

# AXTELL COMMUNITY SCHOOL

## HOME OF THE WILDCATS

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November 2018

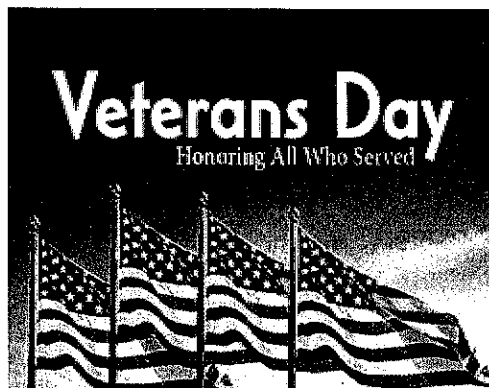
Dear Axtell Community School members,

The 1<sup>st</sup> quarter at Axtell Community School was finished on October 19<sup>th</sup>. Please look for your students grades to be sent home with them at the end of October. If you do not receive them please let us know at your earliest convenience.

#### Upcoming Events at ACS:



On November 1<sup>st</sup> we have an assembly for our K-5. It is NED's mindset mission. Students will be able to purchase a Yo-Yo after the show if they would like.



Veterans Day will be observed by our school on Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. Please join us at 9:00 AM for our Veterans Day program. We look forward to seeing all of you to help us celebrate a special time.

With the quarter ending we started a new tradition at ACS of giving out a Student of the Quarter award. If you are up at the school please check on the new bulletin board that is directly outside of my office. Our students did a fantastic job this 1<sup>st</sup> quarter and we look forward to the continued success.

Here at Axtell Community Schools we look forward to serving our students, staff, and patrons. If you have any questions please stop in or shoot me an email at [jeff.schwartz@axtellwildcats.org](mailto:jeff.schwartz@axtellwildcats.org)

Thank You,

Mr. Jeff Schwartz  
Pk-12 Principal  
Axtell Community Schools

# EducationQuest Foundation

## College Planning Bulletin

*A monthly college planning guide for Nebraska high school students*

November 2018

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### Seniors...a reminder of what to do this fall

There's A LOT going on right now with the financial aid and college admission processes, but don't get overwhelmed! Here's a recap of tasks you should complete this fall to stay on track to college.

#### Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

- First, create an FSA ID for you and one for a parent at [fsaid.ed.gov](https://fsaid.ed.gov). You'll need it to access and sign the FAFSA. [Click here](#) for instructions.

- Review our [FAFSA Checklist](#) for a list of items to gather before you start the form.

- Complete the FAFSA at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov). You may also complete it via the new myStudentAid app for iOS and Android.

- For *free* help with the FAFSA, see [FAFSA Tools](#) at EducationQuest.org or call EducationQuest to make an appointment: Omaha – 888.357.6300, Lincoln – 800.303.3745, Kearney – 800.666.3721, or Scottsbluff – 800.303.3745, ext. 6654.

#### Apply to your top college choices

If you attend one of nearly 200 Nebraska high schools holding *Apply2College* events this fall, you'll get help (or already have) with your applications. If not, [here are steps](#) you should take to apply.

Retake the [ACT](#) and/or [SAT](#). Colleges use your best scores for college admission and scholarships.

Get serious about applying for scholarships. See [ScholarshipQuest](#) at EducationQuest.org for Nebraska-based scholarships and a list of national search sites.

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### Juniors...start researching colleges

If you narrow your college choices by the end of your junior year, your senior year will be less stressful. Here's how to get started:

Review [College Profiles](#) at EducationQuest.org for information about colleges in Nebraska and across the country. If you're interested in an out-of-state school, check out the [Midwest Student Exchange Program](#) to learn about tuition discounts.

Meet with college representatives who visit your school, and then visit the websites of the colleges that interest you to learn more about the schools.

Once you've narrowed your choices, [schedule campus visits](#). Try to visit in the spring of your junior year while colleges are still in session.

For more tips, see the [Selecting a College](#) section at EducationQuest.org.

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### You app-solutely need this to stay on track to college!

EducationQuest's new app will give you easy access to tools like *Activities Resume*, *College Profiles*, *College Timeline*, *Reality Check*, and *ScholarshipQuest*. There's also a calendar that will guide you through college-planning steps - and you can personalize it with your own tasks.

Download the app and encourage your friends to do the same!

[Apple](#) [Android](#)

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### November "To Do" List

Seniors...complete these tasks in November to stay on the path to college:

\_\_\_ Complete the [FAFSA](#).

\_\_\_ Apply to your top college choices.

- \_\_\_ Download the [EducationQuest app](#).
- \_\_\_ [Register](#) by November 2 for the December 1 SAT.
- \_\_\_ [Register](#) by November 2 for the December 8 ACT.

Juniors...complete these tasks:

- \_\_\_ Research colleges that interest you.
- \_\_\_ Take a prep course for the ACT college entrance exam.
- \_\_\_ Download the [EducationQuest app](#).

For free help with college planning, contact EducationQuest Foundation:

Omaha	Lincoln	Kearney	Scottsbluff
402-391-4033	402-475-5222	308-234-6310	800-303-3745 ext. 6654
888-357-6300	800-303-3745	800-666-3721	

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*Your Journey to College Begins with Us*

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## One-Act Team

The One-Act Team presents the dramatic comedy "**Broom Versus Pen: The Fight for the Life**" on **Thursday and Friday, Nov. 15th and 16th on the Axtell school gym stage. Desserts will be served beginning at 6:30 p.m. with the show starting at 7:30.** Admission will be \$5 for adults and students but free for children not yet in kindergarten.

The team will have their conference competition at the Tassel in Holdrege on **Tuesday, Nov. 20th** with districts following on **Monday the 26th**. No times have been assigned yet for conference competition, but the team will perform at 1:15 for districts. Thank you to everyone for all your support!

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## National Honor Society

The National Honor Society will again be sponsoring **Toys for Tots** this holiday season. The tree will be up for the first home basketball game on **December 7<sup>th</sup>**. There will be a box near the tree for your donations. Watch the Happenings Page as well as ACS social media for updates and more information as the time nears.

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## Student Council

The Student Council will be hosting a "**Hat Day**" on **Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>**. All students who wish to wear a school appropriate hat or stocking cap will have the opportunity to do so upon paying a dollar. Hoods are not considered hats.

Mark your calendars, the student council will be hosting its **annual food drive Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> through Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>**. All donated food will be given to the Kearney County Goodfellows. More details will be announced at a later date.

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## Axtell FFA Chapter Update

\*Like us on Facebook! *Axtell Ag Education and FFA*

**Now - November 9th** - Fruit and Candy/Chocolate Fundraiser

**November 7th** - Fall Career Development Events Contests in Kearney (select 7-12 grade students)

**December 4th, 5th, & 6th** - Fall Fundraisers will be Delivered to Public

**December 7th** - Concession Stand at Basketball Games

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## **Wildcat Roundup**

The Axtell Wildcat Roundup Boosters are seeking financial, animal and crop contributions to provide quality beef to our lunch program. We want to feed our students high quality protein that will help develop their minds and bodies. You can make a donation today financially or by donating a beef animal. You can also donate part of your harvest at any local elevator! Just tell the employees in the grain office and they will send the funds from your crop directly to the Wildcat Roundup. Contact the school at 308-743-2415 with any questions.

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## **The Axtell Community Fund**

The Axtell Community Fund is working to build a permanent endowment for the community of Axtell. As with any endowment, the interest gained on this investment will be used to fund future projects and programs. An anonymous donor has offered a challenge to the ACF. If \$10,000.00 can be raised for the endowment by January 31, 2019, the donor will contribute \$5,000.00! This is a fabulous opportunity to leverage your tax-deductible donation to get the endowment started. Donations of \$1,000.00 or more qualify for the ACF Founder's Club and contributors of \$500.00-\$999.99 are considered Windmill Club donors. Gifts of grain can be given to ACF through an account at KAAPA, as well as any CPI location. These gifts qualify toward the challenge. Our first project is a shade shelter and bench on the walking trail. Of course, donations of any size are greatly appreciated! Please make checks to Nebraska Community Foundation with Axtell Community Fund in the memo line, and mail them to Axtell Community Fund, PO Box 74, Axtell, NE, 68924.

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## **Fourth Grade Field Trips**

**November 13 or 20** -Visit to Mosaic at 1:30

**December 2nd--** Field Trip to Hastings CCC, Valentinos and YMCA in Hastings

**December 11 or 18** - Visit to Mosaic

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## **Axtell Public Library - Welcome Community Members and Students!**

### **Halloween**

Spooky Halloween stories will be heard at Story Time on Oct 31st at 10:00 AM. Please wear your costumes and join us for the fun and treats. The Library will be open until 5:00 p.m. that day to come and trick or treat.

### **Regular Library Hours**

Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri - 12:30-5:30

Wed- 9:30-12:30 & 1:30-3:30

2nd Sat of the month 9:00-12:00

Story time - Wednesday's at 10 a.m.

### **Thanksgiving Schedule**

There will be regular hours on the day before Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving Day and the Friday following, the Library will be closed.

### **1,000 Books Before Kindergarten**

If you have a child that has not yet entered kindergarten, get them started on a journey towards 1,000 Books before Kindergarten! Stop in to get your child's free journal.

### What's New

Stop in and see what new books and movies we have to offer. We get new ones for all ages every month. Make reality of what would have otherwise been unimaginable through reading.

### And...

If we don't have what you are looking for, ask and we might be able to borrow it from another library or...

Ask about our free app that can give you access to thousands of books electronically. Just call or come in to get your library card number and Libby app will give you many hours of free reading enjoyment.

The Libby app is easy to download and one can search and find the books of interest. It automatically checks the books back in when they are due so you never have an overdue book!

### Give Where You Live

Join us on **Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>** from 12:30-3:00 for our event. There will be free gifts and drinks. And sign up to win a 24 inch rolling duffel bag. Need not be present to win but must be 18 years or older. Axtell Public Library keeps all the funds collected locally to help provide Axtell with quality materials and services for the community.

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### Axtell Bloodmobile

Thank you so much to all the donors who donated at the October bloodmobile! We had a great drive!! We are so thankful for all our regular and first time donors because of you we beat the goal they set for our drive!

Thank you Kim Swedburg and Carol Christensen for helping with the drive, Vernelle Pettijohn for providing delicious sandwiches and Jerrilyn Anderson for sharing her homemade cookies. Thank you to the Axtell Firemen for allowing us to use the Firehall and setting up the tables for the drive.

Mark your calendars, our **next drive is Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.** If you have any questions about donating or are interested in helping with the drive please contact Stephanie Anderson at 308-830-2391. **Thank you for sharing life with someone in need!**

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### Awana News

Awana is off to a great start! So thankful for a great group of kids! All 2nd - 6th graders are welcome! Just wanted to remind parents of the schedule for the rest of the semester...

No Awana - October 31st

Regular Awana - November 7<sup>th</sup> and November 14<sup>th</sup>

No Awana - November 21<sup>st</sup> - Happy Thanksgiving

Regular Awana - November 28<sup>th</sup> and December 5<sup>th</sup>

No Awana the rest of December

We will resume in January!

If you have any questions contact Stephanie Anderson 308-830-2391 or Pastor Matt Snell 308-743-2611.

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### Looking Ahead:

**Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup> - Daylight Savings Time Ends - Fall Back One Hour**

**Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup> - Veterans Day Celebration - 9:00 a.m.**

**Wednesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> - Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> - No School - Thanksgiving Break**

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## **For Booster Club:**

Axtell Booster Club would like to thank all those that helped provide cookies and bars, water, and juice pouches for the Axtell vs. Giltner tailgate. Also thank you to those that helped serve during a very cold, brisk evening! We had a successful turnout despite the chilly weather.

There will be a winter activities Axtell Booster Club meeting on Monday, November 5th at 7:00 p.m. in the Axtell Cafeteria. We will be discussing what we accomplished during the fall activities season, 2018-19 membership driver results, clothing sales results, and discussing ideas for the winter activities season. We encourage all Axtell Booster Club members to attend the meeting. We have had some great things going on this year and we are looking forward for ways to support our students, coaches, and activity sponsors this winter! Hope to see you there!

Stay connected with ways you can support our school and students at our Facebook page Axtell High School Booster Club. Go Cats!

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## **Yearbooks**

There are only a limited amount of the 2017-18 yearbooks left! Purchase yours today from Mrs. Nicholson or in the office for \$40 each. When they're gone, they're gone!

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## **Join Cub Scouts**

Boys and Girls Kindergarten to 5th Grade. Come check out the fun and adventure. Please contact Lisa Stoddard @ 308-380-3681 or [lisa@stoddardfamilycrafts.com](mailto:lisa@stoddardfamilycrafts.com).

**-Tuesday, October 30th---Community Hall---7:00 PM**

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## **Box Tops and Sun Mart Receipts**

"Together We Can make A Difference"

Please remember to save your **Box Tops**. You can bring them to the school office or your classroom anytime. Remember to put your name and grade on your ziplock bags. Thank You. **Each Box Top is worth 10 cents.** Also, if you shop at SunMart or Family Fresh Market, please save your receipt and drop them off at the School Office.

## **Ronald McDonald House**

Your aluminum can tabs go a long way with Ronald McDonald House Charities in Omaha. Those tabs, when recycled, help cover some of our operational costs. Thanks to schools, business, community organizations, and families like yours, we recycled approximately 35 million pop tabs last year, and the money from those donations paid for our electric bill each month.

Saving pop tabs is easy. **Simply remove the tab off your can, save them in a container and bring them to the Axtell School Office. Thank You.**

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## **\*\*\*\*\*Axtell Booster Clothing\*\*\*\*\***

**Did you miss the last clothing order or want to order more? This is your last chance to order your Axtell Booster apparel! Order online at [ruralrouteprinting.com](http://ruralrouteprinting.com). Deadline is Friday, November 9th. If you have any questions or need assistance ordering online, please contact Kelly Nelson at (308)830-0486.**



**Community Action Partnership of Mid-Nebraska**  
PO Box 322 -- Minden, NE 68959

**Community Services**  
PHONE/FAX (308) 832-1829  
Website: [www.mnca.net](http://www.mnca.net)

Dear Families,

**Sign up for gifts from the Caring Tree program for children high school age and younger is now open for all residents of Kearney County or families within Kearney County School Districts.**

The intent of this program is to provide gifts to children who would otherwise go without. The tree is decorated with "ornaments" which are anonymously coded and list each child's clothing size and/or a suggested gift – information provided by you, the parent. *Everyone is asked to limit the cost of gift requests to \$35 or less.* Secret Santas then sign out "ornaments", go shopping and donate their unwrapped gifts to the Caring Tree program.

**Application:** As the holiday time is a busy season for everyone, the registration period runs until 5:00 p.m., Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. **Please call Barb Braun at 308-832-1167 to schedule your appointment.** And please bring to this appointment ideas for gifts that cost \$35 or less, your children's clothing size, and proof of:

- Your household's monthly gross income, such as pay stubs, a bank statement or a statement of earnings from the Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services;
- Your residency, such as a utility bill.

**Eligibility:**

The income limit for a household of	1 is \$1,961 gross per month	5 is \$4,735 gross per month
	2 is \$2,655 "	6 is \$5,428 "
	3 is \$3,348 "	7 is \$6,121 "
	4 is \$4,041 "	8 is \$6,815 "

- The Caring Tree committee will then be able to determine if you are eligible to participate in the program. A pickup time will be scheduled for you to pick up gifts from the Minden Senior Center on Saturday, December 22nd. – **gift wrapping paper will be available for parents to take home to wrap the gifts themselves.** As this is the only scheduled pickup time please arrange for someone else to pick up for you if you can't keep this appointment – gifts will not be delivered.

When parents pick up gifts they will also receive a Christmas card and a voucher to shop at The Closet. So please keep The Closet in mind if you are looking for Holiday decorations. The Closet's hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

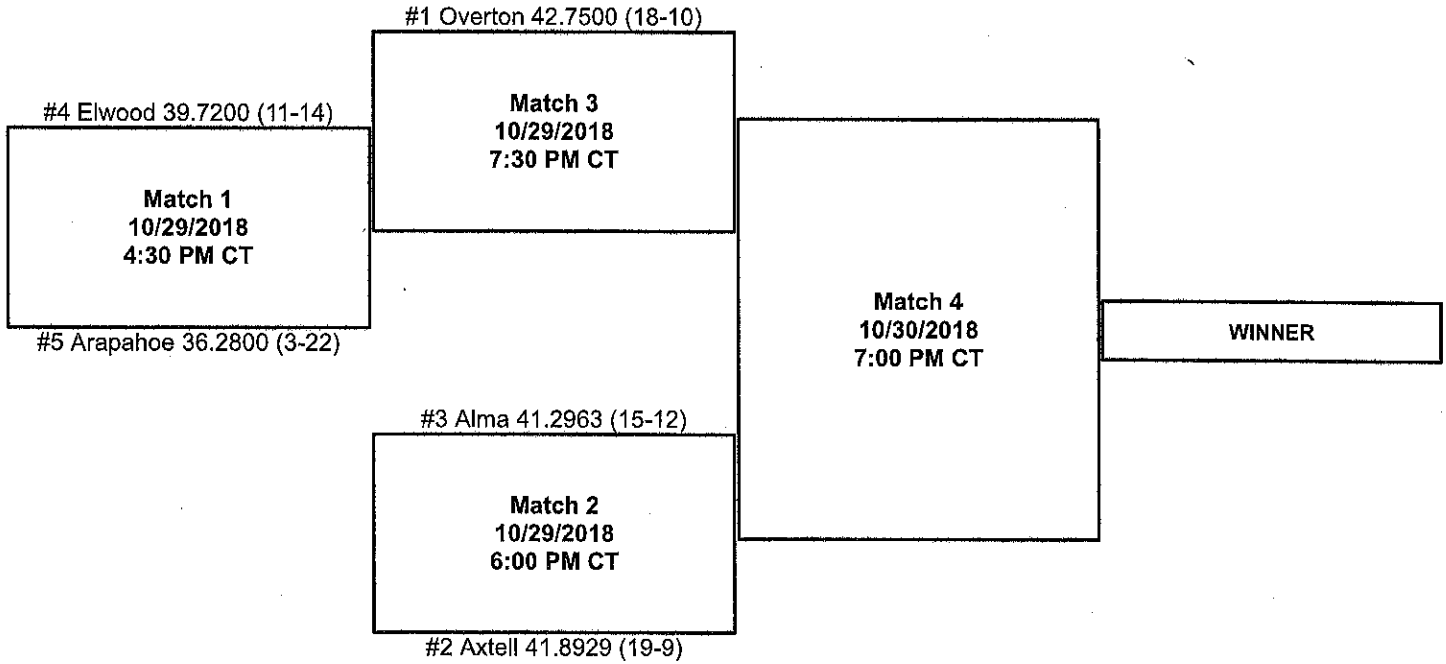
We hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

The Caring Tree Committee of the  
Kearney County Policy Advisory Committee to  
Community Action Partnership of Mid Nebraska



### Volleyball Subdistrict D1-10 at Holdrege High School





**LUNCH**

Food service Manager: Andrea Runge

**NOVEMBER 2018**  
Axtell Community School

Meals are subject to change

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Breakfast Sticks Or Hamm Sub Hash Brown</p> <p><b>5</b></p>	<p>Fajitas Or Salad Refried Beans</p> <p><b>6</b></p>	<p>Steak Strips/Gravy Or Turkey Sub Green Beans</p> <p><b>7</b></p>	<p>Pizza Or Salad Peas</p> <p><b>1</b></p>	<p>Stuppy Joes Or Peach Parfait Green Beans</p> <p><b>2</b></p>
<p>Mini Corndogs Or Salad Mac &amp; Cheese Green Peas</p> <p><b>12</b></p>	<p>Beef Sliders Or Turkey Sub Green Beans</p> <p><b>13</b></p>	<p>Chicken Strips Or Salad Cookie Broccoli</p> <p><b>14</b></p>	<p>Cheesy Potatoes/Ham Or Salad Corn</p> <p><b>8</b></p>	<p>Vegetable Beef Soup &amp; Sandwich Peas</p> <p><b>9</b></p>
<p>Tomato Soup Grilled Cheese Or Salad Mixed Vegetables</p> <p><b>19</b></p>	<p>Crispitos Or Turkey Sub Corn</p> <p><b>20</b></p>	<p>No School</p> <p><b>21</b></p>	<p>Thanksgiving Dinner</p> <p><b>15</b></p>	<p>Quesadilla Or Apple Cinn Parfait Refried Beans</p> <p><b>16</b></p>
<p>Cook's Choice</p> <p><b>26</b></p>	<p>Build a Burrito Or Salad Black Beans</p> <p><b>27</b></p>	<p>Goulash Or Combo Sub Corn</p> <p><b>28</b></p>	<p>Pizza Sticks Or Salad Green Beans</p> <p><b>29</b></p>	<p>Cream Chicken/Biscuit Or Hamm Sub Peas</p> <p><b>30</b></p>

Milk, Yogurt and a Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Bar are offered daily  
Guests are always welcome



# November 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 NED'S MINDSET 9:00 AM	2 ONE ACT @ ELM CREEK FESTIVAL	3 VB @ SUB-STATE - TBA
4 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS	5	6 FB- ROUND 3 PLAYOFFS- TBA	7 DISTRICT V MEETING- MCCOOK FFA-CDE CONTESTS/JH QUIZ BOWL @ KEARNEY	8 VB @ STATE- LINCOLN -TBA	9 VB @ STATE- LINCOLN -TBA	10 VB @ STATE- LINCOLN -TBA
11 VETERANS DAY	12 9AM VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION START OF WINTER SPORTS VB- CONFERENCE MEETING	13 JHWR @ ALMA INV 2:00 CHOIR @ FKC CLINIC- SUMNER	14 FFA- GATEWAY FARM EXPO 9:00AM COUNTY GOVERNMENT	15 UNL MATH DAY ONE ACT. DESSERT THEATRE-7:30 FFA-GATEWAY FARM EXPO CAREER EXPO	16 ONE ACT DESSERT THEATRE-7:30 JHWR @ MEDICINE VALLEY 1:00	17
18	19 FB- FINALS D2- LINCOLN -TBA BB- HALL OF FAME SCRIMMAGE- 6:00	20 ONE ACT @ FKC- HOLDREGE- TBA JHWR @ PLEASANTON TRI 1:00 WR-P/W DUAL 7	21 NO SCHOOL	22 THANKSGIVING DAY NO SCHOOL	23 NO SCHOOL	24 NATIONAL FFA
25 NATIONAL FFA	26 LIFETOUCH- WINTER ACTIVITIES JHWR @ DONIPHAN 4:00 NATIONAL FFA 1:15 ONE ACT - TASSEL	27 NATIONAL FFA	28 FPS @ ESU1 9:30- 2:00	29 GBB @ PLEASANTON 4:45/6:15 BBB @ PLEASANTON 4:45/8:00 WR @ ELM CREEK DUALS 5PM	30 GBB-BERTRAND 4:45/ 6:15 BBB-BERTRAND 4:45/8:00	DEC 1 10AM WR @ HARVARD