

OA-BCIG INSIGHTS

The newsletter of the Odebolt-Arthur and Battle Creek-Ida Grove Community School Districts



A Look Back...

Dr. Nick Ouellette, Superintendent

As 2014 comes to a close, we look back on the year with great satisfaction. Although we have had a few bumps in the road between the districts, our commitment to kids is just as strong as it has ever been. We are well into year two of our 1:1 initiative in the districts and are seeing increased engagement in our kids and thoughtful integration of technology by our staff. We have ironed out quite a few of the bugs, but there will always be areas where we can improve.

Our implementation of increased professional development for staff by having early outs on Wednesdays has allowed teachers the time to focus on improving the system for all kids. People often will ask me what do we do during that time and why is it needed. I respond to them with the answer of 'it's simple, we are just trying to answer four questions during that time.' The four questions that guide our work as educators are: What do we want kids to learn? How will we know if they have learned it? What are we going to do if they are not learning it? What are we going to do if they already know it? These questions are from the DuFours' work with Professional Learning Communities, the model in which educators work collaboratively to ensure all kids learn at high levels and no one slips through the cracks.

Within these PLC times and early outs, our teachers are working to tier lessons both up for some of our most advanced learners and down for some of our learners that need the most help. Tiered instruction takes tremendous amounts of planning time and skill by the teachers to ensure that all kids' needs are met for each lesson. The tiered model goes hand in hand with the State's push to have every school create a Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) that ensures we are

using data to make educational decisions for kids and getting them the right supports at the right time. This initiative also stresses that the majority of interventions done for students should be happening within the classroom. Our teachers, especially at the elementary, have been analyzing the data from our assessment system to make good decisions about kids.

At the high school level, we are continually looking for ways to broaden our offerings for our kids and I am proud to say we have made the State's list for the Advanced Placement Top 50 Schools for Iowa this past year. In addition to continuing to push kids toward upper level classes, we are also looking for ways to expand our Career and Technology Education offerings. We have added some additional courses in the computer sciences area, as well as, partnering with area manufacturers to work with our kids in production types of courses like welding.

As I look back on 2014, I can't help but be proud of the accomplishments our kids and staff have made. While I believe we are heading in the right direction with the right people, we still have work ahead of us to continue to provide a world-class education for all of our kids. As we move forward into 2015, I am honored to work with such a great group of people that will continue to work hard for the children of all of our communities. I wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and the happiest of New Years.



BCIG Elementary Happenings

Mr. Alan Henderson, Principal

PTP to Help Brighten up our School

The PTP has been working with an agency to add some color to our school. Since the remodel we have been left with some blank white spaces in our building. We are going to be adding some color to the walls of our building. It centers around two themes: Where the BEST begin, and Respectful, Responsible, and Ready. We are excited to have these things added to our building. We chose where the best begin, because we believe that we are building the foundation to allow students

to be whatever they want to be. Respectful, responsible, and ready has been our theme to promote a work ethic in our children that focuses on integrity and character in all we do. I am very proud of our staff had how hard they work to help each child achieve to his/her top potential.

The PTP is busy working on a family fun night for the spring and we are working on the details. Continue to watch for more information. It will be a family night you will not want to miss.

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High School Happenings

Mr. Patrick Miller, Principal

A reminder that the high school will be administering **semester tests** on **December 22 and 23**. All students have open campus unless we are notified by parents that they do not want their child leaving the building. Please call the office with any questions.

Below you will find the “Top Ten Tips” for all high school students completing the **OA-BCIG Dollars for Scholars Profile**.

1. Start early—we suggest your freshman year.
2. Be sure to properly list OA-BCIG as your school.
3. Document your activities often—suggestion is quarterly, during advisor/advisee meetings.
4. Read instructions carefully.
5. Use proper punctuation, spelling and grammar.
6. Be thorough—describe the event, your specific duties, etc.
7. Community and School Activities—list number of years, number of hours, honors, offices, etc.
8. Dollars for Scholars involvement—how to list on the profile:
(Hike Bike, Evening for Education, Pancake Breakfast, Can Cages, Talent Show)
- activity tab
- activity name—type in name of activity such as “Hike Bike”
- activity type—choose community service from dropdown menu
- activity—choose Dollars for Scholars from dropdown, complete the remaining information
9. Expect it to take some time.
10. Keep email and contact information current.



OA Elementary & OA-BCIG Middle School Happenings

Mr. Doug Mogensen, Principal

Thank you all for the great turnout during Parent-Teacher conferences. We had about 70% of our parents in the middle school attend conferences; and, as always, the elementary scheduled conferences were well attended by both students and parents. I encourage you to continue communicating with the school and your child’s teacher so that together we can help our students achieve at their highest levels.

The elementary teachers and I thank the Parent Teacher Community group and all who donated for organizing and helping with the activities for the Harvest Party. The students enjoyed the activities. Red Ribbon Week was also observed during this past month. The 5th grade TAG students presented a game

show skit to grades K-8 about making good choices.

The holidays are coming. Although many parents look forward to having their children home from school, the few days together can become stressful because kids are all excited about their holiday celebrations. The holidays are one of those odd times that combine a lot of fun with a lot of stress from last minute shopping, family dinners, and travel. One way of reducing the stress that comes with having the kids at home is to generate a plan. Structure times when things need to be completed, and have a backup plan if an activity does not get accomplished. Sit down with your children to help them plan their own day. Include them in some of

the holiday cooking or craft activities. If possible, plan one to one fun with each of your children. Kids really enjoy having a parent all to themselves and typically will try to do whatever they can to have this ‘special’ time with a parent. Make the holiday break a family event of sharing, laughter, and fun without worrying about having to get everything done.

Please remember: The end of the semester is December 23. The winter break is December 24 to Jan. 2. Classes will resume on January 5. Teachers in the elementary will be sending home information regarding the Winter party they will be having on the 23rd.

A Medical Home

Mrs. Angie Kastner, School Nurse

Some of you may have heard the term medical home before, and it may be a new term for others. With the ever changing world of health care, and the complexities of the Affordable Care Act, it is hard to know which way is up.

A medical home is a “home base” for medical and non-medical care. This is especially important for children to ensure the best possible care for our kids. This “home base” care model would include an ongoing relationship and directed care from a chosen healthcare provider. Having care provided and overseen by a consistent health care provider can best prevent, treat, and coordinate care with other specialty providers if needed. In addition, this type of care can make sure that all related medical records are in one place, not located in the offices of many different providers. It is important that parents, members of the health care team, pharmacies, and the school all work together and communicate to best teach healthy living and to meet the medical needs of our kids.



NW Iowa Jr. High Honor Choir Participants

Guidance Notes

Mrs. Angela Lensch, High School Counselor

College Representative Visits

Colleges will be sending representatives to visit with our interested students. A list of these colleges will be updated when scheduled. Watch for posting of these in newsletters, on my website, and in the school. Students need to get a pass from me at least one day ahead of time.

OA-BCIG Service Club

See what our club has been up to at <https://sites.google.com/a/oabcig.org/mrs-lensch-oa-bcig-professional-school-counseling/oa--bcig-social-service-club>. Next large project– an interesting and prominent trip we will take this year is the service project at the food bank in Sioux City. We intend to do sorting and packaging of food that was donated to the food bank. We are excited about our next venture.



Participants for Church Breakfast Service Project

Contacts and Important Information

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Mrs. Lensch’s PSC Webpage-<https://sites.google.com/a/oabcig.org/mrs-lensch-oa-bcig-professional-school-counseling/>

Mrs. Lensch’s Quia Home Page-<http://www.quia.com/profiles/alensch12>

OA-BCIG Service Club-<https://sites.google.com/a/oabcig.org/mrs-lensch-oa-bcig-professional-school-counseling/oa--bcig-social-service-club>

Scholarship Page- <https://sites.google.com/a/oabcig.org/mrs-lensch-oa-bcig-professional-school-counseling/scholarships>

Check Out Our Weekly Challenges

Weekly challenges to the students are posted to Facebook and on Mrs. Lensch’s OA-BCIG Counseling page.

ACT Testing Dates and Deadlines

Test Date	Registration Deadline	(Late Fee Required)
Dec. 13, 2014	Nov. 7, 2014	Nov. 8–21, 2014
Feb. 7, 2015*	Jan. 9, 2015	Jan. 10–16, 2015
April 18, 2015	March 13, 2015	March 14–27, 2015
June 13, 2015	May 8, 2015	May 9–22, 2015

The testing site is Denison Community High School.

IMPORTANT DATES

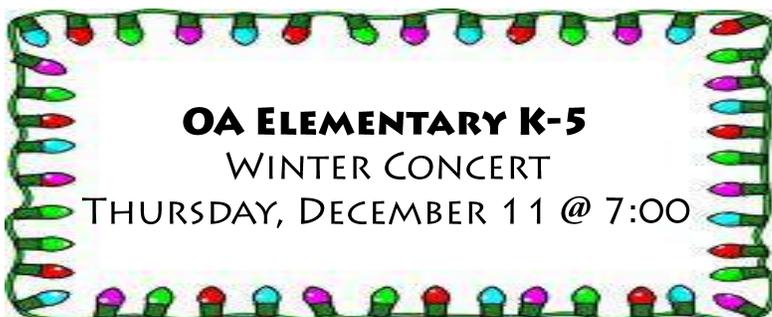
Get them on your Calendars

January 27th: 2:15 pm ICAN Life Store

January 27th: 6:00 pm ICAN College Planning

January 27th: 7:00 pm ICAN Financial Aid

February 18th: 6:00 pm FAFSA Day





FFA News

Mrs. Rachel Stoberl, High School Ag Instructor

The FFA has had a very busy October and November! At the end of October, we had the opportunity to attend the National FFA Convention. We drove about half of the way on Tuesday. We made the rest of the trek to Kentucky on Wednesday. Once we were checked into our hotel, we made our way to the convention center for a hypnotist showing. This, along with all of the other festivities we attended are FFA ONLY events. The National FFA Organization organizes all events while in Louisville.

Thursday started early as we headed to the convention center in good time to have time to walk around the trade show and career show. During the day, the students were challenged to meet someone from each state and have them sign their books. This gave our Iowa students the opportunity to meet students from all over as well as discuss agriculture in the different areas, including the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. The career show showcases 100's of agriculture-related businesses/companies/industries, opening the student's eyes to the opportunities available within agriculture. I think Monsanto had the best booth, with hands-on activities for the students to participate in. On top of the businesses available to chat, there were colleges and universities from all across the United States. We spent lots of time visiting with several of those schools, but some of the highlights were Iowa State University, South Dakota State University and DMACC. Before we knew it, it was time for the state picture for Iowa. This is the one time that all of the members from Iowa are present in one place. OA-BCIG FFA members again were in the front row for the photo. We should be getting our copy in the mail in the next few weeks, stop in and check it out sometime. After the picture we had time for a quick lunch before heading to one of the sessions. There are several sessions available to attend during the three days in Louisville, but due to scheduling, this was the only one we were able to attend. We were



able to see the presentation of the state flags, hear Brett Begemann (President of Monsanto) speak, and, most importantly, we had the opportunity to listen to Steven Brockshus speak. Steven Brockshus was the Central Region Vice President on the National FFA Officer Team and he happens to be from Iowa (Sibley). Steven spoke on the everlasting impact we have, not just relating to FFA activities, but life in general. All of the students were blown away by the speeches and the message behind them. After the session, we went back to the hotel briefly to change for the Danielle Bradberry and Scotty McCreery concert. Again this is an FFA members only event.

The concert ended late on Thursday making Friday morning seem early. Friday was our day of tours, arranged through the National FFA. First we toured the Louisville Slugger Museum and Factory. While here we had the chance to see bats actually used in games, see how bats are made by hand, and see how bats are made using CNC machines. It was very informative and quite the process! Our next tour was at Churchill Downs. Unfortunately, it was cold and rainy so the tour was less than ideal, but it was still neat to see where they hold the Kentucky Derby and learn about the history. We were unable to see a race that day because the weather wasn't cooperating. Our next stop, after a very late lunch, was to the hotel to get packed up for our early departure on Saturday. After a little down time, we headed back to the convention center for the rodeo. The rodeo is put on by a stock contractor from Iowa, so it was nice to have that little connection. After the rodeo, it was time to hit the hay.



Saturday morning we made the very long trek home. Hopefully, if you speak with any of the students that attended, they could go into more detail about what we did and could tell you how much this experience meant to them. If you have any further questions about what we did or how our time was spent I would be happy to address them.

MS Mock Trial News

Mrs. Melissa Jensen, MS TAG Instructor

OA-BCIG's Middle School Mock Trial teams did an excellent job of representing our school at the M.S. Mock Trial Competition in Rock Rapids on Saturday, November 8. Each team competed in two rounds of competition.

The Purple Team finished 2-0 and placed 5th in our region with 207.25 points. The Silver Team finished 1-1 and place 11th with 197 points. The top three teams move on to state. Both teams should be congratulated on outstanding performances against tough competition! Talented and Gifted Teacher, Melissa Jensen and Attorney, Peter Goldsmith coached the teams.



Team Purple



Team Silver



Pink Out Night Check Presentation

The OA-BCIG volleyball team sponsored a PINK OUT night on Thursday, October 9. The night included raffles for cakes, a sweatshirt, a chance to be an "assistant" coach for the night, and a chance to throw a pie in the face of one of the brave volunteers: Mrs. Spetman, Miss Parker, Ms. McQuiston, Mr. Henderson, Mr. Mogensen, Mr. Chizek, Mrs. Boger, and two senior volleyball players. Additionally, there were serving competitions that took place between games, and a t-shirt sale that took place in the month prior to the game. All funds raised through these activities were donated back directly to Horn Memorial Hospital for their Mammography Center. This year the team raised a record-setting \$1041.50!



SENIOR INFORMATION FOR THE YEARBOOK

Have you had your senior photos taken yet? If not, you need to get them scheduled soon. The yearbook needs **one VERTICAL senior photo** and **one baby photo** of each senior. The baby photo will be returned as soon as it is scanned and the senior photo will be kept and used for the senior collage that will hang in the cafeteria. In order to guarantee you will be in the yearbook, photos must be submitted to Mrs. Beck by **NO LATER than February 1, 2015**. **Semester graduates** should have this taken care of **by December 23, 2014**.

Even if you or your professional photographer email a photo to Mrs. Beck, you still need to submit an actual wallet as soon as you get one. For questions, please contact hbeck@oabcig.org or call 364-3371.



BCIG 4th Grade Visits Courthouse

Mrs. Janet Snyder, BCIG 4th Grade Instructor

On Tuesday, October 14 the BCIG 4th grade students in Mrs. Snyder's and Mrs. Nettles' classes visited the offices of the Ida County Courthouse. Each class toured the jail, the clerk of court offices, the auditor, recorder, and treasurer's offices. Students have been learning about our local, state, and federal government in Social Studies class. We have learned that there are three branches of the government: Legislative, Executive, and Judicial. Students were responsible for knowing the branches of government along with who is in each branch, and the job that they perform.

We want to thank the Ida County Courthouse staff for allowing us to visit and tour. It is so exciting to be able to see how our government works locally!!



BCIG Elementary Talented & Gifted News

Mrs. Staci Rohlk, TAG Instructor

The 3rd grade Enrichment students have been focusing on reading non-fiction books by author, Seymour Simon, as well as their CAFE goal of expanding vocabulary. They read e-books found on MackinVia (available on our school website under parent or student resources and you can ask your child how to access or contact the library for more information). Once they have completed the story, they take an AR test and create a colorful Wordle that reflects their exposure to various vocabulary.

The 4th grade TAG class will share their comic strips with the residents of Willow Dale Care Center in Battle Creek in December. The students have been reading a comic strip novel series entitled "Science Court: To Serve and Observe." They are creating their own science comic strips on an internet website. Their creations will share information with others about science topics that they find interesting.

The 5th grade TAG class has been reading novels and e-books by author, Gary Paulsen, on MackinVia. Students will be touring the newly constructed Ida County Conservation Center located in Moorehead Park and learning various outdoor survival skills. They will be creating Prezi presentations and sharing them with the 5th grade classes at the conservation center prior to the holiday break.

Middle School Talented & Gifted

Mrs. Melissa Jensen, MS TAG Instructor

On Thursday, October 30th, 18 OA-BCIG Talented and Gifted girls in grades 6th - 8th attended Iowa State University's *Taking the Road Less Traveled* exploration conference. The conference was held at the Memorial Union on the campus of ISU in Ames, Iowa. The purpose of the day-long conference was to expose young women to careers in science, technology, engineering and math-related areas. The conference format included career exploration workshops led by women working in science, engineering, and other technical fields. The girls participated in hands-on activities and attended four different sessions. The girls gained an increased awareness and understanding of career opportunities in the STEM fields. Talented and Gifted instructor Melissa Jensen organized and chaperoned the trip. Students attending were: Kelsey Dausel, Ellie Diersen, Kirsten Dausel, Lindsey Kruse, Cameron Webb, Cora Hansen, Jennifer Godbersen, Sarah Petersen, Lexi Neville, Justice Graham, Josie Wulf, Abby Bender, Nicole Lozier, Danielle Lozier, Taylor Oldham, Kylee Weber, Elle Schroeder and Joie Matthies.



Environmental Science Tip of the Month

Congratulations to **Bailey Hare** on her 9th place finish at the State Cross Country Meet!



Men & Women in Song Festival participants

Herb Irgens Classic

Mr. Randy Nieman, Wrestling Coach

January in Ida Grove can only mean one thing, the 45th annual Herb Irgens Classic Wrestling Tournament. This year's tournament will be held **January 23 and 24**. What started out originally with 8 teams in 1970, has steadily grown to 27 teams this year. Two new teams added to this year's field are Independence and Solon. The tournament field has 15 returning state place winners including University of Iowa signee, Cash Wilcke who was the 2A state champion last season at 182 pounds. OA-BCIG will be trying to build off of their 10th place finish last season.

Library Listings

Mrs. Mary Rohlk, K-12 Librarian

The BCIG Elementary Library staff would like to thank those that supported the recent book fair. Sales totaled \$5571 with a profit of \$3089. Families also donated \$417 directly to the library to purchase books. The students will enjoy the many new selections that will be added to the collection soon, especially the newest volume of the *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series.

In the November issue of the school newsletter, you read about the elementary students voting for their favorite color after reading the book, *The Day the Crayons Quit*. The votes have been tabulated and BLUE came out the winner at each elementary building and remained the top vote getter when the votes from both buildings were added together. Congratulations Blue! Now we know why you are the stubbiest crayon in the box!

HEALTHY HUNGER FREE KIDS ACT IMPACTS SCHOOL MEAL PROGRAMS

Information provided by the USDA News Release #0023.12

First Lady Michelle Obama and the U.S. Agriculture Secretary initiated the HHFKA to establish new standards for school meals making them healthier for 32 million kids nationwide. For the first time in fifteen years action is being taken to improve the health and nutrition in school meal programs.

Mrs. Obama said, "As parents we try to prepare decent meals, limit junk food and try to ensure that our children follow a balanced diet, the last thing we want is for our hard work to be undone each day in the school cafeteria."

The standards set forth in the HHFKA include:

- Offering students both fruit and vegetables every day of the week
- Substantially increasing offerings for whole grain-rich foods
- Offering only fat free or 1% low fat milk varieties
- Limiting calories based on the age of the children being served to ensure proper portion size
- Reducing the amounts of saturated fat, trans fat, sugar and salt in school meals.

USDA built the new school meal menu rules around recommendations from a panel of experts convened by the Institute of Medicine – a gold standard for evidence based health analysis. The standards were updated with key changes from the 2010 Dietary Guidelines for Americans – the Federal government's benchmark for nutrition aimed to foster healthy meal changes for schools.

In addition to the updated meal standards, other improvements include:

- Foods and beverages sold in vending machines and other venues on school campuses will also contribute to a healthy diet, carbonated beverages and foods of minimum nutritional value will no longer be available during the school day.
- Providing an increase in school meal funding – an additional \$.06 cents per meal served – to schools that meet the new standards and serve the improved meals. This is the first real increase in 30 years in school meal funding.
- Setting pricing standards for schools to ensure that revenues from non-Federal sources keep pace with the Federal commitment to provide healthy school meals.
- Training and technical assistance to monitor compliance with the new school meal standards
- Initiating more physical activity into school days to comply with Mrs. Obama's "Let's Move" campaign.

Driver's Education Information



Registration for Driver's Education will begin in January, 2015, after the 2nd semester starts. Forms will be available in both the OA-BCIG MS and the OA-BCIG HS offices. Students must have their driver's permit before registering. A copy of the permit will be made when the student registers.

The 2014-2015 fee is **\$350.00**. A deposit of any amount must be made at the time of registration. The total amount will be due three (3) weeks prior to the start of class. **All Driver's Education registrations and payments must be turned in to the OA-BCIG High School secretary.**

Please be aware that this course does take a big time commitment for students to successfully complete. Only one (1) make-up in-class time will be offered after the regular scheduled classes are complete. Unexcused absences or missing more than one class may require the student to repeat the class the following year. All requirements must be met in one year.

CLASSROOM TIME -- 30 Hours Required

DRIVING TIME -- 12 hours (6 hours driving, 6 hours riding)

An outside of class driving log is also required. Instructors will be responsible for setting all other class requirements. These requirements will be detailed on the first day of class. At this time we are not sure of the times, dates or number of sessions that will be offered.

Upon successful completion of the course, the student's completion certificate will be kept at the OA-BCIG HS office until needed for a school permit or license. **Certificates are not replaceable!!**

If your certificate is lost or damaged, the class will have to be repeated. It is suggested that parents retain these certificates until the student is 18 years old.

HS Vocal Notes

Mrs. Linda Johnson, Vocal Music Director



2014 All-State

Five brave OA-BCIG vocal students made it to the 2014 Iowa All State auditions in Storm Lake on Saturday, October 25. Three of those five students made it into the second round “recall” auditions and we are proud to announce that **Darian Ernst** was selected to sing tenor I in this year’s prestigious All-State Choir! **Anna Dewey** was selected as an alternate and we are hoping for a phone call any day to tell us she will also be a part of this great event! The Iowa All State music festival will be held in Ames on the Iowa State campus November 21-22 with the festival concert to be held Saturday night in Hilton Coliseum!

2014 Morningside Men & Women In Song

Thirty OA-BCIG choir members participated in the Men and Women In Song festival on the Morningside campus Thursday, October 30. Over 200 students from 3 states were there to work with Jean Hickman and Tim Watson as their guest clinicians/directors. They presented a concert to the public in the

beautiful Eppley Auditorium. Both the Morningside College Choir and Jazz Choir treated audience members to performances!

Fall Fundraiser

Student pick up of fall fundraiser items was November 12. If you ordered items and they have not been delivered yet by the student you purchased from, please email me at: ljohnson@oabcig.org. Please include the name of the student you purchased from if possible. Thank you for your support!

Winter Concert

The high school will present their annual winter holiday concert on **Monday, December 15 at 7:00 p.m.** Admission will be one non-perishable food item that we will donate to the local food pantries in Sac and Ida County. Take some time out of your busy holiday schedules and enjoy an evening of music with us. The choir will include a variety of carols from all over the world along with some traditional holiday tunes we are sure you will enjoy!

Dance Team

Mrs. Kelsie Nettles, Dance Team Coach



Congratulations to Riley Snyder for placing 4th at the State Solo Dance Competition. Paige Roeder received a division I rating and Leah Lierman received a division II rating. Great job girls!

The dance team will be performing at the State Dance Team Competition December 4. Hip Hop will perform at Hy Vee Hall at 5:30 and Pom will perform at Wells Fargo Arena at 6:50. They will also be perform on December 1 and December 2 at half-time of the boy’s basketball games.



Business Ed News

Mrs. Kari Hadden, Business Instructor

The Iowa Business Education Association held its annual fall convention at Stoney Creek Inn in Johnston, IA October 12-13. The theme, “IBEA: Meeting the Challenge,” provided the framework for educational tracks on technology, finance, business and general interest.

Kari Hadden from OA-BCIG High School was one of more than 125 Iowa business educators who attended the convention. Presenters from industry, education, and publishing companies provided timely information on a wide range of topics through four tracks offered during the conference. Breakout sessions included topics on entrepreneurship, sports marketing, accounting, and multimedia. Roundtable discussions were held to facilitate sharing of methods in a variety of subjects. There were also sessions on regional business advisory committees and quality business and marketing program initiatives. Represented by exhibitors were business education textbooks and software, student professional organizations, and businesses with educational and personal interests for teachers. This year’s keynote speaker was Tonya Skinner, High School Business Teacher at Jackson Senior High, in Missouri.

Art Club

Mrs. Kate Beyke, Visual Arts Instructor

Is your door looking a little bare? What about your classroom walls? We have a solution! Order a custom **Wooden Falcon Door Sign** from the OA-BCIG Art Club to spice up your school spirit! Find the order form online at www.oabcig.org, print it off and fill it out with your personal choices. You can also find an order form on the next page.

We will be selling door signs once more this 2014-2015 school year. Second selling period runs from February 16 to February 27. Turn in your order form along with payment to the High School office. Signs will be delivered between March 30-April 2.

Our goal is to purchase a new display case for student artwork at the high school. We need a better, safe place to showcase the excellent work the students at OA-BCIG are producing!

Wooden Falcon Door Signs



1. Paint Design: Please Circle One
Colors Available: Purple, Black and White

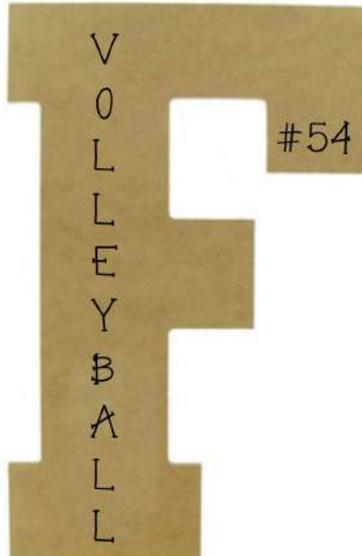
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- Polk-a-dot: _____, _____, _____ (Up to three colors)
(background) (color) (color)

- Stripe: _____, _____, _____ (Up to three colors)
(color) (color) (color)

- Solid Purple

- Solid Black



3. Ribbons:
Assorted
Falcon Colors

2. Sport or Activity or Name: Please Circle One

Falcons Trap Shooting

Football Band

Cross Country Speech

Softball Jazz Choir

Volleyball Cheerleading

Basketball Drill Team

Wrestling Spanish Club

Golf NHS

Bowling Art Club

Track and Field Student Council

Rodeo Soccer

Baseball Drama

Choir FFA

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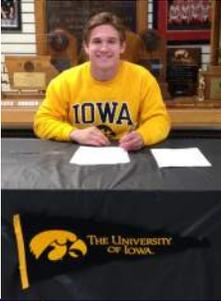
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Payable to: **\$ 15**
OABCIG ART
CLUB

Order Forms Due February 27th to High School Office

Activity Calendar for December 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 	1 6:00 V BB vs. River Valley @ IG Dance team performance @ half time	2 4:00 JV BB G/B vs. Woodbury Central @ IG 6:00 V BB vs. Woodbury Central @ IG Dance team performance 6:00 HS Wrestling @ Rockwell City	3 2:00 Dismissal FFA fruit sales end	4 State Dance Team Competition @ Des Moines 4:00 7th Boys BB vs. Denison @ Odebolt 4:00 8th Boys BB @ Denison 6:00 HS Wrestling vs. MVAO/Ridge View @ IG	5 3:45 Bowling @ Denison 4:00 JV BB G/B vs. Westwood @ Sloan 6:00 V BB vs. Westwood @ Sloan	6 Mat Rats Wrestling Tournament @ Odebolt gym HS Wrestling @ Doug Wood Invitational in Manson 4:00 JV/V B BB vs. Spirit Lake @ Spirit Lake
7	8 4:00 7th/8th Boys BB vs. East Sac @ Odebolt 6:00 JV BB G/B vs. Ridge View @ IG 6:30 Joint School Board Mtg. @ Odebolt	9 V BB vs. Kingsley Pierson @ Kingsley	10 2:00 Dismissal 	11 5:00-7:30 FFA potato bar before BB game 6:00 V BB vs. East Sac @ IG 6:00 Wrestling vs. WM/KP @ Onawa 7:00 OA Elem. K-5 Winter Concert	12 4:00 Bowling vs. MMC-RU @ IG 4:00 7th/8th Boys BB vs. Westwood @ Odebolt 4:00 JV BB G/B vs. West Monona @ Onawa 6:00 V BB vs. WM @ Onawa	13 ACT Testing Wrestling @ E-Hawk Tournament in Emmetsburg
14 	15 4:00 7th/8th Boys BB vs. Alta-Aurelia @ Aurelia 5:00 JV Wrestling @ SBL Tourney @ Sgt. Bluff 7:00 HS Winter Concert @ IG	16 HS & BCIG Elem. Mentoring Bowling Party 4:00 7th/8th Boys BB vs. Carroll Kuemper @ Odebolt 6:00 V BB vs. Newell Fonda @ Newell	17 2:00 Dismissal	18 3:45 7th/8th Boys BB vs. ArWeVa @ Westside 4:00 Bowling vs. LeMars @ IG 6:00 Wrestling vs. LB/WW @ IG 6:00 JVR/JV Boys BB vs. East Sac @ Odebolt 6:00 JVR/JV Girls BB vs. East Sac @ Sac City	19 4:00 7th Boys BB vs. Ridge View @ Odebolt 4:00 8th Boys BB vs. Ridge View @ Early 4:00 JV BB G/B @ Holstein 6:00 V BB vs. Ridge View @ Holstein	20 Wrestling @ Red Owens Holiday Classic @ Southeast Polk
21	22 HS Semester Tests 6:00 JV/V G BB @ Storm Lake	23 HS Semester Tests OA Elem. Winter Party End of 2nd Quarter	24	25	26	27
NO SCHOOL—Winter Break						
						
28	29	30	31	January 1	2	3
NO SCHOOL—Winter Break						

Breakfast & Lunch Menus for December 2014

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>1 BCIG B: cereal bar, yogurt BCIG L: BBQ chicken breast w/WG bun, peas, spinach salad w/tomatoes, peaches, apple OA B: WG donut & HB egg OA L: maidrites w/WG bun, green beans, apples, choc. pudding cup</p>	<p>2 BCIG B: assorted cereal, WG toast BCIG L: taco-in-a-bag, lettuce, tomato, cheese, salsa, black bean salad, animal crackers, applesauce, orange OA B: breakfast sausage bagel OA L: pepperoni pizza, red pepper strips, lettuce w/ranch, broccoli, pears</p>	<p>3 BCIG B: cheese omelet, WG toast BCIG L: chicken strips, Elem-tossed salad w/ranch, *fresh veggie bar, corn, PB sandwich, pears, apple OA B: cinn. roll, yogurt OA L: tacos, ref. beans, salsa, cheese, tomatoes, lettuce, banana</p>	<p>4 BCIG B: WG donut, assorted cereal BCIG L: chili, cinn. roll, baby carrots, cucumbers, *celery, crackers, strawberry cup, orange OA B: blueberry muffin, string cheese OA L: fish patty w/WG bun, peas, pears, rice crispy bar, lettuce w/ranch</p>	<p>5 BCIG B: breakfast wrap w/salsa BCIG L: hot dog w/WG bun, tator tots, cooked carrots, mandarin oranges, apple OA B: breakfast wrap OA L: scalloped potatoes, ham, corn, baby carrots, peaches, lettuce w/ranch, dinner roll</p>
<p>8 BCIG B: biscuit & country gravy, *scrambled eggs BCIG L: hamburger w/WG bun, baked beans, potato salad, sidekicks, pear OA B: WG long john, string cheese OA L: turkey hot dog w/WG bun, baked beans, applesauce, cucumbers, lettuce w/ranch</p>	<p>9 BCIG B: assorted cereal, pop tart BCIG L: beef tips, mashed potatoes, green beans, butter sandwich, apricots, apple OA B: breakfast pizza OA L: grilled cheese, tomato soup, celery, carrots, crackers, clementines</p>	<p>10 BCIG B: cheese omelet, WG toast BCIG L: lasagna, Elem-celery & carrots w/ranch, *fresh veggie bar, mixed vegetables, rice crispy bar, strawberry applesauce cup, orange OA B: breakfast cookie, HB egg OA L: turkey burger, tator rounds, pineapple, lettuce w/ranch</p>	<p>11 BCIG B: pumpkin choc. chip coffeecake, *assorted cereal BCIG L: pepperoni pizza, corn, caesar salad, jello, peaches, banana OA B: cereal bar, yogurt OA L: cheese filled breadstick, cucumbers, lettuce w/ranch, apple slices</p>	<p>12 BCIG B: egg patty, bacon, WG toast BCIG L: chicken patty w/WG bun, steamed broccoli, sweet potato tots, mixed fruit, apple OA B: egg omelet, toast OA L: popcorn chicken, corn, broccoli, dinner roll, strawberries, lettuce w/ranch</p>
<p>15 BCIG B: breakfast pizza BCIG L: French toast sticks, sausage, hash brown, celery-carrot sticks, cucumbers, strawberry cup, orange OA B: WG donut, string cheese OA L: chicken fajitas, cheese, salsa, tomato, tropical fruit, vanilla pudding</p>	<p>16 BCIG B: assorted cereal, WG toast BCIG L: mandarin orange chicken, brown rice, cooked carrots, broc-cauliflower salad, pineapple, apple OA B: WG pancake, HB egg OA L: beef tips over mashed potatoes, corn, dinner roll, applesauce, lettuce w/ranch</p>	<p>17 BCIG B: scrambled eggs, WG English muffin BCIG L: pork patty w/WG bun, Elem-mixed green salad, *fresh veggie bar, calico beans, pears, apple OA B: cinn. roll, yogurt OA L: mandarin orange chicken, brown rice, cucumbers, banana, lettuce w/ranch, dinner roll</p>	<p>18 BCIG B: blueberry muffin, assorted cereal BCIG L: ham slice, au gratin potatoes, green beans, dinner roll, sugar cookie, mandarin oranges, banana OA B: straw. splash pancakes, string cheese OA L: bean & cheese burrito, cauliflower, broccoli, pineapple, lettuce w/ranch</p>	<p>19 BCIG B: sausage breakfast bagel BCIG L: tavern w/WG bun, corn, spinach salad w/tomatoes, peach cup, apple OA B: egg patty, sausage patty OA L: chicken patty w/WG bun, green beans, baby carrots, grapes, lettuce w/ranch</p>
<p>22 BCIG B: pancakes w/syrup, *sausage BCIG L: turkey burger w/WG bun, potato salad, baked beans, mixed fruit, apple OA B: long john, string cheese OA L: hamburger w/WG bun, baked chips, pears, fresh veggies</p>	<p>23 BCIG B: cereal bar, yogurt BCIG L: ham & cheese sandwich, green beans, fresh veggies w/ranch, applesauce cup, orange OA B: breakfast wrap OA L: breaded pork patty w/WG bun, corn, mixed fruit, ice cream</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25 NO SCHOOL—Winter Break</p>	
<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p><i>In accordance with Federal Law and USDA policy, this institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.</i></p> <p><i>Milk choice, fruit and juice served daily.</i></p> <p><i>All breads are whole grain.</i></p> <p><i>*Available only at the high school.</i></p>		
				

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We will do everything possible to ensure everyone in the BCIG Community becomes the best that he or she can be!

As an agent of the community and society, the OA School's purpose is to provide an environment where all persons shall develop life skills by learning to learn.

At-Risk: What is it?

Mrs. April Wells, At-Risk Coordinator

Are you at-risk? How would you know? What would you do? Do you know the answer to these questions? If not, hopefully I can help. My name is April Wells and I am the new At-Risk Coordinator for the OA-BCIG School District.

The State of Iowa defines at-risk as such:

281-Iowa Administrative Code 12.2(256) "At-risk student" means any identified student who needs additional support and who is not meeting or not expected to meet the established goals of the educational program (academic, personal/social, career/vocational). At-risk students include but are not limited to students in the following groups: homeless children and youth, dropouts, returning dropouts, and potential dropouts.

Programming, however, is a local decision and definitions and guidance are given so that school districts are able to decide locally what the specific indicators are that put students at risk and guidance for serving these students.

The purpose of the OA-BCIG At-Risk/Dropout Prevention Plan of Services is to make available to students services and supports that enhance opportunities to be successful in school and beyond. This plan endorses an early intervention approach focused on providing counseling and academic support services for students and has the following general purposes: (1) To identify students with personal/social concerns that may be at-risk for academic failure; (2) To provide personal/social counseling and related support services for at-risk students within the school; (3) To provide academic support for students at-risk of failure; (4) To coordinate with outside area agencies and resources to provide guidance counseling for at-risk students; (5) To develop a network and collaborative relationship with parents in support of students with at-risk needs; (6) To provide staff development training for teachers and staff in support of students with at-risk needs.

The OA-BCIG School District has implemented several great programs over the years and continue to look at new and innovative ways to reach all students.

In the following months, we will be taking a closer look at the different domains of risk factors used to identify at-risk students and how they impact learning. If you have any questions in regards to at-risk, I can be reached at 364-3371.

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