

Niobrara Public School

May 2016

May Dates:

- ★ 2 - *Academic Awards @ Niobrara;*
- ★ *Athletic Awards Banquet @ Verdigre*
- ★ 3 - *NVC JH/HS Track @ Atkinson;*
- ★ *Golf @ Atkinson*
- ★ 4 - *Nio-Verdigre Golf Invite @ Niobrara*
- ★ 5 - *JH/HS Track @ Atkinson;*
- ★ *N Club Movie Night; Music Booster Meeting*
- ★ 6 - *Outdoor Expo Niobrara State Park K-5; Clean Up Day*
- ★ 7 - *Graduation 4:00 p.m.*
- ★ 9 - *Hwy 20 Golf Invite @ Bassett;*
- ★ *JH Track Knox County @ Creighton*
- ★ 10 - *Elementary Spring Concert*
- ★ 12 - *District Track @ Burwell*
- ★ 13 - *Elementary Track & Field Day; No Preschool*
- ★ 16 - *District Golf @ Summerland*
- ★ 18 - *Purple Loose Strife Dig*
- ★ 20-21 - *State Track*
- ★ 25-26 - *State Golf*
- ★ 30 - *Memorial Day*

Athletic Awards Night

We will be honoring Niobrara-Verdigre students in grades 7-12 at the Athletic Awards Banquet on Monday, May 2nd, beginning with a meal at 6:00 p.m. at Verdigre for students, their families and school staff. The Awards Ceremony will follow. This event is open to the public.

Each family please bring a salad or dessert.

We encourage families and the community to come and help our students celebrate their accomplishments during the 2015-2016 school year.

Last Day of School PreK-5

Friday, May 20th

Dismiss 2:00 p.m.

Academic Awards

May 2nd

1:15 p.m.

Niobrara Gym

**Last Chance to Buy
a Yearbook**

**Cost = \$30.00
Must order by May 15th**

**See Mrs. Heiser to
order your 2015-16 yearbook**

May News Fifth Grade

Our last year in elementary is winding down. There are happy and anxious feelings about all of this. Of course we are all ready for summer break and for the change of schedule, but we are a little worried how we are going to handle it.

To finish out the year, we have been testing and finalizing subjects. We are close to completing our reading series; then we will be reviewing and deepening our knowledge of the strategies and skills. In math, we will be moving onto multiplying and dividing fractions. We have just finished up comparing fractions, decimals, and percent. In science and social studies, we have plenty of work to continue on since they are the subjects that have to share instructional time.

In April, we had a day of orientation in the middle school so we can get acquainted with our teachers and schedule for next year. We were also very lucky to have the NPPD come and do a presentation for our class on electrical safety.

While we continue with our everyday work in the classroom, we will be having some days of outside learning too. We will be visiting the Niobrara State Park for our annual rendezvous on May 6th, May 9th we will be going to Wayne State College to learn about the importance of water, and May 13th is the track and field day for the elementary. All this while still finishing up testing!

I have enjoyed my year so far with the class of 2023, and I look forward to watching them grow throughout life. I wish you all luck! Everyone enjoy the rest of the school year with your classmates and teachers. It is a time you will never get back!

Mrs. Jaime Guenther



May Birthdays

1 - Octavia Bluebird

3 - Curtis Torrez

4 - Ember Key

6 - Jessenia Jaimes

7 - Wakute Keeble
Justus Denney

8 - Jeremy Bivens

12 - Amber White

14 - Jacob Motacek

15 - Morgan Torrez

16 - Sheldon Winder

17 - Charlie Widow

19 - Racia Gonzalez

20 - Keely Koehn

24 - Julius Brandt
Gypsie Prue

26 - Dylan Davidson
Phalynn Rouillard

27 - Jeanene Henry
Alan Rodriguez

30 - Erika Kitto
Whakiyan Rouillard

MUSIC NOTES: MAY

Upcoming Events:

May 3: 5th & 6th grade band practice after school.

May 5th: Sing Around Nebraska student practice after school.

May 5: Music Booster meeting 6:30 in the music room. **IMPORTANT** meeting for chaperones and parents!

May 10: Elementary Spring Concert 7:00 p.m. Split the Pot raffle, at this concert too!

May 25-26: Music Trip to Valley Fair

Choir: The Choir just got done with their last required event of the school year, District Music Contest. This year we went to Hartington and performed as a miscellaneous ensemble instead of a large group mixed chorus. Shaylee Campbell also performed a vocal solo. Shaylee received a II rating and the Choir received a III.

Elementary Music: The elementary music students have their Spring Concert on May 10. The K-6 are putting on a program about the importance of music in the schools. *There will be a Split the Pot raffle going on the week prior to this event. You can purchase tickets prior to the concert, and the winner will be drawn at the end of the evening. Proceeds go to the Music Booster account, to help with costs of the Valley Fair trip.*

Tuesday, May 3, directly after school, the fifth and sixth band students will be practicing together in preparation for their Spring Concert.

Thursday, May 5, directly after school, the Sing Around Nebraska students will be practicing in the music room in preparation for the Spring Concert. Attendance is important!

Valley Fair Trip: The 8-12 Band and 9-12 Choir students that participate in Music Groups will be heading to Valley Fair for performance and fun. We will be leaving the morning of May 25, spend the night, and then go to the Valley Fair Amusement Park the next day. The choir students will be performing a 20 minute show for everyone there that day. After their performance, students can enjoy the park before leaving to come home later that day. I hope this is a rewarding and fun trip for everyone involved! We have been fundraising

PRESCHOOL OPENINGS

Fall 2016-2017...Enroll today!

Classes will run all day - Monday through Friday.

Contact the preschool for more information!

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The Niobrara **Skills USA** Club traveled to Omaha for the Skills USA Nebraska State Leadership and Skills Conference on April 20-22. Students competed in various contests.

Cade Kalkowski – 1st place State Champ in the Metric 500 SR DIV; Dakota Crosley – 1st place State Champ in the Metric 500 JR Div; Dakota Crosley – 2nd place in Mouse Trap Race Cars JR Div; Nate Sandoz – 3rd place in Mouse Trap Race Cars SR Div; Dani Beaudette – 3rd Place in Restaurant Service and a winner of \$10,000.00 in Scholarships; Alex Bustamante – Job Interview and Nurse Assistant; Isabell Rife – State T-Shirt Design and Nurse Assistant; Larissa McCardle – State T-Shirt Design and State Pin Design; Ashley Guenther – Bridge Building and Nurse Assistant; Nate Sandoz – CPR and 1st Aid; Tommy Stark – CPR and 1st Aid; Brittany Eisenhour – Applied Technical Math; Tanner Hrbek – Applied Technical Math; Isaac Justo – Nurse Assistant; Jace Fritz, Jacob Tuttle, and Dillan Hrbek – Welding Fabrication Team; Cade Kalkowski, Tanner Hrbek, Tommy Stark, Dani Beaudette, and Jace Fritz – Technology Team Problem Solving

I'm very proud of this group. They did a great job at State representing themselves, their school, and community. They all competed well and I thank them for their efforts. I also would like to thank Mrs. Dryak for helping chaperone on this trip. Lastly thank-you to the Niobrara Community for support of our fund raisers which make participation in Skills USA possible.

Sincerely - Todd Runnels Niobrara Skills USA Advisor