

The EAGLE Newsletter

September 2021 Edition

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Homecoming 2021-2022 Candidates

King Candidates: (L to R): Kaleb Kumm, Josh Olesen & Gabe Reinert

Queen Candidates: (L to R): Jordyn Carr, Makaya Johnson, Cheyenne Keil

Masters of Ceremony:

Tv Krommenhoek &

Nathan Oswald

Junior Escorts: Sarah Papke, Madison Roach, Brody Floyd, Joe Grone, and Jaylen Jackson

Kindergarten Crown Bearers: Zo'Thea Hergott & Elijah Roeber

1st Grade Crown Bearers: Kenyah Biederman & Duke Sachau

ADMINISTRATION

Allen students kicked off the 2021-22 school year on A MESSAGE FROM THE Thursday, August 12, and we now have our first full week of school firmly under our belts. The entire staff has been working hard to get ready for the new school year, and it has been so exciting to see both new and familiar faces fill the hall-

ways. We are excited to return and adjusting to our new "normal" as we look forward to having a smooth school year!

By this time some of our seniors have started an internship or have begun taking a college level class on Fridays. We are proud to continue to offer this opportunity to our students, so if you are unfamiliar or have questions about this, please ask! Parent-teacher conferences are scheduled for Thursday, September 23, from 3:00 to 7:00 pm with an early out at 1:50 pm that day. We would love to have a chance to visit with all of our parents! As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to stop in the office or call.

Finally, we want to thank everyone for their continued support and understanding as we try to balance student learning and the general health and well-being of our students, staff, and community. We have been faced with never-before-seen obstacles, but our kids are resilient and we are looking forward to a truly great 2021-22 school year! Michael Pattee, Superintendent Lana Oswald, Principal

CLASS OF 2022 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 12, 2022. 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 e-mail it to mroeber@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 OUTDOOR POSES, NO CHAIRS OR OTHER FURNITURE SHOULD BE VISI-BLE, NO VISIBLE TATTOOS, NO VISIBLE PIERCING OTHER THAN EARS, NO REVEALING OR INAP-PROPRIATE 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 12, 2022 to mroeber@allenschools.org.

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 on the basis of sex, disability, race, color, religion, veteran status, national or ethnic origin, age, marital status, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical condition, sexual orientation or gender identity, or other protected status in its program and activities and provides equal access to Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following persons have been designated to handle inquires regarding the non-discrimination policies: 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:

School has started off successfully and it has been great to see all the students and staff again. I have been meeting individually with the seniors and we will be applying for colleges very soon. It is also imperative that they visit college(s) before making a final decision. There are many opportunities and activities this fall, so please look over the important dates to remember below. Also, please watch the announcements for possible FAFSA informational meeting dates. If you have any questions regarding any of the events, please feel free to contact Mrs. Kneifl at dkneifl@allenschools.org or 402-635-2484.

Important dates to remember:

September 7-10th: HOMECOMING Week

Tuesday, September 7, 2021: 2:15 p.m. Kick off pep rally in school gym.

Friday, September 10, 2021: 1:30 p.m. Coronation in gym. 2:00 p.m. Parade, followed by a pep rally at the school.

Wednesday, September 29, 2021: ASVAB test for ALL sophomores & any Juniors or Seniors interested in the military.

Thursday, October 19, 2021: Wayne State College Sophomore Career Day. Time TBD.

Thursday, Oct. 21, 2021: 8:15 - 9:15 a.m. ASVAB interpretation in multi-purpose room.

October 25-29th: RED RIBBON WEEK!

Wednesday, November 3, 2021: PreACT for all Sophomores at the United Methodist Church.

ACT Prep

The Juniors will take the Statewide ACT on March 22, 2022. A reminder that this is a state mandated test and is free to all students. The Juniors will receive extensive ACT training beginning in January.

Important ACT dates to remember:

October 23rd Regular Registration Deadline: September 1st

December 11th Regular Registration Deadline: November 5th

February 12, 2022 Regular Registration Deadline: January 7th

April 2, 2022 Regular Registration Deadline: February 25

March 22nd - ALL Juniors will be testing at the United Methodist Church in Allen, NE

ASVAB Career Exploration Program for ALL Sophomores and any Juniors/Seniors that are interested.

Wednesday, September 29th at 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM in the school Multi-Purpose Room.

The ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) is an aptitude test that measures a young adult's strengths. It is administered by the U.S. military but no information from a current Sophomore can be assessed by the military. We use the assessment as one part of the career planning path. Any Junior or Senior that is interested in entering the Military will be able to also test at this same time. Please see Mrs. Kneifl to sign up.

Mrs. Kneifl, Guidance Counselor

Homecoming festivities will take place Tuesday, Sept. 7 – Friday, Sept. 10

Dress up days are as follows:

Mon. Sept 6: NO SCHOOL

Tues. Sept. 7: Tuxedo Tuesday (Dress up in your best clothes!) - Kick off pep rally on Tuesday, Sept. 7th in the gym at 2:15 p.m.

Wed. Sept. 8: Patriotic Day (Wear Red, White, & Blue)

Thurs. Sept. 9: Throwback Thursday, Throughout the Decades - Classes dress to the according to the decade:

Seniors/KG - 1970s, Juniors/1st - 1980s, Sophomores/2nd - 1950s, Freshmen/3rd - 1930s, 8th/4th - 1960s, 7th/5th - 1940s, 6th/PK - 1990s, Teachers/Staff - 1910s

Fri. Sept. 10: School Spirit Day! - - Show your School Spirit!! Prizes will be awarded on Friday at the pep rally for best costumes and best class participation!!! ** Coronation will take place at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 10. The coronation will take place in the school gymnasium. The community parade will follow immediately after the coronation. Then join everyone in the school gymnasium for a pep rally!!! *** The Homecoming Dance will take place immediately following the varsity football game. \$5 couple / \$3 single. Dressed up students will receive a \$1 discount! Crazy sock dance contest! Cool prizes will be awarded! Refreshments and drinks provided at NO COST! The dance will take place in the school gym until midnight. Senior Homecoming Royalty will also be announced at the beginning of the dance!!

If you are interested in participating in the Homecoming parade, please contact Desiree Kneifl at dkneifl@allenschools.org or call (402) 635-2484. We are also in need of vehicles for the Royalty. If you have a convertible or open top jeep, etc. and would be willing to drive royalty in the parade please contact Desiree Kneifl.

Dear Allen Music Families,

We are excited to start another year of great music and performances at Allen Consolidated Schools. As you know, the Allen Music Boosters is the parent volunteer organization dedicated to supporting the students and excellent music programs. The boosters provide operational logistics for all aspects of the program, fundraising, food preparation and necessary support to run the program.

The Music Booster meetings are monthly depending on the needs of our music department. These meetings are for all to attend and help guide the future success of the program. The meetings offer the latest news about the band/choir and its activities and provide an opportunity to socialize with other music parents and to ask questions to the Director.

Becoming an active member in our efforts helps promote the success of your children within the music program at our school and helps everyone achieve a higher level of success. We are looking for new (or previous) boosters to help us revamp our Music Boosters. If you have a child that participates in the 5-12 Music Department, you can become a Music Booster!

Please plan on attending our next meeting on September 20th at 7pm in the music room. During this meeting we will discuss our participation as music boosters and Mr. Smith will discuss what is happening in our music department. We look forward to your participation and support.

Thank You, Allen Music Boosters

Library News

Birthday Books

Birthday Books will once again be given out to all students this school year! Students will receive a certificate from Mrs. Anderson and may come to the library on or near their birthday to receive a book of their choice from the "Birthday Book Cart". This programming is funded by our semi-annual book fairs as well as donations of slightly used books from patrons of the community. Thank you all for supporting these programs!

Semi-Annual Book Fair

Our first Scholastic book fair will be held September 21-27. As of now, the fair will be open to the public each school day during the following times:

Monday-Friday- 8am-3:30 pm

Thursday September 23 - 8am-7pm during Teacher Conferences.

There will be times that Mrs. Anderson may be teaching a class and will not be immediately available to see items. The best times to come with your child would be before or after school or during parent teacher's conferences. Students are also welcome to bring money and purchase items on their own.

Proceeds from our book fair provide our classrooms and library with books and other educational materials. Students also participate in games during book fair week to win books! Thank you all for your continued support of our book fairs!

Mrs. Anderson, Media Specialist

Do you know that Allen Consolidated Schools could get additional reduced rates on our long distance telephone charges? Do you know that our school could receive FREE grant money from the State of Nebraska and the Federal Government to purchase equipment and supplies for our school? How can this happen?! By submitting an application for free or reduced lunches! YES our school can benefit financially by having more families or individuals apply and qualify for free or reduced lunches. All information is kept strictly confidential. Each student enters their own lunch number into the lunch computer, so no one knows who qualifies by going through the lunch line. If you haven't filled out your free and reduced lunch application, please do! Please don't wait until the last minute to see if you qualify... If you qualified last year you have approximately one month from the start of school before your application expires and your student(s) will be moved back to full pay. The school cannot guarantee that all families will qualify but why not try! It is beneficial to your families as well as to the school district.

Please apply today!



The 2020-2021 annuals will be on sale for \$25.

If you have not purchased an annual and would like one, please contact the school.

September 23, 2021

EARLY OUT at 1:50 PM

Parent-Teacher Conferences

3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Parent / Teacher communication promotes a positive attitude, good grades and better relationships.

We hope to have an excellent turnout!

The "Backpack Program"

The Backpack program will again be offered to our students Pre-School through 12th grade free of charge. A white or yellow enrollment sheet was sent home with your child at the beginning of the school year. The bag of food will be sent home on each Friday or last day of school for the week. Please contact Mrs. Dickens with any questions.

cdickens1@allenschools.org



IST Grade FUN!

FFA NEWS:

September 14 - Husker Harvest Days @ Wood River, NE

September 18 - District Tractor Driving @ Pierce, NE

September 29 - FFA Meeting in Mr. Bathke's room 7:45a

September 30 - UNL East Campus Visit (Seniors)







2021-2022 FFA OFFICER TEAM



President - Cheyenne Keil Vice President - Kaleb Kumm



Secretary - Makaya Johnson

Treasurer - Joe Grone







2021-2022 STUDENT CDUNCIL



Back row (L to R): Brody Floyd, Caidan Gregg, Joe Grone, Cheyenne Keil, Kaleb Kumm, Josh Olesen

Middle row (L to R): Landon Monteith, Olivia DeKok, Shantel Miller, Alex Kneifl, Brayden McCorkindale, Bo Jackson

Front row (L to R): Atlee Anderson, Jude Ridenour, Eduardo Lulo-Galdamez, Devin Reinert, Dodge Melby, Alex Ankenv



THE FINAL FLIGHT

2021 Eagle Football Pre-season

Back row (L to R): Gabe Reinert, Santiago Tinajero-Rodriguez, Josh Olesen, Nate Oswald, Ty Krommenhoek, Kaleb Kumm, Ryan Anderson

Middle row (L to R): Jaylen Jackson, Joe Grone, Chase Kallsen, Bo Jackson, Michael Dickens, Landon Monteith, Dean Roth

Front row (L to R): Brody Floyd (manager), Gabe Olesen, Bryan Isom, Dylan Boyle, Ben Jorgensen, Brayden McCorkindale, Blake Kneifl (manager), Atlee Anderson (manager).







2021 Tri County Northeast Volleyball Pre-season

Back row (L to R): Myleah Mackling, Kim Ahlers, Calie Cockburn, Rylinn Mitchell, Shantel Miller, Mica Tornez, Erica Niemann

Middle row (L to R): Kaylynn Novak, Brianna Novak, Sarah Papke, Madison Roach, Rhyanne Mackling, Ava Anderson

Front row (L to R): Katie Utech, Brianna Bousquet, Jazmin Delatorre, Jordyn Carr, Sydney Baker, Getsenami Ferrusca



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		B: Eggstravaganza	B: Uncrustable	B: Breakfast Pizza
		L: Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy	L: Biscuit & Gravy Corn	L: Hot Ham & Cheese Tri-Tator
		Vegetable & Fruit offered Tea Roll	Vegetable & Fruit offered Cheese Stick	Vegetable & Fruit offered Orange Fluff
	7	8	9	10
No School	B: Waffles L: Salisbury Steak	B: Biscuit & Gravy L: Pepperoni Pizza	B: Egg Patty & Biscuit L: Orange Chicken	B: Pancakes L: Hot Dog on a Bun
	Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy Vegetable & Fruit offered	Corn Cookie	Asian Rice Vegetable & Fruit offered	Baked Beans Vegetable & Fruit offered
3	Tea Roll	15	Tea Roll	Chips 17
3: Cherry Strudel	B: Glazed Donut	B: Omelet	B: Banana Bar	B: Long John
.: Crispitos Cheese Sauce Vegetable & Fruit offered Tea Roll	L: Hamburger on a Bun Spiral Fries Vegetable & Fruit offered Oreo Fluff	L: Country Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy Vegetable & Fruit offered Tea Roll	L: Chicken Alfredo Rosemary Potatoes Vegetable & Fruit offered Cheese Stick	L: Pork Patty on a Bun Tater Tots Vegetable & Fruit offered
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No School Teacher In-Service	B: Breakfast Pizza L: Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy Vegetable & Fruit offered Tea Roll	B: Chocolate Donut L: Egg Rolls Asian Rice Vegetable & Fruit offered Peas / Tea Roll	B: Apple Turnover L: Italian Dunkers Marinara Sauce Vegetable & Fruit offered Green Beans	B: Cinnamon Roll L: Pork Patty on a Bun Baked Beans Chips
7	28	29	30	
3: French Toast .: Chicken Patty on a Bun Au gratin Potatoes Vegetable & Fruit offered	B: Chocolate Chip Muffin L: Fiestada Pizza Corn Coleslaw	B: Eggstravaganza L: Mini Corn Dogs Spiral Fries Baked Beans Tea Roll	B: Uncrustable L: Ham & Scalloped Potatoes Vegetable & Fruit offered Cheese Stick Tea Roll	

All Breakfast Meals (B) include: Variety of cereal or oatmeal.

All Breakfast Meals (B) Include: 8 oz Milk Fruit or Fruit Juice

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Faith Family Friends
hat Vest
count Your BLESSINGS
apple cider crisp air
hay Football
rides family gatherings
Thanksgiving
candy pretty leaves
GRATITUDE Autumn
hot chocolate with marshmallows

All Lunch Meals (L) include: Salad Bar will include the following options:

8 oz. Milk Prepackaged Vegetable Variety Prepackaged Fruit Variety



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PICTURE DAY ~~~ September 16



All students and staff will be photographed for class pictures!!

Purchase not required.



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 0 - 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 - Monday, September 6, 2021

No School - Monday, September 20, 2021 - Teacher In-Service

Early Out — Thursday, September 23, 2021
— Parent-Teacher Conferences —

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 (www.allenschools.org) and click on the TIPS REPORT INCIDENT button under Quicklinks on the right side of 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!