## Hawk Happenings

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## 2017 Large Group District Speech



Woodward-Granger took thirteen groups to Large Group District Speech Competition in Perry on Saturday, January, 21st. They performed in a variety of categories from mime, to improv, to readers theater, and more.

Overall, these groups performed incredibly well, and seven groups will move on to state competition, which will be held on February 4th. The groups who qualified are as follows:

Ensemble Acting: "Fugue" (Alexis Bixler, Paige Harlan, Alex Frost, and Suzette Sosa-Valle) Ensemble Acting: "Stranded" (Erin Kamp, Maggie Odegaard, Kayla Crouse, and Camelin Cochran)

Ensemble Acting: "Who's on First" (Briley Bermel and Alissa Smeltzer) Improvisation: (Elizabeth Weyers and Alexis Bixler) Choral Reading: "Reality Check" (Paige Harlan, Andrea Sommer, Alex Frost) Musical Theater: "The Greatest Show on Earth" (Elizabeth Weyers, Whitney Halferty, and Cierra DeHoet) Short Film: "Life of a High School Super Genius" (Wyatt Ferris, Jack Brittain, and Tanner Elston)


"Nothing But the Truth"

"Who's on First"

"Stranded"

"Greatest show on Earth"

"Fugue"


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# District Thankful for Facility Updates... Continues to Look to the Future 



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Since the passing of the community voted $\$ 9.85 \mathrm{M}$ General Obligation bonds in April of 2013 the district has been diligent in fulfilling its promises to the W-G taxpayers. Below is a summary of these achievements within the last 4 years.

In the fall of 2015 the new 10 -million dollar WoodwardGranger (2nd-5th grade) Elementary opened its doors for the first time. The addition of this 68,000 square feet of space has not only allowed for the K-5 student population to spread their wings, while providing for future student growth, but has also afforded the district the opportunity to provide additional preschool classes and a Before and After School program to better serve our growing communities.

Simultaneous to the building of the new WoodwardGranger Elementary the district also completed the following projects: Paved the High School parking lot, Added a new roof and insulation to the Middle School and Early Learning Centers and worked with the City of Woodward to bring the Hawk Stadium parking surface up to City standards and code compliance. These issues were all necessities in an effort to protect our facility investments and to maintain the proper compliances.

Finally, one major project occurred during the summer of 2016 and included the addition of new air conditioning / rooftop units at both the Early Learning Center (ELC) and the Middle School. These projects are currently being finalized and have provided a muchneeded upgrade, in equipment, to better control the learning environment for our students.

With the completion of these projects the district has not only exhausted the $\$ 9.85$ million in GO funds but has also borrowed against the Local Option Sales Tax dollars to complete all the projects mentioned. As we look to the future we continue to identify facility needs and have plans in place to gradually address these needs as funding becomes available to the district. Again, we thank you, the local taxpayer for supporting these endeavors and hope that you feel that your tax dollars have gone to overall betterment of the district.

If you have additional questions about this article or would like to discuss additional plans of the district I would encourage you to attend a SIAC or Board meeting and / or contact me at your convenience at bradanderson@wghawks.school, (515) 999-8022.


# You Are Invited! School Improvement Advisory Committee (SIAC) 

by Brad Anderson Superintendent

Twice a year (fall and spring) a group of students, parents, community members and staff come together to discuss and make recommendations to the W-G Board of Education regarding the following:

1. Major educational needs
2. Student learning goals
3. Curriculum, assessment and instruction
4. Long range and annual goals that include, but are not limited to, the state indicators that address reading, mathematics, and science achievement
5. Bullying and harassment prevention goals, programs, training, and other initiatives
6. Any other issues which relate to school improvement

This group is open to anyone/everyone in our communities. We are asking for your consideration in participating in this very important group. The format for the meetings is a two-hour forum where topics are brought up and discussed related to the six areas above, as a group. Recommendations/considerations for the board will be formulated prior to leaving the meeting and as always, we will provide water and snacks for your convenience.

The next regularly scheduled SIAC meeting will be on Tuesday April 18th from 6-8 p.m. in the Elementary Media Center in Granger. Thank you for your consideration.

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## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## THIRD GRADE NEWS

We are looking forward to a visit from a naturalist from Polk County Conservation in January. One of our third grade science units involves animals, their structures, and their adaptations. During the naturalist's visit, we will learn about the many ways animals have adapted to survive on land and in water.

In Iowa History we have been learning about when Iowa became
a state. We found out that Iowa City was Iowa's first capital, and we can still visit the Old Capitol Building on the University of Iowa campus. We also learned that Des Moines became our second capital a few years later. Our great state of Iowa just recently celebrated its 170th birthday!

We are enjoying using our estimation skills through a program called Estimation 180. Each day
students must use their critical thinking skills to come up with reasonable estimates when presented with new problems and situations.

We are making great use of our school's new Chromebooks. We use them a lot, especially for math and reading interventions. We will definitely use them when we work on reports and presentations later in the school year.


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| Egg/Cheese Biscuit |
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| Breakfast Pizza |
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TUESDAY


## WEDNESDAY



THURSDAY

| National Kiwi Day | 2 |
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| Crispito |  |
| Potato Ole |  |
| Or |  |
| Sub Sandwich |  |
| Fresh Kiwi* |  |

FRIDAY
Chicken Patty Sandwich
Corn
Or
Chef Salad
Pasta with Meat Sauce
Bread Stick
Or
Chef Salad


| Biscuit and Gravy |
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| Breakfast Potato |

Or


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In addition to our daily entrée choices,


Woodward-Granger Multiple Activities Schedule
(as of 01-23-2017)

| Day | Date | Activity | Time | Versus | Location | Location Detail | Comments |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Thu | 02/02/2017 | Basketball: Girls JV Game | 6:00pm | AC/GC | AC-GC |  | JV Girls will play at 6:00 followed by JV Boys. |
| Thu | 02/02/2017 | Basketball: Boys JV Game | 7:15pm | AC/GC | AC-GC |  | JV Girls will play at 6:00 followed by JV Boys. |
| Fri | 02/03/2017 | Basketball: Girls Varsity Game | 6:00pm | Earlham | Earlham High School |  | Girls play at 6:00 with Boys to follow. |
| Fri | 02/03/2017 | Basketball: Boys Varsity Game | 7:30pm | Earlham | Earlham High School |  | Girls play at 6:00 with Boys to follow. |
| Sat | 02/04/2017 | HS Instrumental Music |  |  |  |  | Jack Oats Jazz <br> Festival at <br> Earlham HS |
| Sat | 02/04/2017 | HS Speech |  |  |  |  | State Large Group Speech Contest At Valley HS |
| Mon | 02/06/2017 | Wrestling: Middle School Meet | 4:00pm | Ogden, Panorama, Van <br> Meter, West Central <br> Valley Middle School | Woodward Granger Middle School |  |  |
| Mon | 02/06/2017 | Basketball: Boys Freshman Game | 6:00pm | Gilbert | Gilbert High School |  | Newly added 9th/10th game. One game, only. |
| AHent | 02/06/2017 | Basketbatt: Girls dV Game | 6:00pm | Ogden | Ogdon High Sohout |  | Rescheduled to 01-05-17 J Gints will playat 6:00 followed by JV Boys. |
| Alon | 02/06/2017 | Basketbat: Boys JV Game | 7:15pm | Oaden | Ogden High Schoot |  | Rescheduled to 01-05-17 J Girls will play at 6:00 followed by JV Boys. |
| Tue | 02/07/2017 | Basketball: Girls Varsity Game | 6:00pm | AC/GC | Woodward-Granger High School | High School Gym | Girls play at 6:00 followed by Boys. |
| Tue | 02/07/2017 | Basketball: Boys Varsity Game | 7:30pm | AC/GC | Woodward-Granger High School | High School Gym | Girls play at 6:00 followed by Boys. |
| Thu | 02/09/2017 | Basketball: Boys JV Game | 6:00pm | Collins-Maxwell-Baxter | Collins-Maxwell-Baxter High School |  | JV will play at 6:00 with the Varsity to follow. CMB Website says the games will be played in Maxwell. |
| Thu | 02/09/2017 | Basketball: Boys Varsity Game | 7:15pm | Collins-Maxwell-Baxter | Collins-Maxwell-Baxter High School |  | JV will play at 6:00 with Varsity to follow. CMB's Website says these games will be played in Maxwell. |
| Fri | 02/10/2017 | HS Dance Team | 6:00pm |  | High School Gym |  | Dance Team End of Year Dance Show in the HS Gym. |
| Fri | 02/17/2017 | MS Instrumental Music |  |  |  |  | Indianola Jr. High Jazz Encounter at Indianola HS |
| Sat | 02/18/2017 | HS Instrumental Music |  |  |  |  | Indianola High School Jazz Encounter at Indianola HS |


| Tue $02 / 21 / 2017$ | WGCSD | $2: 15 \mathrm{pm}$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Tue | $02 / 21 / 2017$ | Early Learning <br> Center | $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}-8: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| Tue $02 / 21 / 2017$ | Elementary | $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}-8: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ |  |

Fri $02 / 24 / 2017$ MS Instrumental Music

Fri 02/24/2017 WGCSD

Fri 02/24/2017 HS Instrumental Music

Sat 02/25/2017 HS Speech

Sat 02/25/2017 MS Instrumental Music

Sat 02/25/2017 HS Instrumental Music

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University
Early Dismissal
PK-5
Parent/Teacher
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Conferences
Jim Coffin Jazz
Festival Day 1
of 2
NO SCHOOL -
Staff Comp
Day
Jim Coffin Jazz
Festival Day 1
of 2
District
Individual
Speech
Competition
Location to be determined
Jim Coffin Jazz
Festival Day 2
of 2
Jim Coffin Jazz
Festival Day 2
of 2


Summary of Calendar:8/23-5/23
Days/Hrs.
First Semester . . . . . . ... 91/ 566.5
Second Semester . . . . . 85/ 528.25
TOTAL DAYS/HRS 176/1094.75 hrs
14.75 hours built in for make-up

## CALENDAR LEGEND

Start/End Quarter End Holidays (5)


No School PD/Comp Days(7) MS/HS P/T Conf.(2)

Elem./GW P/T Conf. (2)
District P/T Conf. (2)
HOLIDAYS:
Labor Day
Thanksgiving Day
(11/23
Christmas Day
(12/25)
New Year's Day
Memorial Day
(5/28)

Note: This calendar reflects:

1. Min. 1080 hours
2. Min. of 36 hours of teacher collaboration
3. Seniors can be released only 5 days before the rest of the student body.
4. Normal 7 hr.day but cannot count . $5 \mathrm{hrs} /$ day for lunch transitions
5. This calendar displays 190 contract days for certified 191 contract days for new staff and 185 days for classified staff.
6. Only 14.75 hours built into this calendar for school make-up days. Everything to be made up beyond these hours will be tacked on after May $23^{\text {rd }}$.

| August |  |  |  | Student Days/Hours |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| M | T | W | Th | F |  |  |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  |  |
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| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |  |  |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 3 | 18.25 |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |  | 7 | 43 |
| September |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | 8 | 49.5 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 12 | 74.25 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 17 | 105.5 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 22 | 136.75 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 26 | 161.5 |
| October |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 31 | 192.75 |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 36 | 224 |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 41 | 255.25 |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 46 | 285.25 |
| 30 | 31 |  |  |  | 48 | 298.25 |
| November |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 51 | 316.5 |
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 56 | 347.75 |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 61 | 379 |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 63 | 392 |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |  | 67 | 416.75 |
| December |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | 68 | 423.25 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 73 | 454.5 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 78 | 485.75 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 82 | 510.5 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 82 | 510.5 |
| January |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 86 | 535.25 |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 91 | 566.5 |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 95 | 591.25 |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 100 | 622.5 |
| 29 | 30 | 31 |  |  | 103 | 640.75 |
| February |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 1 | 2 | 105 | 653.75 |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 110 | 685 |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 115 | 716.25 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 119 | 741 |
| 26 | 27 | 28 |  |  | 122 | 759.25 |
| March |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 1 | 2 | 125 | 772.25 |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 129 | 797 |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 129 | 797 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 134 | 828.25 |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 139 | 859.5 |
| April |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 144 | 890.75 |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 149 | 922 |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 154 | 953.25 |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 158 | 978 |
| 30 |  |  |  |  | 159 | 984.5 |
| May |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 168 | 1047 |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 173 | 1078.25 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 176 | 1094.75 |
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## Minimum 1080 Hour Calendar

| Aug 17-22 | New Staff Orientation/ All |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | Certified Staff Report to work |
| Aug. 18 | All Staff-District Meeting 8 a.m. All Class. Staff Report to Work |
| Aug 23 | Begin $1^{\text {st }}$ Semester ( First day to legally start by law) |

## Sept 4 Labor Day (No School) Sept. 19 MS/HS P/T Conferences 4-8 p.m. Sept. 29 Professional Dev. (No School)

Oct. 27 End of First Quarter /Early Dismissal at 2:15 p.m./ 46 days/ 285.25 hrs.

| Nov. 7 | Elementary P/T Conf. 4-8 p.m. |
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| Nov. 9 | District P/T Conf. 4-8 p.m. |
| Nov. 10 | Veteran's Day/ Staff Comp. Day <br> after Conferences/NO SCHOOL |
| Nov 22-24 | Thanksgiving Holiday <br> (No School) |

## Dec 22-Jan. 1 Winter Break (No School)

Jan. 12 End of 2nd Quarter/First Semester/ NO EARLY DISMISSAL/ 45 days/281.25 hrs.
Jan. 15 PD Day/ Work Day NO SCHOOL

| Feb. 13 | MS/HS P/T Conferences $4-8$ p.m. |
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| Feb. 23 | PD Day/Jim Coffin Jazz |
|  | Festival/NO SCHOOL |


| March 6 | Elem. P/T Conferences 4-8 p.m. |
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| March 8 | District P/T Conferences 4-8 p.m. |
| March 9 | NO SCHOOL/ Staff Comp Day |
| after Conferences |  |

April 27 Professional Dev./NO SCHOOL

May 16 Senior's Last Day
May 20 Graduation @ 2 p.m.
May 23 Last Day of School/ Early Dismissal 12:00 p.m./ End of $4^{\text {th }}$ Qtr/End $2^{\text {nd }}$ Semester/ 42 days/ 266.5 hrs.

