

# THE SAYDEL COMMUNICATOR

Big City Opportunities, Small Town Commitment for Students

## Superintendent's Message

Mr. Douglas Wheeler



Saydel Families & Community:

**H**appy Spring! I am sure you are as happy as I am to have this winter behind us. With this in mind, I am excited to introduce you to this issue of the Saydel Communicator. In the following pages you will again learn about the great things happening in and beyond the classroom in Saydel Schools. In this introduction, I would like to focus on an important topic facing schools -- school safety.

Since the events in Parkland, FL, we have received a number of inquiries about our safety practices. These practices have been the topic of several past Communicator articles, but I want to review them in this edition. Our approach to safety in Saydel is to be proactive in our safety approaches in light of recent events. Three years ago, we established a district safety committee to discuss issues of school safety and consider updates to our practices. This committee includes community representation from emergency responders as well as Board members. Utilizing this committee, we have made several updates to our safety procedures.

In 2014, we updated our existing district emergency response plan, simplifying the format for efficient use and updating processes for lockdowns, evacuation, relocation and environmental disasters. Additionally, we updated the Board policy to require one emergency drill in addition to tornado and fire drills. This additional drill is held at each building, each semester. In these efforts, we allocated the money we receive each year from gaming revenues at Prairie Meadows to support safety upgrades. We have utilized this funding stream to update two-way radios, install three security cameras, per building, per year, to purchase staff emergency training and to purchase emergency equipment for classrooms. Starting in 2016, all staff receive yearly required training in the ALICE system. The ALICE system is a decision-making and action structure for response to active shooter situations. ALICE stands for Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, and Evacuate. Through facility planning, each building has secured entrances, requiring staff to "buzz in" visitors to buildings. Additionally, visitors who enter buildings from the office are screened using the RAPTOR background check system. However, efforts to enhance safety do not end with these items. Student safety is an ongoing conversation through the safety committee and staff teams.

In addition to physical safety, we are also attentive to emotional safety and mental health concerns that so frequently arise as a factor in these school tragedies. In 2014, we updated our bullying and harassment prevention and investigation processes. Additionally, we are in the process of updating our approaches to school social work to bolster relations with community organizations and connect our families to those resources.

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### SCHOOL HOURS

#### CORNELL ELEMENTARY

8:35 AM - 3:30 PM  
Wed.: 9:35 AM - 3:30 PM

#### WOODSIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL

7:45 AM - 2:45 PM  
Wed.: 8:45 AM - 2:45 PM

#### SAYDEL HIGH SCHOOL

7:45 AM - 2:45 PM  
Wed.: 8:45 AM - 2:45 PM

Each Wednesday all schools begin one hour later for teacher in-service.

**MISSION: SERVING THE  
UNIQUE LEARNING NEEDS OF  
EACH & EVERY STUDENT**



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## Superintendent's Message: *Continued from page 1*

It should not go unmentioned in discussing student safety that it is the responsibility of every member of the Saydel community to keep our schools safe. We rely on and act on information related to school safety to evaluate needed action. As a community, we must operate on the "see something, say something" approach. While as a staff, we are attentive to these items; we also need students, parents and community to report potential concerns with school safety.

Every child should have a school that provides a safe place to grow and learn. Student engagement in school is our goal and our focus in these efforts.

*Yours In Service,*

Douglas Wheeler  
Superintendent of Schools

## Durham Hosts Prize Drawing Turn In Transportation Forms by June 30 & Be Entered To Win!

Transportation Forms for the 2018-19 school year can be found at [www.saydel.k12.ia.us](http://www.saydel.k12.ia.us). Every student who gets their transportation form to the Saydel District Office/Durham School Services by August 4, 2018, will be guaranteed to have their students on a bus by the first day of school. Plus, everyone who has the form turned in by June 30, 2018, will have their names put into a drawing to win a family fun pack, consisting of four tickets to the new Cinemark Theater in Altoona, plus a \$30 gift card to Culvers, also in Altoona. Please note there are two forms available. One is for Saydel district residents and the other is for open enrolled students. If you need forms mailed to you or if you have questions, please contact the Saydel District Office at 515-264-0688.

# COMMUNITY EDUCATION

### ADULT FITNESS:

## ADULT CO-ED VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

Adults 18 years of age and older can register for the Adult Co-Ed Volleyball League, hosted by the Saydel Volleyball Team. The league will be held at Saydel High School, located in the north gym. Team registration fee is \$250, with 8 weeks of play, including playoffs and championship medals for the winning team. 6 player minimum, 8 player maximum and at least 2 female players required per team. Detailed schedules will be sent via email with playing time for each week. Games are at 6pm, 7pm and 8pm every Tuesday.

APRIL 3, 10, 17, 24  
MAY 1, 8, 15, 22

SAYDEL HIGH SCHOOL - NORTH GYM  
6PM - 7PM - 8PM

\$250 PER TEAM  
AGE 18 & OLDER

## ADULT ZUMBA CLASS

Adults can register for the Adult Zumba class, hosted by fitness instructors Ashlie & Denise. The class offers various levels of cardiovascular endurance, for adults in any condition. The class will be located in the Auditorium at Saydel High School. Fee of \$50 includes 8 weeks, 16 sessions.

APRIL 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26  
MAY 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24

SAYDEL HIGH SCHOOL - AUDITORIUM  
5:15PM - 6:15PM

\$50

## REGISTER NOW!

### REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

VOLLEYBALL - MARCH 31  
SPRING CARD CLASS - APRIL 2  
GRADUATION CARD CLASS - MAY 1

### ONLINE REGISTRATION AT

[HTTPS://SAYDEL.REVTRAK.NET/](https://saydel.revtrak.net/)

### ONSITE REGISTRATION AT

SAYDEL DISTRICT OFFICE,  
5740 NE 14TH ST.,  
DES MOINES, IA  
515-264-0866

EMAIL: [COMMUNITYED@SAYDEL.NET](mailto:COMMUNITYED@SAYDEL.NET)

### ADULT EDUCATION:

## PAPER CRAFTING WITH LISA

Adults can register for Paper Crafting with Lisa, hosted by Lisa Christensen, from MayDreamRose.com. Participants will make four beautiful cards per workshop, using watercolor, background stamping and gold embossing techniques.

\*Art supplies will be provided, however students are welcome to bring their own supplies and materials \* Minimum of six registered participants to avoid class cancellation

APRIL 5 - SPRING OCCASION CARDS  
MAY 3 - GRADUATION CARDS

SAYDEL HIGH SCHOOL - ROOM 203 \$25 PER CLASS  
6:30PM - 8:00PM





# Financial Focus

Report from Business Manager Ryan Eidahl & Superintendent Douglas Wheeler

The purpose of our financial focus is to assist our families and community in understanding elements of school finance. As school funding is tied to Iowa Code, it is very different than personal or business finance and budgeting processes. In past editions, we have discussed how our tax rate compares to others in the metro and how we are able to maintain the lowest tax rate in the area and differing and restricted uses for various revenue streams. This edition brings these previous conversations together in describing what makes up the Saydel Schools tax rate.

The tax rate for the 2018-19 school year is currently proposed at a rate of \$12.99256 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Once the State Legislature has finalized the funding bills that affect school districts, the Board intends to reduce the rate to match the current year's rate at \$12.89. The District's tax rate is based off of the following levies:

## *FY 19 Estimated Property Tax Levy*

SOURCE	AMOUNT	RATE	% TOTAL
Management Levy	\$586,025	\$0.71142	5.48%
Regular PPEL	\$282,991	\$0.33000	2.54%
Voted PPEL	\$1,149,113	\$1.34000	10.31%
PERL	\$111,205	\$0.13500	1.04%
Debt Service Levy	\$842,549	\$0.98251	7.56%
General Fund Levy	\$7,846,854	\$9.49363	73.07%
Total Tax Levy	\$10,818,736	\$12.99256	100.00%

### Definitions:

- **Management Fund** - This fund is used to provide non-employee liability insurance.
- **Regular PPEL - Physical Plant and Equipment Levy** is used to support ongoing improvements to buildings grounds and technology
- **Voted PPEL - Physical Plant and Equipment Levy** - Voters approve additional PPEL Levy to be utilized for the same purposes of the Regular PPEL
- **PERL** - Public Education and Recreation Levy is used to support community education and school facilities utilized primarily by the public.
- **Debt Service Levy** - Voters approve bonded indebtedness for a period up to 20 years for various construction projects and other ongoing improvements.
- **General Fund Levy** - This is the primary financial operations fund for the District. This fund pays for the majority of salaries and benefits, electricity/gas costs, transportation and other classroom costs. Revenues from property taxes make up 48.8% of the total General Fund operating budget. Resources from the State, called Supplement State Aid makes up 31.6%. The remaining 19.6% comes from federal resources, open enrollment from other districts and other income (i.e. donations, interest).

Within the District boundaries, there continues to be a major increase in commercial and industrial property valuations. Due to these increases, the District is able to maintain the lowest school tax rate in the metro area.

## Saydel Publishes E-newsletters

*If you would like to receive the school newsletters that feature what is happening at Cornell Elementary School, Woodside Middle School & Saydel High School, you can subscribe by emailing [newsletter@saydel.net](mailto:newsletter@saydel.net). Just e-mail which newsletters you would like to receive and then watch for them in your Inbox! We do not share your email address with outside parties.*





## CORNELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

# Exciting Things Are Happening At Cornell



**Principal  
Brian Vaughan**

**G**reetings from Cornell Elementary! It has been a busy 2018 for teaching and learning at Cornell Elementary School! The students and staff earned their Spring Break to reset and prepare for a strong finish to our year. It is my hope that each of you in our Saydel community has a fantastic spring as well. Here is my the 360-degree look at the happenings around our great school!

Conference nights were again extremely well attended with 95% of parents attending their child's conference time with the teacher. That means we had nearly 500 conferences over the course of two nights with parents of preschool children through fourth grade! Along with the conferences, many of our families were able to stop by the book fair and find yet another opportunity to get books into the hands of our students. Thanks to Nichole Foxhoven and Jeanette Plascencia for organizing the book fair!

Cornell Elementary celebrated Read Across America week in combination with our monthly PBIS celebration the first week in March. Schools celebrate this week across America to honor the author Dr. Seuss. The students got to have fun by meeting as a school community in the gym, watching a Dr. Seuss movie, and doing a craft. The highlight of this day was having students from the high school come to Cornell and read Dr. Seuss books on his birthday in each of our classrooms. Our kids enjoyed the stories! Thank you to all of our high school volunteers for being great role models to our little Eagles! We hope all of these events can instill a real excitement and love for reading in our students! The best way to become a better reader is to read more. This love of reading can be a precious, life-long gift.

In closing, thank you to all of you for the trust and support you provide our great school every single day. Our partnership in educating our students goes hand-in-hand. I hope you have a great month ahead!



Cornell Elementary School students celebrated Dr. Seuss's birthday on March 2 with a variety of fun activities. Pictured from left to right: Cornell Teacher Julie Rolf, with students Connor Polk, Lucas Farnsworth, Madison Walker and Isaiah Thayer in front.





## Read With Me Program Awards Cornell Elementary \$1,000

Cornell Elementary School was chosen for the February's Read With Me Program. The Read With Me Program is a partnership between EMC Insurance and KCCI News 8 in Des Moines. Each month, EMC donates \$1,000 to an Iowa school to use in its library, and the winning school is featured on KCCI-TV. The library at Cornell will use these funds to purchase new fiction and nonfiction books for PreK-4th grades. The funds will also be used to create a reading corner in the library. Thank you to both EMC Insurance and KCCI News 8! Pictured from left: Cornell Elementary School Principal Brian Vaughan, Saydel Curriculum Director Mary Salazar, Saydel District Librarian Nichole Foxhoven, KCCI Anchor and Reporter Marcus McIntosh, EMC Insurance Representative Nicole Herman and Jester Insurance Representative Nolan Grimm.

## *Saydel Students Enjoy Shopping at Book Fair*

Cornell Elementary library hosted a book fair for the school community during parent/teacher conferences. Students enjoyed visiting the fair and browsing the extensive selection of books and other items.

The fair was a huge success and earned \$5688.65 which will be used to purchase books from Scholastic for the library.

Thank you to all for your generous and continued support of the library.





## WOODSIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL

# Inside Look At Professional Development



Principal  
Joshua Heyer

I recently had a conversation with a fifth grade student that attends Woodside about late start Wednesdays as well as no school professional development days. The conversation started with this question by the student, “What do you guys do anyway on Wednesday?” I thought the question was a bit brash, but after explaining professional development and continuous growth to the student, I walked away thinking to myself, How

would anyone who is not a teacher truly understand what educators do during this time? To see if there was any merit to my question, I asked my children if they knew what their teachers did during their professional development time. My children’s vague response proved to me I needed to spend time informing individuals outside the education profession what takes place during these important professional development times.

Woodside professional development has focused on three primary topics during the 2017-18 school year. Topics include increasing teachers toolbox for success, unpacking of standards and development of quality assessments, and an analysis of data sets to make informed decisions. I have included a summary of these topics for you to review.

### Toolbox for Success

Several guest speakers have shared their knowledge on important issues several of our students deal with on a day-to-day basis. The goal of these guest speakers is to increase staff awareness of these topics and provide resource to help if they are aware of a student in need. Guest speakers this year include:

- EFR - Chemical Dependency
- Homestead - Autism Training
- Unity Point - Depression and Suicide Prevention
- Polk County Emergency Management - Safety Plans
- Orchard Place - School Based Therapy
- AEA - Hearing Impaired
- School Counselor - Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE)

### Unpacking of Standards and Development of Quality Assessments

Teachers in the district are in the process of unpacking their content standards and developing end of unit assessments that align to state content standards. Day long professional development has given administration time to properly educate teachers on how to complete these important processes. By embarking on this work, teachers have a deeper understanding of their content standards. They have learned enhanced ways to deliver their content to the students, and they have developed a robust assessment to administer to students so they can show what they have learned in the class.

*“Wednesday late starts and professional development days are critical to our endless commitment to become the best educators possible for our students.”*

### Analysis of Data Sets to Make Informed Decisions

One of the major changes I have seen in my time in this profession is the extensive amount of data we have on each student and its availability to our teachers. Data sets have been created to show teachers information about academics success, behavior, attendance, and performance on interim and high stakes assessments. To help support each student’s continuous growth, teachers spend time on Wednesday mornings diving into these data sets to make informed decisions. Reteach opportunities, academic supports, interventions of various types, enrichment classes, and outside resources have been used, depending on the individual needs of the student. This type of individualized support is made possible due to reviewing the data sets and teachers desire to grow each student at Woodside.

In summary, Wednesday late starts and professional development days are critical to our endless commitment to become the best educators possible for our students. Teachers are modeling what it means to be a life-long learner for their students. They are also increasing their knowledge of our student needs, developing engaging learning experiences that align to state content standards, and reviewing data to support the students they see on a daily basis. I hope this has provided you with a deeper understanding of what takes place when teachers attend professional development at Saydel Schools.



## VFW 9662 Honors Woodside Essay Contest Winners

In the fall of each year fifth graders are asked to write a 150 word essay on “What Does Patriotism Mean to Me.” It is judged at the district, state, and national levels with monetary prizes. VFW 9662 Auxiliary Representative Elaine Podner announced the winners of the contest at Woodside Middle School recently. Pictured from left: Elaine Podner, Fifth Grade Teacher Jaime Griffin, Second place winner (local level) Sienna Robberts, Third place winner (local level) Corbin Sheppard, First place winner at local level as well as second place winner at district level Daniel Halstead, and Fifth Grade Teacher Marsha George.

## Former Olympian Karlos Kirby Visits Woodside

Former Olympian Karlos Kirby recently presented a motivational speech to students at Woodside Middle School. Karlos is an American bobsledder who competed during the 1990s. He is a native of West Des Moines, IA, and a graduate of Valley High School. In 1992 Karlos became the first person from the state of Iowa to compete in a Winter Olympic Games. He earned a bronze medal in the four-man event at the 1993 FIBT World Championships in Igls, Austria. Pictured from left: Nautica Sprague, Dakota Hunter, Former Olympian Karlos Kirby, Elliott Hay, Mya Helm and Camron Thomas.





## SAYDEL HIGH SCHOOL

### New Student Opportunities



Principal  
Kevin Schulte

Working with students to plan for their lives after high school is an ongoing process. A major component of this is students selecting courses to help them expand their horizons and pursue their interests. In February and March, we focused a substantial amount of time and effort to help students select courses that help prepare them for life after high school.

We have been progressively adjusting our course offerings to ensure that students have a variety of options to ensure they are college or career ready. Our course additions include:

- **Pre-apprenticeship** – As a part of our industrial technology revamping, we have built a program that will have students prepared to step into a skilled trade. The pre-apprenticeship class will get students well on their way to an apprenticeship program. This course will help students obtain a core component of their apprenticeship and begin to make progress through a four-year apprenticeship program.
- **Environmental Science** – As a part of developing robust science offerings, this environmental science course will expose students to the interaction between the environment, human actions and governmental policies.
- **Computer Science** – We are adding two computer science courses to help provide students with another pathway to pursue. Within these two courses students will be introduced to basic block programming and advance into app development as well as programming automated vehicles. Students will walk out of our computer science courses with skills that will prepare them to step into college or an entry-level career.

With these additions, Saydel High School offers students a robust catalog of courses and pathways to choose from. Each of our core areas (science, math, English and social studies) as well as our

Spanish courses offer an option for students to earn college credit while progressing through courses. The following are career strands that we offer to students through a variety of classes:

- Health sciences
- Engineering
- Culinary arts and restaurant management
- Skilled trades (electrician, HVAC, plumbing, welding, etc.)
- Graphic design
- Business and entrepreneurial
- Computer science

### 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. 2018 marks our 16<sup>th</sup> year of awarding scholarships to all students who complete 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.



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 Students Doing Great Things

- The girl's basketball team earned the state distinguished academic award by earning a collective GPA of 3.498.
- Casey Campbell (11) earned the Gold Key Award at the Scholastic Writing Competition.
- Student leaders helped celebrate Read Across America by reading at various locations throughout the community.
- Students enrolled in our ProStart 2 class, Jaelynn Myers (11), Jade Olsen (11), Lainie Gumm (11), and Kyle Johnson (11), participated in the Iowa Restaurant Association culinary competition.
- Cornell signee, Klayton Keller (12) won the last match of his high school career to place 5th at the state wrestling tournament.
- Scarlet Hatchitt (11), Makenna Jacobs (10), Gabby Neddermeyer (11) were selected for the Dorian Honor Band Festival.
- The following art students earned blue ribbons at the Heart of Iowa Fine Arts Festival:



Saydel sophomore Katelyn Kelley at the Heart of Iowa Fine Arts Festival.



Saydel senior Cody Boozell reads to Cornell Elementary students, celebrating Read Across America.

## 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  
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**GREEN EAGLE**

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Goldfield Trim & Upholstery

**GIFTS IN KIND**

Wynde Brown  
Kelly Sprague  
Michael Gladdis



Hayden Van Houten	Oil Pastel
Katelyn Kelley	Pen, Pencil x3, Colored Pencil
Bryce Campbell	Photography x2
Ana Green	Mixed Media, Colored Pencil
Aubriegh Shineflew	Graphic Design, Commercial Art, Tempera, Collaborative, Colored Pencil
Darian Garcia	Graphic Design, Commercial Art
Lisa Van Zandt	Colored Pencil, Collaborative
Hannah Handeland	Watercolor, Colored Pencil
Hannah Velasquez	Pen
Scarlet Hatchitt	Wheel
Malinda Swim	Hand building
Karime Solano	Acrylic



## Spring Activities Are In Full Bloom!



**Activities & Community  
Education Director  
Melissa Crosse**

Reflecting on this past winter, I am so proud of Saydel students, staff, parents and community members. The winter season was packed with events, concerts, games, fundraising, service learning projects and so much more. It was wonderful to see the events filled with energy, excitement and encouragement. I look forward to continuing the positive energy in activities, athletics, clubs, events and music now that spring is here!

### Activities

Our GSA Club, will be attending the 13th annual Governor's Conference on LGBTQ, for the first time. This amazing opportunity will provide students with learning opportunities and workshops that focus on creating a safe and supportive environment for school and in the community.

On March 1, Mrs. Dew and the Saydel art students participated in the Heart of Iowa Conference Fine Arts Festival. Eight schools competed in the visual arts category that included pottery, acrylics, mixed media and more. The Saydel Art Department received a total of 24 blue ribbons at the event. Congratulations to all of the art students for their hard work, dedication and talents awarded in this year's competition!



On March 7, both middle and high school students competed at the regional Mock Trial Contest in Council Bluffs, sponsored by Mrs. Smith. For the past three months, the mock trial team prepared defense and prosecution arguments for the arson, robbery and murder case of The State of Iowa vs. Devin Emerson. Mock Trial students include Reilly Aageson, Gabe Condon, Megan Ford, Gavin Godwin, Jake Jennings, Claire Kayser, Manfredo Mazariegos, Kenneth Michael, Alyssa Monroe, and Ezekiel Olopwi. Reilly Aageson received an Outstanding Witness award for her performance as the defendant. Manfredo Mazariegos received an honorable mention for Outstanding Witness and Reilly Aageson, Megan Ford, and Gavin Godwin received honorable mentions for their roles as attorneys. The team is especially appreciative of all of the hard work and dedication of our attorney coaches, Laura and Conner Wasson.

National Honor Society members have been busy this spring working on projects that strive to make a positive impact in our schools and the greater Des Moines community. In January, NHS collaborated with Joppa Outreach to increase awareness of homelessness in the metro area. The project was a week-long undertaking and

included hosting a guest speaker from Joppa, baking cookies, and assembling "blessing bags" of toiletries and other necessities to donate to the Joppa cause. On Friday, students wore their pajamas to school to show support for Joppa and the idea that everyone deserves a safe place to sleep.



NHS members who feel called to work with younger students have the opportunity to help middle school students with homework multiple times a week through tutoring at Woodside Middle School. National Honor Society also hosted a 5K run and Easter Egg Hunt in March.

Student Government hosted the Snow Crystal Ball on January 27. This year, Student Government surveyed students, to determine the likes and dislikes of school dances, and ensure the event fit the interests of our students. Utilizing feedback from the survey, students organized a dance-off amongst students, resulting in a trophy for freshman winner Gentry Jacobs.

### Athletics – Winter

The winter season was packed with opportunities for students, parents and community members to participate in sports and embrace school spirit! This year, Saydel High School students were given the opportunity to attend the home basketball games and wrestling meets, for free, if they participated in the student section theme and dressed up. As a result, stands were packed with students, cheering and supporting their peers and players.

Saturday, February 3, the Saydel Athletic Booster Club paired up with the American Cancer Society to host a Coaches vs. Cancer Night. Coaches and booster club members collected donations from local businesses, the booster club sold t-shirts to show support, and both Saydel and Chariton cheerleaders raced through the stands collecting monetary donations from fans.



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The girls basketball program received the Distinguished in Academic Achievement Award for the second consecutive year! In order to achieve this, players must reach a Team GPA of 3.25-4.0 in the classroom while actively participating in interscholastic athletics. These students exemplify the excellence achieved by the young people of today and the future of tomorrow. Congratulations to the girls basketball program.

This winter also marked a first for the Woodside Middle School basketball programs, as they participated in a split season. The girls middle school basketball team season played from November through December, and the boys basketball season was from January through February. Both, the boys and girls basketball, as well as wrestling had an extremely high number of participants. The middle school programs each had great learning experiences, focusing on skill development, sportsmanship and fun!

The Saydel Eagle Wrestling Team also had a successful season. Varsity wrestlers Cody Lehman at 132 lbs and Klayton Keller at 145 lbs were awarded HOIAC conference champions. Klayton Keller and Trevor Sprague qualified for districts and Klayton Keller advanced to the State Wrestling Tournament, placing 5th in the 145 lbs division.

## Athletics – Spring

Spring sports have started practices and are off to a good start. The boys and girls track teams have increased the number of participants, as well as the boys track team attending and indoor meet at UNI and ISU. Middle school track has an all time high of 90 participants signed up, and Coach Glenn is excited to bring passion of the sport into the middle school program.

Coach Alan Moritz will be hosting several home golf meets this year, providing parents and community members with more opportunities to come out and cheer on the golf team at our home location, Woodland Hills Golf Course.

Tennis has very exciting news! Returning coach Zakk Dunn for the boys tennis team, and new coach Jeff Fleming for the girls tennis team, have been working hard to prepare students for the spring matches. Coaches have ordered new uniforms, equipment and opening a team apparel shop online. Darren Bullard will also be assisting the tennis program as a volunteer coach, a national team tennis player, USTA player of the year and number one ranked player at the 4.0 level.

For the detailed spring schedule, check out the Saydel Activities Calendar; [www.saydel.k12.ia.us](http://www.saydel.k12.ia.us). Click on the Activities tab, and then select Activities Calendar. You can follow events and activities on Twitter, @SaydelAD.

## Music & Fine Arts

The Saydel Music Department hosted a variety of performances that left the audience in awe this winter season. All throughout December, elementary, middle and high school classes hosted winter concerts. In February the music department hosted Jazz Night, with performances by Vocal Fusion, Woodside Jazz Band, Jazz I and Jazz II. Vocal Fusion also performed at the State Jazz Choir Contest, held at North Polk High School.

Saydel's annual Festival of Music was held February 20, featuring performances by 5th, 6th, 7/8th and high school choir and band students, under the direction of Colleen Babcock, Michael Puffett, Jerry Young, Eric Layden and Daniel Melaas-Swanson.

Students also showed off their incredible talent at the Variety Night, February 23. NHS members hosted a Dodgeball Tournament for students, after the Variety Night performances. Overall, the night was a success and a great experience!

## Community Education

Little Eagle Winter Cheer Clinic, Youth Basketball Camp, and the Youth 80/35 Basketball League were just some of the opportunities offered this winter for Saydel students.



Riley Hayes, the high school color guard instructor, offered a new class in Community Ed called the Color Guard Mini Camp. Twelve participants, grades 5-8 learned a color guard routine, assisted by high school captains, and performed at the Festival of Music, held February 20 at Saydel High School.

Community Ed has several opportunities for adults. Instructors Ashlie and Denise, are now offering Zumba, a cardio dance class, 16 sessions for \$50, held on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

Adult CO-ED Volleyball League will be starting in April. The eight-week league will offer adults the opportunity to play every Tuesday night in April and May, including playoffs and championship medals for the winning team. Team captains can register at [Saydel.revtrak.net](http://Saydel.revtrak.net)

Keep an eye out in the mail for the Saydel Community Education Summer Course Registration Guide, as offerings will be published in a new catalog, mailed in early May. The publishing will be a first for Saydel Schools and will offer classes for children, youth, and adults.

Interested in teaching an community education class? Email [communityed@saydel.net](mailto:communityed@saydel.net). How do you register for adult and youth opportunities? Go to <https://saydel.revtrak.net> Payments include check or credit/debit, and be on the look out for more Community Ed Opportunities, found on the Saydel home page, under the Community Ed tab.

## Saydel Clothing & Apparel

The Saydel Athletic Booster Club has apparel for students, parents, guardians and alumni. You can view these new styles within Eagle Express emails, or visit the concession stand on home track meet dates, April 12, 16, 23 and May 4, 2018.

## Do You Get The Eagle Express?

Saydel offers a free email update, for students, parents and community members about the Activities offering throughout the district. To subscribe to the Eagle Express, send a message titled "Sign Me Up" to [eagleexpress@saydel.net](mailto:eagleexpress@saydel.net).

## Boosters

The Saydel Athletics Booster Club and The Saydel Music Booster Club need your help! Both booster clubs are never ending in their endeavors to provide our students with amazing opportunities, enhance facilities, purchase new equipment and improve our athletic and music programs. If you would like to get involved, email [saydelathletics@gmail.com](mailto:saydelathletics@gmail.com) and [saydelmusicboosters@gmail.com](mailto:saydelmusicboosters@gmail.com) or contact the Activities Department at 515-262-9325, extension 1100.



## Student Services & Special Education Update



**Student Services & Special Education Director  
Julie McKibben**

This school year has allowed special education and student services an opportunity to focus on areas that would provide all students options to work at their full potential. Special Education has grown in their work by offering a continuum of services to allow the least restrictive environment despite a student's disability.

The continuum for Saydel provides an inclusion model for students with a teacher check-in and collaboration time, a co-teaching model,

skills classes, a reverse collaboration model, and self-contained settings. The variety of options offered supports our special education learners. Special education teachers and associates have been provided multiple opportunities for quality professional development that offered current, relevant curricular supports for meeting student's needs. The special education advisory committee will have one final meeting this spring to determine the focus of their work for the upcoming school year.

The ELL program at Saydel is also working to grow their continuum of services. The program offers a sheltered instruction model, skills classes, and a collaboration model. They also have a full-time bilingual associate to support the students. The ELL teachers will be assessing students this spring on English proficiency. The English Language Proficiency Assessment 21 (ELPA 21) will be completed in April. The teachers will also have the opportunity to attend the 52th Annual Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) International Convention in Chicago. This year, through a Grant, we are able to take a team of 11 to the convention to grow our knowledge of supporting the needs of English Language Learners.

The Eagle's Nest Summer Program will run from May 30 to August 10, 2018. The program will be pairing with United Way to provide an optimal summer experience. Enrollment is open. Packets are online and are also in the building offices. Students in grades K-5th are welcome to enroll.

A big emphasis within student services has been working to support the parents, families, and community. Through a collaborative effort of key stakeholders and input from district committees, a Parent Involvement Matrix has been created with links to a multitude of resources. This matrix is on the district website and provides resources to support your child at home, school, and within the community.

## SAYDEL Eagle's Nest Summer Program

### May 30 - Aug. 10, 2018

### 6 AM - 5:30 PM

**LOCATION: Cornell Elementary School**

- \*Field Trips & Outdoor Play
- \*Weekly Themes
- \*Academic Support
- \*Fun With Friends
- \*All Districts Welcome
- \*Affordable (State Assistance Accepted)
- \*Breakfast & Hot Lunch Served June 4 - August 10  
(Children will need to bring breakfast & sack lunch the first week of camp.)

**Pre-K to 5<sup>th</sup> Graders  
Welcome**

Enrollment packets  
available at  
Cornell & Woodside  
or online at  
[www.saydel.k12.ia.us](http://www.saydel.k12.ia.us)



Contact Eagle's Nest Coordinator Alivia Bullis for details:  
515-263-3037 or [bullisalivia@saydel.net](mailto:bullisalivia@saydel.net)

# Saydel Parent Involvement Matrix



View Interactive Links at [www.saydel.k12.ia.us](http://www.saydel.k12.ia.us)

## SUPPORT YOUR CHILD AT HOME

- Keep books, magazines and [newspapers](#) in your home.
- [Read with your child and let them see you read.](#)
- Take educational trips ([museums](#), [libraries](#), etc).
- Look for things to do with your child.
- Participate in [Community Education](#).

## SUPPORT YOUR CHILD WITH SCHOOL

- Check your child's grades/attendance on [PowerSchool](#).
- Speak positively about your child's school.
- [Ask your child what he/she learned at school and require a thoughtful response.](#)
- Attend conferences and family fun nights at school.
- Talk to your child about the benefits of education.
- [Keep in contact with your child's teachers.](#)
- Ask your child about [assignments and grades](#).
- Celebrate your child's successes.
- Direct concerns and questions to [school staff](#).
- Talk to your child about [school safety](#).

## SUPPORT YOUR CHILD AT SCHOOL

- Take part in [after school activities](#).
- Attend parent meetings.
- Become a school volunteer.
- Get involved in the [Parent Teacher Organizations](#) and [Booster Clubs](#).
- [Understand Special Services](#)

## COMMUNITY TOOLBOX

- [Childcare Resources](#)
- [Healthcare Resources](#)
- [Grief & Loss Resources](#)
- [Housing Resources](#)
- [Mental Health Resources](#)
- [General Community Resources](#)
- [Free & Reduced Lunch Application](#)

## FOUNDATION OF SUPPORT

- Praise and encourage your child.
- Ensure your child arrives at school well rested.
- Ensure your child has [transportation](#) and arrives to school and events on time.
- Meet and communicate with your child's friends and acquaintances.
- [Ensure your child is eating a proper diet](#) (breakfast, lunch and dinner).
- Set limits on time with friends, [technology use](#), and work/part-time job schedules.
- Ensure your child's [health care needs](#) are met.



## Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment Update



Curriculum, Instruction  
& Assessment Director  
Mary Salazar

As is always the case in my updates, I get the honor of sharing with you how hard teachers in the Saydel Community School District are working.

In the fall I was able to share about the continued time and effort teachers have put in to creating learning targets. Based on Iowa Core standards, these learning targets provide clarity to teachers when designing and planning instruction and

to students when they are working in the classroom. This learning target work is an ongoing process that teachers will continue to develop and refine moving forward.

In April, you may recall we had an all district professional development day. While the students of Saydel had the day off, the teachers were hard at work. This day was a follow-up to our October professional development day around assessment. Now that we have a good start on our learning target work, the next logical step was to begin to design assessments that are tied to those targets.

On this professional development day we reviewed the importance of purposefully designing assessments that measure what the Iowa Core standard is asking students to do. On this day we reviewed how to write three different types of assessments along with how to write effective rubrics. After the review and new learning around the qualities of the different assessment types, teachers were given time to draft assessments. This professional development day was just the start of our work around assessment design. We will continue to work on this important effort on Wednesday morning late starts as well as on our last all district professional development day on April 9. As always, the teachers in the Saydel Community School District are working hard each and every day to ensure that students have the best possible learning opportunities.

For this issue of *The Communicator*, I have asked District Librarian Nichole Foxhoven to provide an update on all the great things going on with our libraries.

### Saydel Library Update

By Nichole Foxhoven, District Librarian

It has been an exciting year in all three of the Saydel school libraries. The library staff at each building works hard everyday to ensure that students and staff have a well-

maintained library for everyone to benefit from. Winter weather is the perfect time to cozy up with a good book but we are ready for warmer spring weather to read and enjoy the sunshine outside. Here is a look at what is going on in each building.

**CORNELL:** Cornell has a strong culture of reading and encouraging readers to challenge themselves and find new texts to read and enjoy. To highlight those excellent readers we have initiated the SOAR Reader of the Week Program. Each week teachers nominate students who they feel are taking reading to a higher level, students who are consistently seeking out new books, reading at home, using independent reading time to become more fluent, or just a student they feel loves to read! We would like to give a big thanks to the Cornell PTO for providing each SOAR Reader of the Week with a brand new book.

This past month Cornell Elementary was picked for the Read with Me Program through KCCI 8 News and EMC Insurance. KCCI's Marcus McIntosh and EMC Insurance representatives visited the school, read a story to the kindergarten and fourth grade classes and presented the library with a check for \$1,000 to use toward the purchase of new books. We will be using those funds to purchase additional books for PreK-4th and toward the purchase of some soft seating in the library. Another gracious donation that will benefit both Cornell and Woodside students is a donation of books from a Saydel Alumnus, the books were given to us through a grant with the Usborne Book Company, with that donation and grant, we were able to add some great books to our libraries.

We are so thankful for everyone who is supportive of the library at Cornell. If you have students at Cornell, hopefully you stopped by the Scholastic book fair that was set up in the library during conferences. The funds we raise from the book fair have gone directly back to Cornell to maintain a great collection of books and resources for students.

**WOODSIDE :** The Woodside library is visited every week by each grade level; and some students make daily trips to the library to check out new materials. Whenever we have new books arrive to the library the students are eager to check them out. The Woodside library had a very successful book fair last fall and raised over \$3,700. Thanks to the fact that Scholastic matches half of what is made from the book fair and the Woodside PTO matched the other half, we were able to turn that book fair into a very successful fundraiser. Thanks to all that helped out to make that happen. We have a wide range of readers at Woodside and to serve all students we joined a book subscription service called Junior Library Guild. Woodside is sent two

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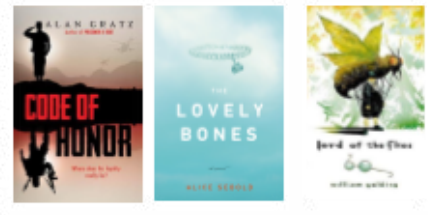
## CORNELL



## WOODSIDE



## HIGH SCHOOL



newly published books a month to add to the library. It has been a great addition to our library collection and each month it is so exciting to get the new box of books to share with students. The library is used during the lunch hours for “Innovation Station” students can come down to the library and explore different technologies, create, and connect with other students. Looking forward, the library will be a place for students to think in innovative ways as we provide experiences that encourage reading and embrace technology.

**SAYDEL HIGH SCHOOL:** We started this school year in the High School library with a great update! The walls were painted a beautiful blue and new tables and chairs were purchased for the library. The students have enjoyed the new tables, especially since the larger tables are equipped with outlets to charge electronics. We hope to add more seating and areas for students to lounge while they are in the library. The library collection has been a big focus for me this year, we have added over 200 new titles; the majority of these books were newer fiction books and books that students have requested be added to the library. Much like the middle school library, the fiction books at the high school are split up into genres. This year, I added a new section to our library for Graphic Novels. Those additions have been popular with students who are visiting the library. To help get more students interested in the new books and bring some new faces in the library during the month of February, when a student checked out a book they were entered into a drawing to win prizes from local

restaurants and businesses that were donated to support our library program. Special thanks to the following businesses for their donations: Hardees, Chick-fil-A, Which Wich Superior Sandwiches, Sorriso Grille, Buffalo Wild Wings, DMACC, and Trail Point Aquatics & Wellness. This program will continue for the rest of the school year, so when students come in and check out a library book, they might win some prizes!

As you can see, our libraries have been busy and our school library staff will continue to work hard to update and broaden our resources for students and give them resources based on their interest and curriculum needs! Thank you for all of your support.

Above is a snapshot of the top five books from each building and below is a photo of high school students checking out new books and participating in our library reward program!





## Upcoming Events

### APRIL 7, 2018

Cornell PTO Carnival, 4:30 - 7 PM

### APRIL 9, 2018

- NO SCHOOL, Professional Development Day
- Regular School Board Meeting, 6 PM

### APRIL 11, 2018

Music Boosters Meeting, High School, 6:30 PM

### APRIL 17, 2018

Camp Read-a-Lot, 5:30 - 7 PM

### APRIL 18, 2018

- Blood Drive at High School, 7:45 AM - 1 PM
- Athletic Boosters Meeting, High School, 6 PM

### APRIL 20-22, 2018

Musical Performance at High School Auditorium, April 20-21 at 7 PM; April 22 at 2 PM

### APRIL 26, 2018

- 7th & 8th Grade ABC Apprenticeship
- 5th Grade CAP Program Visit
- Woodside PTO Meeting, 6:30 PM

### APRIL 28, 2018

Wrestling Car Show, High School West Parking Lot, 10 AM

### MAY 2, 2018

Music Boosters Meeting, High School, 6:30 PM

### MAY 7-11, 2018

Spring MAP Testing at Woodside

### MAY 14, 2018

- Regular School Board Meeting, 6 PM
- 3rd & 4th Grade Music Program

### MAY 16, 2018

Senior Awards Night, High School Auditorium, 7 PM

### MAY 18, 2018

- Graduation Practice at High School, 10 AM
- Variety Show at Woodside Gym, 6 PM

### MAY 20, 2018

Graduation, High School South Gym, 1 PM

### MAY 24, 2018

- Semester Finals at High School
- 5th Grade Awards Assembly at Woodside

### MAY 25, 2018

- 8th Grade Graduation\*
- Last Day of School\*
- Semester Finals at High School

### MAY 30, 2018

Eagle's Nest Summer Program Begins at Cornell Elementary

### JUNE 4, 2018

Summer Food Program Begins at Cornell

### JUNE 11, 2018

Regular School Board Meeting, 6 PM

\* Tentative date

## Saydel District Recognitions

Saydel Community School District has recently presented some community members, volunteers and Saydel staff for their commitment and dedication toward the betterment of the school district. Shown here are photos taken from recent School Board meetings where these moments of recognition have taken place.



Saydel Community School District is continuing to recognize businesses and individuals for their support. During a recent Saydel School Board Meeting, Superintendent Mr. Douglas Wheeler honored Kelly Sprague and Wynde Brown. These individuals have volunteered their time for many years to assist with Saydel's fundraiser of grandstand cleaning at the Iowa State Fair. Each year they raise between \$10,000 and \$13,000 for the Saydel Music Boosters with this fundraiser. Neither of these volunteers have a student in the music program at this time. Pictured from left: Mr. Douglas Wheeler, Wynde Brown, Kelly Sprague, and Saydel School Board President Brian Bowman.



The Board of Education at Saydel Community School District recently honored three individuals who have volunteered their time for many years to assist with Saydel athletic events. The volunteers were presented with certificates of recognition. Pictured from left: Saydel School Board Vice President Jennifer Van Houten, James Gilchrist, Ray Livingston, Saydel Superintendent Mr. Douglas Wheeler, and Jim Gebhart, Sr.



# Saydel Community School Food Services



## What is the Summer Food Service Program?

The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) is a federally funded program that helps ensure children and teenagers under 18 receive FREE healthy meals, in addition to fun activities, during the summer months.

## How can my child(ren) receive FREE meals?

There are many summer sites in your area that provide free meals services. No proof of income or applications is necessary. Just come hungry! All meals are made with high-quality ingredients, minimally processed and are filled with nutrients! Our summer meals program kicks off on June 4<sup>th</sup>! Stay tuned for more information regarding sites and menus.

## The Importance of a Nutritional Label

One of the best ways you can help your child live healthy and maintain a healthy weight is to teach them what an actual serving size looks like. Knowing what a healthy serving size is one of the keys to maintaining a healthy weight throughout life. Children can use this knowledge to make healthier choices when eating at school, having snacks or even choosing from a fast food menu.

**Information you need to make healthy choices throughout your day**

**Found on all packaged foods and beverages**

**Use it to compare foods!**

Choose the foods that are high in nutrients to get more of, and low in nutrients to get less of.



If you consume more calories than you burn, you gain weight.

400 calories or more per serving is high; 100 calories per serving is moderate.

### Calories

Check the serving size on food packages. The information listed on the Nutrition Facts Label is based on one serving. Servings are shown in common measurements like cups, ounces, or pieces.

One package may contain more than one serving! If you eat multiple servings – you're getting "multiples" on calories and nutrients, too.

### Serving Size & Servings Per Container

**2 SERVINGS = CALORIES X 2**

**Nutrition Facts**  
**Read the Label**

Nutrition Facts	
Serving Size 1 package (272g)	
Servings Per Container 1	
Amount Per Serving	Calories from Fat 45
<b>Calories 300</b>	
% Daily Value*	
<b>Total Fat 5g</b>	8%
Saturated Fat 1.5g	9%
Trans Fat 0g	
<b>Cholesterol 30mg</b>	10%
<b>Sodium 430mg</b>	18%
<b>Total Carbohydrate 55g</b>	18%
Dietary Fiber 6g	25%
Sugars 23g	
<b>Protein 14g</b>	
Vitamin A	80%
Vitamin C	35%
Calcium	6%
Iron	15%

	Calories: 2,000	2,500
Total Fat	Less than 65g	80g
Saturated Fat	Less than 20g	25g
Cholesterol	Less than 300mg	300mg
Sodium	Less than 2,400mg	2,400mg
Total Carbohydrate	300g	375g
Dietary Fiber	25g	30g

### Nutrients

#### Nutrients To Get More Of

Get 100% DV of these:

- Calcium
- Dietary Fiber
- Iron
- Vitamins A & C

#### Nutrients To Get Less Of

Get less than 100% DV of these:

- Cholesterol
- Saturated Fat
- Sodium
- Sugars and Trans Fat are nutrients to get less of, but they have no %DV. Use grams to compare!

To meet these goals, eat a variety of foods, including:

- fruits and vegetables
- lean meats and poultry
- beans and peas
- whole grains
- eggs
- soy products
- fat-free or low-fat milk/ milk products
- seafood
- unsalted nuts and seeds

### %DV

When comparing nutrients in foods, use %DV.

%DV = Percent Daily Value

5% DV or less per serving is low

20% DV or more per serving is high

%DV is based on "Daily Values" – the amounts of nutrients recommended for Americans aged 4 and older to eat every day.

Percent Daily Values on the Nutrition Facts Label are based on a 2,000 calorie diet; however, your Daily Values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs. Calorie needs vary according to age, gender, and physical activity level. Visit [www.choosemyplate.gov](http://www.choosemyplate.gov) to find your caloric needs.

## Foodservice Office:

Visit [www.saydel.k12.ia.us](http://www.saydel.k12.ia.us) for menus and more information

Email: [sadlerjessy@saydel.net](mailto:sadlerjessy@saydel.net)

Phone: 515.264.0866 Fax: 515.264.0869

Follow us on Twitter: @saydeldining

## Build a Healthy Lunch





## Polk County/Prairie Meadows Gives Back to Saydel



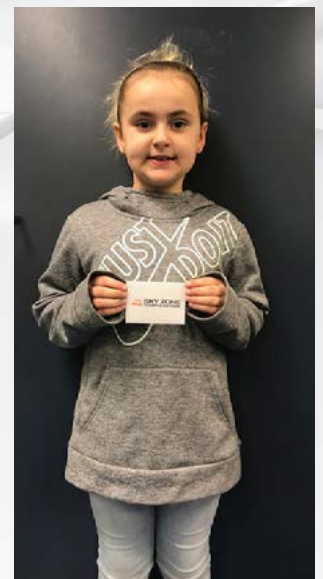
The Saydel Community School District appreciates the ongoing support from the Polk County Board of Supervisors and Prairie Meadows Racetrack and Casino. This support is based on the number of students in the Saydel School District. At the February 12 Regular Board Meeting, the Saydel School Board of Directors was presented with a check for \$17,333.05 from Polk County/Prairie Meadows. For the past three years, Saydel has used this support for upgrades to safety and emergency response systems. Pictured front row from left: Superintendent Mr. Douglas Wheeler, School Board President Brian Bowman, Polk County Supervisor Steve Van Oort, and Prairie Meadows Director of Racing Eric Halstrom. Back row, from left: Board Members Julie Jennings, Roland Kouski, Jr., Doug Kayser, Rob Strickler, Chad Vitritto, and School Board Vice President Jennifer Van Houten.

## Vaccination for health protection

The Iowa Department of Public Health has made an administrative change in immunizations. They state, "The change requires a one-time dose of meningococcal (A, C, W, Y) vaccine received on or after 10 years of age for applicants in grades 7 and above, if born after September 15, 2004; and two doses of meningococcal (A, C, W, Y) vaccines for applicants in grade 12, if born after September 15, 1999; or one dose if received when applicants are 16 years of age or older." There will be NO grace/extension period for the implementation of this requirement. This means the paperwork needs to be turned in prior to the first day of school. Please make preparations before the start of the next school year. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the nurse at your child's building.



## BOX TOPS NEWS



Maylee Knight is the current winner of the Cornell Elementary School Box Tops Competition. She brought in the most Box Tops and won a gift card to Sky Zone in Grimes! Great Job Maylee!

Keep clipping those Box Tops! You can help earn cash for Cornell Elementary and Woodside Middle School by clipping Box Tops at home and sending them to school! Every Box Top counts, and they earn cash for our schools!



Registration 10:00 AM to Noon | Awards at 2:00 PM | Rain Date May 5th

<u>Award Categories</u>		<u>Popular Choice Awards</u>
• Best of Show		• Coolest Paint
• Best 1950's and Older		• Best Engine
• Best 60's	• Best Truck	• Most Unique
• Best 70's	• Student Ride	• I Really Wanted One of These in High School
• Best 80's	• Best Lowrider	• Most Likely to Get Pulled Over
• Best 90's		• Kids Choice
• Best 2000 & Newer		

**\$20.00 Pre-Registration Fee Before  
April 24<sup>th</sup> (Includes T-Shirt)  
\$20.00 Registration Fee at the Door  
(No T-Shirt)**

**Mail form and \$20 to  
Saydel High School ATTN: Saydel Wrestling  
5601 NE 7<sup>th</sup> St  
Des Moines, IA 50313**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Make / Model & Year of Vehicle: \_\_\_\_\_

Award Category (select one): 50's or Older \_\_\_\_\_ 60's \_\_\_\_\_ 70's \_\_\_\_\_ 80's \_\_\_\_\_ 90's \_\_\_\_\_ 2000 or Newer \_\_\_\_\_  
Truck \_\_\_\_\_ Student Ride \_\_\_\_\_ Lowrider \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size: AS \_\_\_ AM \_\_\_ AL \_\_\_ AXL \_\_\_ A2XL \_\_\_ A3XL \_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this form, I hereby discharge Saydel School District and Saydel Wrestling from any all liability from any damages, injuries or other claims that may occur to me or my property at this event. Vehicle Owners personal insurance will cover all liabilities at all times. I agree that any photos or videos of myself or property may be used for promotional publication. No alcohol allowed on school grounds.

**All Proceeds Benefit Saydel Wrestling**



## SAYDEL BOOSTER MEMBERSHIPS

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

### BUSINESS PLATINUM EAGLE

Rising Star Wholesale -- 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

### 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 PLATINUM EAGLE

Corey Myers  
Scott Myers  
Mark & Beth Shelton

## Saydel Retirement Reception

Monday, May 14, 2018, District Office Board Room

The Saydel community is invited to attend a Retirement Reception on Monday, May 14, 2018, from 5 PM-6 PM in the Saydel District Office Board Room to honor the three staff members who are retiring at the end of the school year. Awards will be presented during the Regular School Board Meeting which will begin at 6 PM.



The reception will be in honor of:

- Terry Lyons-Brix, Woodside FCS Teacher
- Douglas Cline, Woodside 8th Grade Teacher
- Carolyn McCauley, K-8th ELP Teacher



TERRY LYONS-BRIX



DOUGLAS CLINE



CAROLYN MCCAULEY

## Gratitude & Giving During The Holiday Season

By Ann Herrera, District Social Worker

On behalf of the Saydel Community School District, a BIG thank you to the following businesses, churches, organizations and individuals for your kindness this past holiday season. Generous donations of thanksgiving baskets, warm winter clothing, eye glasses/exams, food, and Christmas gifts were given to families and children throughout the Saydel District. We were fortunate to get some very caring donations from these groups this year! Words cannot describe the gratitude felt by the Saydel community. THANK YOU to all who helped add to the giving and caring spirit!

- ABIS Insurance
- Affinity Credit Union
- All Saints Catholic Church
- Ankeny Family Vision Center
- Breitbarth Family
- Capitol City Church
- Cyndi and Craig Smiens
- Gloria dei Lutheran Church
- Saydel Girls Basketball Team
- Saydel Student Government
- Schulte Family
- Society of St. Vincent De Paul

# COMMUNITY EDUCATION

## Saydel Community School District now offers Community Education

Course offerings include, but are not limited to:

- Youth Athletic Camps
- Fine Art Classes & Camps
- Adult Fitness Classes
- Adult Education Classes
- Open Gym with much more to come!

To view current course offerings please visit

<https://saydel.revtrak.net>

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Become a Community Education Instructor,

**TEACH a class!**

Instructors needed.

Do you *SCRAPBOOK* or *CROCHET*? Maybe you have a talent and are interested in helping others get started?

Visit the Saydel Community School District website and apply to teach, email [communityed@saydel.net](mailto:communityed@saydel.net) or call (515) 264-0866.

<http://www.saydel.k12.ia.us/>



**SAYDEL EAGLES**  
**ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB**  
 SAYDEL HIGH SCHOOL 5601 NE 7<sup>th</sup> St, DES MOINES, IA 50313

## Annual Four Person Best Ball Golf Outing

**Terrace Hills Golf Course**  
**Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
**7:45am Shotgun Start [Check-In: 6:30 – 7:30am]**

**Registration:** \$60 per player. Includes 18 holes, cart, lunch and 2 drink tickets.

Captain:	Email:
Player 2:	Email:
Player 3:	Email:
Player 4:	Email:

**Prizes:**

**Men and Women; Winning Team, Longest Drive, Longest Putt, Closest to the Pin and others.**

**Sponsorship Opportunities:**

\$100	Longest Drive
\$100	Longest Putt
\$100	Closest to the Pin
\$200	Tee Box Sponsor
\$500	Free Foursome and Tee Box Sponsor
	Other – If you have another idea for a sponsorship opportunity, please contact Rob.

**Make checks payable to: Saydel Eagles Athletic Booster Club**

**Mail forms to: Saydel Eagles Athletic Booster Club, 5601 NE 7<sup>th</sup> St, Des Moines, IA 50313 by June 6<sup>th</sup>.**

**Questions? Email [saydelathletics@gmail.com](mailto:saydelathletics@gmail.com) or call, text us:**

<b>Rob Stephenson 770-7445</b>	<b>Shannon Riddlebarger 681-3978</b>	<b>Scott Hecker 720-9861</b>
<b>Jeremy Lowe 240-2141</b>	<b>Jennifer Garrison 419-6000</b>	

**For more information and forms go to our Facebook Page: [www.facebook.com/saydelathletics](http://www.facebook.com/saydelathletics)**

**Terrace Hill’s Rain Policy:**

As long as the golf course is playable the group can play regardless of weather conditions. If inclement weather is possible we want to make a decision 1 1/2 hours before start time. We look at local radar and make the decision to *start play on time, delay up to one hour or cancel event*. If event is cancelled we try and find an alternative date. If we begin play and inclement weather moves in for a period of time, *we have a 1 hour rule*; if golfers can begin play after 1 hour of suspension they finish their round. If this is not possible we work with the event organizer to determine satisfactory outcome.



## ANNUAL NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Saydel Community School District offers career and technical programs in the following areas of study:

- Business, Finance & Marketing Management
- Human Services
- Applied Sciences, Technology, Engineering & Manufacturing

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## GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

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Students, parents of students, employees, and applicants for employment in the school district have the right to file a formal complaint alleging discrimination. The district has policies and procedures in place to identify and investigate complaints alleging discrimination. If appropriate, the district will take steps to prevent the recurrence of discrimination and to correct its discriminatory effects on the Complainant and others.

A Complainant may attempt to resolve the problem informally by discussing the matter with a building principal or a direct supervisor. However, the Complainant has the right to end the informal process at any time and pursue the formal grievance procedures outlined below. Use of the informal or formal grievance procedure is not a prerequisite to the pursuit of other remedies. Please note that informal processes and procedures are not to be used in certain circumstances (e.g., sexual harassment and sexual assault).

### Filing a Complaint

A Complainant who wishes to avail himself/herself of this grievance procedure may do so by filing a complaint with the equity coordinator(s). An alternate will be designated in the event it is claimed that the equity coordinator or superintendent committed the alleged discrimination or some other conflict of interest exists. Complaints shall be filed within 180 days of the event giving rise to the complaint or from the date the Complainant could reasonably become aware of such occurrence. The Complainant will state the nature of the complaint and the remedy requested. The equity coordinator(s) shall assist the Complainant as needed.

### Investigation

Within 15 working days, the equity coordinator will begin the investigation of the complaint or appoint a qualified person to undertake the investigation (hereinafter "equity coordinator"). If the Complainant is under 18 years of age, the equity coordinator shall notify his or her parent(s)/guardian(s) that they may attend investigatory meetings in which the Complainant is involved. The complaint and identity of the Complainant, Respondent, or witnesses will only be disclosed as reasonably necessary in connection with the investigation or as required by law or policy. The investigation may include, but is not limited to the following:

- A request for the Complainant to provide a written statement regarding the nature of the complaint;
- A request for the individual named in the complaint to provide a written statement;
- A request for witnesses identified during the course of the investigation to provide a written statement;
- Interviews of the Complainant, Respondent, or witnesses;
- An opportunity to present witnesses or other relevant information; and
- Review and collection of documentation or information deemed relevant to the investigation.

Within 60 working days, the equity coordinator shall complete the investigation and issue a report with respect to the findings. The equity coordinator shall notify the Complainant and Respondent of the decision within 5 working days of completing the written report. Notification shall be by U.S. mail, first class.

### Decision and Appeal

The complaint is closed after the equity coordinator has issued the report, unless within 10 working days after receiving the decision, either party appeals the decision to the superintendent by making a written request detailing why he/she believes the decision should be reconsidered. The equity coordinator shall promptly forward all materials relative to the complaint and appeal to the Superintendent. Within 30 working days, the superintendent shall affirm, reverse, amend the decision, or direct the equity coordinator to gather additional information. The Superintendent shall notify the Complainant, Respondent, and the equity coordinator of the decision within 5 working days of the decision. Notification shall be by U.S. mail, first class.

- The decision of the Superintendent shall be final.
- The decision of the Superintendent in no way prejudices a party from seeking redress through state or federal agencies as provided by in law.
- This policy and procedures are to be used for complaints of discrimination, in lieu of any other general complaint policies or procedures that may be available.
- If any of the stated timeframes cannot be met by the district, the district will notify the parties and pursue completion as promptly as possible.
- Retaliation against any person, because the person has filed a complaint or assisted or participated in an investigation, is prohibited. Persons found to have engaged in retaliation shall be subject to discipline by appropriate measures.

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### Cornell Elementary School

Grades PK - 4  
5817 NE 3rd Street, Des Moines, IA 50313  
515-244-8173  
Mr. Brian Vaughan, Principal

### Woodside Middle School

Grades 5-8  
5810 NE 14th Street, Des Moines, IA 50313  
515-265-3451  
Mr. Joshua Heyer, Principal

### Saydel High School

Grades 9-12  
5601 NE 7th Street, Des Moines, IA 50313  
515-262-9325  
Mr. Kevin Schulte, Principal  
Mr. Alex Stubbers, Vice Principal  
Melissa Crosse, Director of Activities/Community Education

### Saydel District Office (Adjacent to Woodside Middle School)

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