# Hawk Happenings

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## **Online Registration Opening Soon!**

by Brad Anderson Superintendent



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Please be watching the website and/or the district Facebook page to learn more about the Spring online registration for the 2017-18 school year.

This year the district has changed the process and will be conducting online registration through our Infinite Campus student management system. Doing this will mean less paper for everyone and will provide a quick and easy process for both returning and new students to the district.

### YOU are invited!

On Tuesday April 18th from 6-8 p.m. in the elementary media center the Woodward-Granger CSD will host its Spring School Improvement Advisory meeting. All community members are invited and encouraged to attend. During the meeting plans will be discussed regarding a district needs assessment, student achievement growth and plans for 17-18 school year.

We encourage you to come out and provide your input on the direction you would like to see our district go as this information will be directly shared with the WG Board of Education.

Thank you for your consideration and we hope to see you there!

Currently, the Spring Registration window is set to open on April 24th and will remain open for two full weeks. During this time period, anyone wishing to take advantage of the online registration payment system will be able to do so free of cost with no management fee being assessed. After the two-week window, registration will still be open but the management fee for the online pay system will be reactivated.

Please stay tuned as more details about this process will follow.

### THANK YOU to Our District's Various Sponsors and Support Groups

For years the Woodward-Granger CSD has been fortunate to have a group of sponsors, organizations and community members who have supported our endeavors along the way. Today and everyday we want to thank these supporters for your commitment and generosity in making Woodward-Granger Community Schools a special place to live and raise our children. Without your commitment to the district we would not be in the place we are today. For this we tip our hats to you!

If you would like to volunteer or have questions about how to get involved with the district please contact the specific district school/s that you are interested in. Individual school names and numbers can be found on our District website at www.woodward-granger.k12.ia.us

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## **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

### THIRD GRADE NEWS

First grade at the ELC has been working very hard! This is the time that first graders really take off with their reading and writing skills. Students are beginning to master their sight words, which makes reading new stories so much easier. Now that reading has become easier, they especially like choosing their own books that fit their interests. We are working on fluency which includes reading with expression, and reading with speed and accuracy.

We had a great time celebrating our 120th day of school! In the past we celebrated at 100 days, but our Iowa Core goal for counting in first grade is now to 120. Students were really looking forward to this day. We played games, read 120 words, counted collections of 120 objects, danced, and it was so much fun!

It's beginning to look (and feel) like spring. With spring comes our favorite science unit, Plants. We will be studying and dissecting seeds, learning about the lifecycle of plants, and taking care of the plants we grow.















Last month went by quickly and spring break is just around the corner! Looking forward to that beautiful weather coming back!

Students loved visiting the Science Center again this year! Tyler was able to show how electricity worked and got a good laugh about shocking someone!

We are excited about our school dance again this year! Ms. Gansen from Woodward-Granger High School and her FCCLA students are looking forward to another fun event. They are planning wonderful dance music, bean bag games, photo booth, and snacks!

Grandwood students will be going to two plays with the Des Moines Performing Arts at the Civic Center. First students will see "The Man Who Planted Trees" which is a comedic puppet act bring to light how one person can change the world with their actions. Next, the students will see Beauty and the Beast which is a well known childhood classic!

Our Heroes Huddles have gotten even more exciting with a fun recording of our PBIS song! Huge Shout-Out to Adam Hubbard for taking the time to record the song for us to enjoy!! We are all able to sing along now!

Mrs. Shaffer & Alex





# BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

One of our vocational sites is "Box Tops." Through this vocational site, students are able to work on sorting and counting skills. We are then able to turn these Box Tops in for cash for Grandwood! We can purchase extra items that can't be purchased with educational funds. Please watch on your regular purchased items for the small rectangle to cut. Send the Box Tops with your child to help keep the vocational site going AND earn cash for Grandwood! Thank you for your help!





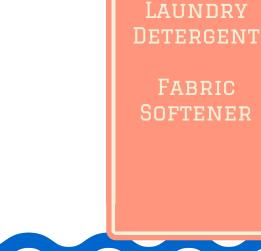


\*Please contact your child's teacher for specific details with the events below\*

March

- I: Courage League Sports (downstairs)
- 3: School Dance (all school--student event)
  \*Casual dress\* If you have questions about this event, please contact Bekka Maass.
- 6: Tiger Bowl (upstairs) Woodward-Granger School Board Meeting 6pm
- 8: Half Price Bookstore & Monterrey (upstairs)
- 9: Lunch @ MS/HS (all school)
- 10: Target (upstairs)
- Tiger Bowl (downstairs)
- 13-17 SPRING BREAK
- 20: Courage League Sports (upstairs)
- 23: The Man Who Planted Trees Play (downstairs)
- 24: The Man Who Planted Trees Play (upstairs)
- 27: Walmart (upstairs)
- 28: Beauty and the Beast Play (upstairs)
- 29: Beauty and the Beast Play (downstairs)
- 30: Heroes Huddle (all school)

Spotlight



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# Valentine's Day: Upstairs

The upstairs classrooms had a Valentine's Day celebration! Students made boxes and gave their friends Valentines. They practiced their math skills with candy heart graphs. Bingo was a hit! Each student frosted delicious sugar



cookies!



Kendra, Jericho, Cameron, and Ms. K playing bingo.



Student

Meet the February 2017 downstairs student of the month, Mr. Austin Tiffany. Austin is a senior at Grandwood and will be graduating in May. He has been a student at Grandwood for 6 years. Austin earned this month's award by consistently demonstrating the PBIS values of Kindness, Honesty, Patience, and Trust throughout the month of February. Austin is a role model for many of the younger students both in his classroom and throughout the school. Austin extends these values at his place of employment. Outside of school, you can find Austin serving coffee, desserts, and conversation at the Brick Street Cafe in Adel. He has put in a lot of hard work during vocational training at Grandwood to prepare him for employment. We are proud of you Austin. Congratulations on this award and thank you for representing your school well in the

community.



# 🖌 Austin \star



Noah has been doing an excellent job this year! He has shown all of his PBIS values on a daily basis! He has really enjoyed going on Community Learning Experiences and participating in various activities here at school. He has shown a lot of trust, kindness, patience, and honesty towards himself, peers, and staff members. He works hard and always comes to school with a smile on his face.

# W-G Individual Events District Speech

For many students, speaking in front of people, especially alone, is terrifying. However, at Woodward-Granger, we show off our skills in public speaking through the Iowa High School Speech Association competitions. On Saturday, February 25th, W-G took 23 students to perform in 34 events at district competition. 12 of these students, in 18 events, earned division I ratings, and will perform at state competition.



The following students will perform at state: Elizabeth Weyers (Senior): Prose and After Dinner Speaking Paige Harlan (Junior): Storytelling and Acting Erin Kamp (Junior): Poetry and Acting Kayla Crouse (Junior): Original Oratory and Acting Mackenzie Major (Sophomore): After Dinner Speaking and Storytelling Briley Bermel (Sophomore): Prose and Storytelling Camelin Cochran (Senior): Literary Program Breanna Blair (Senior): Improvisation Alexis Bixler (Junior): Acting Emma Drake (Freshman): Storytelling Juliette Sosa-Valle (Freshman): Acting Justin Wheeler (Freshman): Public Address

## Large Group Speech All-State Honors



Congratulations to Elizabeth Weyers (Senior) and Alexis Bixler (Junior) who were recognized with All-State Speech Honors in Group Improvisation. They both put in many hours of practice to get this far and should be incredibly proud of themselves. "All-Staters never take a day off"

Woodward-Granger Drama Department Presents: "Hillbilly Hankerin" Friday and Saturday, April 7 + 8th at 7:30 pm

'I should'a had puppies!' moans Pa Herford about his five daughters. Up in the hills, it seems all the girls want to get hitched, but these girls have a bad case of 'The Hankerin,' as Pa calls it. The only exception is Charlemaine, who would rather read than hunt for men. That is, until government man Marcus Slidell shows up. For Charlie it's love at first sight. Marcus, on the other hand, is only interested in buying land from the Herfords. Unfortunately, it's the same land that the Herfords and the Guernseys have been feuding over for decades. Charlie figures she has to find some way to catch Marcus's eye. So she has Wider Perkins, 'The Black Widder,' fix her up a love potion. After this, it's 'Katy-bar-the-door' as people come and go at a furious rate: the daffy Bickle Sisters think the Holler is about to be invaded; government men are being snared by husband-hunting Herfords and Guernseys; newspaper editors try to get a scoop on what's new with the feud. This hysterical new play will keep you laughing and seeing once and for all what it's like to have a bad case of 'Hillbilly Hankerin'!

# 2017 PROM DRESS GIVEAWAY

Sponsored by Project Fresh Start & Ankeny Community Education Location: Neveln Center Inc. 406 SW School Street Rm 303

<u>Distribution Dates</u> March 6-8 (Monday-Wednesday) March 22-23 (Wednesday-Thursday) March 25 (Saturday) <u>Times:</u> 4:30-6:30pm 4:30-6:30pm 10:00am-12:00pm

### Key Reminders:

- There is no charge for a dress
- Only school names (not recipients) are recorded
- Dresses come in a variety of size, color, and design
- · Dresses are new or slightly used
- Dressing rooms are available

### **Participating Schools**

Ankeny Centennial High School Ankeny High School Ankeny Christian Academy Ballard Bondurant-Farrar Madrid North Polk Saydel Southeast Polk Woodward-Granger



Ankeny Community Education 306 SW School Street, Ankeny, Iowa Phone: 289-3960 Project Fresh Start Chair: Dave Kissinger <u>dkiss806@juno.com</u>

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### Bricks for the Future and a Celebration of the Past

We would like to invite you to share with us in becoming a part of Woodward-Granger Hawks baseball history. To commemorate and celebrate our rich WG baseball history and tradition, we have constructed a wall of bricks which is a part of the baseball backstop at Woodward-Granger Hawks Field.

A commemorative 4" x 8" single engraved brick is \$100. They are a great way to recognize children, grandchildren, past players, families and friends. The bricks leave a lasting memory for those who follow.

An order form is provided below:

1<sup>st</sup> Line:

Option 1 (*check one of the boxes*): Gift By In Honor of

In Memory of None

<u>OR</u>

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Please make checks payable to: Woodward-Granger Baseball

Please return this order form with payment to: Woodward-Granger Baseball Atten: Eric Evans 306 W 3rd St Woodward, IA 50276

~ Thank you ~





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|---------------------|---|--|-------------|---|---|
| 27<br><b>MONDAY</b> |   |  | THURSDAY 20 | Classic Cafe<br>Pizza Parlor<br>Diner Station<br>Fresh Choices      | Chicken Tenders<br>Mashed Potatoes<br>Pepperoni<br>Sausage<br>Cheese<br>Breaded Pork Sandwich<br>(High School Only)<br>Chef Salad & Dinner Rolls<br>Fresh Made Sandwich |
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| TUESDAY             |   |  | FRIDAY      | Diner Station<br>Fresh Choices                                      | Chicken Patty Sandwich<br>Chef Salad & Dinner Rolls<br>Fresh Made Sandwich  |
|                     | Classic Cafe                                  | Ash Wednesday<br>Max Sticks (Cheese Sticks)<br>Corn  | NFO         | GBAPEFRUIT  | CILANTRO  |
| WEDNESDAY           | Diner Station<br>Fresh Choices                | BBQ Riblets<br>Chef Salad & Dinner Rolls<br>Fresh Made Sandwich  | XTRA 1      | Milk choice of 1% W<br>included with lunch.<br>For questions or cor | mments, contact the Food Service<br>esteele@wghawks.school  |



### Woodward-Granger 2017 Multiple Activities Schedule (as of 02-22-2017)

| Activity                | Time Versus | Location          | Location<br>Detail | Comments  |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------------|---|
| GATURDAY, MAR 04, 2017  |             |                   |                    |   |
| HS Instrumental Music   |             |                   |                    | Hoover Jazz<br>Festival. WG<br>Performance<br>time TBA  |
| THURSDAY, MAR 09, 2017  |             |                   |                    |   |
| High School             |             |                   |                    | High School<br>Mock Trial<br>competition<br>in<br>Marshalltown<br>at the<br>community<br>college. WG<br>time TBA. |
| HS Instrumental Music   | 7:00pm      | Middle School Gym |                    | 5-12 Parade<br>of Bands<br>Concert  |
| MS Instrumental Music   | 7:00pm      | Middle School Gym |                    | 5-12 Parade<br>of Bands<br>Concert  |
| SATURDAY, MAR 11, 2017  |             |                   |                    |   |
| HS Speech               |             |                   |                    | State<br>Individual<br>Speech<br>Competition<br>at Johnston<br>HS   |
| MONDAY, MAR 13, 2017    |             |                   |                    |   |
| WGCSD                   |             |                   |                    | NO SCHOOL<br>- Spring<br>Break  |
| ruesday, mar 14, 2017   |             |                   |                    |   |
| WGCSD                   |             |                   |                    | NO SCHOOL<br>- Spring<br>Break  |
| WEDNESDAY, MAR 15, 2017 |             |                   |                    |   |
| NGCSD                   |             |                   |                    | NO SCHOOL<br>- Spring<br>Break  |
| THURSDAY, MAR 16, 2017  |             |                   |                    |   |
| NGCSD                   |             |                   |                    | NO SCHOOL<br>- Spring<br>Break  |

#### FRIDAY, MAR 17, 2017

WGCSD

NO SCHOOL - Spring Break

#### THURSDAY, MAR 23, 2017

High School

7:00pm

NHS Induction Ceremony in the MS/HS Auditorium. Reception to follow in the cafeteria.

End of Quarter 3.

All-State Individual Speech at the University of Northern

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#### FRIDAY, MAR 24, 2017

WGCSD

#### MONDAY, MAR 27, 2017

HS Speech

FRIDAY, MAR 31, 2017

Track: Boys HS Meet

4:30pm Winterset

Winterset High School

Boys Only Meet





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