

HHS NEWSLETTER

MAY 2023

Holdrege High School
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www.dusters.org



IMPORTANT DATES AND TIMES

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| May 2 | - | HS Evening of the Arts 6 PM @ the Tassel |
| May 7 | - | Baccalaureate 7:00 PM Trinity Church |
| May 8 | - | PMHC Senior Sendoff, 12:15 PM @ the Tassel |
| May 8 | - | HHS Honors Night 7:00 PM @ the Tassel |
| May 10 | - | Seniors' Last School Day |
| May 12 | - | Graduation Rehearsal 8:15 AM |
| May 14 | - | Graduation 2:00 PM @ HHS Gymnasium |
| May 15 & 16 | - | Semester Test Schedule |
| May 17 | - | Last Student Day, checkout schedule listed below |

MAY GUIDANCE NOTES:



ALL STUDENTS

Schedules for the 2023-24 school year were released for all 9-11 students in the past few weeks. Current 8th grade students will receive their schedules on Tuesday, May 2 when they visit the high school for a tour of the building. Students needing to make a schedule change should stop by the Guidance Office.

SENIORS

- Honors Night will be held on Monday, May 8, 7:00 p.m. at the Tassel. All seniors are encouraged to attend. Local scholarships will be awarded.
 - Be sure to pay attention to the guidelines for claiming scholarship monies and remember to do that for **both** semesters.
- Remember to thank the organizations and/or individuals who are awarding scholarships to you by sending thank you notes soon after graduation.
- College bound students are reminded to pay attention to all correspondence from the college or university you will be attending. You don't want to miss important messages regarding new student orientation, class registration, housing, financial aid, etc.
- All graduating students are reminded that if the dusters.org email has been your primary email address, you should change that preference with your college and other organizations so that you will continue to receive important messages. We have encouraged you to use another account as you have completed college and scholarship applications since the dusters.org account will be disabled prior to the start of next school year.

- The Guidance Office page at www.dusters.org is a valuable source of information, including the Parchment link where students can request transcripts be sent. Seniors will have to request their final high school transcript be sent to their college. I will assist all of them in doing this prior to their last day of school. In the future, remember that you can always request the Guidance Office send your transcript to any college, university, or organization that may need it at no charge to you. Simply email Mrs. Freburg or Mrs. Nelson with your request, your graduation year, and where you need it sent.
- If you have taken classes for college credit you must request those grades be sent to the college you will be attending in order for them to be included in your college records. HHS does not have the ability to send your college transcript.
- www.educationquest.org continues to be a source of excellent information for students. Check out the Repayment Calculator to figure out your future loan payments, or check the College Students section for tips on how to be prepared for college.

**Best wishes to all 2023 graduates as you pursue your next phase of life!
It has been my pleasure to work with each of you!**

JUNIORS

- All juniors participated in statewide ACT testing on March 21. Scores are available on their ACT account and can be viewed at any time.
- Upcoming opportunities remain for you to take another ACT to count for scholarship consideration: June 10, July 15, September 9, October 21, and December 9. HHS will again be a testing site for the October and December test dates. Register at www.act.org. If you need help, come into the Guidance office for help.
- You are encouraged to be actively pursuing options for life after graduation. Summer is a good time to visit campuses and help you begin to narrow your college choices. You should have narrowed your choices to four by the beginning of the school year.
- Families of juniors: be aware that the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) will open on October 1, 2023 and you will use your 2022 tax information. This is essential to determine need-based financial aid and is also a component of many scholarship applications.
- Students considering participating in college athletics should register at www.playnaia.org for the NAIA level and www.eligibilitycenter.org for the NCAA level.

SOPHOMORES

- The sophomores took the Pre-ACT test in early April. We hope to receive their scores before the year's end and I will have English classes to go over the results.
- If you are beginning to think about college, think about when you may want to take the ACT as a junior; you should **not** wait for the statewide test next spring to be your first experience with it.
- Remember that the activities and experiences you are participating in right now will have a direct impact on making you a desirable scholarship applicant in the future. Try to get involved in some volunteer and community service activities in the next couple of years.

Enjoy your summer break!

Contact information:

HHS Guidance Office 995-8988

Email: julie.freburg@dusters.org

Follow the Counseling Office on Twitter @HoldregeGO



The 2023 HHS Evening of the Arts

The 2023 HHS Evening of the Arts will light up the Tassel on Tuesday, May 2nd. At 6 pm, the doors open for public viewing of the art created by HHS students this year. In the foyer, the Robotics club will be providing automatons serving candy hors d'oeuvres and the cabinetmaking students will display their wooden furniture. The music show begins at 7 pm with several music ensembles including the Jazz Band and Gold Dust performing a few selections. The evening ends with a tribute to seniors who've participated in the arts. We hope to see you there!

ALL students wanting to play competitive sports in the 2023-2024 school year must have a sports physical completed before they will be able to participate in practice or play. Sports physicals for next school year can be scheduled with your primary physician beginning in May. Hand in completed sports physicals to Kelli Hale in the main office.

Holdrege FFA Holds 86th Annual Banquet

The 86th Annual Holdrege FFA Chapter Banquet was held on April 16th at the Phelps County Ag Center. The meal was coordinated by Teresa Moore, Lisa Jensen, and Dana & Brian Brinkman. Over one hundred forty members and guests attended the banquet.

Chapter members received various awards throughout the evening. The Chapter Star Greenhand Award was presented to Freshman Jett Johnson. Chapter Advisor, Jeff Moore, presented the DeKalb Leadership Award to senior Chyenne Tidyman. The Chapter Star of Ag Placement was awarded to senior Malachi Connell. The recipient of the Star Chapter Farmer was awarded to Sheree Russell.

The top three Holdrege FFA chapter fundraisers for 2022-2023 were Cooper Lindstrom, Charli Wells and Jett Johnson. Each received a gift certificate for their efforts. Chapter Leadership pins were awarded to seniors: Chyenne Tidyman, Sheree Russell, Emily Helwick, and Malachi Connell. Juniors: Jaren Moore and Charli Wells. Sophomores: Keeley Vaughn, Aurora Tidyman, Nicholas Taylor, and Julia Rust. Freshmen: Derrek Marquardt, Clay Maloley, Claire Maloley, Cooper Lindstrom, Jett Johnson, Aldyn Hadley, and Curtis Eschen.

Chapter Activity Point Awards were awarded to senior Chyenne Tidyman, junior Charli Wells, sophomore Nick Taylor, and freshman Jett Johnson. Each earned a seventy-five dollar award from the FFA Catalog and a thirty dollar gift card. Also recognized for having high points were seniors Sheree Russell and Malachi Connell, juniors

Jaren Moore and Corey Hanson, sophomores Aurora Tidyman and Chase Brinkman, and freshman Cooper Lindstrom and Clay Maloley. These members received gift certificates to local businesses.

Scholarship awards were given to Freshman: Curtis Eschen, Claire Maloley, Clay Maloley, Derrek Marquardt, and Roman Urbom. Sophomores: Amelia Ptacnik, Nick Taylor, and Keeley Vaughn. Juniors: Zac Sundquist and Charli Wells. Seniors: Malachi Connell and Chyenne Tidyman.

Members Receiving Chapter Proficiency Awards were: Sheree Russell was a gold district rating and a state bronze rating in Swine Production and Entrepreneurship. Julia Rust applied in Diversified Ag Production with a bronze district ranking. In Diversified Livestock Production, Keeley Vaughn earned a bronze rating. Charli Wells was a State Finalist in Equine Management, earning third place at State after getting a District Gold Award. Jaren Moore was in Turfgrass and Management, advancing to State Evaluation and earning silver. Nick Taylor applied in Ag Services earning a District Bronze Rating, with Malachi Connell applying in Veterinary Science earning a District Gold and State Gold rating.

Star Awards for Public Speaking were awarded to Claire Maloley and Jett Johnson in Creed Speaking, Emily Helwick in Natural Resources Speaking, and Charli Wells in Senior Public Speaking.

The Chapter honored three individuals and parents for their support of the FFA Chapter with the Honorary Chapter FFA Degree. Those awarded the Honorary Chapter FFA Degree were LandMark Implement and Jeremey & Jessica Russell.

The night ended with the Chapter slide show, the retirement of senior members, and the installation of the 2023-2024 Holdrege FFA Chapter Officer Team. The new officer team will consist of President; Charli Wells, Vice President; Nick Taylor, Secretary; Derrek Marquardt, Treasurer; Jett Johnson, Reporter; Amelia Ptacnik, Sentinel; Jaren Moore, and Parliamentarian; Cooper Lindstrom.

The next major activity for the Holdrege FFA Chapter will be their annual Spring Plant Sales starting Friday, April 28th from 2-5 pm. Sales will also be held April 29th from 10-12 pm. Other dates include May 1st and 2nd from 4-6 pm and Saturday, May 5th from 2-5 pm, and May 6th from 10-12 pm. This year's new officers will also be attending Chapter Officer Leadership Training (COLT) May 22-23rd.

HHS Meals May 2023 - To find the most accurate and current menus each day for Holdrege HS, go to our website (dusters.org) and find "Lunch Menu" option as you hover over "Links" on the right hand side of the top banner, or use the links provided below:


HHS Breakfast Menu - May 2023

<https://www.myschoolmenus.com/organizations/311/sites/2601/menus/35008?date=2023-05-01&view=monthly>

HHS Lunch Menu - May 2023

<https://www.myschoolmenus.com/organizations/311/sites/2601/menus/35008?date=2023-05-01&view=monthly>


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Title: Mr. Todd Hilyard, Superintendent of Schools
Address: 505 14th Avenue, Holdrege, Nebraska 68949
Phone #: 308.995.8663

If parents, employees and students do not feel that their complaints regarding Title IX, Title VI, Section 504 have met with resolution at the local level, they can appeal their grievances to the regional Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights. All appeals should be directed to the following address:

Office for Civil Rights
8930 Ward Parkway, Suite 2037
Kansas City, MO 64114
816-268-0550
FAX: 816-823-1404; TDD: 800-437-0833

Holdrege High School

2022-2023

2nd Semester Test Schedule

Monday, May 15th

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| Period 1 | 8:00 - 9:00 |
| Period 2 | 9:03 - 10:03 |
| Period 3 | 10:06 - 11:06 |
| *Membean Group | 11:09 - 11:45 |
| Lunch | 11:45 - 12:21 |
| Period 4 | 12:24 - 1:24 |
| *Membean Group | 1:27 - 3:37 |

Tuesday, May 16th

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| Period 5 | 8:00 - 9:00 |
| Period 6 | 9:03 - 10:03 |
| Period 7 | 10:06 - 11:06 |
| *Membean Group | 11:09 - 11:45 |
| Lunch | 11:45 - 12:21 |
| Period 8 | 12:24 - 1:24 |
| *Membean Group | 1:27 - 3:37 |

*Membean group periods: students are released once complete with Membean requirements.

May 17th, last day of school checkout schedule:

***All Dismissals for Office/Locker Check-Out will be made by PA System**

- Membean incentive office/locker check out begins at 8:05***
- Junior Class office/locker check out begins around 10:30***
- Sophomore Class office/locker check out begins after Juniors complete***
- Freshman Class office/locker check out begins after Sophomores complete***