



THE PANTHER PROWL

NEWSLETTER

Bennet Elementary
District OR 1

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*Together, we prepare our students to successfully
meet the challenges of the future.*

Bennet Elementary News



Fourth Quarter is off to a fast and busy start. Report cards were sent home with your child on Thursday. The students continue to work hard each day and come to school prepared to learn. Please be sure to read newsletters from the office and/or from your child's teacher to keep updated on all the upcoming events.

Congratulations to the Bennet Singers on a wonderful performance at Malcolm today. They earned straight superior ratings from all three judges. The students have worked so hard to prepare for their performance. A special THANK YOU to Mrs. McCreight for her time in preparing the students for this wonderful opportunity!



Thank you for your continued support of Bennet Elementary and your child's education. Linde Walter

5th Grade Visit to Palmyra

5th Grade parents please mark your calendars for Monday, April 24th at 5:30 PM. You and your child are invited to attend a campus visit at Palmyra Junior/Senior High. At 5:30 there will be a question and answer session followed by a tour provided by your child.

5th grade students will also be eating lunch and touring PHS from 12:00-2:00 PM on the same day.

This is a great opportunity for your child to see the Junior and Senior High School.

Bennet Boosters



Bennet Boosters will again be selling flowers from Janet's Jungle for their fundraiser.

Information will be sent home on Monday, March 20th. Sales will run from March 20th-April 5th Flower pick up will be Thursday, May 4th.

Today your child will be bringing home an order form to purchase a Bennet Elementary yearbook. The Bennet Boosters have been working hard to create a wonderful memory of your child's 2022-23 school year. Orders are due Friday, March 31st.

KDG Round Up

KDG Round Up will be Friday, April 14th from 9:00-11:00 AM. A parent meeting will be Wednesday, April 12th at 6:00 PM. A letter will be sent out in the mail next week to all families registered for the 2023 school year.

Summer Enrichment

Save the Date for Summer Enrichment from June 5th-22nd. Summer Enrichment will run Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM and is offered to all students entering KDG through 5th grade. Paperwork will be coming home next week.

Fall Preschool Enrollment

Little Panther Preschool is currently taking registrations for children who are interested in preschool. Please call the office to place your child's name on the list.

Upcoming Events

March

-26th Teammate Banquet

April

-17th-21st NSCAS Testing (3rd-5th grade)



Sunday, March 26th 5:30 PM

Every year our Palmyra-Bennet-Douglas chapter of TeamMates stops to celebrate changed lives and the power of human connection. Come, grow, and experience a great meal and fun times. The cost of a ticket is \$5 and can be purchased from Mr. Chaffee at 402.782-3535 or email at Chaffee.Mic@districtor1.net or Mr. Lahmon at 402.782.3535 or email at Lahmon.aus@districtor1.net

Palmyra Action League Easter Egg Hunt

The annual PALS Easter Egg Hunt in Palmyra is Saturday, April 1st. The Easter egg hunt will begin at 10:30 at Taggart Park. Age groups will begin every 5 minutes: 0-2 10:30 AM, 3-5 10:35 AM, 6-8 10:40 AM, 9-12 10:45 AM. Also, don't forget the annual PALS coloring contest. Color pages can be picked up at Decker's, Farmer's and Merchant Bank, Palmyra Library, or Casey's in Palmyra.

THANK YOU for supporting our school and staff. Your support is what makes our school district so amazing.



Panther Weekly Bulletin

Breakfast Menu

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Coffee Cake	Pancake & Sausage on a Stick	Burrito Breakfast Wrap	Bacon, Egg & Cheese English Muffin	Cinnamon Roll

Lunch Menu

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Chicken Drumstick Cornbread Muffin Baby Ranch Potatoes Mixed Veg.	Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce Breadstick Green Beans	Chicken Quesadilla Black Beans Carrots	Breaded Pork Patty Biscuit Mashed Potatoes/Gravy Broccoli	Tuna & Noodles Roll Peas

Happening this week at PHS

Saturday, March 18th- Class C All State Band @ Kearney

Monday, March 20th- Show Choir 6:30 am, JH Track Practice 3:45-6:00 pm, HS Track Practice 3:45 -5:45 pm, Cheer Tryout Clinic @ Bennet Gym 6:30 pm, Boys Basketball Banquet PHS East Gym 7:00 pm

Tuesday, March 21st- JH Track Practice 3:45-6:00 pm, HS Track Practice 3:45 -5:45 pm, Cheer Tryout Clinic PHS East Gym 6:00 pm

Wednesday, March 22nd- Show Choir 6:30 am, JH Track Practice 3:45-5:00 pm, HS Track Practice 3:45 -5:45 pm, Cheer (Mock) Tryouts PHS East Gym 5:00 pm

Thursday, March 23rd- MUDECAS Music Contest @ Humbolt Buses leave @ 6:15 am check email for information, JH Track Practice 3:45-6:00 pm, HS Track Practice 3:45 -5:30 pm

Friday, March 24th- JH Track Practice 3:45-6:00 pm, ESU Jr High Quiz bowl @ Peru State Van leaves @ 2:45 pm, HS Track Meet @ Olson Complex 3:00 pm

Saturday, March 25th-

Sunday, March 26th- Teammates Banquet @ PHS East Gym 5:30 pm, Cheer Banquet PHS West Commons 5:30 pm

Upcoming Events:

Monday, March 27th–

Tuesday, March 28th–

Wednesday, March 29th– Show Choir 6:30 am

**Thursday, March 30th– Alice in Wonderland 6:30 pm PHS
West Gym**

**Friday, March 31st– Show Choir 6:30 am, Alice in Wonderland
6:30 pm PHS West Gym**

Saturday, April 1st–

**Sunday, April 2nd- Alice in Wonderland 2:00 pm PHS West
Gym**

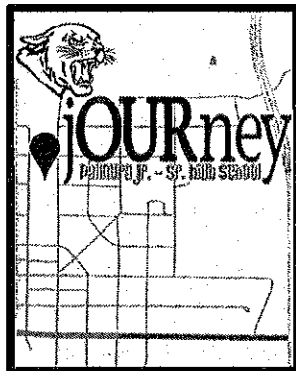
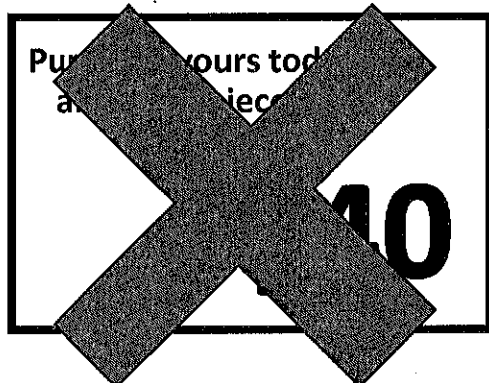
**Students are not allowed to be in the building
before 7:30 am unless they are taking part in
an activity that has early practice/meeting
times!**

**The Bus lane at Palmyra is off limits to vehicles
during bus pick up and drop off times before and
after school!**

GO PANTHERS!

Walsworth

2022-23 Yearbook Purchase Agreement



\$50

Prices will go up on
February 10th.

Remember the school year by purchasing a 2022-23

Use the purchase agreement below or go online @
<https://yearbookforever.com/>

Last Name

First Name

of Yearbooks

Total (check or cash)

****All orders must be pre-paid .***

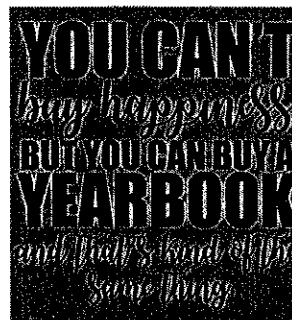
Return to the office with
payment if using this
document.

Address (if an out-going senior and not picking up yearbook)

City

Zip Code

E-mail to contact you when yearbook arrives.



PHS Youth Track Clinic Waiver

Parent Agreement, if this application is accepted, the applicant promises to abide and conform to the regulations of the District OR-1 Track Program. We, the parents or guardians of _____ a minor, do hereby authorize the District OR-1 Track Program staff to treat the above named child for any emergencies that may occur while participating in the District OR-1 Track Program Youth Clinic. I understand that my child should not engage in this activity unless physically able to do so. I will be responsible for all medical bills incurred as a result of any accident for which medical treatment is necessary while the applicant is participating in the District OR-1 Track Program and which may arise out of my traveling to the clinic or activity. If medical attention is required for injury or illness while in clinic, we (or I) give our (or my) permission for such medical care. We also grant permission for District OR-1 Track Program, and its coaches, to use photographs of our child for publicity, advertising, or other commercial purposes. We also do not hold District OR-1 Palmyra/Bennet Schools, or anyone of its staff/administration, or any other District OR-1 Track Program staff responsible for any injuries or accidents that may occur while my child is attending the District OR-1 Track Program Youth Clinic.

District OR-1 Track Program Youth Clinic
Box 130
Palmyra, NE 68418

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THIS AUTHORIZATION.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

Prom Parking Fundraiser

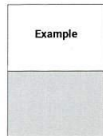
The Junior Class is sponsoring a parking raffle. If you drive, this is your chance to park right by the door in the west stalls (the superintendent's office). Every Friday, we will draw 2 tickets from the bucket. The 2 winners will then have "prom" parking for the following week.

You may purchase an individual ticket for \$2 or 3 tickets for \$5.

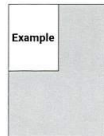
When you win, Mr. Kotik or Ms. Ferretti will meet you at the west doors to let you in each day. Times will be coordinated with each winner.

HONOR YOUR 2023 PALMYRA HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE WITH A PERSONAL AD IN THE 2023 YEARBOOK!

AD CHOICES



Half page
\$60
12 photos



Quarter page
\$40
6 photos

SUBMIT AND PAY FOR YOUR AD ONLINE AT YEARBOOKFOREVER.COM.

PAY ONLINE WITH A CREDIT CARD, DEBIT CARD OR PAYPAL.

- Go to yearbookforever.com.
- Search for our school name and click on Shop the Store.
- Select Create a Personal Ad.
- Enter your student's information and your email address.
- Select a design option and follow the steps to create and pay.

BUY A PERSONAL AD IN THE YEARBOOK TODAY!



PALMYRA HIGH SCHOOL

Purchase an ad online at yearbookforever.com.

Ad space is limited, so buy early!

Purchase by March 31st,
please.



YOUTH TRACK CLINIC

WHEN

**Saturday May 6th, 2023
9am- 12pm**

WHERE

Olson Sports Complex
1100 G St, Palmyra, NE, 68418

HOW TO SIGN UP

Google Form Link—Click Here

Paper sign-up also available

A waiver must also be completed in order to participate.

**COME SEE WHAT TRACK AND FIELD IS
ALL ABOUT!**

#GOPANTHERS



GRADES 3-6

EVENTS COVERED

**Jumps
Sprints
Hurdles
Middle and Long Distance**

CLINIC COACHES

**High School
Track and Field Coaches
High School
Track and Field Athletes**

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

**Dynamic Warm-up
Form Running Drills
Event Specific Drills**

END OF CLINIC COMPETITION

**Long Jump
100 Meter Dash
200 Meter Dash
400 Meter Dash
800 Meter Run**

*Actual events for competition
will be based on interest and
time.*

FOR QUESTIONS

**Coach Conn –
conn.and@districtor1.net
Coach Peterson—
peterson.cai@districtor1.net**

12th Annual Palmyra High School Golf Scramble

ALL GOLFERS ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE



Hidden Valley Golf Course

10501 Pine Lake Rd Lincoln, NE 68526

www.hiddenvalleylincoln.com

Friday, May 26th, 2023

9:00 a.m. Shotgun Start

Registration Deadline: Friday, May 12th

(Registrations after the deadline will be accepted if spots are available.)

Don't Delay!! First come, first serve. We are capped at 144 players and have had to turn away players each of the last 3 tournaments. Don't let this be you!!

Details:

- 4-person teams
 - Teams can be any mixture of men/women. Women and seniors will use the appropriate tee boxes.
- Scramble format – Cash Payouts --- Will be flighted as well. Flights depend on # of teams.
- \$80 per person fee – includes 18 holes of golf, cart, LUNCH, and unlimited range balls
- After the golf, we will head to Big Red Keno once again for awards, food, drinks, etc...

This year's on course challenge is again in the works...

(Info and Prize to be announced at tournament)

Par-3 holes will again be "\$\$challenge\$\$" holes.

To register your team, or for questions, email:

maas.tyl@districtor1.net (Tyler Maas)

Proceeds benefit the District ORI Foundation for Knowledge as well as PHS Strength and Conditioning. This tournament supports a "golf tourney scholarship" awarded each year to a graduating senior at PHS.

PALMYRA JH/HS PRESENTS

ALICE IN Wonderland

A DRAMATIZATION OF LEWIS CARROLL'S
"ALICE'S ADVENTURES IN WONDERLAND" AND
"THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS"

BY ALICE GERSTENBERG

DIRECTED BY CASSIDY BUESCHER & BETH MCCREIGHT



THURSDAY

March 30
6:30 pm

FRIDAY

March 31
6:30 pm

SUNDAY

April 2
2:00 pm

PALMYRA HS WEST GYM - TICKETS AT THE DOOR - \$5
NO ACTIVITY PASSES

WE WILL BE OFFERING FLOWERS FOR SALE,
CHANCES TO WIN GIFT BASKETS



Spirit Night to Support the Palmyra High School Prom



Monday, March
27th 5-7 PM

Guest be sure to mention you are
with Palmyra High School. 20% of all
sales support our 2023 Prom

3.17.2023

Chaffee Counselor Comments

School counselor, Michael Chaffee, can be reached at Chaffee.Mic@districtor1.net or 402.780.5327 for any issues that might be concerning you and/or your student in the realm of academics, college/career decisions, or social/emotional needs.



CHARACTER • SCHOLARSHIP • LEADERSHIP • SERVICE

Congratulations to the following students who were inducted into the National Honor Society at Palmyra High School:

Juniors:

Alysa Myers
Kenzie Ptacnik

Sophomores:

Evelyn Beccard
Gage Bohaty
Bettie Jo Chambers
Erin Chambers
Madison Dvorak
Collin Hillman
Leslie Kavan
Noah Lang
Priyanka Malhotra
Emily Moyer
Matti Schroeder
Daisa Smidt
Cameron Steinblock
Emily Van Meter
Addison Vasa
Haylie Vollman
Rylie Walter

**The PHS National Honor Society Induction Service
for our new students was on
Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at 7 p.m. in the West Gymnasium.**



Registration for next year's Juniors, Sophomores and Freshman will be open in the next few days by way of a Google Form. Students will speak with parents or guardians to select courses consistent with their interests and meeting graduation requirements. Mindful that grades will be recorded on the permanent high school transcript. A total of 230 credits are needed to graduate, 180 credits are required and 50 are elective.

Coming up!

Thursday, March 30
Monday, April 3
Tuesday, April 4

Careers in Healthcare Day SCC-Lincoln
Local and Foundation Scholarship Deadlines
ACT at the Izaak Walton League



How Do I Hunt for Scholarships?

By Mr. Michael Chaffee

1) The greatest source for college scholarships is from the college you plan to go attend. They have a vested interest in getting you on their campus, so they are willing to pay for it by offering scholarships. Go to the college/university of your choice. Once you get on their website, look under the financial aid tab or go to the search bar and type in "scholarships." This should get you to where you need to go. The school's admissions counselors will usually be of great assistance.

2) Use EducationQuest! They are a GREAT resource for all students! www.educationquest.org provides all kinds of college information, help with FAFSA, and scholarship searches by simply going to their site. They have locations in Kearney, Lincoln, and Omaha, always being of tremendous help to all school counselors, students, and families. I call them often when I am stuck with college questions. They are amazing! We are fortunate as a state to have such a great resource that other states simply don't have. And they do it for free! **DO NOT PAY OTHER COMPANIES FOR COLLEGE PREPARATION!** Establish your account (you should have already done this if you are a senior. Juniors should do it soon.) and complete search info on **ScholarshipQuest** and you will get a "hit" on some of the scholarships that are coming up for Nebraska high school seniors.

3) Local scholarships come to our attention all of the time and I distribute that information through Palmyra High School email, copying both students and parents. If you are a senior, I should have already sent you a link to our most active local scholarships. I can send it again if needed.

4) Last, but certainly not least, scholarships are offered through our District OR 1 Foundation for Knowledge. The deadline is in early April, this year it is April 3. I have sent all seniors a copy of the application the Foundation uses. Please note that it is a pdf file and can be filled in using a computer: please do that. Do not submit a handwritten application or essay. Not ever!

Finally, you will want to take your time and do an excellent job completing applications. The language you use, your grammar skills, and the overall completeness will be representative of you and your education. See a friendly teacher to help you, or ask for Mr. Chaffee to review your application. Make us proud!

Want a Kindness Starts with You sign?



We have yard signs that communicate our United Against Violence theme of #BeKind. "Kindness starts with you!" If you would like one, please contact Mr. Chaffee at Chaffee.Mic@districtor1.net

Get Connected!

TEXT MESSAGES:

If you currently receive our Emergency and Weather notifications, you will definitely want to **opt-in** to the text messages that go along with the notifications. Moreover, District OR1 plans to send “text only” messages to further support notices that do not require a fully-launched voice message.

On your phone, send **Y** or **yes** to our short code number 67587



VOICE, E-Mail, & Text:

If you currently do not receive our Emergency and Weather notifications, please call your school secretary and let them know the below information prior to opting-in to text message:

Primary Phone 1	<input type="text"/>
Primary Phone 2	<input type="text"/>
Primary Phone 3	<input type="text"/>
Emergency Phone 1	<input type="text"/>
Emergency Phone 2	<input type="text"/>
Emergency Phone 3	<input type="text"/>
Primary Email 1	<input type="text"/>
Primary Email 2	<input type="text"/>
Emergency Email 1	<input type="text"/>
Emergency Email 2	<input type="text"/>



POWERSCHOOL:

If you currently cannot check your students’ grades on PowerSchool, please call your school secretary and let them know the email address you want to use to log into our PowerSchool Portal. Once you are linked, you can also sign up to pay your students’ food services online.



REVTRAK:

If you currently are linked to your student’ grades on PowerSchool, you can create a RevTrak account by going to the following link:

<https://districtor1.revtrak.net/>

This RevTrak link can also be found on districtor1.org (in the list on the right side of the page).



Phone Numbers:

Bennet--402-782-3535 x1

Palmyra—402-780-5327 x2

Subject: Cheer Tryout Clinic Changes

Good Afternoon,

Due to some unforeseen scheduling conflicts at the High School Monday the 20th Cheer Tryout Clinic will be moved to the Bennet Elementary Gym. With commute time from track practice we will push the clinic back to 6:30-8:30PM.

The following did not change:

Tuesday 21st- 6-8PM HS East Gym

Wednesday 5-7PM HS East Gym (Mock Tryout)

Thank you for your flexibility.

**Jessie and Katie
Cheer Coaches**

Youth Track Clinic

Calling all 3rd-6th graders interested in the sport of track and field!

Do you want to learn what track and field is all about?

Do you want to learn how to become a better athlete?

Then mark your calendars for the PHS Youth Track Clinic to be held on Saturday, May 6 from 9am to 12pm at Olson Sports Complex.

Please see the attached flyer for details.

Please contact Coach Conn - conn.and@districtor1.net or Coach Peterson

- peterson.cai@districtor1.net if you have any questions.