



## Callaway FCCLA Officers Attend Leadership Retreat



Six students from Callaway Public Schools (Emily Kimball, Harley Svenson, Amber Ross, Noah Edgington, Lucy Kimball, and Hannah Pearson) recently attended the Nebraska Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America Fall Leadership Workshop. This annual event was held at the Mid-Plains Community College South Campus and featured over 170 students from the western half of Nebraska.

Students at this event heard from members of the State Officer Team, the State Peer Officer Team, and other chapter leaders about state and national programs, leadership development, and chapter management. "The focus of this conference is really on preparing student leaders for the year ahead and equipping them with the skills necessary to have a successful year in

FCCLA," said Nebraska State FCCLA Adviser Allison Kreifels. Emily Kimball the president of the Callaway FCCLA chapter said "The conference was very educational, and Dustin Galyon was a very good speaker especially about being a better leader. It was very neat to meet Allison, because she is the Nebraska State FCCLA Adviser."

Another highlight for students was hearing from speaker Dustin Galyon. A Kansas native, Dustin spoke on the importance of relationships and how to build authentic and meaningful relationships with those around you. With humor and heart Dustin shared the lessons he has learned about relationships and how those are the things that will truly impact the person you are and will become.

As members of the chapter bring this information home, they are looking forward to implementing it in a variety of ways. Locally, we have many events underway including a school supply/toiletry drive for children that will be placed in foster homes in the central Nebraska area. We are partnering with the North Platte Child/Social Services and Nebraska District 10 FCCLA.

FCCLA is a dynamic and effective national student organization that helps young men and women address more important personal, family, work, and societal issues through Family and Consumer Sciences education. FCCLA has more than 200,000 in nearly 6,500 chapters nationally.

-Lucy Kimball Callaway  
FCCLA Vice President of  
Communication

**Subjects:** Speech-Language Pathologist

**Years Teaching:** 2

**Years at CHS:** 1

**Degrees:** Masters of Science in Speech-Language

**College Attended:**

Pratt Community College, Pratt, KS;

Fort Hays State Community College

**High School:** Wichita County High

School—Leoti, KS

**Hobbies & Interests:**

Riding horses, barrel racing, hanging out with friends and family, spoiling my nephew

## **Speech Pathologist ~ Miss Biel**

Hi, my name is Lena Biel and I am the Speech-Language Pathologist for Callaway and Arnold School districts. I work with kiddo's birth through 12th grade. I just recently moved to Arnold, NE from Leoti, Kansas. This is my 2nd year working as a Speech-Language Pathologist. I covered two school districts in western Kansas last year with a caseload of around 70 kids. I attended Pratt

Community College and received my Associates of Science degree in 2009 then transferred to Fort Hays State University where I received my Bachelor's of Science in 2011 and my Master's of Science in Communication Disorders in 2013. I enjoy riding horses, barrel racing, hanging out with friends and family, and spoiling my two-year old nephew in my spare time. I am really enjoying the

Arnold/Callaway area and look forward to meeting people in the community and school.



## **Bobcats of the Month**

### **Cheyenne Hicks**

I nominate Cheyenne because of her work ethic. She is always on task and giving her all. She is a self advocate. If she doesn't understand something she searches out the correct resources to help her find out what she needs.

Mrs. Wilcher



### **Calyn Laible**

Calyn has a great work ethic. She cares about her work and is careful to be accurate. She has worked ahead several lessons in math too.

Mrs. Pitkin



### **Corrin Murphy**

Corrin has done a great job this year in both of my classes. She has worked very hard, is always on time, and has not had any late assignments. Corin uses her class time wisely and works without being prompted. She is also willing to help me if she has work done early. Plus, she always has a smile on her face and a good attitude.

Miss Ord



## Makin' Tracks

By: Mrs. Dockweiler

MAKIN' TRACKS encourages our K-6 students to get fit through something they already do every-day...that's WALKING. Numerous national organizations, including the National Institute of Health and the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports, cite 10,000 steps as a reasonable daily goal.

By offering the opportunity to participate in MAKIN' TRACKS, we hope to send an important message to students about fitness and healthy lifestyles. Please encourage your child to participate in the mornings (Monday-Friday from 7:50-8:10) to walk and converse with their fellow peers on

the teacher sponsored track.

MAKIN' TRACKS is in its fifth year at Callaway Elementary School. Teachers and students both benefit from the program. A fit body means a fit mind. Kindergarten teacher Mrs. Ross observes the benefit of her youngsters waking up their bodies as they skip, walk, and even gallop at times around the track before school starts. Miss Lena, the new speech teacher, simply enjoys the opportunity to meet and greet students in the elementary by having a casual conversation with individuals as she walks around the track with the kids on Monday mornings.

Mrs. Dockweiler helps organize the track walking schedule. She has a passion for promoting movement in a child's day. The students have the opportunity to walk year round. Individuals cheer in the morning when temps are above 40 degrees. They know they will be outside walking! As the temperatures drop, with seasonal changes the students have an alternate route to walk inside through the cafeteria, gym, and hall.

Here's your invitation Callaway Elementary Students...WAKE UP AND BE AWESOME!! JOIN YOUR FRIENDS ON THE TRACK TO START YOUR LEARNING DAY!



## HOMECOMING EVENTS

Homecoming is right around the corner!! This year we plan to Spear the Spartans! Homecoming is the week of October 6-10<sup>th</sup>. The week will kick off with Monday evening in Arnold at the Arnold Park. There will be a cookout sponsored by the Arnold Boosters at 6:45 and a pep rally to follow at 7:15. This will be a busy week for all Bobcats. The Lady Bobcats have volleyball in Arnold Tuesday and Thursday. They play McPherson County in Arnold at 5:00 and 6:00 on Tuesday and on Thursday it is a trian-

gular in Arnold starting at 5:00. Friday the Bobcat's football team takes on the Ansley-Litchfield Spartans at 7:00 in Callaway and the coronation of the Callaway and Arnold kings and queens will follow the football game on the field. Immediately after, the Homecoming dance will be at the Callaway Community Center until 1am.

The students will be decorating halls and preparing the traditional skits through the week as well as dressing up to show their school spirit! Dress up days are as follows:

**Monday-Color War Day-** Seniors Black, Juniors White, Sophomores Camo, Freshmen Purple, 8<sup>th</sup> grade Orange, 7<sup>th</sup> grade Pink, Staff- Green

**Tuesday- Character Day**

**Wednesday- 'Merica Day**

**Thursday- Era Day-** Seniors Greek, Juniors Disco, Sophomores Renaissance, Freshmen MTV, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Wild West, 7<sup>th</sup> grade Cavemen, Staff- Future

**Friday- Spirit Day**



## From the Superintendent

By now I am sure that many of you know that I have submitted my letter of resignation to the Callaway and Arnold Boards of Education and plan to retire at the expiration of my contract on June 30, 2015. The purpose of this article is to share with you the process that is being employed to ensure that we have a quality pool of candidates from which to select the next Superintendent.

First, it is important to note that both Boards have agreed to continue sharing the Superintendent between the school districts. This arrangement has worked well the past four years and I see no reason why it should not continue to do so. In order to facilitate the hiring of a new Superintendent, the Boards have contracted with the Nebraska Rural Community Schools Association (NRCSA) to provide consulting services in developing the recruitment and selection process. To date, the Boards have met twice with the

representatives from NRCSA (Nebraska Rural Community Schools Association) and discussed topics such as the use of committees; the timeline to be used in the selection process; the scope of advertising the position; the interview format; and compensation package guidelines.

In order to obtain input from the staff at both schools, I have been asked to assist in putting together a committee that will include representatives of Arnold and Callaway teaching staff and non-teaching staff of both schools. This committee is scheduled to meet with the NRCSA Representatives on October 6 in Callaway.

Recognizing the fact that having the community participation in this process is very important, the Boards and NRCSA consultants will have a meeting on October 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the Arnold Community Center for the purpose of providing members

from both communities with the opportunity to offer input to the consultants.

After completing this process the position will be advertised in November with a tentative application deadline of November 21. Interviews will be scheduled after the finalists are selected. It is anticipated that a candidate will be hired prior to December 20.

As you can see from the description of the search process, the Boards of Education are committed to seeking input from the staff and communities. As a community member it is important to share your thoughts regarding the qualifications of the next superintendent. If you cannot attend the community meeting on October 6 in Arnold please make sure you share your thoughts and ideas with your respective Board of Education. Patrick Osmond, Superintendent Arnold and Callaway Public School districts



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## BOXHOLDER

# Job Opening



Callaway Public Schools has an opening in the Food Service Department for a dishwasher operator. This person would be responsible to load and unload an automatic dishwasher with trays and silverware and help serve younger students. Must be dependable and over the age of 18. To apply call Melissa Donegan at 308-836-2273.

