### January 2024 Edition



# THE EAGLE NEWSLETTER

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### **January Scheduled Events**

- ♦ NO SCHOOL -CHRISTMAS BREAK - Jan 1 - 3
- **♦ School Resumes Jan 4**
- ♦ HS Basketball vs Cornerstone Christian @ E-H - Jan 2
- ♦ Boys Wrestling Dual @ Pender- Jan 2
- ♦ A Club Tournament @ Allen- Jan 6
- ♦ School Board Meeting Jan 8
- ♦ A Club Tournament @ Allen- Jan 13
- ♦ NO SCHOOL Teacher In-Service - Jan 18
- ♦ L & C Wrestling Meet @ Allen- Jan 18
- ♦ L & C Honor Band @ WSC - Jan 20
- ♦ HS BB vs Walthill @ Allen
   Jan 22
   Senior Night for BB, WR, & Cheer
- HS BB vs Pender @ E-H
   Jan 23
   Parents Night for BB, WR, & Cheer
- ♦ Student / Parent FAFSA Meeting- Jan 24
- ♦ FFA Livestock Judging Jan 25
- ♦ Wayne State Honor Band Jan 27
- ♦ L & C Basketball Tourney starts- Jan 27
- Dixon County Spelling Bee in AllenJan 29
- ♦ FFA District Proficiency Review
   − Jan 31

### A MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATION

We want to wish everyone a Happy New Year and hope that you had an enjoyable Christmas break! January can be a great time for reflecting back over the past year, as well as looking ahead to the new one. We would like to encourage parents and students to discuss how school has

been going and make some goals for the new semester. Our first day back will be Thursday, January 4, and students will be making a clean start in terms of grades. This is an excellent time to make sure they begin well! Perhaps they need to meet with a teacher and make a plan to improve their classroom performance. Late or missing homework can be a huge deterrent to success—now is the time to make sure our students stay on top of their work and do not get behind. Here at school, we will continue to keep parents updated by mail when a student has low grades, and we will be encouraging students to seek after-school help when needed. Please contact teachers or admin with any questions you might have--better communication between school and home can often help solve academic problems when they arise. By working together, hopefully everyone will have a successful second semester, both in and out of the classroom.

We are now in the middle of our winter activity schedule, and we have students who are busy with basketball, wrestling, quiz bowl, speech, art, band, FFA, and choir. We are also looking ahead to NSCAS and MAP testing this semester as well as the state mandated ACT test for all juniors. Our students are highly involved and working hard and we should be proud of the positive way in which they represent our school. They've been faced with obstacles, but they continue to compete and have shown fantastic resiliency and grit!

As always, we thank you for your support and encouragement and look forward to a fantastic 2024!



L to R- Drakkan Hergott (5th Grade), Owen Endres (2nd Grade), Archer Gensler (3rd Grade), Ainslee Gensler (1st Grade), Max Ankeny (4th Grade), Thomas Roeber (K), Jacob Warner (6th Grade), Absent - Sadie Gensler (K)





L to R- Gabby Tift (6th Grade), Weston Gotch (3rd Grade), Jason Warner (2nd Grade), Sadie Gensler (K), Tommy Ridenour (K), Michael Ridenour (5th Grade), Ani Olsufka (4th Grade)

### **KINDNESS**



Back L to R- Kal-El Hergott (3rd Grade), Zo'Thea Hergott (2nd Grade), Oakley VanderStreek (4th Grade), Raelyn Pedersen (3rd Grade) and Lucas Harder (5th Grade). Front L to R- Bryan Roeber (1st grade), Adeline Peters (1st Grade), Nolan Stanley (K). Absent: Jacob Eisenhauer (6th Grade) and Kora Sachau (K).

## Mr. Michael Pattee, Superintendent and Mrs. Lana Oswald, Principal



Information regarding school delays and closing can be found on all Sioux City TV and radio stations. There are many factors to consider before making the decision to

cancel classes, to start late, or to dismiss early. First and foremost, is the safety of the students, faculty, parents, and staff. Such a decision is not taken lightly. We will be communicating with

other area schools and hopefully will make a decision as to a weather related two-hour late start or closing as soon as possible. Occasionally a decision can be made either for a two-hour late start or a closing the night before. In the case of severe weather please check the 10:00 pm Sioux City news for up-to-date late start and closing information.



Weather-related dismissals can also be found by going to the school website at <a href="https://www.allenschools.org">www.allenschools.org</a> and clicking on the <a href="https://school.org">School Closings</a> or Delays button in the <a href="https://outsubschools.org">Quick Links</a> dropdown on the home page, or click on the <a href="https://school.org/">School Closings</a> button on the <a href="https://schools.org/">Allen Consolidated Schools app!</a>

The school will be continuing to use the ADT program where each family will be called about delays and closings, as well as continuing to use the push notifications from the <u>Allen Consolidated App</u> that can be found on the Google Play Store or the iTunes Store.

\*\*make sure to allow push notifications when installing the app.\*\*



### Be a Volunteer!

Becoming a school volunteer can be one of the most rewarding experiences in life. Sharing a special talent, reading a book to a student, assisting the school librarian, helping to put up an interesting bulletin board for the classroom teacher, or helping chaperone on a field trip are all ways that one can serve as a school volunteer. Volunteers are made up of parents, grandparents, business people, retirees, high school students, and other community members. They can volunteer on a regular basis or on special occasions. If you would like to volunteer please call the school at (402) 635-2484.

### **Family Educational Rights** and Privacy Act (FERPA)

Annual notice provided to parents/ guardians and eligible students of their rights to inspect and review educational records, amend education records, consent to disclose personally identifiable information in education records and file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education.

### HANDICAPPED CHILDREN'S ACT

Allen Consolidated Schools requests your help in locating handicapped children. The school implements the Federal Handicapped Children's Act (PL 94-142) and Nebraska Statute which guarantees a free appropriate education program for all children between birth and 21 years of age.

If you have students or know of any young person who meets criteria please contact the Superintendent's Office. (402) 635-2484

### SPECIAL EDUCATION

Allen Consolidated Schools ensures that a free appropriate public education is available to all children with disabilities from birth through the high school year in which the student reaches 21 years of age, including children who have been suspended or expelled from school.

### Non-Discrimination Policy

It is the policy of the Allen Consolidated Schools not to discriminate in its educational activities on the basis of: race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity, religion, reprisal, and where applicable, political beliefs, marital status, familial or parental status, sexual orientation, or all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program or activity conducted or funded by the Department. (Not all prohibited bases will apply to all programs and/or employment activities). Student contact - Lana Oswald, Principal, PO Box 190, Allen, NE 68710. (402) 635-2484 or laoswald@allenschools.org

Employees and Others - Michael Pattee, Superintendent, Title IX Director, PO Box 190, Allen, NE 68710 (402) 635-2484 or mpattee@allenschools.org. Complaints or concerns involving discrimination or needs for accommodation or access should be addressed to the appropriate Coordinator. For further information about anti-discrimination laws and regulations, or to file a complaint of discrimination with the OCR at One Petticoat Lane, 1010 Walnut Street, 3rd Floor, Suite 320, Kansas City, Missouri 64106, (816 268-0550 (voice), Fax (816) 268-0599, (800) 877-8339 (telecommunications device for the deaf), or ocr.kansiscity@ed.gov.





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### Safety / Crisis Information

The Nebraska Department of Education is in the process of unifying language for safety procedures across schools in the state. The procedures requiring action are called "Standard Response Protocol" and consist of 5 main actions—hold, secure, lockdown, evacuate, and shelter. According to

NDE, the Standard Response Protocol "is the uniform classroom immediate response to any incident. Protocol not only enables rapid response determination when an unforeseen incident occurs but also allows for a more predictable series of actions as an incident unfolds. By standardizing the vocabulary, everyone immediately involved can understand the response and status of the incident."

Here at school, we will be practicing drills based on these five actions and discussing ways to improve our response effectiveness and timing. If you come to school and see a sign on the door, it will give information and indicate the type of drill being practiced. Please don't be alarmed, and just know that we are practicing so that we can better protect our students. In the event that we would ever need to evacuate the building for any reason, our Parent Reunification Site will be the school Bus Barn located at 111 E. 2nd Street, Allen.

In the case of an emergency, we would ask that parents and community members keep the following in mind:

- 1) Parents and relatives should NOT respond to the incident site (school) to allow public safety personnel time to respond to the incident.
- 2) Students will be released only to approved adults at the evacuation/reunification site (Bus Barn).
- 3) All members of the community should avoid driving anywhere within several blocks of the incident or evacuation/reunification site.
- 4) All members of the community should avoid using cellular phones for the first several hours of the situation. This is to help keep cellular phone service from collapsing, as it has in a number of school crisis events. School and public safety officials may be heavily reliant on cellular service during a crisis.
- 5) Concerned parties should not call the school, school board members, or public safety dispatch centers to get information regarding the incident or particular students and employees. Personnel at these locations will be extremely busy, and often do not have information regarding each evacuee. Inquiries severely hamper efforts to manage the crisis properly.

We certainly hope we **NEVER** have to actually use these procedures, but we want to be as prepared and responsive as we can possibly be if we do. Thank you!

### From the Counselor's Office

I hope everyone had a great holiday season and is ready to start off the new year! A reminder to Senior parents. Please fill out the FAFSA if you have not done so already! It should have been made available to you by December 31<sup>st</sup>. Many scholarships are based on need and require a FAFSA Submission Summary (FSS)!

The Susan Thompson Buffett Scholarship is due Feb. 1st and is a great opportunity for your child if they plan to attend a Nebraska public college or university and you have a Student Aid Index below \$10,000. Please encourage your senior to continue to search for scholarships in my office, on the <a href="https://www.educationquest.org">www.educationquest.org</a> website, and other various websites! (They have a list of several different websites.)

### A few important dates to remember:

ACT tests are offered on the following dates this winter and spring:

February 10, 2024 Deadline to register: January 5, 2024 March 26, 2024 ACT for ALL Juniors at the United

Methodist Church (this test has no cost and is required)

April 13, 2024 Deadline to register: March 8,2024
June 8, 2024 Deadline to register: May 3, 2024
July 13, 2024 Deadline to register: June 7, 2023

The cost of the ACT without the writing portion is \$68 or \$93 with the writing portion. If you are concerned about the cost, please contact Mrs. Smith to see if you qualify for a waiver.

The Junior Class will begin preparing for the State ACT in January. We will again be utilizing On To College with John Baylor!

This is a free program that prepares students in the areas of Reading, English, Science, Math, and basic test taking skills.

Please contact Mrs. Smith (ksmith@allenschools.org) if you have any questions, need assistance with the FAFSA, or registering for the ACT test!!

### **NCPA Academic All-State Awards**

The Nebraska School Activities Association (NSAA) is pleased to announce the student recipients of the **Fall 2023-2024 Nebraska Chiropractic Physicians All-State Awards**. Since 2006 this NSAA Awards Program has recognized students who meet the criteria for nomination by their school in the season of their activity.

Each year the NSAA and the NCPA recognize students during Fall, Winter, Spring Seasons who are nominated by their schools each for their individual academic excellence, leadership, and significant contributions in their NSAA activity.



Michael Dickens Football



Olivia DeKok Play Production



Brayden McCorkindale Play Production



Shantel Miller Cross Country



The days are starting to get cooler and keep in mind that the elementary students will be out at recess most days.



Be sure that you send your child with the appropriate attire for recess EACH day.

As winter weather fast approaches, your child needs to bring snow pants,

a heavy coat, boots, hat, and gloves every day for recess during the winter months (per the student handbook). The teacher on recess duty those days will decide which clothing items are needed in order to safely enjoy the recess time. If winter attire is needed and your child does not have the proper clothing, they will not be able to play and will be required to stand in an area designated by the teacher on duty. Please send your child with the proper items needed for each days' weather forecast. They can be kept at school for your convenience. Please contact your child's teacher with any questions. We greatly appreciate your help with this matter. ~ PK -- 6th Grade Teachers ~

### <u>Title One</u> <u>Information:</u>

Allen Consolidated Schools receives Title One Funds.

Parents may request information regarding the professional qualifications of the teachers in the district.

### Highly Qualified Teachers

This is a notification to all parents that information can be requested regarding the professional qualifications of the teachers at Allen Consolidated Schools.

If your student will be taught by a teacher not meeting ESEA/NCLB requirements the school will provide

notice.



The 2022-2023 annuals are on sale for \$25.

If you have not purchased an annual and would like one, please contact the school. (402) 635-2484



### 2023-2024 FFA Officer Team

L to R: Garrett Geiger, Dylan Boyle, Bo Jackson, Michael Dickens, Brayden McCorkindale, Bryan Isom, Ben Jorgensen, Ms. Horton



### 2023-2024 Chapter Degree Recipients

Back row: Andrew Hogue, Garrett Geiger, Dylan Boyle, Bo Jackson, Alex Ankeny, Gabe Olesen, Landon Monteith, Garrett Tramp Front row: Miley Boyle, Dodge Melby, Michael Dickens, Bryan Isom, Brayden McCorkindale, Ben Jorgensen, Sam Rastede

A big **THANK YOU** to everyone who purchased fruit through the FFA Chapter, it is greatly appreciated!



### 2023-2024 Junior High Members

L to R: Erika Pojar, Kaelyn Ankeny, Hailey Millard, Ellise Niemann, Joel Schauer, James Warner, Hank Niemann, Logan Kraemer, Mason Rastede, and Tucker Anderson

### **FFA District Leadership Development Events**

held on December 6, 2023

Employment Skills - <u>Joey Lyle</u> received a white ribbon Creed Speaking - <u>Jude Ridenour</u> received a red ribbon

Ag Demonstration team (Miley Boyle, Sam Rastede, and Dodge Melby)

– Grain Bin Safety – received a purple ribbon placing 4<sup>th</sup> out of 26 teams and are an alternate to State!!

### Quiz Bowl teams:

Team 1 – Carlee, Cora, Hailey, Aybree – received a red ribbon

Team 4 – Tucker, Erika, Emma, James – received a blue ribbon

Team 3 - Ellise, Leah, Kaelyn - received a blue ribbon

Team 2 – Logan, Carter, Mason, Hank – received a purple ribbon

Congratulations to all participants on your hard work preparing and competing!!





### FFA Officers presenting to Elementary Classrooms









### **CLASS OF 2024 SENIOR PICTURES**

Just a reminder: it takes several weeks for a photographer to get your proofs back and several more weeks after you have picked out your poses for the photographer to get your actual pictures. The deadline for the pictures need for the annual and class composite is January 8, 2024. Please have your pictures taken in advance of this deadline. Digital format is the best way to submit your picture. If you submit it in digital format please email it to ncurnyn@allenschools.org. If you do not submit in digital format please submit one (1) colored glossy billfold size (approximately 2 3/8 inches wide by 3 1/4 inches long) portraits to the Annual Sponsor before the deadline.

A senior composite must consist of a formal head and shoulder pose with: NO HANDS SHOWING, NO SILHOUETTES, NO PROFILES, NO OVER-THE-SHOULDER PHOTO—FULL FRONT FACINGS ONLY, NO HATS, NO PETS, NO CHAIRS OR OTHER FURNITURE SHOULD BE VISIBLE, NO VISIBLE TATTOOS, NO VISIBLE PIERCING OTHER THAN EARS, NO REVEALING OR INAPPROPRIATE CLOTHING, and USE A SOLID COLOR BACKGROUND

Please inform your photographer of these guidelines. No exceptions to the above guidelines will be made.

You do not have to have a professional photographer take your pictures, but the above guidelines need to be followed for all pictures submitted. Photos must meet the approval of the Allen Consolidated Schools Administration.

If you do not have your picture taken and submitted, the school will provide one for you. It would be impossible for the school's photo to be of the quality of a professional.

Thank you, Senior Class Sponsor, Journalism Staff and Administration

### Senior Picture Message

The annual staff will include senior recognition messages in the annual this year. This message will include a picture of your child, at any age from birth to current, with a parent message attached. Please send the photo and message by January 8, 2024 to <a href="mailto:ncurnyn@allenschools.org">ncurnyn@allenschools.org</a>.



L to R: Brayden McCorkindale, Olivia DeKok, Gabe Olesen, and Devon Lewellen

Allen One Act traveled to St. Mary's Catholic School in O'Neill, NE on Monday, November 27th for their District competition. Allen's show "The One-Act Play That Goes Wrong" placed 5th overall with four outstanding performers: Brayden McCorkindale, Olivia DeKok, Gabe Olesen, and Devon Lewellen. Though their One Act season is now over, they plan to travel to Norfolk, NE to spectate for a round of State performances and look forward to what next year will bring!



THANK YOU to everyone that donated to the giving tree!! We received many wonderful gifts. It is great to know many students will have a fun and happy Christmas because of you!!

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!!

~ Mrs. Kneifl ~





### Support the Allen Backpack Program

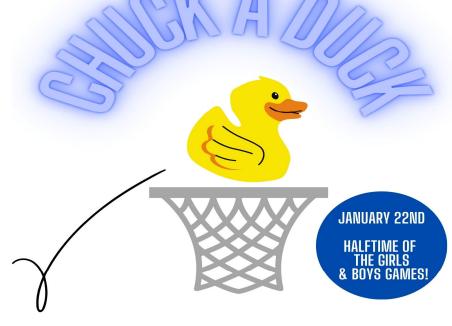
Please remember to turn in your Hy-Vee receipts to the school office.

Receipts must be from Sioux City or South Sioux City locations dated between August 1, 2023 and April 22, 2024.

For every \$100 worth of receipts turned in, the program will receive \$1.

Thank you for your support!







Check Out Allen Yearbooks on the school

website!

THE DUCK THAT LANDS CLOSEST TO THE CENTER WINS 50% OF THE POT

1 DUCK \$2 3 DUCKS \$5 6 DUCKS \$10 THIS FUNDRAISER IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE JUNIOR CLASS!

























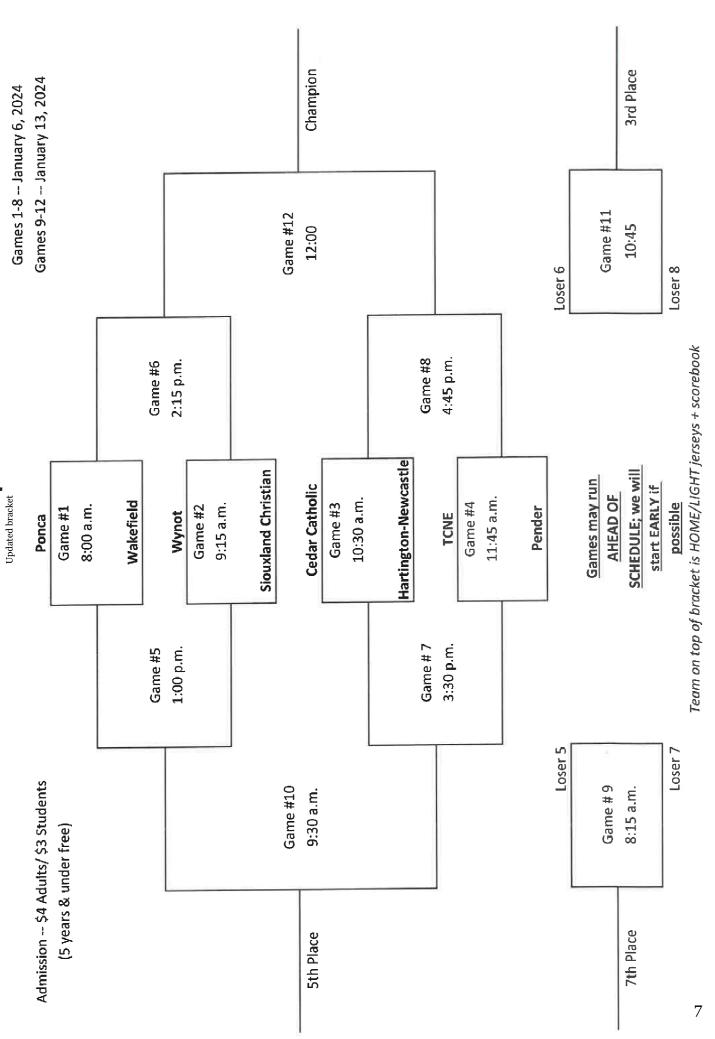








# 37th Annual Allen "A" Club Freshmen-Sophomore Basketball Tournament





# **Lunch Menu**

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri					
1	2	3	4 B: Uncrustable	5 B: Eggstravaganza					
NO SCHOOL Christmas Break	NO SCHOOL Christmas Break	NO SCHOOL Christmas Break	L: Crispitos w/ Cheese Sauce Green Beans Tea Roll	L: Chili w/ Crackers Cinnamon Roll Cheese Stick					
8 B: Breakfast Cookie L: Creamed Turkey over Biscuits Peas	9 B: Pancake L: Ham & Scalloped Potatoes Corn Tea Roll	10 B: Yogurt & Pop Tart  L: Chicken Nuggets  Mashed Potatoes  w/Gravy  Tea Roll	11 B: Glazed Donut  L: Hamburger on a Bun Spiral Fries	12 B: French Toast L: Pepperoni Pizza Green Beans Cookie					
15 B: Omelet L: Chicken Patty on a Bun Rosemary Potatoes	16 B: Long John L: Italian Dunkers Marinara Sauce Green Beans	17 B: Sausage & Biscuit L: Salisbury Steak Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy Tea Roll	NO SCHOOL Teacher In-Service	19 B: Waffle L: Hot Ham & Cheese Peas Chips					
22 B: Chocolate Chip Muffin L: Fiestada Pizza Corn	23 B: Egg & Biscuit L: Hot Dog on a Bun Tater Tots	24 B: Cinnamon Roll L: Country Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy Tea Roll	25 B: Chocolate Donut L: Chicken Fajita on Flatbread Green Beans	26 B: Uncrustable L: Turkey Melt Peas Cookie					
29 B: Pancake L: BBQ Pork on a Bun Baked Beans Chips	30 B: Eggstravaganza L: Soft Shell Taco Tri Tater	31 B: Breakfast Cookie  L: Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy Tea Roll		,					

All Breakfast Meals (B) include: Variety of cereal or oatmeal. All Lunch Meals (L) include: 8 oz. Milk Salad Bar

All Breakfast Meals (B) Include: 8 oz. Milk

**Fruit or Fruit Juice** 

Salad Bar may include the following options:

Fresh Spinach
Carrots / Celery
Tomatoes
Diced Eggs
Bean Variety
Cucumbers
Fruit Variety

Fresh Lettuce





Basketball - 1st Rnd @ TBA

# 2024

See website or Facebook page for most up-to-date

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	NO SCHOOL Christmas Break	NO SCHOOL Christmas Break	NO SCHOOL Christmas Break	Classes Resume	10:00 AM - HS Boys Wrestling @ Winside	8:15 AM - JV Boys Basketball @ Allen
		2:00 PM - JVG/JVB/VG/ VB vs Cornerstone Christian @ E-H		4:00 PM - JVG / JVB / VG / VB @ Wynot		"A" Club Tourney
		<b>4:30 PM</b> - HS Boys Wrestling @ Pender				
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	<b>3:00 PM</b> - JH Girl/Boys Basketball vs Ponca	etball vs Ponca Basketball vs Homer		3:00 PM - JH Boys Basketball @ Plainview (A-B)		<b>8:00 AM</b> - Speech Meet @ Wisner-Pilger
	@ Allen (B ONLY)  4:00PM - Boys Wrestling @ Oakland-Craig	@ E-H (A - B)  4:00 PM - JVG / JVB / VG / VB @ Winnebago				8:15 AM - JV Boys Bas- ketball @ Allen "A" Club Tourney
	(JV Invite) 7:00 PM - School Board Meeting	7:00 PM - School Board				9:00 AM - JH Boys Basket- ball Tournament @ Homer (A ONLY)
	mooting.					4:00 PM - JVG / VG @ Stanton
14	15 1:30 PM - HS Girls Wrestling @ Battle Creek	16 4:00 PM - JVG / JVB / VG / VB vs Homer @ E-H	17	18 NO SCHOOL Teacher In-Service 1:00 PM - HS L & C Wrestling @ Allen (Boys & Girls)	19 4:45 PM - JVG / JVB / VG / VB @ Wakefield JVG in Aux Gym / JV Boys in Main Gym	9:00 AM - JH G & B Basketball @ Harting- ton-Newcastle (A-B) 9:30 AM - HS B & G
				<b>4:00 PM</b> - JVG / JVB / VG / VB vs Wausa		Wrestling @ Oakland- Craig
				@ E-H		4:30 PM - L & C Honor Band Concert @ WSC
21	22 6:00 PM - VG / VB vs Walthill @ Allen "Senior Night for BB, WR and Cheer"	23 4:00 PM - JVG / JVB / VG / VB vs Pender @ E-H "Parent's Night for BB, WR & Cheer"	24 4:00 - 8:00 PM - Parent & Student FAFSA Meeting - Night 2	25	26 4:00 PM - Girls Wrestling @ Plainview	27
				8:30 AM - FFA Livestock Judging  @ Norfolk		TBD - WSC Honor Band 8:00 AM - Speech Meet
				3:00 PM - JH Girls Basketball vs Cedar		@ Hartington  8:30 AM - JH Girls BB  Tournament @ Ponca
				Catholic @ E-H  3:00 PM - JH Boys		9:00 AM - JV Boys BB Tournament @ Homer
				Basketball vs Cedar Catholic @ ALLEN		9:00 AM - Boys Wrestling @ Plainview
						6:00 PM - L & C Girls Basketball - 1st Rnd @ TBA
28	29	3:00 PM - JH Girls BB vs Wakefield @ ALLEN 3:00 PM - JH Boys BB vs Wakefield @ E-H 6:00 PM - L & C Girls Backethall - 1st Pnd @ TBA	31			
	<b>9:00 AM -</b> Dixon County Spelling Bee @ Allen		FFA District Proficiency Review @ Pierce	Home of the Allen Eagles and the Tri County Northeast Wolfpack  ** Calendar events are subject to change **		
	<b>6:00 PM</b> - L & C Boys					
	Basketball - 1st Rnd @ TBA					
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# ECRWSS BOXHOLDER ALLEN, NE 68710





Tri County Northeast Wolfpack Store - open all year! Check out the new items!

https://tcne-store.1rti.com/



Are you new to the Allen School District or have you had an addition to your family?

The School District Census Report is a requirement from the Department of Education that is due every July for children ages 0 - 21 that reside in our school district. These numbers are used by the Nebraska Department of Education for state aid and for federal funding. This list is also used to invite children who are eligible to be enrolled in Pre-School and Kindergarten each spring.

If you are new to our district or know of anyone who is new to our district you are encouraged to contact the school to provide us information. State statute and board policy requires that the school district establishes a permanent, continuing census of all children age O - 21, and to maintain this census on yearly basis.

Please contact Stephanie Sullivan or Becky Stapleton at (402) 635-2484

Or email: <u>ssullivan1@allenschools.org</u> or <u>bstapleton@allenschools.org</u> No School - Christmas Break - ~ January 1, 2,3 ~

**School Resumes - January 4** 

### Allen Consolidated Schools Improves Student Safety with TIPS



Just a reminder: the TIPS reporting link is on the school website and can be used to allow the anonymous reporting of bullying, weapons, abuse, vandalism, suicide risks and other concerning behaviors that may have a negative effect on the school's learning environment. TIPS can also be used to report acts of kindness or other make positive comments in something called a Hero report.

How it works: if you are worried about friends, students or others, or if you witness concerning behaviors, simply go to the Allen School website (<a href="www.allenschools.org">www.allenschools.org</a>) and click on the TIPS - REPORT INCIDENT button under Quicklinks on the yellow bar on the website. Select the appropriate incident type, share the necessary details and then SUBMIT.

Once an incident report is made, the principal and designated staff members are immediately notified via email and can securely review the report details to begin coordinating an appropriate assessment and response. TIPS provides all team members with the right tools to track and document the actions taken, see related reports, set automated reminders, review past reports, check school policy, and connect the right dots so no students or incidents are overlooked.

Please keep in mind that due to confidentiality issues, it may not be possible for reporters to be informed on how their report was handled and/or how the situation was resolved.

Thank you for helping to keep our students safe!