

SAYDEL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Saydel High School

Big City Opportunities, Small Town Commitment for Students

September 2016 Newsletter

Upcoming Events

Saydel High School

SEPTEMBER 30

Homecoming Football Game, 7 PM

OCTOBER 4

- Parent Teacher Conferences, 4-8 PM in North Gym
- Flu Vaccination Clinic at Saydel District Office Board Room, 4-7 PM

OCTOBER 6

- Parent Teacher Conferences, 4-8 PM in North Gym
- Flu Vaccination Clinic at Cornell Elementary, 4-7 PM

OCTOBER 10

- School Board Meeting, 6 PM
- Conference Cross Country Meet, 4:30 PM at Saydel High School
- **OCTOBER 18** Vocal Concert, 7 PM in Auditorium

OCTOBER 19

Athletic Booster Meeting, 6 PM in Media Center

OCTOBER 21

Football, Cheerleading, Marching Band & Cross Country Senior Night, 7 PM in Saydel Stadium

NOVEMBER 1

Blood Drive in South Atrium at Saydel High School

School Hours

SAYDEL HIGH SCHOOL 7:45 AM - 2:46 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

Principal's Message

n our opening assembly for the year, I focused on two things with students. Our mission, "Everyone's best effort for everyone's best life," and I shared with them that they are a part of something great.

As we have progressed through one month of school there have been a number of things that we continue to build upon. Through our advanced course offerings and DMACC career advantage courses we are working to prepare our students for life after high school. In fact, last year we had 139 students earn 867 college credits. On average, students that earned college credit last year earned over 6 credits.



Principal Kevin Schulte

As we wrap up Homecoming Week, we truly are having fun and making positive academic progress. Often times, fun comes along with our many student successes that have been experienced in the first month of school:

- The 9th, 10th, and 11th graders made reading gains as measured by MAP testing.
- David Parker, senior, has been ranked as a top 30 cross-country runner in the state.
- The football team is 3-2 and off to the best start in over 20 years.
- Carly Woods was elected student government president.
- The senior class engaged in a challenge to make their year great both in and out of school.
- Joe Peer, Megan Schmidt, Reilly Aagesen, Taylor Conley and Katie Plascencia have been selected as leads for this year's musical Edges.
- This semester 175 students are working toward earning college credit through our own concurrent enrollment and post-secondary options.

Parent teacher conferences are taking place next Tuesday and Thursday from 4-8 PM. Please encourage your student to attend with you. In addition to collaborating with teachers on next steps forward with your student, you will be encouraged to meet with your student's advisor to discuss the goal your student has set.

Our Mission: Everyone's best effort for everyone's best life.



2016 Saydel Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees (holding their plaques). From left: Taylor Tague, Rece Martin, Emma Bowman, Floyd Sommers (Father of Clayton Sommers, Elizabeth Roby-Miklus, Casey Roberts, Grant Sherman, Jim Gebhart (Not Pictured: Jacob Sherman)

Saydel Inducts Nine Into Athletic Hall of Fame

By Ric Powell, Activities Director

On Friday, September 9, 2016, Saydel High School inducted nine new members into our Athletic Hall of Fame. These additions took the total number of Hall of Famers from 36 to 45 members. The afternoon started with a Pep Assembly at the High School, where the inductees were introduced to the students and staff members. The inductees received a warm welcome from the student body and community members in attendance.

Following the assembly the inductees and their families all attended an Honors Dinner at Smokey D's restaurant. Forty-four people attended the "Hall of Fame Honors Dinner." The dinner was highlighted by Activities Director Ric Powell welcoming the attendees. Powell congratulated the inductees and their family members. Many coaches attended the dinner and were asked to speak about their former star athletes.

Following the Honors Dinner, the group moved to Saydel Stadium for the Pre-Game Ceremony before the Varsity Football game with Dike New-Hartford. The nine honorees walked through a tunnel that consisted of Saydel Cheerleaders, Marching Band & Color Guard Members, along with coaches and family members. One by one, each inductee was honored by walking through the "Celebration Tunnel" that ended with congratulatory hand shakes from: Craig Wederquist (Hall of Fame

Chairman), Ric Powell (Activities Director), Kevin Schulte (Principal) and Doug Wheeler (Superintendent).

Prior to the kickoff of the Varsity Football Game, the nine inductees participated in the Pre-Game coin toss as "Honoring Captains" at midfield. It was a great night for the Saydel Community.



Saydel Community School Food and Nutrition Services

National School Lunch Week 2016

Every year, more than 500 billion school lunches are served nationwide via the National School Lunch Program.



National School Lunch Week will be celebrated October 10th -14th.



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School Breakfast will give you MORE energy, keep your body healthy and help improve your grades!



Foodservice Office: Visit <u>www.saydel.k12.ia.us</u> for menus and more information Email: sadlerjessy@saydel.net Phone: 515.264.0866 Fax: 515.264.0869

Build a Healthy Lunch





Saydel Homecoming Royalty Court pictured from left: Grant Sassman, Keely Woods, Cole Riddlebarger, Carly Woods, Devin Porter, Lyndsay Bianchi, Hunter Jesse, Riley Backus, Chevy Kelley and Lacey Brown.

SAYDEL 2016 HOMECOMING MEMORIES





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Painting The Hill The tradition continues





Guidance Events & News



By Shannon Larson, Guidance Counselor

The Saydel Guidance Department has several events scheduled for students and parents during the month of October.

PSAT and ACT

On October 19, sophomores and juniors have the opportunity to take the PSAT test at 8:45 AM in the high school library. The cost of the test is \$15. Juniors who take the test are eligible for the National Merit competition. In October students will be able to attend ACT study sessions. Study sessions will focus on English, Math, Science and test taking strategies. Times and room assignments will be communicated via email and the Eagle Express.

Post-Secondary Planning

On Tuesday, October 25 parents and students are encouraged to attend two sessions presented by the Iowa College Access Network (ICAN). The first event begins at 6 PM in the high school library and the focus will be on college and career planning. The second event begins at 7 PM in the library as well and focuses on the Financial Aid process.

Financial Aid

Beginning October 1 parents will be able to complete the 2017 FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) form. The national program is restructuring and providing more control to individual state programs. This year FAFSA Ready Iowa will hold events from October 1, 2016, through March 1, 2017, working within the new financial aid timeline. Listed below are the locations, and times.

Iowa College Access Network

DMACC Campus, 2006 S Ankeny Blvd, Building 5, Ankeny, Iowa 10/1/2016 - 3/25/2017 -- By appointment

Central Library, 1000 Grand, Des Moines, Iowa 10/16/2016 from 1 PM - 4 PM

East High School, 815 E 13th Street - Library, Des Moines, Iowa 11/16/2016 from 1 PM - 8 PM

Forest Avenue Library, 1326 Forest Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 11/4/2016 from 1 PM - 4 PM

DMACC Southridge Campus, 1111 E. Army Post Rd., Des Moines, Iowa 12/2/2016 from 1PM - 8 PM

DMACC Southridge Campus, 1111 E. Army Post Rd., Des Moines, Iowa 1/27/2017 from 1 PM - 8 PM

DMACC Southridge Campus, 1111 E. Army Post Rd., Des Moines, Iowa 2/24/2017 from 1 PM - 8 PM

DMACC Southridge Campus, 1111 E. Army Post Rd., Des Moines, Iowa 3/2/2017 from 1 PM - 8 PM

Academic Support

By Alex Stubbers, Assistant Principal & Academic/Behavior Strategist



Welcome back to a new school year. We have had a great start academically through "Everyone's best effort for everyone's best life." We have implemented a few adjustments to how we are supporting students beyond the typical classroom.

The first change made comes with streamlining our after school Academic Success Labs. Each content area will be holding Academic Success Labs after school either on Tuesdays or Thursdays from 2:45-3:15 PM.

On Tuesdays, students who need Math and English help can meet with those teachers and on Thursday's, students needing help in Science and Social Studies can meet with those teachers. For classes outside of these departments, teachers and students can set up meeting times according to their needs and schedules. The labs are a continuation from last year's start with set days and times. Combining Academic Success Labs and weekly advisory allows students an extra hour and a half of time where they can stop in for extra help, re-teachings, or to make up missing work.

Another change to the Academic Success Labs from last year is that students with missing work are required to stay for the Academic Success Labs to complete missing work. This change is to ensure students understand concepts being taught and to help keep students accountable for work completion.

The Saydel staff continues putting forth their best effort in both teaching and creating learning opportunities for student success in school and beyond.

During the school day, teachers and administration continue to identify students who would benefit from either Academic Success Lab's or time during advisory on Thursdays for additional support. The second major change comes during advisories on Thursday and Friday. Last year advisories were a collection of different grades and were used twice a week for the extra help, re-teachings and completing make up work. This year advisories are grouped by grade level to help teachers transition students from grade to grade while supporting them in classes they need help in. Additionally students will be receiving lessons on Fridays during advisory to help fulfill some of the 21st Century Skills from the Iowa CORE.

The goal of these changes is to provide additional support for students while making the process as efficient as possible. The Saydel staff continues putting forth their best effort in both teaching and creating learning opportunities for student success in school and beyond. Together, we work to ensure the best life for our students.

Saydel Booster Memberships

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

BUSINESS PLATINUM EAGLE

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INDIVIDUAL SILVER EAGLE

Missy Burr Joshua & Denna Heyer Ruth Kouski

INDIVIDUAL GREEN EAGLE

Roland & Shari Kouski Brian & Diba VanHouten

INDIVIDUAL PLATINUM EAGLE

Corey Myers Scott Myers Kelly & Tana Sprague

STAFF DUAL ATHLETIC & MUSIC MEMBERS

Jerry Young Penny Smith Cheri Tingley Caleb Hales Dia Fenton Melissa Sensor Kyle Luttenegger Julie Rolf

Saydel's 3rd Annual Monster Dash 5K/1Mile Walk/Run Saturday, October 22, 2016, at 9:30 AM

The 3rd Annual Saydel Monster Dash 5K/1 Mile walk/run will take place October 22 at 9:30 AM starting at Saydel High School. Runners are encouraged to wear their favorite Halloween costumes with proceeds going to Cornell PTO, Woodside PTO, and Saydel Eagle Endowment. All runners signed up before October 10 will receive a burnt orange dri-fit t-shirt. Packet pickup will occur the day of the race from 8:30 AM through 9:15 AM.

Registration Fees

- \$12 for mile walk/run
- \$12 for 5K (student rate any school)
- \$20 for 5K (non-student rate)

Online signup at https://secure.getmeregistered.com/get_information.php?event_id=125203 (Links are available at www.saydel.k12.ia.us. Use Quick Link to Monster Dash)

Race event information and photos will be posted to https://www.facebook.com/events/1059966104095270/

Race will be chipped with results shared through www.onlineraceresults.com.

Enter if you dare!



Professional Learning

By Caleb Hales & Kyle Luttenegger, Master Teachers

High school teachers are working hard in professional development with a goal of improving student achievement. Two of the most important things we can do as a school to have a positive impact on this work are to ensure that we have a guaranteed and viable curriculum and to ensure that our assessments improve both the teaching and learning process.

The foundation of our work so far has centered around standards and learning targets. Teachers are working diligently to develop student-friendly, proficiency-based learning targets for their classes to help bridge the gap between standards and daily objectives. In a nutshell, we are clearly defining what we need students to learn.

Teachers began by digging into and unpacking their standards. Many teachers got a head start on this work during the summer. After unpacking their standards and pulling out big ideas, teachers began to collaboratively write proficiency-based learning targets. These learning targets will provide an effective way to communicate learning expectations to students and parents and will help guide how we assess and facilitate learning.



Anyone can get it, do your part to stop the flu.

GET VACCINATED

The Polk County Health Department will hold FLU VACCINATION CLINICS at Saydel CSD.

Tuesday, Oct. 4 at Saydel District Office 4 - 7 PM

Thursday, Oct. 6 at Cornell Elementary 4 - 7 PM

Most insurance accepted. For uninsured adults, the fee is \$20. Children under 19 may be eligible for free vaccine if uninsured, underinsured, Medicaid enrolled, or of Native American/Alaskan origin.

No one will be turned away for inability to pay.

Questions? Call Saydel District Office, 515-264-0866.



SAYDEL ACTIVITIES DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY PASS

All passes include admission for home games (including Saydel tournaments) for the 2016-17 sports season plus NFHS broadcasting of games

STUDENT PASS - grades K-12th \$35 SINGLE PASS - \$115 SEASON PASS - \$60 FAMILY PASS - school & college-aged children, parents/guardians \$200 SENIOR NON-RESIDENT - 65+ non-residents to Saydel School District \$60 SENIOR RESIDENT - 65+ Saydel School District resident with proof of residency FREE

ACTIVITY PASS ORDER FORM

Make checks payable to SAYDEL HIGH SCHOOL

NAME(S)	PASS TYPE	QTY.	AMOUNT
	□ Student		
	□ Single		
	□ Season		
	Senior non-resident of Saydel		
	□ Family		
	Senior, FREE resident of Saydel		

Submit to: Saydel High School, 5601 NE 7th Street, Des Moines IA 50313



Twelve Saydel High School students attended the Meistersinger All-State Music Camp at Wartburg College in Waverly. The students were in the company of 600 other attendees who spent the three days learning the music for this year's All-State Choir auditions. The evenings provided several social activities for the students who enjoyed the opportunity to relax after such focused rehearsals.

SAYDEL BOARD OF EDUCATION

Brian Bowman, Board President Jennifer Van Houten, Vice-President Melissa Sassman, Board of Director Henry Wood, Board of Director Chad Vitiritto, Board of Director Doug Kayser, Board of Director Roland Kouski, Jr., Board of Director

Superintendent: Mr. Douglas Wheeler Board Secretary: Beth Vitiritto



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

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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. Office for Civil Rights, Citigroup Center, 500 W. Madison Street, Suite 1475, Chicago, IL 60661.