



## June 2022 Principal's Newsletter



It is hard to believe it is June and our last day of the 2021-2022 school year. A huge Husker Thank You to all our amazing families and students. Another outstanding year of learning, friendship, and Husker High Five celebrations! We have the most amazing children. Thank you for sharing them with us. I love being your principal and I am proud of our children, our staff, and our school.

Please have a safe and fun-filled summer. Take time to relax and enjoy the simple things life has to offer. Around the kitchen table, bonfires, or while in the car, talk often about daily events and happenings. Celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July with pride for our country and communities. Please inspire and expect your children to read each day. If you have little ones, share the gift of literacy nightly; if your children are older, ask them to turn off the TV, put away the Playstation, turn off cell phones, and provide a quiet place for them to exercise their imaginations. Carve out time each day to play math games, or practice math concepts. Work this summer will ensure a positive and productive start to the 2022-2023 school year. Thank you!

Have a blessed summer.

Sincerely,

Mr. Stang



**Visit Our Elementary School Library! Check out books for summer reading and come for some fun filled family time!**

**What: Summer Reading Program**

**Where: Elementary Library**

**When: M/W/F Library open from 8-12:00**

**T/TH Library open from 4-7**

**June 27-July 1**

M/W/F Library open from 8 -12

T/TH Library open from 4-7

**Week of July 4-8 closed****July 11-15**

M/W/F Library open from 8 -12

T/TH Library open from 4-7

**July 18-22**

M/W/F Library open from 8 -12

T/TH Library open from 4-7

**July 25-29**

M/W/F Library open from 8 -12

T/TH Library open from 4-7

**August 1-5**

M/W/F Library open from 8 -12

T/TH Library open from 4-7

**Why: Because we are going to miss our kiddos! Because summer reading = summer fun!**

Dear Husker Families,

We are excited to share with you that our elementary library will be open June 27-August 5 in hopes that children and families will visit, enjoy crafts and family fun nights, check out books, and read over the summer. Please note that M/W/F we are open from 8:00 am - 12:00 and T/TH we will be open in the evening for book check out and family fun projects and activities. Save the dates and join the fun! Husker Life is GOOD!

**Best of Luck to our 6<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

Dear Class of 2028,

Sadly that year is not so far off, and so much learning and living to do! Smile, the years for you at this time go by much slower than they do for adults. You have plenty of time to enjoy being young! We have your back and we love your unique personalities, strengths, and yes...your challenges!

Congratulations Sixth grade...You made it to 7<sup>th</sup> grade! I am SO proud of you! You made this year a TON of fun. You have the BEST hearts, filled with strong character, kindness, and a willingness to help. You know how to bring out the best in each other and how to help keep our school a safe place to learn, laugh, and play! I will miss you a ton. We expect amazing things from you. In order for that "amazing" to happen for you as individuals and as the graduating flock of 2022, yes I said flock of 2022, you will have to hold true to your family and school values. What is it you want to become? How can you use your energy, passion, and talents to make our school, community and your family better? Together, let's take a moment to learn from geese. Here are five life lessons taught to us by geese as they migrate in the fall and spring. The wisdom of a goose can make you better. It can keep you out of harm's way and it will help you build positive healthy relationships.

Lesson 1: Fly Together

It is a thing of beauty to see a group of geese flying together in perfect V formation. Research has shown that as each goose flaps its wings an intense uplift is created for the birds behind them. Further studies state that this "teamwork" adds 71% more flying range compared to a goose flying on its own.

Moral of the Story 6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Partnerships and teamwork rule the day. The days of the Lone Ranger are long gone. If you surround yourself with excellent people you're far more likely to succeed than if you attempt to go at it alone.

## Lesson 2: Stay in formation

If you've ever watched geese fly, you've likely seen one fall out of formation. And when this happens the fallen away goose begins to struggle mightily until it manages to fight its way back into formation.

Moral of the Story 6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Once you've established a good team, stay together and work together. Times will get tough and you may become annoyed with one another...but synergy cannot be created by a single person working in isolation.

## Lesson 3: Rotate

While flying in V formation the lead goose eventually tires and rotates to the back of the pack to re-charge their battery while another goose takes its place at the front.

Moral of the Story 6<sup>th</sup> Grade: It's important to share the load amongst team members and classmates. Build each other up. Make each other better!

## Lesson 4: Honk

While it's not always possible to hear from the ground, geese are a noisy bunch when flying in V formation. There are several theories of why this is. One theory is the geese honk to encourage each other... while another theory hypothesizes the honking is used to communicate where each goose is. You know, hurry up pal (honk, honk) I'm right on your feathers.

Moral of the Story 6<sup>th</sup> Grade: No matter the reason for goose honking, it goes without saying that we should always communicate with one another offering encouragement as needed. We should also have ways to communicate when something is not right. Step up, stand out and be heard! Hold high expectations of yourself, your classmates, and our school.

## Lesson 5: Leave no Goose Behind

Whenever a goose becomes unable to fly (becomes sick, gets a bullet in the belly, etc.) two other geese fall out of formation and stay with their fallen comrade until the impaired goose is able to fly or dies.

Moral of the Story for Holdingford Elementary School: No one gets left behind! The best schools around the nation are created by people that genuinely care for each other and willing to help each other out no matter the situation, it seems geese figured this out long ago. Together we can make our school, families, and communities stronger, safer, and a best place to learn and laugh.

Next fall you will migrate to a variety of new situations and you will soar to higher heights and to great success. If you fall back or ever need help, please know our doors are always open and we hope you visit us often. Stay in touch, stop in. We love you. We are proud of you. This is not goodbye, but rather BEST of luck! Congratulations 6<sup>th</sup> graders and thank you for a fantastic year.



## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Going into 6<sup>th</sup>:

You are now the leaders of our elementary school! Children will look up to you; they will watch your behaviors, and listen to your words. Represent us with maturity and excellence. Choose your words and actions carefully on the bus, on





### Happy Retirement...Your Life is Calling!

Heartfelt thanks are given by our entire school as we say goodbye to:  
Chris Bernstetter 2nd Grade Teacher Extraordinaire!

### Headed back home:

Amanda Wolf, Rock Star Husker Title Math Teacher

Maddie Sorum, Talented, amazing, and forever young and BEST for children 6th grade teacher!

Thank you for being part of our school, our Husker family, and our lives. We will miss you! We are happy for you!  
We are proud of you and wish you only the very best!

**Why God Made Teachers**  
by Kevin William Huff



When God created teachers,  
He gave us special friends  
To help us understand His world  
And truly comprehend  
The beauty and the wonder  
Of everything we see,  
And become a better person  
With each discovery.

When God created teachers,  
He gave us special guides  
To show us ways in which to grow  
So we can all decide  
How to live and how to do  
What's right instead of wrong,  
To lead us so that we can lead  
And learn how to be strong.

Why God created teachers,  
In His wisdom and His grace,  
Was to help us learn to make our world  
A better, wiser place.

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### Dates to Remember:

- Summer School July 11-29 from 8:30-11:30 AM, M-F
- Elementary Open House August 31
- First Day of School Tuesday, September 6