



Saydel High School

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December 2017 Newsletter

Upcoming Events

Saydel High School

DECEMBER 23, 2017 -

JANUARY 2, 2018

Winter Break; NO SCHOOL

JANUARY 3, 2018

School Resumes

JANUARY 9-10, 2018

Semester Tests

JANUARY 11, 2018

- Music Boosters Meeting, 6:30 PM
- Wrestling Senior Night, 6 PM

JANUARY 27, 2018

High School Winter Dance, North Gym,
8 - 11 PM

FEBRUARY 1, 2018

Music Boosters Meeting, 6:30 PM

FEBRUARY 2, 2018

Basketball Senior Night

FEBRUARY 10, 2018

After Prom Father/Daughter & Mother/
Son Night Out, 7 PM

FEBRUARY 12, 2018

- No School; Professional Development Day
- Regular School Board Meeting, 6 PM

MARCH 1 & 6, 2018

Parent Teacher Conferences

Principal's Message

Developing positive leaders is something we strive for at Saydel High School. We know that the development of tomorrow's leaders begins at a young age. The skills that we help to develop within our students can help create future effective leaders. We are working to do this both in and out of the classroom. This year, Saydel High School hosted its inaugural leadership retreat at the YMCA camp in Boone. The partnership with the Y camp proved to be a positive experience for all students involved. The leadership activities were facilitated by both Saydel students and Y camp staff.



Principal Kevin Schulte

There were many skills that were addressed at the retreat. A large focus was effective communication. This is an important skill for leaders to have and a skill many students need to further improve. One of the highlights that students identified was that the retreat gave them an opportunity to interact with individuals that they would not typically speak with. This not only put leaders in opportunities to learn about effective communication but also pushed them out of their comfort zones.

The afternoon of the retreat focused primarily on teamwork and skills needed for successful teams. This was accomplished through challenges on the low ropes course. Despite the freezing temperatures, students worked were able to power through and successfully complete a number of the challenges.

This is one of the many opportunities that we offer to help students learn about and develop their leadership skills outside of school. These are a few other clubs that provide students with opportunities to step up into leadership roles:

- Student Council
- Change, Influence, Attitude
- Art Club
- Anime Club
- Carving Club
- Mock Trial
- National Honor Society
- Gay Straight Alliance
- Running Club

School Hours

SAYDEL HIGH SCHOOL

7:45 AM - 2:45 PM

Wed.: 8:45 AM - 2:45 PM

NOTE: Each Wednesday school begins one hour later for teacher in-service.

MISSION: Serving the Unique Learning Needs of Each & Every Student

Our Mission:

Everyone's best effort for everyone's best life.

SAYDEL BOOSTER MEMBERSHIPS

Thanks to the following businesses and individuals who support the Saydel Athletic Boosters through membership.

BUSINESS PLATINUM EAGLE

Rising Star/All Iowa Stone & Gutter
The Results Group, L.L.C.
R Rogers Septic LLC
Jason's Lawn & Tree Care
Goode Greenhouses
Teddell Electric
Wee's Tees
Power Systems
The Rasmussen Group, Inc.
Complete Plumbing Services
Stone & Gutter

BUSINESS GOLD EAGLE

Heartland Chiropractic & Wellness Ctr.
Capital City Equipment Co.
Iowa State Bank
Wicks Homes LLC
Sassman Glass & Mirror
Walker Construction & Painting

BUSINESS GREEN EAGLE

North Ankeny HyVee

BUSINESS SILVER EAGLE

Schneider Graphics
Struther Brothers Kawasaki-Suzuki
American Rolloffs Inc.
Pearson Dirtwork & Trucking Inc.
Pizza Ranch (Ankeny)
Ferrellgas

INDIVIDUAL GOLD EAGLE

Doug & Sue Cline
Kelly & Mary Scott
Kevin & Kelly Schulte
Rollie C. Madison
Brian & Lori Bowman
Doug & Lisa Wheeler

INDIVIDUAL SILVER EAGLE

Missy Burr
Joshua & Denna Heyer
Ruth Kouski

INDIVIDUAL PLATINUM EAGLE

Corey Myers
Scott Myers

Thank You

Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports



By Alex Stubbers, Assistant Principal

As the year has progressed, the Saydel High School staff continues to work hard to ensure that all students are being successful inside and outside of school. Toward that end, around 25-30 students are being requested each day for Flex time to complete make up work, have re-teachings done and complete tests and projects. Each day specific subject areas are able to request students for Flex (Monday-English, Tuesday-Math, Thursday-Science, Friday Social Studies).

If students are not being requested or attending Flex class they are able to sign up for extended learning opportunities. Various teachers are creating the extended learning opportunities on a monthly basis after polling students. An additional support recently started is our SOAR Time on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:45-3:45 PM. This support allows students who are missing work in multiple classes additional time with teachers to complete missing assignments, and/or receive help with any questions they may have.

A goal for the high school this year has been to focus on our Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS). A few of the ways we have worked to do this over the past semester is by continually reinforcing and reteaching school rules and expectations. Additionally the staff has worked to recognize students by passing out activity passes that allow student free entry into one activity, nominating four Students of the Month for a free Smokey D's lunch, and by sending home PBIS postcards to communicate positive behavior.

The increased opportunity for positive recognition has helped build a positive culture in the school so far this school year. As the year continues, the staff and activities department will continue to develop more ways to recognize students who are demonstrating positive behavior in and outside of school. As an additional recognition for staff the students are also nominating a staff member each month to go with the Students of the Month. The staff and students of the month so far have been:

September

Ms. Ingle
TJ Stephenson
Jessica Guzman
Megan Ford
Natalia Wheeler

October

Mr. Layden
November Fetters
Mckenzie Myers
Aaliyah Munoz
Marcella Garton

November

Ms. Keegan-Bayeur
Stone Simon
B'Elanna Truelove
Quintin Shepherd
Landon Leach

The Saydel staff continues putting forth their best effort in both teaching and creating additional learning opportunities for student success in school and beyond. Together, we work to ensure the best life for our students.

Great news! The Saydel Robotics Team was chosen as a recipient of the Argosy Foundation Rookie Grant. Congratulations to the Robotics Team!

Saydel High School Guidance Update

By Shannon Larson, Guidance Counselor



Season Greetings from the Saydel Guidance Department! As this calendar year and semester come to a close I want to remind students to finish strong before their first semester ends. Like taking any standardized tests such as the PSAT, ACT, or Iowa Assessments, semester tests may be daunting to many.

Here are some tips that students and parents may find useful in preparing for the semester exams:

- Encourage your child to do well but don't pressure him/her. You may stress him/her out. It is important for your child to stay relaxed for the test.
- Keep a positive attitude about tests.
- Make sure that your child gets enough sleep the nights before testing
- Ensure that your child eats a healthy breakfast and avoid heavy foods that may make him/her groggy. Protein and fiber will help your student stay full and focused.
- Drink plenty of water and eat water filled fruits and vegetables.
- Avoid high sugar foods that may make him/her hyper and/or crashing.
- Make sure your child gets up early enough so that he/she will be on time to school.
- Talking about the test with your child can relieve stress.
- Encourage your child to do his/her best!

I would also like to highlight some upcoming events that will take place in January. If your student needs to take the ACT, the deadline for the February 10 test date is January 12. If they are needing assistance with the registration please have them make an appointment in the guidance office. January will also mark the pre-registration for the DMACC Career Academies for the 2018-2019 school year. The Academies are special programs offered to juniors and seniors that allows them to earn college credit while in high school, develop valuable career and workplace skills, explore various options of interest, and get a head start on college career.

There are approximately 15 Academies; some of the popular ones are the Health Occupations (CNA), Auto Collision, Auto Technology, and Culinary Arts. DMACC has added three new Academies: Cyber Security, Accounting, and Fire Science/EMT. More information in regards to pre-registration will be sent out in January. Please remind your student to check their emails. If you or your student would like more information about the Career Academies you may visit the online site: www.dmac.edu/careeradvantage.

Finally, if there are any senior parents/guardians needing help filling out the FAFSA for the 2018-2019 school year please let me know. I have been meeting with families after school to help fill out the online form. If you need help you may email me at larsonshannon@saydel.net or contact me via phone at 515-262-9325.

Great Student Writer

This summer several of Mrs. Keegan-Bayeur's 2016-2017 Honors English 9 students had poems published in the poetry anthology *A Celebration of Poets*. Alexandria May's poem "Epiphany" was recognized as one of the top 10 winners among several thousand entries in the contest for the U.S. As a result, she was given a complimentary copy of the anthology and received a \$25 check. Congratulations to all the published poets!

SAYDEL MUSIC BOOSTER SPONSORSHIPS

Thanks to the following businesses and individuals who support the Saydel Music Boosters through sponsorship.

PLATINUM EAGLE

Paul & Diane Breitbarth
Al & Judy Green

BUSINESS GOLD EAGLE

Diane Boatwright
Douglas & Susan Cline
Kevin & Kelly Schulte
Doug & Lisa Wheeler

SILVER EAGLE

Glenn & Karen Puffett
Linda Sargent, Class of 1966

GREEN EAGLE

Goldfield Trim & Upholstery

MUSIC STUDENTS SPONSOR

Goldfield Trim & Upholstery

GIFTS IN KIND

Wynde Brown
Kelly Sprague
Michael Gladdis



Principles of Management Class News

By Becky Epane, Business Teacher

The Principles of Management course project is designed to give students an opportunity to apply management principles through the development and implementation of project management skills. Ideally, each project created will have different roles for the students to fill, such as role of project manager, role of marketing, and team member.

The nature of the projects will vary from group to group; however, each project must meet the following criteria:

- The project's scope should be of sufficient size so that each student is engaged in planning, executing, evaluating, and closing project activities throughout the semester in which the student is enrolled in Principles of Management.
- The completed project must have benefited the school, community, local nonprofit organization, or local business.

From November 6-10, students in the Principles of Management hosted a clean up time during Flex. The overall goal was to pick up trash on school grounds before the winter sport seasons started. Students spent four days during cold weather walking different areas of school property picking up trash.

Saydel High School Senior Trevor Sprague stated, "We worked together successfully and improved the look of our school. We want our local community to be proud of the Saydel Eagles."



Saydel Eagle Endowment

The Saydel Eagle Endowment (SEE), formerly known as Saydel Dollars for Scholars, was started in 2001 by a group of parents to raise money to provide scholarships to graduating seniors who were continuing their education at colleges and universities, area colleges, and trade schools. 2017 marked our 15th year of awarding scholarships to all students who completed the application process, which includes a written form and an in-person interview. We have an endowment fund in excess of \$175,000, which continues to grow from ongoing donations and investment growth.

This year we received donations from several sources, including the Saydel Homecoming Parade, the Monster Dash, and various individuals. We were especially pleased to work with a donor to honor their mother who graduated from Woodside High School, and another donor to honor the memory of a long-time high school teacher who made a positive impact on students. Another donation we were pleased to receive came from the mother of a current Cornell Elementary School teacher.

SEE is a non-profit organization under the laws of Iowa. We provide the same scholarship amount to all students, regardless of academic performance or financial need. The money is sent directly to the college or university after the student confirms his/her registration for fall classes.

If you are interested in volunteering to help SEE, or in making a contribution, please contact Kirk Hartung: hartung@ipmvs.com or 515-321-8098 or Corrine Nelson: Corinne.L.Nelson@wellsfargo.com or 515-210-4162.



Saydel High School Students of the Month

Teachers nominated students that they witnessed great things from throughout the month of November. As a reward, Smokey D's generously donated lunch for each student. Congratulations to Stone Simon, B'Elanna Truelove, Quintin Shepherd and Landon Leach, pictured here with Ms. Keegan-Bayeur.



Employee & Family Resources Student Assistance Program (SAP) Service Summary

Employee & Family Resources is dedicated to helping students and their families manage life's challenges so they can reach their full potential.

Licensed mental health counselors and clinical workers are available to assist all students and family members experiencing the stress of life's ups and downs. Services are free and are strictly confidential.

Concerns may include:

- Stress
- Anxiety
- Emotional or mental health
- Family or relationships
- Bullying or peer conflict
- Substance abuse



EFR EMPLOYEE & FAMILY RESOURCES

Convenient In-Person Appointments

Up to three (3) visits per year, per separate issue with qualified counselors. Referrals to additional services if needed. SAP offers services in Spanish and interpreting as needed at no cost to the student or family.

24 Hour Support

For immediate support from counselors, call 800.327.4692. Day & evening appointments are available Monday-Friday.

The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon

What's it take to make a play?

Those students involved sum it up as *laughter*, *knowledge*, *OPPORTUNITY*, *RISK*, and *NEW FRIENDS*.

On November 2 & 3, the Saydel Drama Department presented the play, "The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon". It included a retelling of favorite tales including *Cinderella*, *Snow White*, *Rapunzel*, *The Frog Prince*, and *Hansel and Gretel*. However, this retelling had many twists from what we might know. Some of those twists were due the actors questioning the motivation of certain characters, and others were due to performing the tales with aspects of the originals instead of the animated movie versions many people know.

Laughter

The play was hilarious, as evidenced by the audience reactions. The students also spent a great deal of time laughing as they were rehearsing the show. Senior Trent Guy said, "I laughed every single day."

This theme was also reiterated by seniors Trevor Sprague and Cameron Leeper. Trevor said, "I have had a blast with the group of people I had the opportunity to do this with," while Cameron said, "I really enjoyed doing this play."

New Experiences Beyond Comfort Zone

"The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon" involved a wide range of students who numbered 35 for the cast and 12 for the crew. Of the thirty-five cast members, only six had previously appeared on the Saydel High School stage. Trevor Sprague, who was one of the first-time actors, expressed his interest by saying, "Since it is my senior year, I wanted to try something new, step out of my comfort zone." This may have been the sentiment shared by other seniors who were on stage for the first time including Cody Boozell, Hannah Bowman, Bryce Campbell, Jhonelson Delacruz, Cameron Leeper, and Katie Schmidt. It speaks volumes about these students who were ready to leave fear behind and try something completely new.

Knowledge

There was a great deal of new knowledge for those performing in their first drama production. These twenty-nine were learning about acting terms, stage terms, character development, timing, and the important role that costumes and props play. Junior Gabby Neddermeyer commented, "I learned a lot about theatre and stage presence."

New Friends

When students were asked what they enjoyed about working on the play, their first answer was about enjoying all of the laughter together, and that it was fun. The next answer was shared almost unanimously – making new friends. Many commented on how the play brought them together with a whole new group of people they didn't know before. The chance to meet new people also meant the chance to make new friends. Most said that they even made strong new friendships that they feel will be lasting.

Thanks for taking the risk to try theatre. It is gratifying to hear the comments from the students and know that they tried something new, made new friends, and learned they had talents they didn't realize they possessed. The part that really makes it worthwhile is knowing they had a lot of fun and laughter along the way.

Article submitted by Michael Puffett

Cast

Narrator 1 Karlee Nelson
 Narrator 2 Jackson Jarrell
 Actor Trent Guy
 Rapunzel's mother..... Reilly Aagesen
 Dirt Merchant Ray Gist
 Rumpelstiltskin Cody Boozell
 Enchantress (Rapunzel's captor) Megan Ford
 Rapunzel's Devil..... Darian Garcia
 Prince w/ Rapunzel's mother Andrew Malone
 Rapunzel Hannah Bowman
 Rapunzel's Prince..... Gabe Hiatt
 Audience Instructor Cody Boozell
 Hansel Cameron Leeper
 Gretel Gabby Neddermeyer
 Hansel & Gretel Witch Karlee Nelson
 Mother Jessica Loghry
 Father Payton Swafford
 Book Presenter Darlene Gillespie
 Girl w/o hands Kelsey Floyd
 Frog Prince Jhonelson Delacruz
 Frog Princess..... Jessica Guzman

King (Frog Princess' Father).... Manfredo Mazariegos
 Snow White Dwarf 1 Bryce Campbell
 Snow White Dwarf 2 Payton Swafford
 Snow White Katie Plascencia
 Witch (Snow White's Step-Mother) Brandon Webb
 Snow White's Prince John Seuferer
 Walt James Carolus
 Devil Cameron Leeper
 Devil's Grandmother Katie Schmidt
 Doctor Madi Jones
 Little Red Riding Hood..... Taylor Conley
 The Wolf Trevor Sprague
 Little Red's Grandma Darian Garcia
 Woodcutter Logan Guy
 Cinderella Reilly Aagesen
 Wicked Step-Mother Rylee Starnes
 Wicked Step-Sister 1 Gabe Hiatt
 Wicked Step-Sister 2 Taylor Conley
 Prince Charming Seth Plascencia
 Cinderella's Birds..... Makail Brooks
 Mac, the palace guard..... Brandon Webb

Crew

Lights

Bryce Campbell

Sound

Quintin Sheppard

Props

Carolyn Rose
 Casey Campbell

Sets

Nick Fagen, Lead Set Builder
 Bryce Campbell
 Casey Campbell
 Darian Garcia
 Hannah Handeland
 Jackson Jarrell
 Kylie Rink
 Carolyn Rose
 John Seuferer
 Jayda Tolentino

Costumes

Darian Garcia
 Katie Plascencia

Make Up

Destiny Butters
 Riley Erickson
 Carleigh Heiss
 Allie May
 Ericka Palapa





SAYDEL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
School Emergency Closing Information
2017-18 School Year

Emergency closing information will be communicated through the following:

1. School Messenger (voice & email) by 6:00 AM the day of a closing
2. District Website
3. www.facebook.com/saydelcsd
4. www.twitter.com/saydelcsd

We notify the following television, radio, and Internet news stations for emergency announcements:

- WHO Channel 13
- KCCI Channel 8
- KDSM Fox 17
- KCWI Channel 23.1
- WOI Channel 5
- Kiss 107.5
- WHO 1040 Radio
- The Bus 100.3
- Alt 106.3
- KXNO 1460
- 13Now Smartphone App
- The Des Moines Register

Please note:

While these sites allow us to communicate delays and cancellations, we are not able to provide details through these services. The most detailed information regarding how delays and cancellations affect events, practices, meetings, etc. can be found on our website and School Messenger broadcasts.

Emergency Closing Notes

- ✓ For AM delays, Eagle's Nest delays from its original start time.
- ✓ For PM early release, Eagle's Nest will be open one hour after school dismisses.
- ✓ If there is a delay, AM preschool will be cancelled.
- ✓ Check the school website for information about practices and events for your child.
- ✓ Automatic e-mail & text alerts available from:
www.kcci.com, www.whotv.com, www.woi-tv.com

1-Hour Delay Start Times

- Cornell - 9:35 AM
- Woodside - 8:45 AM
- High School - 8:45 AM
- Eagle's Nest 7:00 AM

2-Hour Delay Start Times

- Cornell - 10:35 AM
- Woodside - 9:45 AM
- High School - 9:45 AM
- Eagle's Nest 8:00 AM

SAYDEL MUSIC BOOSTERS 2017-2018

Tradition of Excellence



Saydel Music Booster sponsorships are available to businesses, individuals, families, and organizations interested in providing financial support for the Saydel Community School's Music Program. Expenses covered by the Music Boosters include clinicians (choir & band master classes, drum line & color guard instructors), honor festival expenses, scholarships, equipment, accompanists for concerts & contests, travel for students, awards, and more.

All donations to the Saydel Music Booster program are proudly listed in our concert and athletic programs for both Woodside and the High School throughout the school year. Sponsors may elect to remain anonymous at their discretion.

All people are welcome and encouraged to attend our monthly Music Boosters meetings regardless of sponsorship. The meetings take place the first Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm in the High School Choir Room, and usually last approximately one hour.

Donations for sponsorships are TAX DEDUCTIBLE!

Detach and return with check made out to Saydel Music Boosters or cash to:

SAYDEL MUSIC BOOSTERS
c/o Saydel High School
5601 NE 7th St.
Des Moines, IA 50313

Decorative musical notes and staff lines are scattered around the central text block.

Platinum Eagle \$250+ Gold Eagle \$100 Silver Eagle \$50 Green Eagle \$25

I would also like to contribute an additional \$15 to sponsor a student who is unable to pay marching band fees.

Circle appropriate recognition

Business

Individual/Family

Alumni

Name: _____
As it should appear in publications Alumni will appear after your name if circled. Example: Jane Doe - Alumni

Please DO NOT publicize my sponsorship in programs, on the web site, or other publications

Mailing address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone number: _____ Email address: _____
(We do not share your email information with any other entity.)

Please contact me at the above number as a potential volunteer at music events.

Saydel High School Student Government News

By Brenda Brown, Reading Interventionist

Saydel Student Government has been collecting donations for their upcoming Adopt-A-Family Basket delivery for Christmas. Each year a family is chosen to receive all the items needed for Christmas dinner, breakfast for the rest of the week and all the common household items every family needs and uses. The members do a fantastic job at putting together their holiday baskets, enjoy delivering to our families and experience the true meaning of "giving" each time they assist another family with being able to enjoy the holiday like many of us take for granted. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Saydel Student Government.



Walk Safe This Winter



As the weather starts to change and the cool air moves in, winter is right around the corner. I would like to give a quick reminder about some safe winter walking tips.

Be careful on snow and ice, Follow these 5 golden rules.:

1. Always wear proper footwear.
2. Don't jump or slide.
3. Stop and watch for hazards.
4. Give yourself plenty of time to get where you need to go.
5. Take short steps or shuffle for stability.

Public safety announcement from Gerald Young, Saydel School District Grounds Supervisor.

SAYDEL BOARD OF EDUCATION

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School Board meetings are held at the Saydel District Office on the second Monday of each month at 6 PM

EDUCATION FOR LEADERSHIP; LEARNING FOR LIFE

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We're on the Web:
www.saydel.k12.ia.us

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If you have questions or a grievance related to this policy, please contact the district's **Equity Coordinator, Julie McKibben, Director of Student Services, 5740 NE 14th Street, Des Moines, IA 50313; mckibbenjulie@saydel.net; 1-515-264-0866.** Office for Civil Rights, Citigroup Center, 500 W. Madison Street, Suite 1475, Chicago, IL 60661; 515-264-0866.