP Ansley-Litchfield 6:00PM G V BKB @ CO-OP Ansley-Litchfield 7:30PM B V BKB @ CO-OP Ansley-Litchfield	19 Parents Night for Wrestling will be right before Finals 8:00 AM No School 12:30 PM B V WR South Loup Invite	20 TBA South Loup Little kids wrestling tournament TBA Broken Bow Speech Meet
21	22 TBA B V BKB Conference Round 1 at Brady TBA G V BKB Conference Round 1 at Brady	23 TBA B V BKB @ Conference Quarter Finals Basketball Tourn. TBA G V BKB @ Conference Quarter Finals Basketball Tourn.	24 8:30 AM FFA - District CDE's 1:00 PM B JH BKB Brady High School 1:00 PM G JH BKB Brady High School	25 TBA B V BKB @ Conference Basketball Semi Finals at BBow TBA G V BKB @ Conference Basketball Semi Finals at BBow	26 TBA Girls/Boys-Consolation Games at Merna 1:00 PM B V WR @ Central Valley Invite at Greeley	27 Art Contest at Broken Bow TBA Ord Speech Meet TBA B V BKB @ Conference Finals/Consolation at BBow TBA G V BKB @ Conference Finals/Consolation -at BBow
28	29	30 9:00 AM Callaway High School Quiz Bowl	31 10:00 AM FCCLA District STAR @ Mullen			

Callaway HS (South Loup) - February 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Parents Night for Basketball between JV and Varsity Games Cheerleaders will dance at half-time of the Boys Varsity TBA B V WR @ Conference Wrestling at Arnold 4:00 PM G JV BKB Mullen High School 5:00 PM B JV BKB Mullen High School 6:00 PM G V BKB Mullen High School 7:30 PM B V BKB Mullen High School	3 TBA Gothenburg Speech Meet 5:30 PM G V BKB @ Mc Pherson County High School 7:00PM B V BKB @ Mc Pherson County High School
4	5 TBA Instrumental Music Clinic in Callaway 1:00 PM B JH BKB CO-OP Twin Loup 1:00 PM G JH BKB CO-OP Twin Loup	6 4:30 PM B JV BKB @ Anselmo-Merna High School 4:30 PM G JV BKB @ Anselmo-Merna High School 6:00 PM G V BKB @ Anselmo-Merna High School 7:30PM B V BKB @ Anselmo-Merna High School	7 1:00 PM B JH BKB @ Maxwell High School 1:00 PM G JH BKB @ Maxwell High School	8 12:00 Dismiss for Students, Parent Teacher Conferences 1:00-8:00	9 No School TBA B V WR @ Wrestling Districts 3:30 PM B JV BKB Eustis-Famam High School 4:30 PM G JV BKB Eustis-Famam High School 5:30 PM B V BKB Eustis-Famam High School 7:00 PM G V BKB Eustis-Famam High School	10 TBA North Platte Speech Meet TBA B V WR @ Wrestling Districts 9:00 AM B V BKB @ Yutan High School
11	12 Girls Basketball Subdistricts FCCLA Week 2/11-2/17 8:30 AM FFA - District CDE #2 7:00 PM Board Meeting	13 Girls Basketball Subdistricts 10:30 AM YLCC meeting	14 Teacher In-Service 1:30 dismissal	15 Girls Basketball Subdistricts State Wrestling	16 State Wrestling 6:00 PM B JV BKB @ Sumner-Eddyville-Miller High School 7:30PM B V BKB @ Sumner-Eddyville-Miller High School	17 State Wrestling Little Cheer Camp - Perform at halftime of the Varsity Boys TBA Loup City Speech Meet 3:00 PM B JV BKB Hershey HS 4:30 PM B V BKB Hershey HS
18	19 Boys Basketball Subdistricts 8:00 PM FFA Week Feb. 18-24	20 Boys Basketball Subdistricts	21 9:30 AM Custer Co. Quiz Bow for High School	22 Boys Basketball Subdistricts 8:00 AM FFA - Loup City Livestock Judging 9:30 AM Jr. High Quiz Bow at Broken Bow	23 Girls Basketball District Finals	24 TBA Holdredge Speech Meet
25 FCCLA Sate Officer Candidate Interviews FCCLA Peer Education Pre Conference	26 Start of Spring Practice Class C2 Boys Basketball District Finals FCCLA Peer Education Conference TBA MNAC Speech at Ansley	27 Class D1 Boys Basketball District Finals	28			

CALLAWAY PUBLIC SCHOOLS LUNCH MENU

JANUARY 2018

Monday 1	Tuesday 2	Wednesday 3 Cinni Minis Chicken Nuggets	Thursday 4 Long John Pizza Chz Stix	Friday 5 Egg Tac Go Mini Corndogs
8 Brk Burrito Pork Patty	9 Omelet Fiestada (Taco Pizza)	10 Tornado Spaghetti/Meat Sauce	11 Donuts Burritos	12 Brk Pizza Chicken Patty Sandwich
15 Brk Bar Hot ham and chz	16 Pancakes Chicken and Noodles	17 Muffin Hot Dog Bar	18 Long John Chicken Strips	19
22 Brk Burrito Stromboli	23 Long John Chicken Wrap	24 Tornado Chili	25 Mini Cinis Hamburgers	26 Brk Pizza Lasagna Roll Up
29 Egg Tac Go Pizza	30 Brk Bar BBQ Pork Sandwich	31 Muffin Walking Tacos	Prices: Breakfast: \$2.15 Elem. Lunch: \$2.50 Jr/Sr High Lunch: \$2.65 Pre-K-1 st : \$9.00/month	Extras: Milk- \$0.40; Juice- \$0.25; Seconds- \$0.40

- Callaway Public Schools is an equal opportunity provider
- Fruit and Vegetable bar is offered daily
- All grains are whole grain rich and a variety of low fat and fat free milks are offered daily

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