

## Miles of Smiles

North Central District Health Department and your school have partnered together to bring dental services to pre-school, elementary and middle school students. The service will be available at your school on **October 17th**. A Registered Dental Hygienist will provide a dental screening/checkup and apply fluoride varnish, which helps prevent tooth decay. For children covered by Kids Connection or Medicaid, this service is free of charge. A \$15.00 donation is appreciated if your child is not covered by these programs. **However, if you are unable to pay, your child will not be refused service.** Children participating will also receive oral health education, along with a free toothbrush and toothpaste. A note will be sent home with your child if any areas of concern are found during the checkup. This service does not take the place of regular checkups by your family dentist or daily brushing and flossing. You are encouraged to allow your child to participate in the screening and preventive fluoride application even if you have a family dentist. Parent permission is required for children to receive services.

### Fluoride Varnish Facts

- sticky, honey-like material applied to the teeth with a small brush
- fluoride varnish is safe, adheres to the teeth once it comes into contact with saliva
- fluoride varnish is approved by the American Dental Association and the Federal Drug Administration

**Fluoride varnish should be applied up to 4 to 6 times per year, and can decrease further cavity development by about 38%.**

## PARENTS' NIGHT

★ Volleyball and Cross Country players, student managers, coaches and parents will be recognized on **October 2nd** in Niobrara at the volleyball game vs. Winside.

★ Football players, student managers, coaches and parents will be recognized on **October 19th** in Verdigré at the football game vs. West Holt.

★ Come and support our athletes and honor their parents. Go Cougars!

★ **Parents get in to the game Free!**

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Niobrara Public School for receiving the **Fruit and Vegetable Grant**, again!

**NO SCHOOL**  
All Students & Staff  
Monday, October 8th

**NO PRESCHOOL**  
Friday  
October 19th

The **Freshmen** class will be selling Scentsy products this month. Any freshman will be able to take your order! Scentsy products make great Christmas gifts! To order on-line go to <https://tdimig.scentry.us/party/9795750> or you may also call the school and ask to speak with Mrs. Spencer, Freshman Class sponsor.

## **DATES TO NOTE:**

1 - JV FB vs. Creighton @ Verdigre 6:00 pm  
2 - JV/V VB vs. Winside @ Niobrara 6:00 pm  
3 - Blood Drive 9:00-2:00 pm; JH VB @ San-  
tee 2:00 pm  
4 - VB Double Tri @ Bassett 4/5/6/7 pm  
5- NVC XC @ Bassett C.C. 4:00 pm; FB vs.  
Ainsworth @ Verdigre 7:00 pm  
6 - Homecoming Dance - Niobrara  
8 - NO SCHOOL  
9 - VB Tri @ Orchard 5/6/7 pm  
10 - JH VB/FB @ Wausa 1:30/3:30 pm  
11 - XC Districts; JV/V VB @ Pope John  
5:00 pm  
12 - FB @ Springview 7:00 pm  
15 - JH VB/FB @ Verdigre 1:00/3:00 pm;  
Knox Co. VB Tourney @ Niobrara  
17 - Miles of Smiles  
18 - K-2 Pumpkin Patch  
19 - FB vs. West Holt @ Verdigre 7:00 pm  
Parents' Night; XC State @ Kearney; No Pre-  
school; End of 1st Quarter  
20 - FR/SO VB Tourney @ Verdigre 9:00 am  
22 - 26 NVC VB  
24 - Flu Shots; PTC  
25 -Picture Retakes; 1st Round FB Playoffs  
29 - Nov. 3 VB Sub-districts



**American  
Red Cross**

### **Blood Drive**

**Niobrara High School Gym**

**Wednesday, October 3rd**

**9:00-2:00 p.m.**

**Contact Chelsey Chohon 402-857-3323 to schedule an ap-  
pointment. Walk-ins are welcome.**

## **Plan To Attend Parent - Teacher Con- ferences, Wednesday, October 24th.**

A confer-  
ence is a time for parents and teachers to share infor-  
mation, solve problems, and form a relationship that will  
help the student succeed. You don't need to wait for a spe-  
cial invitation though. You can request a meeting with  
your child's teacher to discuss academic progress at any  
time. The teacher needs to hear from you and you need to  
hear from the teacher. You know more about your child  
than anyone at school. Talking with the teacher about your  
child will help pave the way for your student to do well in  
class and will help you understand what is being taught in  
the classroom. Conferences are usually short and to the  
point. These tips will help you make the most of your time  
with your child's teacher.

### **BEFORE THE CONFERENCE**

Find out your child's questions and concerns about school.  
Check progress reports, report cards and work your child  
has brought home. Write a list of questions you want to  
ask the teacher. Bring your list to the meeting with you.  
Write down information about your child that the teacher  
should know, such as a family death, divorce, changed fi-  
nances, illness or a new home. If you need a ride, child-  
care or a different time or day for the conference, the  
school can help. Call the school office and ask.

### **AT THE CONFERENCE**

Let the teacher begin the meeting but be sure to ask the  
questions on your list before time runs out. Ask the teach-  
er what your child should know and be able to do by the  
end of the school year. Make a plan for how you and the  
teacher will work with your child to reach those goals.  
Find out the best way (notes, phone calls, e-mail) and the  
best time to communicate with the teacher throughout the  
school year.

## **OCTOBER**

### **Birthdays**

2nd - Winona Ware  
3rd - Rachelle Widow, Ramona Montalvo  
5th - Helena Ziegler  
7th - Angelina Denney  
9th - Praeson Klug  
10th - Adam DeKay  
12th - Ashley Parks, Duwayne Traversie  
13th - Gracie Fritz, Bryant Coffman  
14th - Stran Fritz  
15th - Jordan Long  
16th - Anpo Ferris  
18th - Dowan Thomas  
19th - Elena Mackey  
21st - Lori DeCora  
22nd - Daniel RedOwl  
24th - Anthon Smith  
25th - Natasha Henry  
28th - Ryan Mackey  
30th - Miley Pike

# Homecoming 2018

## Homecoming Week: October 1-6, 2018

**Monday:** JV Football in Verdigre vs. Creighton 6pm. Coronation after the football game.

**Tuesday:** JV and Varsity Volleyball at Niobrara vs. Winside 6 pm. Parents' Night VB and Cross Country. Student Council Drawing for \$1500 raffle during VB game. Bonfire in Niobrara following the game.

**Wednesday:** JH Volleyball at Santee 2pm.

**Thursday:** Volleyball Double Triangular at North Central (Bassett) 4, 5, 6, and 7 pm.

**Friday:** Middle School and High School Grill out for lunch. Homecoming Carnival with inflatables and Mini Pep Rally. NVC XC at North Central (Bassett) 4pm. Football vs. Ainsworth in Verdigre 7 pm.

**Saturday:** Homecoming Dance at Niobrara 9 pm-midnight.

### Homecoming Royalty

#### Attendants

**Freshmen:** Jordayn LaPlante and Wichiana Grant  
**Sophomore:** Gavin Chohon and Makenna Guenther  
**Juniors:** Tayshaun Kitto and Raquella LaPointe

#### King and Queen Candidates

Angel Grant	Erika Kitto
Logan Reynolds	Jolee Crosley
Chris Camey	Abby Swanson

**Crown Bearers:** Jowen Chaing and Isaiah Rodriguez

### Dress-up Days

**Monday:** Role-Reversal Day (students dress as teachers, teachers dress as students)

**Tuesday:** Pajama Day

**Wednesday:** Squad Day (Get together with others and dress alike, as a cast of a movie, box of crayons, etc.)

**Thursday:** Formal/Fancy Day (Dress in formal/fancy attire)

**Friday:** Blue, Black and Silver Day



**Wednesday  
October 17th**

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## **Now Available!!**

Cougar/Niobrara School  
Apparel  
Online Store

<https://nvcougars.itemorder.com/>

Deadline for orders will be October  
31st.

You will receive your apparel in  
November once the store has closed  
and orders can be processed.

*The link is also available on the  
school's webpage  
([www.niobraraschools.org](http://www.niobraraschools.org)) and on  
the school's Facebook page.*

## **Mrs. Jaime Guenther's Goods**

*Most of the news in this article will be about the fifth grade, but since I teach third and fourth grade math I will add some tid bits about them.*

The **fifth** grade is falling right into routine. They know the expectations and have been doing a nice job reaching them. Because of their hard work they enjoyed a movie with brownies as a celebration. School days run so smooth when everyone does their jobs!

Here are a few things they have been working on: reading groups are advancing, Dibels benchmarking and MAPS testing have been completed, language and spelling are teaching us many rules to practice being good writers, and math is introducing new concepts every day.

If you are talking with your child about any skills they are doing, or want to help them, you can have them change the spelling of words adding a suffix. They should be doubling letters, dropping e's, and changing y's to i's if needed. You can also have them outline a simple paragraph by writing a main idea and several supporting details. In math have them multiply three-digit numbers by one digit, add about four numbers together, subtract with regrouping, and find missing numbers. If they keep practicing these skills they will get better and better. I'm so very proud of all they have accomplished so far!

In **third and fourth grade** math we have been adding new skills each day too. **Third** graders are really working hard at fact families, adding two and three-digit numbers with and without regrouping, and finding the "quarter 'til" and "quarter after" of the hour. These are things they can keep working on so mastery can be sought. **Fourth** graders are working on much of the same as third graders, but with bigger numbers. Right now they need to work on not making silly mistakes and figuring out if their answer is reasonable. Also, an extra concept not noted above is finding the missing number. For example,  $n-6=13$ . The answer should be 19. They are taught to work it backwards and add, but they have a hard time doing that when they see the subtract sign.

All the students coming into my classroom have been timely at getting their work handed in. Sometimes the parents must help with the nudging, but overall it has been wonderful! Thank you to all students for being responsible for your learnings, and parents for being helpful toward your child's success. Please come visit me at conferences and bring any questions you may have or call me now if needed. I want us to have an open door of communication.