

Friend Teachers Honored for Years of Service



On Monday, August 13th the teachers were honored for their years of service in increments of 5 years. Five teachers in particular were honored for their many years of service in education to our school and our community! Thank you, from all of the staff and students lives you have touched over the years!

Pictured from left to right:

Jim Pfeiffer (27 years), Sue Eigsti (25 years), Margo Houlden (40 years), Tressa Beckler (30 years), and Paul Martin (30 Years)



SEPTEMBER



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Check out our website: friendbulldogs.org Find us on Facebook: Friend Public School Follow us on the <u>official</u> Twitter: @FriendSchools</p>					VB @ Freeman Invite 9:00 & TBD 1	
	Labor Day NO SCHOOL Labor Day	Teacher Inservice NO SCHOOL JH VB vs. Diller-Odell 3:00 JH FB vs Diller-Odell 4:00 VB vs Lawrence-Nelson 6/7	FCA Lunch Meeting <i>Full Day</i>	VB vs Cross County 6/7	FB vs Lourdes Central Catholic (played in Milligan) 7:00 Exeter-Milligan Boosters Tailgate 6:00	VB - Friend Invite 9:00 8
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	JV EMF FB @ Diller-Odell (Diller) 6:00 BOE - Media Center 7:30	JH FB @ East Butler (Dwight) 4:30 JH VB @ Freeman 5:00 PATRIOT DAY	FFA & Shop Classes to Husker Harvest Days <i>2:00 out</i>	VB vs Dorchester 6/7	FB @Thayer Central 7:00	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	JH VB vs Sterling 3:00 JH FB & JV FB vs Thayer Central (@ Milligan) 4:30/6:15 FCCLA FLW @ Kearney	VB @ E-M 6:30 (Varsity only)	Sophomore Field Trip to Homstead <i>2:00 out</i>	JH VB @ Dorchester 2:00 VB Triangular@ David City Aquinas (5:00 Friend vs. D.C. Aquinas 6:00 Friend vs. East Butler)	FB - BYE	JH VB - Friend Inv. 9:00
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	VB @ Tri-County 6/7 JH FB @ Meridian 5:00 JV FB @ Meridian 6:30	VB @ Osceola 6/7	Literature Quiz Bowl - Seward FCA Lunch Meeting <i>2:00 out</i>	JH VB @ E-M 3:00	FB vs. Osceola/High Plains 7:00 (played in Friend) FFA Booster Tailgate	JH VB @ Dorchester Invite 9:00 VB Quad @ Shickley (BDS, Friend, Cedar Bluffs, Heartland)
30	24	25	26	27	28	29

Blackboard Information System

We will once again use Blackboard to inform about special dismissal times, events as well as postponements, cancellations & special announcements. If you have updated phone numbers or emails, please let Deb Segner in the front office know.

For updated information, please go to:
www.pioneerconference.org
 and click on Friend

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT.....

The month of August is always exciting as we begin the next school year. Students are anxious to meet their new teachers and follow a new schedule. It is fun to see how all the planning throughout the summer falls into place for our students. I do not think this year could have started out any better. We are excited to see the great things our teachers, and students do throughout the year.

August is the beginning of a new chapter. However, on the school budget side, it is the end of a fiscal year and budgeting for the next school year is underway. Our school relies primarily on property taxes and builds a budget to help fund the people and programs that offer our students a great education experience. State aide is no longer a big factor in providing financial assistance to our schools, so taxes fill the void for funding. Over the past few years, the board and I have focused on how to keep the programs in place we know students will be involved in and be successful in without over spending and maintaining a healthy budget. We have also been diligent where our funding goes such as technology, personal, facilities and academics. It takes a lot of money to run a school, and fortunately, we have been able to grow our budget to a healthy state and continue to ask for less in tax asking.

This year, overall land valuations went down a total of 2.4% in our district. When this occurs, the tax levy will go up to generate the amount of tax asking we need to fund our school. Overall, our school is asking for around \$40,000 less in our general fund, but the levy will be around a cent higher on tax forms. This can be misleading, as the levy will be higher, but our tax asking will be less. We are also levying the same amount on the school bond fund. When we refinanced this, we promised we could take a year off the life of the bond without seeing an increase in the annual levy.

Next month, we will approve the 2018-19 school budget. We will have a budget hearing prior to the regular board of education meeting that outlines the proposed budget. This will also be published in the newspaper for public inspection. If anyone has any questions or concerns regarding the budget, I would be more than happy to visit with you.

I am very happy to see our facility is in great shape, our technology infrastructure is sound, our budget has gotten to a healthy state, we have great staff working with our students, and we have continued to offer many opportunities for our students. As always, we appreciate the community support Friend gives to our school and enjoy the partnership that makes our school great.

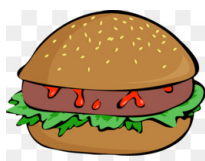
Let's have a great year.

Mr. David Kraus

Exeter-Milligan Booster Tailgate Hamburger Feed

Friday, Sept. 7 in Milligan

**Before the EMF Bobcats vs. Nebraska City Lourdes
Football Game**



Serving from 6:00 through halftime



Hamburger, Chips, Bar & Drink - \$6

Friend Class of 2031



Back Row (L to R): Petyon Zirkel, Brock Bruntz, Camdyn Kenney, Paxin Meints, Corbin Stutzman, Charlee Stutzman, Kaden Haney

Front Row (L to R): Owen Shonerd, Faye Foree, Ethaniel Verwey, Kambryn Kirchhoff, Xander Grey, Anna Jensen. Not Pictured: Corban Fennell, Serenity Nichelson, Jonah Hein



Check us out!!!

You can get information from our school Facebook Page or our Twitter Account which is @FriendSchools or sign up for Blackboard alerts to your phone/e-mail address by giving the office ladies your information.



Facebook page
Friend Public School



Official school Twitter page: @FriendSchools



School website: friendbulldogs.org

September Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Labor Day NO SCHOOL</p> <p> = Beef used from Purple Ribbon Meat Program</p> <p>3</p>	<p>Teacher Inservice NO SCHOOL</p> <p> 35¢</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Egg & Sausage Patty K-6 Chicken Strips 7-12 Spicy Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Gravy</p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>Full Day</p> <p>5</p>	<p>Breakfast Bites Hamburger/Bun Baked Beans</p> <p></p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>6</p>	<p>Cherry Strudel Stuffed Crust Cheese Pizza</p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>7</p>
<p>Breakfast Pizza Chicken Quesadilla Chicken Koos Koos</p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>10</p>	<p>French Toast Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes</p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>11</p>	<p>Cinnamon Roll Soft Shell Taco Toppings Bread/Butter</p> <p></p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>2:00 release</p> <p>12</p>	<p>Breakfast Burrito Mini Corn Dogs Tator Tots</p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>13</p>	<p>Biscuits & Gravy Cheese Flatbread Pudding</p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>14</p>
<p>Donut Fiestada Mexican Rice Churro</p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>17</p>	<p>Sausage, Egg & Cheese Sliders  Hot Dogs Chili Shredded Cheese</p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>18</p>	<p>Egg Taco  Spaghetti Bread Sticks Shredded Cheese</p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>2:00 release</p> <p>19</p>	<p>Egg Omelet  Sloppy Joes French Fries</p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>20</p>	<p>Cherry Strudel Sub Sandwich Chips Cookie</p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>21</p>
<p>Breakfast Pizza Cheese Calzones Marinara Sauce</p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>24</p>	<p>Pancakes Mandarin Orange Chicken Rice</p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>25</p>	<p>Blueberry Muffin  Hot Beef Sandwich Mashed Potatoes Bread/Butter</p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>2:00 release</p> <p>26</p>	<p>Egg Taco  Meaty Nachos Toppings Bread/Butter</p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>27</p>	<p>Biscuits & Gravy **6th grade Lunch**  Hamburger/Bun Sliced Cheese French Fries Frosted Chocolate Cake</p> <p><i>Fruit & Veggie Bar</i></p> <p>28</p>

Breakfast.....\$1.75
 Grades K-6 lunch.....\$2.70
 Grades 7-12 lunch.....\$2.95
 Extra lunch entrée.....\$1.00

A student will be notified in writing if and when his/her account has a negative balance.

Milk (extra or snack time) \$.35
 Adult Breakfast.....\$2.00
 Adult Lunch.....\$3.55

According to the policy of the Board of Education of the Friend Public School, all meals must be purchased in advance.



Breakfast serving begins at 7:50. Elementary students should not be arriving at school prior to 7:50 as there is no supervision in the cafeteria until breakfast serving begins.



PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF JUNIORS AND SENIORS...PLEASE TAKE NOTE!

You are invited and highly encouraged to attend an Education Quest college planning and financial aid session at the school on Monday, October 8, at 8:30 a.m. More details to come later!

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Start planning college visits now!

Juniors are allowed one excused absence for a college visit. It's never too early to start looking! Seniors are allowed two excused absences for college visits. I highly encouraged them to get one in ASAP since they'll be taking part in Apply2College Day on October 8. Parent permission forms for college visits are due BEFORE the student is gone from school or the absence will not be considered excused. Forms are available from Mrs. Segner in the office.

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Lincoln Area College Fair is September 16

Students and families can visit with representatives from colleges across the state, region, and nation during the Lincoln Area College Fair, Sunday, September 16, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at Southeast Community College, 8800 O Street. **Admission is free.** The College Fair, sponsored by EducationQuest Foundation and the Nebraska Association of College Registrars and Admissions Officers, will also feature financial aid presentations.

Follow these tips to make the most of your College Fair visit:

Before you attend, visit NebraskaCollegeFairs.org to register for a barcode. College reps can scan it, and you won't have to complete information cards!

Determine which colleges you want to visit
(a list is available in the College Fair article at EducationQuest.org).

Prepare a list of questions to ask college representatives. Ask about deadlines for admission, scholarship and financial aid applications.

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SCHOLARSHIP NOTES

If your business, organization, or family plans to provide a scholarship to this year's graduating seniors at Friend Public School, please contact me at your earliest convenience. I am compiling a list of all local and Foundation scholarship opportunities, plus this is a great opportunity to update the application form.

You may reach me via email (amy.hottovy@friendschool.org) or phone (402.947.2781).

Thank you for your generosity and support!

Students and parents are now able to see an updated list of scholarship opportunities as they are shared with the school. Follow this link, Scholarship Central, or look for the tab called "Scholarship Central" on the school website. At this time, local scholarships are not listed, but they will be added throughout the year.

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COMMUNITY SERVICE REQUIREMENT

We are excited about the opportunity for our students to serve their communities! Thanks to those organizations and businesses that have already contacted us as willing partners in the program. We are still looking for more to add to our list so students can see a variety of experiences from which to choose.

If you are interested in offering and supervising community service, please contact me at your earliest convenience (amy.hottovy@friendschool.org; 402.947.2781)

Elementary student council 2018-19



Congratulations to the following students that were nominated by elementary teachers to be members of the 2018-19 Student Council!

Front Row: Taylin Schluter, Taeven Ziegler, Meredith Paulsen, Avery Tuttle, Andrew Fennell.
Back row: Hunter Svehla, Mason Vossler, Keila Ricenbaw, Will Vyhnaek, Danika Smith.

8th Grade Science

The Friend 8th grade science class is working on a skeletal reconstruction project as part of their introduction to Earth Science and the study of paleontology.

Using their textbook and their knowledge

of similarities and differences they are categorizing the bones of an animal in preparation to assemble the complete skeleton. Once they have created the reconstruction of the skeleton, they are going to create a story representation of the life of the animal.





Stutzman's Side Notes

"You Learn Something New Every Day"



The students and staff are off to a fantastic start to our 2018-2019 school year!! The students have gone through the expectations and procedures and are diving into their curriculum. We are so proud of their growth from last year and how all of the students are embracing the positive energy and mutual respect for everybody in our building. We are all truly "Individually Unique, Together Complete". It is great to be a Friend Bulldog! The school continues to look amazing as the students' pieces of work at getting put up on the walls!

We have implemented "Fun Friday's" in our lunch room, and "Pawsitive Referrals" as well. The kids are looking forward to our first "Bulldog Buddies" group time in September! The elementary teachers are using the "Remind App" to communicate, and the Jr. High and High School students have adjusted well to our cell phone holders in each classroom. We are very fortunate to welcome many new students to our Bulldog Family, so if you see a new student or family please introduce yourself.

We will begin MAPS testing for Grades 3rd-11th starting on September 5th, to show growth from last year and set the tone to make goals for growth this year as well. The students will also do MAPS tests in the spring. Miss Rethman has been working hard getting our band prepared for this year maybe, you have seen them practicing around town! They enjoyed going to the State Fair, too! Our Bobcats Football and Bulldog Volleyball teams are putting in the extra time and effort to be successful this year, please support our students by heading to their games this fall! Students please remember to stay with your parents during these games for everybody's safety.

Speaking of safety, we have been practicing our Safety and Security by doing fire drills, bus evacuations, and a lockdown drill. Officer Josh has enjoyed being with the kids at school, often. The students have done a great job of taking these practices seriously, in case we are ever in an emergency.

Thank you to the parents who were able to attend "Get to Know Your Classroom Night" in Pre-School-6th Grade. This really gave parents a chance to learn the ins and outs of their child's classroom to help everybody succeed this year. It really takes three parties for all students to succeed: The parents, the students, and the staff. Thank you for your help in ensuring your child's success! Go Bulldogs!!

Liz Stutzman- Principal

Important Dates to Mark Down this Month

September 3rd and 4th: No School

September 5th: 3:36 PM Release

September 20th: Grandparents Day for Preschool Students (times listed below)

September 21st: Grandparents Day for Kindergarten-6th Grades. 1:30 PM

September 24-28th: Homecoming!!!

Grandparents Day!!

All Parent, Grandparents, and Great Grandparents are welcome to come celebrate Grandparents Day with us!!! We love you and we want to show you our appreciation for everything that you do for us!!

September 20th: PRESCHOOL ONLY=

3 Year-Old Preschool Celebration: 10:45-11:15 in the Old Gym

4 Year-Old Preschool Celebration: 2:45-3:15 in the Old Gym

September 21st: Kindergarten-6th Grade = 1:30 in the New Gym

We ♥ Our

Grandparents

 **GO BULLDOGS!!**

 **GO EMF BOBCATS!!**



FFA Events

August 24 - September 3 - Nebraska State Fair

*FFA Members Showing: Avery Kraus - Beef; Chrisitan Weber - Beef;
Jacob Weber - Beef; Maggie Vyhnalek (graduated)- Beef & Swine*

Husker Harvest Days - Wednesday, Sept. 12

September Chapter Meeting

Monday, September 17 @ Exeter - 7:00

National Teach Ag Day - Thursday, September 21

*Wednesday, Sept. 26 - Cornerstone Bank Ag Day -
Juniors & Seniors only*

Holthus Convention Center, York

*Sept. 28 - FFA Booster/Supporter Tailgate at the
EMF Football Game in Friend vs.*

Osceola/High Plains.

Fruit Sales Begin - Monday, October 8



From Mr. Pfeiffer - Activities Director

Parents, Patrons & Community Members ----

There are openings on the activity work list for home contests (scorebooks, clock, lines, etc.) If you have an interest in working at any of our home contests

please contact Activity Director Jim Pfeiffer

at j.pfeiffer@friendschool.org

or by phone at 402-947-2781

FFA Booster/Supporter Tailgate



Serving Hamburgers/Cheeseburgers,
Chips, Cookie/Bar, Bottle of Water -- \$6



If you are interested in becoming a
Booster/Supporter, the dues are as follows:

Individual membership - \$25

Family Membership - \$50

Corporate Membership - \$100

Dues accepted until Friday, Sept. 28, 2018

You can send your check to:
FFA Boosters
c/o Friend Public School
P.O. Box 67
Friend, NE 68359



**Student
Council
members
Welcome
Students
on
First Day
of School
2018-19**



Friend Student Council 2018-19

Seniors

Hannah Manalili

Blair Miller

Emma Niemeier

Juniors

James Anderson

Sarah Casper

Corina Grimaldo

Mikayla Hausman

Kate Houlden

Danielle Klenke

Caitlin Sharkey

Sophomores

Colton Benjamin

Abigail Eberspacher

Cole Holman

Megan Rumery

Freshmen

Cameryn Brandt

JB Drake

Fred Hausman

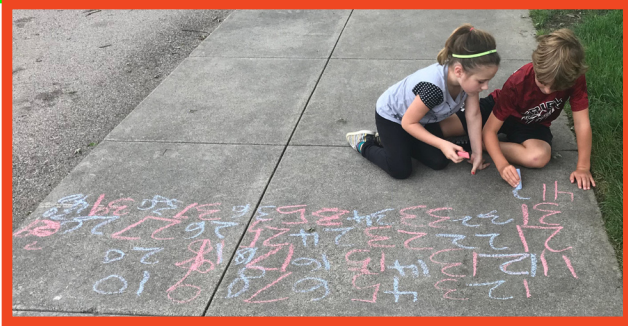
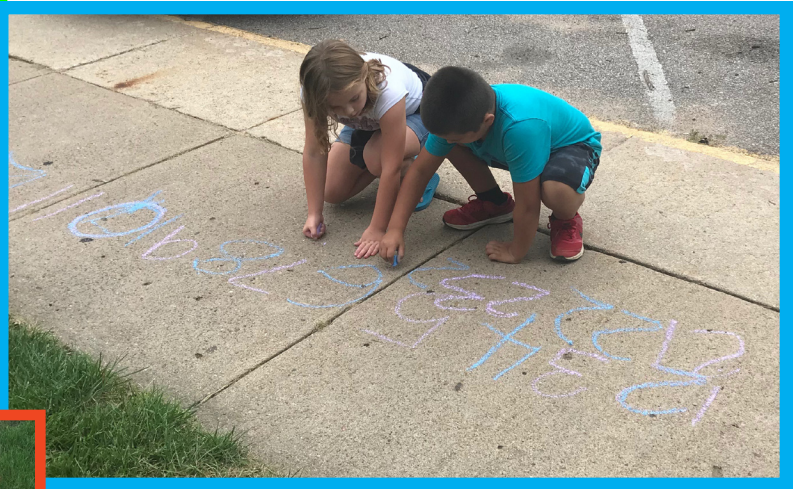
Grant Pavel

Christian Weber

Vivian Weber



2ND GRADE MATH



Mrs. Jones's 2nd graders went outside and practiced writing their numbers to 100.

FIRST GRADE 2018-19



Front Row (left to right): Ethan Bartels, Hannah Shonerd, McKinley Bartels, Bennett Buresh, Ava Svehla

Middle Row (left to right): Toby Davis, Tristen Semler, Roxann Caroon, Steven Bartnes, Carlee Bresson, Valerie Spohn, Blake Bruntz, Zach Zirkel

Back Row (left to right): Quincey Martinez, Landry Kraus, Trigg Svehla, Sailor Lloyd, Adilyn Meints, Grady Arp, Landon Bartley, Rylee Rohren

Used Book Sale



The school library will be having a used book sale the week of September 17th through the 21st.

Books will be sold for a donation to the new book fund.

\$1 per book is the suggested donation.

However we will accept all gifts.



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