

**North Bend Central Public Schools
Regular Board of Education Meeting
NBC Board of Education Room
Monday, April 7, 2025
7:30 PM**

- I. **SECTION I OPENING**
 - I.A. Call Meeting to Order
 - I.B. Pledge of Allegiance
 - I.C. Roll Call
 - I.D. Excuse Absent Board Members
 - I.E. Acknowledge Posted Open Meeting Act
- II. **SECTION II REVIEW OF THE AGENDA**
 - II.A. Publication of Notice
 - II.A.a. Changes/Approval of Agenda
 - II.A.b. Notes Regarding Agenda
- III. **SECTION III CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE**
- IV. **SECTION IV RECOGNITION OF VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT**
- V. **SECTION V BUSINESS ITEMS**
 - V.A. Approval of Prior Minutes:
 - V.B. Review of Financial Statements
 - V.B.a. Activity Fund
 - V.C. Approval of Bills
 - V.C.a. Check Listing Report
- VI. **SECTION VI REPORTS**
 - VI.A. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT
 - VI.B. HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL REPORT
 - VI.C. ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL REPORT
 - VI.D. ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR REPORT
- VII. **SECTION VII BUSINESS ITEMS**
 - VII.A. Presentation from Bob Soukup, and discussion from the board, about our facility assessment and findings
 - VII.B. Approve Math curriculum purchase for 2025-2026 school year
 - VII.C. Review of board policy, policy numbers 3031 through 3044
 - VII.D. Approve revision of transportation policies 4003, 4060, and 5044 to reflect changes allowing for better alignment with NDE and FMCSA requirements
 - VII.E. Approve amending the school calendar for the 2024-2025 school year to set the last day of school to Friday, May 16, 2025
 - VII.F. Discuss Portrait of a Graduate project
- VIII. **SECTION VIII PERSONNEL**
 - VIII.A. Approve changes to the calculation of hourly paid classified staff raises for the 2025-2026 school year
 - VIII.B. Approve the resignation of Tessie Beaver, elementary principal, effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year

- VIII.C. Approve the resignation of Liz Eberspacher, middle school ELA teacher, effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year
- VIII.D. Approve the hire of Brad LaChapelle, elementary principal, for the 2025-2026 school year
- VIII.E. Approve the hire of Torrin Boyer, secondary STS teacher, for the 2025-2026 school year
- VIII.F. Approve the hire of Ashley Jedlicka, elementary nurse, for the current school year
- VIII.G. Approve the hire of Steve Richardson, secondary Science teacher, for the 2025-2026 school year
- VIII.H. Approve the hire of Kiara Healy, preschool teacher, for the 2025-2026 school year
- VIII.I. Approve the hire of Suzanne Paseka, elementary looping teacher, for the 2025-2026 school year
- IX. **SECTION IX REMINDERS AND DATES**
- IX.A. Next Meeting: Regular Meeting - May 12, 2025, at 7:30 pm
- X. **Adjourn**

(The agenda contains a list of subjects known at the time of distribution on April 4, 2025. A copy of the agenda reflecting any changes will be available for public inspection during normal business hours in the High School office. Except for items of an emergency nature, the agenda will not be enlarged later than 24 hours before the scheduled commencement of the meeting.)

MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular	North Bend Central – Media Center	7:30 P.M.	March 10, 2025
Kind of Meeting	Meeting Place	Time	Date

	PRESENT	ABSENT
President.....	Doug Hoops	
Vice Pres.....	Bob Feurer	
Secretary.....	Andy Swanson	
Treasurer.....	Justin Taylor	
Member.....	Amy Williams	
Member.....	Nick Emanuel	
Superintendent.....	Patrick Ningen	
Recording Secretary.....	Kyrsten Mottl	

1. **A. CALL TO ORDER:** President Hoops called the Board meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
C. ROLL CALL:Present: Bob Feurer, Justin Taylor, Doug Hoops, Amy Williams, Nick Emanuel & Andy Swanson.
D. EXCUSE ABSENT BOARD MEMBERS: none.
E. ACKNOWLEDGE POSTED OPEN MEETING ACT: President Hoops announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall of the meeting room and directed the public to its location.

2. REVIEW OF THE AGENDA:

A. PUBLICATION NOTICE: Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education and published in the March 5, 2025 “North Bend Eagle”. The Secretary of the Board maintains a list of the news media requesting notification of meetings and advance notification to the listed media of the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting was provided. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the publicized notice and a current copy of the agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as may be herein after noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

A.b. Changes/Approval of Agenda: notes

A.c. Notes regarding agenda: none

3. **CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE:** Coach Streff and the wrestling State Medalists, Pyper Daughtery and Cashtin Stanek shared with the board their season experiences and experiences at the State tournament.
4. **RECOGNITION OF VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
5. **BUSINESS ITEMS:**
 - A. **APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES:** The Board reviewed the minutes of the February 13, 2025 Board Meeting. Motion (Feurer) Second (Taylor) to approve the February 13, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion carried. 6-0.
 - B. **REVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:** The Board reviewed the financial statements.
 - C. **APPROVAL OF BILLS:** Motion (Feurer), Second (Swanson) to approve the March bills as follows: General Fund - \$164,254.99 Motion Carried 6-0.

6.REPORTS:

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

- Elementary Principal Search: Four of our five finalists have been scheduled for an interview for our Elementary principal position. The fifth finalist was just hired at a different school. Amy, Bob, and Andy will take part in the board portion of the interview process.
- The NRCSA Spring Conference will take place March 19-21, in Kearney.
- Roy Wright, Galen Uhing, and Mr. Ningen would like to meet with the Transportation/Buildings Committee soon, so they can do walkthroughs at both sites, plan for the summer, and review the transportation replacement schedule.
- The first quarter board work session will take place on March 24th, at 7:30 pm, at the Platte Valley Bank conference room.

- Preliminary state aid and budget authority numbers have been updated for next year. We look to get about \$23,890 more in state aid, approximately \$128,460 more in SPED reimbursement, and will be able to levy about \$533,300 more than we were able to last year. This does not include the extra that is possible from a budget authority override.
- The leadership team has been discussing ending the second semester on Friday, May 16th for the kids. Currently, the students are scheduled to come back on Monday, May 19th for a shortened day. Now that we have made it through our winter weather (hopefully!), we would like the board to consider the change. We believe this is a more natural ending point for the kids. The calendar for next year does have the students' last day on a Friday.

HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL REPORT:

- **Driver's Education:** Karma Amison will again be our Driver's Education Instructor for the 2025 summer course. The classroom portion of the course will run from roughly May 20th to May 23rd from 8 am to noon each day. After the classroom instruction, students will sign up for the behind-the-wheel instruction which must be equal to 5-hours. To complete the driving portion of the course, students must be 14 years of age and hold a school/learner's permit. All driving must be completed by August 15th. Below I have last year's cost, I would recommend we leave all fees the same for the upcoming school summer. 2024 Cost \$360 (\$460 Non-NBC students)
- **State Testing:** ACT March 25th - All 11th graders will report to the old gym for the ACT practice test.
March 26th - All 10th graders will report to the old gym for the Pre-ACT test.
April 8th - STATE ACT Date for all paper-pencil testing location, We will provide breakfast for all juniors before testing. A granola bar and water during their break and pizza before they complete the writing section of the test will be provided to students. After the writing section, 11th graders will be dismissed for the day.
NSCAS: For grades 6th - 8th, the window opens March 24th and closes May 2nd.
- **Action Planning:** The middle school has established interventions in language arts and math. We used a few different data sources along with teacher recommendations to determine students who would receive these interventions. We are currently using TAP Monday through Thursday to alternate 6th and 7th graders and Math and LA. Mrs. Treymane and Mrs. E are providing the instruction. We will continue interventions until students participate in state testing in April.
- **Fun Force:** The Fun Force committee has worked throughout the year to provide culture-building activities for both our students and staff. This month students are very excited about the upcoming pickleball tournament that is scheduled for the end of the month. The tournament will include brackets for staff, HS and MS students. The Fun Force is also really excited about the end-of-year outing for staff. They are working on providing a Murder Mystery event after Honors Night where everyone is a suspect.

ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL REPORT:

- **March 14th Inservice:** At our next inservice staff will receive training on the Emergent3 (E3) app in the morning. In the afternoon, we will focus on School Improvement to review our mission and vision statements.
- **Safety Drills:** Tornado Drill: March 24th-28th is Severe Weather Awareness Week. We will hold a tornado drill on Wednesday of that week. Bus Evacuation: We will hold our 2nd bus evacuation drill of the year towards the end of March.
- **Kindergarten Round Up and Week of the Young Child Night:** On April 7th from 6:00-6:30 pm, incoming kindergarten students and their parents will have Kindergarten Round Up. Kindergarten teachers will share information and families will be able to visit the classrooms. Our preschool family night for Week of the young Child, will follow Kindergarten Round Up from 6:30-7:30. Current preschool students and their parents will have the opportunity to participate in fun activities in the gym.
- **25-26 School Year for Preschool** Currently we have the following numbers for children who would like to attend preschool next year: ● 35 in-district students for Preschool ○ An additional 4 students are eligible for preschool but not coming until Kindergarten ● 12 out of district children ○ 3 of these children have siblings who already attend NBC ○ 1 child a parent who is a full time NBC employee

ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR REPORT:

- **Girls BB:** Congratulations to our Girls Basketball team for their most recent trip to the state Tournament. That makes seven in a row. A wonderful accomplishment by Coach Sterup and his assistant Coaches in Coach Meyer and Coach Ladehoff and specifically the girls that are part of the basketball team. They had another great year that culminated in reaching the state tournament.
- **Wrestling:** We would also like to Congratulate Coach Streff and his staff of Coach Pribnow, Mike Virka, and Ian Virka on a great showing in the State Wrestling Tournament. We had our first NSAA sanctioned girls Wrestler place 5th at State

in Pyper Daugherty. Then we followed that first with a couple more boys medals in Cash Stanek placing 5th and Phillip Streff as a State Runner Up. Very proud to see our wrestlers go over to Omaha and have success.

- **Speech:** Would like to wish Head Speech Coach Liz Eberspacher, Assistant Coach Carie Schmidt good luck as they will be competing in District Speech before our next meeting. They have had a great year and Coach E and Coach Schmidt have done a great job in year one together working with the kids to prepare them. We are very excited for them.
- **Additional Clubs / Activities:** Others that have been performing at a high level include FFA headed by coach DJ Mottl and some of their accomplishments are they have won 3 District 3 Ag Ed Contests. With 8 individual champions. Two, FFA Members will be getting their State FFA Degrees in Joseph Blaha & Olivia Buresh. Hallie Mottl - Top 3 in the State in Grain Production Proficiency. She will interview for #1 during the State FFA Convention. Individual FFA Speaking Qualifiers are Kelsey Bunn and Vanessa Cummings. Alexa Brodd earned a spot in the Ag Issues Academy. She will get to write, record and work on agricultural promotion with industry professionals during the convention.
- **Cheer & Dance:** The NBC Cheer Team and Dance Team received a NCA Academic Team Excellence Award at Nebraska State Cheer and Dance Championships. The requirement for this award is for the team to have a cumulative GPA of 3.3-4.0. The Dance Team's GPA was 3.95 and The Cheer Team's GPA was 3.68.
- **MathCounts:** MathCounts competed at their Chapter (district) competition in Columbus on February 22nd. Out of approximately 60 students, Bryce Cody placed 1st and Hadley Karnatz placed 2nd as individuals. Bryce also won the countdown round which is a head-to-head fast paced competition. The team of Bryce, Hadley, Stuart Wisnieski, and Madison Hampl placed 1st out of 10 teams and qualified for the state competition on March 22nd. Our MathCounts group is headed by Aubrey Miller.

7. BUSINESS ITEMS:

- A. **APPROVE PURCHASE OF STUDENT AND STAFF DEVICES:.** (Emanuel) Motion, (Taylor) Second to Approve the purchase of student and staff devices. Motion Carried 6-0.
- B. **APPROVE MOSYLE DEVICE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM RENEWAL FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR.** Motion (Feurer) Second (Emanuel) to approve the \$6300 for 700 licenses for Mosyle Apple device management system. Motion Carried 6-0.
- C. **REVIEW OF BOARD POLICY, POLICY NUMBERS 3018 THROUGH 3030.** The Board reviewed and discussed policies 3018-3030.
- D. **ACKNOWLEDGE BOARD MEMBERS PAYING FOR SCHOOL INSURANCE, AS REQUIRED BY POLICY 2016.** . As is required by policy 2016, every three months, the board will place on its agenda a report identifying the board members who have elected to purchase insurance coverage through the district. This report shall be made available in the school district office for review by the public upon request. We have two members taking insurance this school year...Francis and Justin.
- E. **DISCUSS POSSIBLE ADDITION OF GIRLS JUNIOR HIGH WRESTLING FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR.** Wrestling Coach Ken Streff shared with the board that many of the schools that we compete against have moved Jr. high girls wrestling to October. He would also like to add a jr. high girls coach. Would need a MOU between the NBCEA and the Board of Education. Motion (Feurer) second (williams) to add girls junior high wrestling to the 2025-26 school year. Motion Carried 6-0.
- F. **DISCUSS POSSIBILITY OF ENERGY SERVICES STUDY AND IMPROVEMENT PLAN, COMPLETED BY FACULTY ADVOCATES.** Bob, Andy and Mr. Ningen met with Faculty Advocates to review energy systems in the school buildings. Mr. Ningen will reach out to Bob Soukup to see what he thinks.
- G. **DISCUSS ACCOMMODATING ADDITIONAL PRESCHOOL CLASSES FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR.** Miss Davis shared her perspective on having larger classes and how to best serve all the preschoolers. The board discusses the room that already exists, portable classrooms and the size of future preschool classes.

8. PERSONNEL:

- A. **APPROVE ADDITIONAL PRESCHOOL TEACHING POSITION FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR.** Motion (Feurer) Second (Swanson) to approve an additional teaching position for preschool for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion Carried 6-0.
- B. **APPROVE THE RESIGNATION OF JENNA KAVAN, SECOND GRADE TEACHER, EFFECTIVE AT THE END OF THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR.** Motion (Swanson) Second (Taylor) to approve the

resignation of Jenna Kavan, Second Grade teacher, effective at the end of the 2024-2025 School Year. Motion Carried. 6-0.

D. APPROVE DISTRIBUTING 2025-2026 CERTIFIED TEACHING CONTRACTS TO STAFF WITH A DUE DATE OF APRIL 15, 2025. Motion (Feurer), Second (Emanuel) to approve distributing 2025-2026 certified teaching contracts to staff with a due date of April 15, 2025. Motion Carried 6-0.

E. ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION ON THE BASIS OF PROTECTING PUBLIC INTEREST TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL. Motion (Feurer) Second (Taylor) to enter into executive session at 9:50pm. Motion Carried 6-0.

Motion(Swanson) Second (Williams) to enter into open session at 10:00pm Motion Carried 6-0.

APPROVE THE HIRE OF ERIC DAIGLE, SECONDARY STS TEACHER FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR. Motion (Swanson) Second (Williams) to approve the hire of Eric Daigle, secondary STS Teacher for the 2025-2026 School year. Motion Failed 0-6.

ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION ON THE BASIS OF PROTECTING PUBLIC INTEREST TO DISCUSS STAFF PAY AND BENEFITS. Motion (Emanuel) Second (Feurer) to enter into executive session at 10:01 pm. Motion Carried 6-0.

Motion(Feurer) Second (Swanson) to enter into open session at 11:11pm Motion Carried 6-0.

F. APPROVE MRS. PETERSEN'S CONTRACT FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR. Motion (Feurer) Second (Emanuel) to approve Mrs. Petersen's contract for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion Carried 6-0.

6. REMINDERS AND DATES:

A. NEXT MEETING: BOARD WORK SESSION: MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025 AT THE PLATTE VALLEY BANK CONFERENCE ROOM. 7:30PM.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING: MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2025: The next regular monthly Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 7, 2025 at 7:30 p.m

ADJOURNMENT: Motion (Williams), second (Feurer) to adjourn the meeting at 11:15pm. Motion Carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Hoops, President

Andy Swanson, Secretary

Board Work Session - Meeting Notes - March 24, 2025

The work session was called to order at 7:36 pm, at the Historic Platte Valley Bank Conference Room. All board members were present. Public attendees were Mike Arps, Troy Post, and Tyler Kingston. The agenda was approved, and there were no speakers for public comment.

Our first item of business was the discussion of the new housing development north of the city park. Mike Arps was there to speak on the subject, as owner of the development. He stated he has had interest from seven different potential property owners, but none of the lots have sold as of yet. He did say he hoped the street would be in place, along with all utilities, in the next six weeks. The lots are single family homes, with an enforceable covenant. He believes they will be good opportunities for families. This is the reason the board asked Mike to come in, to gauge potential growth in student population over the next few years.

Next on the agenda was discussing classroom space at the elementary school. With the additional sections of preschool added for the 2025-2026 school year, either some rearranging of room assignments was going to need to take place or modular buildings may have to be utilized. Mrs. Beaver does have a plan for utilizing the current building and combining some learning spaces. This does create tighter fits, but it is possible to make the changes and not add additional classroom space. Mr. Ningen is also looking into the cost of modular classrooms, and has been in contact with Mobile Modular out of Minnesota. He hopes to get detailed information on costs soon.

Our next item was a budget and financial update for the board. Mr. Ningen presented the draft version of the NDE's proposed Property Tax Authority document for the 2025-2026 school year. Due to this document being a draft, he is not comfortable releasing it to the public. The district does look like it will receive additional funds in the form of State Aid and SPED Reimbursement, and will have the potential to access additional property tax levied funds. Mr. Ningen informed the board that he would be meeting with the classified staff prior to the April 7th board meeting, to discuss the process with which annual raises will be determined. This new process was one discussed with classified staff at feedback meetings held with them earlier this school year, and the board and Mr. Ningen hope it will be an effective pay format for our staff.

Lasty, Mr. Ningen covered current bills being presented in the Nebraska state legislature. The bills and their summaries can be found [here](#).

The work session was adjourned at 9:30 pm, with a motion by Andy, a second by Bob, and a 6-0 vote.

April Board Report

Prom

As I prepare this report, the NBC community is preparing for prom. This year's theme is Meet Me at Midnight! The junior class is working extremely hard to create a memorable event. The prom will begin with a meal followed by the Grand March for parents/community members to see our students dolled up for the night's festivities. The dance will conclude at 11:30 PM. Students will meet before Midnight for post-prom. Breakfast will also be served at the VFW after Post-Prom. Every year, I'm amazed at how the community comes together for this event!

Math adoption

Below is my recommendation for 6th through 8th grade math adoption.

Math Adoption 2024-25	Program/Company					
Savvas	Envisions	Textbook	Digital text	Teacher Edition	Classroom Manipulatives	
Grades 6, 7, 8		Class set	7-Years	2	1	
Alg I, Geomtry, Alg II				2	1	
						\$60,682.45
Pre-Calc	Pearson	Textbook + My math lab				\$10,167.00
						\$2,192.00
Savvas	Demana: Calculus					
					Total	\$73,041.45

Scheduling

We have started exploring scheduling options for the NBC MS/HS building. The process has included speaking with other districts about their master schedule, obtaining their schedules, determining state requirements, gathering input from staff, and discussing available courses and space options.

1. Starting this summer and throughout the school year, we have gathered master schedules from other districts throughout the state. In scheduling, we looked at the length of the day and period, the number of staff, and courses offered. After a review, we spoke to many districts for clarification and specific questions regarding their master schedule. Many districts that offered an 8-period day included their homeroom as a period, students could opt for a study hall and/or have Jr-Hi sports at the end of the day.
2. Staff Survey - A survey was distributed to the MS/HS teaching staff to gain a better understanding of the potential changes or concerns in regards to the master schedule. The survey shared insight into what the staff perceived as positive outcomes such as more courses students could select from or possibly more options of sections already established, shorter class periods, and opportunities to see more students on their caseloads (SPED). It also revealed that staff feel the extra class would create another prep in an already full teaching load and in return, shorten their planning time. Others stated it would create less class time to complete hands-on projects, and add students in the classroom who necessarily don't want to be there but need a class to fill their schedule. One individual stated the number of seniors who are currently teacher aids or are part of the career ed program. In the senior class, we have 34 students, of which 19 have an aid period, and 9 are involved in a career education class, which allows them to leave campus. Lifetime Sports, which has always been considered the rite of passage for seniors, currently has 31 seniors in the class.
3. Course Options - In discussions for MS grades, the consideration of adding a reading period was explored. Using the current middle school core teachers' grades 6th and 7th would be covered. The core teaching staff in MS is currently comprised of 1 elementary endorsed teacher and 3 MS subject endorsed teachers, so professional development regarding reading instruction would need to be established. 8th grade could have a reading period, which would require additional staff or another elective period. Adding an elective to 8th grade would allow for less flexibility and/or addition for the HS students. In the HS schedule, an 8-period day would allow for the addition of a creative writing class, global science, social science electives, and possibly an additional world history course. Along with more sections of some already established courses.
4. Space Considerations - Space was another factor that was brought forth when looking at expanding the schedule. We currently have all classrooms utilized and have one class that is housed in the old distance learning room, which is a very small space. In addition to the Interventionist position next year and the LMHP needing space to conduct counseling sessions, we are very limited on where students and staff can expand with classroom space.
5. State Requirements - A large factor is to ensure that we are meeting all state requirements. There are two main facets when looking at classes. One is to meet the needed instructional units for each required curricular area as well as graduation requirements for both state and district. Instructional units get a bit tricky as in

Nebraska, an instructional unit is defined as 15 clock hours (900 minutes) of classroom instruction, and schools must provide a certain number of these units annually, with requirements varying by grade level and subject area.

In the exploration of the schedule, we have reviewed other district schedules, received input, considered courses, evaluated space and assessed the requirements from the State of Nebraska. While challenges related to space and resources were evident, several potential solutions could provide more flexibility within the current schedule to enhance course offerings and better meet the needs of our students. Further discussions and collaboration with staff will be necessary to finalize the best scheduling approach moving forward.

Upcoming events -

(Not all events, but end of the year celebrations and/or affect the school day)

April 14th - FFA Banquet

April 16th - EHC Art Show in Clarkson

April 23rd - Senior Banquet

April 27 - Musical Showtimes 12 and 3:30

April 29 - No School - NBC Track Invite

May 2nd - Senior lunch served during TAP and Honors Night

May 5th - NBC Sports Banquet

May 6th - Fine Arts Night

May 9th - Upshift Day for 5th grade

May 11th - Graduation

April- Elementary Principal Report

Activities and Events

We have a lot going on during the month of April for field trips and activities!

April 4, 5th grade to Kiewit Luminarium

April 7, 6:00 pm Kindergarten Round Up

April 7, 6:30 pm Week of the Young Child Night for Preschool

April 8, 1:00 pm OPPD for 5th grade

April 11, Preschool to the Columbus Children's Museum

April 16, 3rd grade to Schramm Park

April 25th, Kindergarten to Beauty View Dairy

Kindergarten Round Up

We meet with incoming Kindergarten parents at 6:00 pm on April 7th to share information about kindergarten and what to expect when students start formal schooling. We currently have 31 incoming kindergarten students on our list.

Testing in April

Our 3rd-5th grade students will take the summative NSCAS tests during the month of April. We schedule testing sessions that work best for each grade level and group of students.

3rd Grade: ELA - 4/14 & 4/15 Math - 4/23 & 4/24

4th Grade: ELA - 4/15 & 4/16 Math - 4/22 & 4/23

5th Grade: Math - 4/15 & 4/16 ELA - 4/22 & 4/23 Science - 4/24

Kindergarten through 5th grade students will also complete FAST assessments at the end of April. These assessments measure foundational reading skills (K-1) and fluency (2-5).

Kindergarten through 2nd grade students will also complete MAP assessments for reading and math at the end of April and beginning of May.

Board Notes

We have had one track event so far this year, but now that we are hitting the second week in April, we will kick off a lot more events of track and golf. We also have Junior High Track starting their season this week on the 10th here at NBC.

Numbers for each group:

Junior High Track: 37 Girls and 31 Boys

High School Track: 14 Girls and 16 Boys

Golf: 24 Boys and 3 Girls

Would like to give some credit to Mr. DJ Mottl and his FFA members as they were just down at the State FFA Convention in Lincoln. Some of the highlights for them are Hallie Mottl interviewed and placed 3rd in Grain Production Proficiency. Kelsey Bunn was 3rd place in Junior Public Speaking. Vanessa Cummings was Silver in Creed Speaking. Floriculture Team placed 8th overall as a team. Jade Nietfeld was part of State FFA Choir. Finally, Joseph Blaha and Olivia Buresh were State FFA Degree Recipients. There are so many options for kids to compete and be part of events and Mr. Mottl does a great job of giving our kids opportunities to compete. Congratulations to our FFA Chapter.

We also competed in Quiz Bowl for both Districts and Conference. We weren't able to qualify for state competition but congrats to Mr. Dan Wright and squad on good showing in both of their events.

We also just had the 1st Pickle Ball Tournament for both staff and students here at NBC. Thanks to Mrs. Aubrey Miller for creating a great event for both our staff and students to participate together and have a great night.

We have the Musical coming around the corner. They will have two performances at 12:00 and 3:30 on April 27th. Should be a great show for people to come out and watch our students show off their talents on the stage.

Before the next board meeting, we will also have a Concert for Music here at the High School at 7:00 on April 21st and then they will have District Music contest on April 25th. Would like to wish them the best of luck.