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The Importance of Sportsmanship

By Mr. Al Steen

Sportsmanship is a very important value that all of our students need to learn and demonstrate. In our society professional athletes continually "trash talking" modeling poor sportsmanship to our students. It is imperative that good sportsmanship is taught to our students through adult role modeling, community expectations, and school instruction.

Unfortunately we had an episode of poor sportsmanship displayed at the Gehlen Basketball game. We have discussed this matter with our student body and are taking corrective steps to ensure future problems do not arise. It is too bad that the actions of a few reflect on the entire student body. We have a very good student body, a group of students that are well behaved, friendly, and respectful.

We need to remember that the best discipline is self-discipline. Please help us by discussing with your child and the students of our community the importance of good sportsmanship. Our students will listen to you, the significant adults in their lives. Please help our students learn that rivalries are part of compe-



tion and help all of us achieve at new levels. However, we need to keep rivalries in perspective and on the playing floor.

I am a firm believer that whenever a concern or a problem arises, it is an opportunity. It is my believe that we must always look for a positive, constructive, and developmental answer to all problems. With your help we will make progress with our students in sportsmanship, conduct, and the importance of respecting competitors.

Your help is greatly appreciated. As our mission statement says, we are "**A Community Dedicated To Developing Responsible Life Long Learners Prepared For Future Challenges**".

Community Meeting

By Mr. Al Steen

On Wednesday, January 19 a community meeting was held in the Hinton School Library. Community members in attendance were asked to identify the strengths and areas needed additional improvement under three categories. These categories were Curriculum/Instruction, Facilities, and Organizational Characteristics.

Under Curriculum/Instruction the community members felt that the Hinton Community School strengths included the K-12 setting, all day/every day kindergarten program, caring staff, and several other items noted within the minutes that are included in this newsletter. The area generating the most discussion was the need to emphasize class size in grades K-3.

The community members present want to maintain a low student/teacher ratio in these grades.

Facilities were discussed in detail. Some of the perceived strengths include well-maintained facilities, music facilities, sports complex, and our multi-purpose room. Facilities generated the most needs from the community group. Generally the need centers on space. The Hinton School District is running out of space. Currently every room is used in the building, which does not allow for expansion of programs and causes problems with a growing student population. Again, please refer to the minutes within this newsletter for more details.

Some of the strengths identified under organization characteristics include a "caring community", looping of elementary students, and academic sharing. Areas to improve upon include creating more academic competition outside of the school, community projects, and parent/community involvement.

A special, "thank you", to all of the patrons that attended the community meeting. The Community Advisory Committee and the School Board will use the information gathered during our long-range planning process. We look forward to hosting another community meeting in the near future. Your input is greatly valued and needed for successful planning.

Building for the Future

Track Meet Volunteers Needed

By Mr. Bruce Held

After the first of the year, organization for the coming track season begins. This will be the tenth season of hosting track meets at the Held Sports Complex. Again, we will be hosting a sixteen-team girls' invitational on Friday, April 14, and another sixteen-team boys' meet on Monday, May 8. Our junior high teams will also be hosting their co-ed invitational on Friday, May 12. As you can see, we will be very busy this spring.

Volunteers make our track meets run smoothly. Each year between 40-50 people give their time and their talents to make Hinton a quality place to run. If you can help, whether you are a veteran or a first-timer, we would love to have you. There are jobs for everyone, and you do not need to know one thing about track. This is a fun event, and a great way to meet people.

If this is something you'd like to pursue, do not hesitate to call Bruce Held, Athletic Director, at 712-947-4328 (school) or 712-947-4252 (home) and volunteer for the high school meets. A call to David Attrill, our Junior High Athletic Director, will get you in on our junior high meet. You can reach Mr. Attrill at 712-947-4328 (school), or 712-947-4395 (home).

We will be glad to set you up in a job suitable for you. The first meet is April 14, so do not delay. Plans are being made as you read this. The two high school invitational meets start at 5:00 PM. The junior high meet starts at 4:00 PM. We hope you can get involved!

Kindergartners Buddy Up With Fourth Grade

By Mrs. Laurie Bird

If you were to ask a Hinton kindergartner what one of their favorite things about school is (other than their teachers, of course) they would most likely say, "my fourth grade buddy!" Mrs. Bird's room pair up with Mrs. Joanning's room every Tuesday afternoon for 30 minutes for a fun activity. Mrs. Cook and Mrs. Kuchel's classes enjoy their time together on Friday.

Past buddy activities have included partner reading and writing, making paper sack books, a science lesson on snowflakes using toothpicks and marshmallows, and getting creative by making a valentine wreath. The interaction between the students is a very rewarding experience. Personally, I am equally blessed to spend this time with my former students!

Elementary Fun Night Planned

By Mrs. Mary Daniels

The elementary Student Council will host their annual Fun Night on Friday, March 3 from 5:30 until 7:00 PM. Students in grade kindergarten through six may attend. Activities will include face painting, "Moving to the Music" with Mr. Tunes in the multi-purpose room, and the movie "Mighty Joe Young" in the library.

Also, this year the Scholastic Book Fair will be open in the front lobby. Admission is \$1.00. Students may purchase refreshments at the concession stand, including pizza by the slice. All are urged to come and join the fun!

High School Show Choir

By Mrs. Beverly Evans

The competition was tough, with over 50 students trying out for a spot in the Hinton High School Show Choir. Qualities that were considered for membership to the group were singing ability, ability to perform choreography and dance steps, and attitude, cooperation, and enthusiasm.

When it was over, 22 musicians were chosen for the group. Members are Danielle Hay, Nicole Millard, Kathleen Eddy, Ashley Schoenrock, Beth Kovarna, Shannon Greene, Mary Casper, Mikyla Hardersen, Kayla Hodson, Jennifer Kroeger, Kim Foss, Ashley Bramstedt, Andrea Nielsen, Lynn Hageman, Amanda Bogenrief, Chris Stevenson, Bart Coffman, Katie Huggenberger, and Keri Hansen. Good luck to the show choir as they work towards their performance dates.

Hinton School Featured at Plymouth County Museum

By Mrs. Diane Joanning

During the month of March, the Hinton Community School will be featured at the Plymouth County Museum in LeMars, IA. There will be items on display most of the month. On Sunday, March 12, 2000, there will be short presentation about our school.

Some of the students, faculty, and citizens will be talking about what school was like in the past, is like in the present, and what Hinton Community School will be like in the future.

The exhibit will open at 1:00 PM, and the program will begin at 2:00 PM. There will be a lunch served after the program around 3:00 PM. If you do not have time to attend the program, try and take a few minutes during March to stop by the museum and see what Hinton Community School is all about.

Hearing Screening

By Mrs. Lisa Christoffel

Hearing is very important to a student's ability to listen, learn, and progress satisfactorily in school. For this reason, our school takes a special interest in the hearing ability of all students. Therefore, on March 7 and 8, Western Hills Area 12 Educational Agency will once again conduct the annual hearing screening. Students involved in the screening will be; K-1-2-3-5-8, and special educational students. If a problem with the examination is noted, the parents will be notified in writing from Western Hills.

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Community Meeting

By Mr. Allen Steen

A community meeting was held at the Hinton Community School Library on Wednesday, January 19 at 7:00 PM. During this meeting the public was asked to give input on Curriculum, Facilities, and Organizational Characteristics. Listed below are the perceived strengths and areas that should be emphasized for each of these categories:

Curriculum/Instruction

Strengths: K-12 Setting Reading Program
Older Students Mentoring Post Secondary Program
All Day/Every Day Kdg. Talented and Gifted Program
One Central Campus Caring Staff

Emphasize: Expand Accelerated Programs Technology into classrooms
Elementary Science Fine Arts Program Monitor Open Enrollment
Secondary Science Increase Volunteers ICN Room
Class Size – want a low student/teacher ratio, especially in grades K-3
Career Awareness – 2 year programs vs 4 year programs

Facilities

Strengths: Well Maintained Sports Complex Multi-Purpose Room
One Campus Music Facilities

Emphasize: Need Room – every room is currently used
Consultant - bring in to evaluate our facilities vs projected enrollment
Additional Gym or Multi-Purpose Space Needed
Share Facility with Community/City
Add Classrooms Need New Wrestling Room
Parking Needs Improvement Traffic Flow Needs Improving
Concession Access Needs Improvement Auditorium
Community Use of Facilities – review policies

Organizational Characteristics

Strengths: Academic Sharing Looping of Elementary Grades
Size Creates a Feeling of a “Caring Community”
Renaissance Program Math Club

Emphasize: Seek Additional Grant Money Alternative Learning Opportunities
Parent/Community Involvement Fine Arts
Community Projects Academic Competition
Dress Code

HCS TECHNOLOGY FOR THE COMMUNITY

By Mr Kevin Hart

In an effort to keep patrons and parents informed about the issues and events at the school we are soliciting the community to send us your e-mail addresses. It is our hope that through the use of e-mail addresses we can better communicate with parents and patrons. Currently we send via mail our news letter, *The Blackhawk*, every month.

The idea of sending this document via e-mail or giving you notice to access *The Blackhawk* on our web site, www.hinton.k12.ia.us/hinton/home will create a forum where the public can more conveniently access the news and information of the school.

There are also other advantages to having a directory of E-mail addresses. This form of communication will enable teachers to contact parents and vice versa more easily regarding the status of their child’s work. Patrons can now link teacher e-mail addresses through the web site.

The possibilities are endless as far as technology communication is concerned. First we need your help. If you would like to have your E-mail address in a teacher directory, send your email addresses to fayd@hinton.k12.ia.us.

Keep Athletic Events Safe

By Mr. Peter Stuerman
K-6 Principal

Dear Parents:

We are asking your help in making our junior and high school athletic events safe and enjoyable for all who attend. We welcome your families at the contests. Our teams count on an enthusiastic crowd to cheer them on to victory. We want our school to be known for good sportsmanship and hospitality. Please discuss the following guidelines with your children. Thanks in advance for your support.

1. **STAY IN THE GYM DURING THE EVENT.** Students are to be in the gymnasium, seated and watching the event when it is in progress. Students found in the hallways or multi-purpose room will be sent back into the gymnasium.

2. **K-1 SIT WITH PARENTS. 2-6 SIT IN ELEMENTARY SECTION.** Students in grades kindergarten and first sit with parents. Students in grades two through six may sit with their parents or in the special section of bleachers reserved for them. Look for the sign in the southeast corner of the gym. .

3. **CONCESSIONS DURING HALFTIME AND BETWEEN GAMES.** Students may visit the concession stand at halftime and between contests. They will be served during the game only if a parent escorts them.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at the school, 947-4328. Thanks again for your help.



Congratulations to Allison M. Donnell. She was the winner of the mountain bike raffle on Tuesday, February 8, 2000. The proceeds for the raffle went towards the track-resurfacing project.

“Lunch Dates”

By Mrs. Ann Mosher, Mrs. Katie Galvin, Mrs. Jan Heimgartner &
Mrs. Diane Culver

Did you know that February is Friendship Month? As part of the first/third grade reading buddy program, the children shared a friendly lunch with their buddies. The luscious lasagna and the friendly conversation were sure enjoyed by all!



Who Is That?

By Mrs. Deb Jordt

Through a combination of reading, computer research, and note taking sixth grade students read biographies. Students selected their own books about famous figures that spanned from Mozart to Michael J. Fox.

Students prepared a visual display and a two - three minute oral presentation. Visual displays can be viewed in the elementary hallway.



Relay for Life

By Mrs. Chris Johnson

I want to extend a big thank you to the Hinton community, the Hinton school staff and the students for their generous donations to the Relay for Life. The Hinton Black and Gold team donated \$936 to the American Cancer Society for use in their search for a cure to cancer. The team's goal was to surpass the \$750 that was collected last year.

Over \$166,000 was donated by the 105 teams participating in last Saturday's relay. Thanks again, to all who donated



Kylie Vondrak and Tiffanie Arens spread their "wings".



Listening to The Mitten



Students check out the "underground prairie".

First Grade Field Trip

By Mrs. Diane Culver and Mrs. Jan Heimgartner

On January 25, the first grade classes boarded a bus to take a trip to the Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center. The Naturalists at the center read one of our favorite stories, *The Mitten*, by Jan Brett. Students had fun participating by putting animals into a very large mitten. The story helped us learn how animals migrate, hibernate, and camouflage themselves during the winter. We also did a scavenger hunt to help us learn about animals that live in wetlands, forests and prairies. The students felt many kinds of animal fur, made animal tracks, and compared wingspans of many different birds. You can see online pictures of our visit at www.woodburyparks.com. The first grade classes had a great time and would like to thank Kathy Ream, Sue Popken and Bonnie Van Holland for chaperoning.

Hinton Community School announces its 1999/2000 Campbell's Labels for Education™ program Label Collection Drive!

Hinton Community School is asking students, parents, teachers and friends in the community to support us by collecting Campbell's® product labels for its Campbell's Labels for Education™ drive. With this support, Hinton Community School will earn additional educational resources just by redeeming Campbell's product labels!

Campbell's products eligible for redemption in the program include: Campbell's® soups, Pepperidge Farm® bread, cookies and Goldfish®, V8® and tomato juices, V8 Splash® juice, Franco-American® SpaghettiOs®, Prego® sauces, Swanson® broths and poultry and Foodservice products.

Campbell's Labels for Education™ program has provided schools nationwide with more than \$80 million dollars worth of equipment. All schools in the U.S. and U.S. military installations are eligible to participate. For more information on how to be a part of Hinton Community School's Campbell's Labels for Education™ Label Collection Drive, contact , coordinator at Hinton Community School.

These are the Campbell products that students and parents should save:

Product	Package	What To Save
Campbell's Beans Products	can	front label panel
Campbell's Chunky Soups	can	front label panel
Campbell's Condensed 26 oz. Soups (Family Size)	can	front label panel
Campbell's Condensed Soups	can	front label panel
Campbell's Healthy Request Soups	can	front label panel
Campbell's Healthy Request Tomato Juices (46 oz.)	bottle-plastic	front label panel
Campbell's Healthy Request Tomato Juices (46 oz.)	can	front label panel
Campbell's Low Sodium Soups	can	front label panel
Campbell's Ready To Serve Soups	bottle	lid
Campbell's Select Soups	can	front label panel
Campbell's Simply Home	glass jar	front label panel
Campbell's Soup & Recipe Mix	box	bottom panel w/ UPC code
Campbell's Soup To Go	tub	label
Campbell's Tomato Juices (10 oz., 46 oz.)	bottle-plastic/glass	front label panel
Campbell's Tomato Juices (46 oz.)	can	front label panel
Franco-American Gravies	jar	front label panel
Franco-American Gravies	can	front label panel
Franco-American SpaghettiOs & Pasta	can	front label panel
Pepperidge Farm Breads, Croutons, Rolls & Stuffing	bag/carton	UPC symbol
Pepperidge Farm Cookies, Crackers, Goldfish & Snack Mixes	bag/carton	UPC symbol
Pepperidge Farm Frozen Garlic Breads, Cakes, Turnovers, Dumplings & Puff Pastry	bag/carton	UPC symbol
Pepperidge Farm Soups	can	front label panel
Prego Pasta Sauces	jar/bottle	front label panel
Prego Pasta Sauces (46 oz.)	bottle-plastic	lid
Swanson Broths	can	front label panel
Swanson Broths	carton	UPC symbol
Swanson Poultry	can (paper label)	front label panel
V8 Healthy Request Vegetable Juice (46 oz.)	can	front label panel
V8 Healthy Request Vegetable Juice (46 oz.)	bottle-plastic/glass	front label panel
V8 Splash (16 oz., 46 oz., 64 oz., 96 oz.)	bottle-plastic/glass	front label panel
V8 Vegetable Juice (10 oz., 46 oz., 64 oz.)	bottle-plastic/glass	front label panel
V8 Vegetable Juice (46 oz.)	can	front label panel

Look for these reminder symbols on eligible packages: "Save Receipt," "Save Lid," "Save Label," "Save UPC" Campbell's, Chef's Kettle, Franco-American, Goldfish, Healthy Request, Campbell's Select, Prego, Pepperidge Farm, Prego



2000 HINTON BLACKHAWKS GOLF SCHEDULE

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>SITE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Wednesday	4/5/00	Marcus-Meriden-Cleghorn *	Hinton	4:30 PM
Monday	4/10/00	Sgt. Bluff-Luton *	Sgt. Bluff	4:30 PM
Wednesday	4/12/00	Gehlen Catholic *	Hinton	4:30 PM
Thursday	4/13/00	Kingsley-Pierson	Kingsley	4:15 PM
Monday	4/17/00	South O'Brien *	Primghar	4:30 PM
Wednesday	4/19/00	Spalding Catholic *	Hinton	4:30 PM
Monday	4/24/00	West Sioux *	Hawarden	4:30 PM
Tuesday	4/25/00	Westwood	Sloan	4:15 PM
Wednesday	4/26/00	Akron-Westfield *	Akron	4:30 PM
Monday	5/1/00	Unity Christian *	Hinton	4:30 PM
Wednesday	5/3/00	Remsen St. Mary's *	Remsen	4:30 PM
Monday	5/8/00	Girls Conference Meet	Hawarden	4:00 PM
Tuesday	5/9/00	Boys Conference Meet	Marcus	4:00 PM
Friday	5/12/00	Boys Sectionals	LeMars	10:00 AM
Monday	5/15/00	Girls Districts	TBA	TBA
Friday	5/19/00	Boys Districts	Aurelia	9:30 AM
Monday	5/22/00	Girls Regionals	TBA	TBA
Friday	5/26/00	Boys State Golf	Iowa City	1:00 PM
Saturday	5/27/00	Boys State Golf	Iowa City	8:00 AM
Tuesday	5/30/00	Girls State Golf	Johnston	10:30 AM
Wednesday	5/31/00	Girls State Golf	Johnston	8:00 AM

* Indicates War Eagle Conference Matches

All Matches are Girl/Boy JV/Varsity

Conference and District Meets are Varsity Only



2000 HINTON BLACKHAWKS TRACK SCHEDULE








<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>MEET</u>	<u>SITE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Monday	3/20/00	War Eagle Conference Indoor Meet (G/B)	Dordt College	5:00 PM
Tuesday	4/4/00	Lawton-Bronson Invite (G)	Lawton	5:00 PM
Wednesday	4/5/00	Gehlen Catholic Co-Ed (G/B)	LeMars	5:00 PM
Friday	4/7/00	Galva-Holstein Relays (G/B)	Holstein	5:00 PM
Saturday	4/8/00	Tomahawk Relays (B)	Cherokee	11:00 AM
Tuesday	4/11/00	Alta Relays (G)	Alta	5:00 PM
Tuesday	4/11/00	LeMars Invitational (B)	LeMars	5:00 PM
Friday	4/14/00	Blackhawk Invitational (G)	Hinton	5:00 PM
Monday	4/17/00	MMC Co-Ed (G/B)	Marcus	5:00 PM
Tuesday	4/18/00	Orab Invitational (G)	Sheldon	5:00 PM
Tuesday	4/18/00	Knight Invitational (B)	Orange City	4:30 PM
Tuesday	4/25/00	Lawton-Bronson Relays (B)	Lawton	5:00 PM
Wednesday	4/26/00	Warriorette Invitational (G)	Sergeant Bluff	5:00 PM
Friday	4/28/00	River Valley Co-Ed (G/B)	Correctionville	5:00 PM
Friday	4/28/00	Drake Relays (G/B)	Des Moines	TBA
Saturday	4/29/00	Drake Relays (G/B)	Des Moines	TBA
Tuesday	5/2/00	War Eagle Conference Meet (G/B)	Orange City	4:30 PM
Thursday	5/4/00	Battle Creek/Ida Grove Invite (G)	Ida Grove	5:00 PM
Monday	5/8/00	Blackhawk Relays (B)	Hinton	5:00 PM
Tuesday	5/9/00	Girls District Track	TBA	TBA
Saturday	5/13/00	Boys District Track	Holstein	10:00 AM
Friday	5/19/00	Girls State Track	Des Moines	TBA
Saturday	5/20/00	Girls State Track	Des Moines	TBA
Friday	5/26/00	Boys State Track	Des Moines	TBA
Saturday	5/27/00	Boys State Track	Des Moines	TBA





March Lunch



		1 <i>Inservice</i>	2 <i>Banana Nut & Choc. Chip Muffin Juice and Milk</i> Taco w/ Lettuce/ Cheese/Tomato Peaches Ice Cream Bar Bread Milk	3 <i>Egg and Cheese Biscuit Juice and Milk</i> Corn Dogs Chips Pineapple Jell-O Milk 
6 <i>French Toast Sticks Juice and Milk</i> Ham and Cheese Pickles French Fries Corn Peach Crisp Milk	7 <i>Cinnamon Pastries Juice and Milk</i> Pizza Green Beans Pears Bread Milk 	8 <i>Sausage Stick Juice and Milk</i> Tavern Tater Tots Mixed Fruit Chocolate Cake Milk	9 <i>Cereal and Donuts Juice and Milk</i> Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatos Apples w/ Cinnamon and Sugar Bread Milk	10 <i>Pancakes Juice and Milk</i> Baked Potato w/ Broccoli and Cheese Salad Peaches Cookie/Roll Milk
13 <i>Cheese Omlot Juice and Milk</i> Hot Dogs Tri Tater Green Beans Pumpkin Bar Milk 	14 <i>Breakfast Pizza Juice and Milk</i> Taco Mac w/ Chips and Cheese Pineapple Bread Milk	15 <i>Bacon and Scrambled Eggs Juice and Milk</i> Cheese Burger Pickles Potato Wedges Corn Shape Up Milk	16 <i>Sausage Biscuit Juice and Milk</i> Chili Cheese and Crackers Apple Sauce Fruit Bar Bread Milk	17 <i>Grilled Cheese Juice and Milk</i> Tuna Noodles Peaches Peas Bread Milk 
20 <i>Cereal and Donuts Juice and Milk</i> Nachos w/ Beef and Cheese Corn Mixed Fruit Cookie Milk	21 <i>French Toast Sticks Juice and Milk</i> Lasagna Apple Sauce Green Beans Bread Milk	22 <i>Cinnamon Pastries Juice and Milk</i> Chicken Salad Sandwich Carrot Sticks Apple Donuts Milk 	23 <i>Breakfast Burrito Juice and Milk</i> Goulash Pineapple Salad Bread Milk	24 <i>Granola Bars Juice and Milk</i> Cheese Pizza Pears Mixed Veggies Bread Milk
27 <i>Bacon and Egg Biscuit Juice and Milk</i> Chicken Patty Peaches Potato Wedges Brownie Milk	28 <i>Waffles Sausage Link Juice and Milk</i> Beef Stew Mixed Fruit Fudge Bar Bread Milk 	29 <i>Breakfast Pizza Juice and Milk</i> Fistada w/ Lettuce and Sour Cream Green Beans Pears Bread Milk	30 <i>Homemade Muffin Juice and Milk</i> Foot Long Hot Dog French Fries Apple Sauce Cookie Milk	31 <i>Cereal and Donuts Juice and Milk</i> Fish Sandwich Mashed Potatos Corn Pineapple Milk

March 2000

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 No School Teacher Inservice	2 JHW v. Westwood (H)	3 Elementary Fun Night 5:30 - 7 PM	4
5	6	7 Hearing Test	8 Hearing Test	9 Band Extravaganza 7:00	10	11
* *	* Girls State Basketball *				* *	* *
12	13 Board Meeting 7:00	14 End of third quarter HPA Rollerskating 6:30-8:30	15	16	17	18 State Individual Speech
* *	* Boys State Basketball *				* *	* *
19	20 Government field trip to Vermillion B/G Golf Practice Begins WEC Indoor TR @ Dordt 5:00 PM	21 Government field trip to Vermillion Advisory Committee Meeting 7 PM	22	23	24 School Carnival	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 Kindergarten Round-Up 9 to 11	