LOOMIS PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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SMALL TOWN: BIG DATES

- No School-Easter Monday 4-1
- Grades 5/6 VB Practice-3:30PM 4-1
- 4-2 Track at Franklin-10AM
- Golf at Hi Line-10AM 4-2
- 4-2 Building, Grounds, Transportation Mtg-11:30AM 4-2 JH Track at Overton-1:00PM
- 4-3 FFA State Convention
- 4-3 Science Fair (Grades 5/6)-1:00PM
- 4-3 Collage SHARE Presentation to 8th Grade-1:00PM
- Grades 5/6 VB Practice-3:30PM 4-3
- 4-4 FFA State Convention
- 4-4 Policy Mtg-7:30AM
- Collage SHARE Presentation to 8th Grade-1:00PM 4-4 4-5 Grades 5-8 Music Festival
- 4-5 FFA State Convention
- 4-5 Track at Axtell-9:00AM
- 4-6 Grades 5/6 Volleyball-9:30AM
- 4-8 MAP/NSCAS Testing for 7th-10th Grade-8:00AM
- 4-8 Mental Health Assembly 9th-12th Grade-2:00PM
- 4-8 Grades 5/6 VB Practice-3:30PM
- Cheer Practice-Stunting 101-7:00PM 4-8
- 4-8 School Board Meeting 7:30PM Golf at Arapahoe-10:00AM 4-9
- JH Track at Bertrand-1:00PM 4-9
- 4-9 Cheer Practice-Stunting 101-7:00PM 4-10 MAP/NSCAS Testing for 7th-10th Grade-9:42AM
- 4-10 Grades 5/6 VB Practice-3:30PM
- 4-11 Golf at Curtis-10:00AM
- 4-11 MAP/NSCAS Testing for 7th-10th Grade-12:45PM
- 4-11 FFA Officer Interviews-4:45PM
- 4-12 Track at Bertrand-12:00PM
- 4-13 Prom
- 4-15 NSCAS Testing Grades 3rd-6th
- 4-15 JH Track at Elwood-10:00AM
- 4-15 Grades 5/6 VB Practice-3:30PM
- 4-15 Cheer Tryout Rehearsal-7:00PM 4-16 NSCAS Testing Grades 3rd-6th
- 4-16 Golf at Alma-10:00AM
- 4-16 Cheer Tryout Rehearsal-7:00PM
- 4-17 NSCAS Testing Grades 3rd-6th
- 4-17 Track at Arapahoe-10:00AM
- 4-17 Cheer Tryout Rehearsal-7:00PM
- 4-18 NSCAS Testing Grades 3rd-6th
- 4-18 Beef in School Presentation for Elementary
- 4-18 Non Public Consultation Mtg-3:30PM
- 4-18 Cheer Tryout Parent Mtg-6:30PM
- 4-18 Cheer Tryout Rehearsal-7:00PM
- 4-19 District Music Festival
- 4-19 NSCAS Testing Grades 3rd-6th
- 4-19 Track at Lexington-12:00PM
- 4-22 MAP Testing for Grades K-2nd 4-22 Track Ouad at Southern Vallev-4:00PM
- 4-22 Cheer Tryouts-7:00PM
- 4-23 MAP Testing for Grades K-2nd
- 4-23 Grades 5/6 Field Trip
- 4-23 Golf at Meadowlark-9:00AM
- 4-23 JH Track at Bertrand-10:00AM 4-23 JV Golf at Alma-2:30PM
- 4-24 MAP Testing for Grades K-2nd
- 4-25 MAP Testing for Grades K-2nd
- 4-26 MAP Testing for Grades K-2nd
- 4-26 Golf at Overton-9:00AM 4-26 FKC Track at Wilcox-9:00AM
- 4-27
- Student Council Highway Cleanup-9:30AM 4-29 FFA Banquet-6:30PM
- 4-30 FKC Golf at Overton-10:00AM
- 4-30 FKC JH Track at 1:00PM
- 4-30 Mental Health Mtg-3:45PM

Straight from the Wolf's Den

Sam Dunn

April showers bring May flowers! With the reawakening of Mother Nature, our spring has sprung. As we near the end of another school year at last, all rejoice in what an outstanding job our students have done all year representing Loomis in all of our activities. Our parents and patrons should be proud of the amount of student participation and how they have represented themselves and our school in extracurricular activities.

Loomis provides opportunities in almost all high school sports and activities sponsored by NSAA. The amount of time spent during practices and performance is insurmountable, and for each sport/activity we must have a coach or sponsor spending the same amount and more. Please commend our sponsors/coaches and participants in another outstanding participation rate in our school.



The Head Honcho's Highlight Reel

Nate Weaver

We are finally into Spring, and I am in hopes that the weather continues to improve. I am in hopes that our students can put their winter coats away and get their summer cloths out. I'm not sure on your thoughts, but I was over the winter weather by about January. With the spring weather, brings a busy and hectic time of year.

It seems that we try to jam about 6 months of activities and things to do in the last months of school. LPS is in the midst of our final MAP, NSCAS and fastbridge testing. While this may seem like a lot of testing, we are looking for data and scores to improve. We can bridge our instruction off of the results and essentially fill in the missing pieces for students K-10. NSCAS testing only involves 3 rd -8 th grades. With those students taking the NSCAS, they will not have to take the final MAPS testing for the year. K-2 nd grade and 9 th -10 th grades will be taking MAPS testing towards the end of April. I anticipate seeing growth in with our students there as well. Juniors take the ACT as their state test. I am hoping that they will look into changing this in the future because colleges don't require this test to enter college.

With jamming everything into the spring, we see students out of the building frequently. Our JH students are gone for track, and quiz bowl. Our HS students are gone for track, golf, quiz bowl, and other smaller school activities. It seems like we have students out of the building daily. This is my request to make sure that your student is here and taking advantage of the time they are in their classes. Being gone during this time can be hard for them to make up. If they are gone for medical reasons, please send a Dr's note so that we can document medical leave. Students cannot miss more than 20 days a year per Nebraska law. We can, however, document the absences as excused if families follow the correct protocol. Please call the school if you have questions.

Counselor's Corner

Dana Meyer

As the end of the school year is approaching, I wanted to take a moment to share some important updates and reminders with you.

National Honor Society:

National Honor Society applications have been distributed to our Loomis high school students who are eligible to apply for membership into the program. Applications must be returned to Mrs. Meyer by April 29th and selections will be made upon completion from our faculty committee. The induction ceremony will take place on May 9th at 6:00 during our Activities Banquet.

Graduation:

We are eagerly preparing for this occasion and look forward to celebrating the achievements of our graduating class of 2024. Graduation will take place on May 4th at 5:00pm in the new gym.

Class Registration:

As we approach the end of the school year, it's time to start thinking about class registration for the upcoming school year. I will be assisting students in selecting class courses. This also includes any college courses that your student may be interested in taking. If you have any questions regarding your child's class schedule for next year please feel free to reach out to me and I will be more than happy to answer any questions you may have.





MEET THE 2024-25 Officer team:

President: Sydney Harris Vice Presidents: Garrett Scholz & Marie Ford Secretaries: Autumn Holt & Logan Schutz Historian: Clydie Kegley Reporters: Addison Andersen & Shelby Schoene Parliamentarian: Kash Schoff Sentinel: Dylan Wendell

Meet your Officer Team:

- President: Bethany Pelton
- Vice Presidents: Chloe Anderson & Gracianne Wilcox
- Secretary: Carly Stewart
- Historian: Allyson Schoff
- Treasurer: Garrett Scholz
- Reporter: Logan Schutz
- Parliamentarian: Sydney Harris
- Sentinel: Kash Schoff

Calendar of Events:

- 4/29 FFA Banquet
- 5/6 FFA Trash Pickup @ Bertrand

Livestock Management

- Marie Ford
 - Livia Philips Exam 9th Team
 - Kendra Porteck Beef Cattle 10th Team
- Garrett Scholz
 Logan Schutz

19th Overall Team

- Dairy Cattle 21st Team Equine - 52nd Team
- Poultry 12th Team
- Sheep 36th Team
- Swine 35th Team

Employment Skills

• Bethany Pelton

<u>State Degrees</u>

- Gracianne Wilcox
- Allyson Schoff
- Chloe Anderson
- Bethany Pelton
- Carly Stewart





 FFA Jacket w/ FFA Tie/Scarf White button-up long-sleeve collared shirt Black dress pants (not leggings or jeans) Black shoes (all black) Boots are allowed Sr. Livestock Evaluation Garrett Scholz-4th overall Blue Ribbon Marie Ford Livia Philips White Ribbon Dylan Wendell Also Competed 	StatusStatusBioensSince hono hono hono hono hono hono hono hon
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High School Track

Tye Spies



Track season is off and going! The Loomis Wolves are competing well and improving each week. We have 40 total kids out for track which is phenomenal! The girls have 19 girls out and have won 1 meet and got runner up at 2 others so far. They are starting to hit their stride and are a lot of fun to coach and watch. We have 21 boys out this season. We have had some injuries and some youth that have caused us to go through some adversity but we are starting to find our events and will be competitive down the stretch going into conference and districts.

> Our remaining schedule is as follows. April 26th- FKC Wilcox High School May 3rd Elm Creek Invite May 8th - Districts at McCook May 17-18- State at Omaha Burke



The weather is warming up and we are looking forward to it! We really appreciate all the support that the track team has gotten from the school and community!

Go Wolves!

Junior High Track

Alli Perry

The Loomis Jr. High track team has gotten out to a blazing start! We started the season with a quad on a super windy day in Overton. Both boys and girls teams placed 1st with a whopping combined score of 318 points.

Up next was the Loomis meet at Bertrand. It was a great day and all the kids got a chance to participate. The girls and boys both ended up in 2nd place.

This past week we got the chance to head to Elwood and compete. It was a long day, but the kids battled and both came home with runner-up trophies.

The kids have three meets left; at Bertrand on April 23rd, our FKC meet at Elwood on April 30th, and the Elm Creek meet at Overton on May 6th. We would love to have you come out and support these hard working Wolves!

RECORDS BROKEN SO FAR THIS YEAR: Jaxson Sweeney 100M ~ 11.6 seconds Jillian Ludeke Triple Jump ~ 32'0" Kennedy Wood, Jillian Ludeke, Ella Ellsworth, Rihanna Saint-Albord 4x100 Relay ~ 54.67 seconds Rihanna Saint-Albord 100M ~ 12.9 seconds Rihanna Saint-Albord Tied current 200M ~ 27.4 seconds

Board Meeting Notes

Board of Education Regular Meeting Loomis School, Media Center, Rm 117 101 Bryan St

Monday, April 8, 2024 7:30 PM

Loomis, NE 68958-0250

Holdrege Daily Citizen Posted Date: 4/2/2024

Loomis Post Office, Loomis Village Office, Loomis Public School Posted Date: 4-2-2024 Kelly Anderson: Present, Allan Meyer: Present, Duane Schoff: Present, Scott Schukar: Present, Mike Szekely: Present, Luke Thorell: Present.

1. Call to Order

Motion to approve the meeting open at 7:30 p.m. and properly posted by advanced notice. Passed with a motion by Duane Schoff and a second by Scott Schukar.

Kelly Anderson: Yea, Allan Meyer: Yea, Duane Schoff: Yea, Scott Schukar: Yea, Mike Szekely: Yea, Luke Thorell: Yea

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Holdrege Daily Citizen, the School District's designated method for giving notice, and posting at the Loomis Public Schools, Loomis Village Office and Loomis Post Office, a copy of the Affidavit of Publication being attached to these Minutes. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education, and a copy of their Acknowledgment of Receipt of Notice is attached to these Minutes. Availability of the Agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the members of this meeting. The President publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy in the room where the meeting was being held. All proceedings of the Board were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

2. Welcome Guests - Lindsey Palmer with LEA.

3. Approval of Absent Board Members

4. Consent Agenda - Reviewed the bill roster.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda and the bills, and authorize the Board President and Treasurer to sign and validate all the checks and warrants as presented Passed with a motion by Kelly Anderson and a second by Mike Szekely.

Kelly Anderson: Yea, Allan Meyer: Yea, Duane Schoff: Yea, Scott Schukar: Yea, Mike Szekely: Yea, Luke Thorell: Yea

4.1. Agenda

- 4.2. Previous Board Meeting Minutes
- 4.3. Bill Roster
- 4.4. Financial Reports

4.4.1. General Fund - Receipts: \$407,105.60, expenses \$319,399.54, balance \$1,370,856.77



4.4.2. Investment Fund

Depreciation: Receipts \$8,104.29, expenses \$0, balance \$1,071,582.32 Bond: Receipts \$14,949.79, expenses \$0, balance \$234,639.30

4.4.3. Activities Fund - Receipts \$2,036.31, expenses \$8,904.36, balance \$157,121.18

4.4.4. Nutrition Fund - Receipts \$18,333.76, expenses \$21,581.31, balance \$102,891.03

4.4.5. Building Fund - Receipts \$3,370.63, expenses \$0, balance \$109,599.73

5. Introduction of Speakers

6. Board Committee Reports

6.1. Negotiations

6.1.1. Meet in Oct. Committee includes- Luke T., Duane S. and Mike S.

6.2. Americanism

6.2.1. Next meeting Fall of 2024-25

6.3. Policy

6.3.1. The Policy Committee met on 4/4 at 7:30 am Discussion included incoming Kindergarten students and the number is 21-22, and 1st Grade is 23-24. Discussion included hiring a 1/2 teacher to assist both classes.

6.4. Building, Grounds, and Transportation

6.4.1. Met on Friday at 7:30 and discussion was to include bids on the RR, Concession for the current 20 x 40 building as well as installing a new building. Shot clocks have arrived and will be installed at a later date. Fertilizing and ground care will begin.

6.5. Preschool Advisory

6.5.1. Next Meeting Fall of 2024-25

7. Administrative Reports

7.1. Principal

7.1.1. Principal Notes: 1) Mental Health Speaker, 2) Class Schedule and Specials Schedule, 3) MAPS NSCAS Schedule, 4) ESU 11 Principals Meeting, 5) Transportation Update

7.2. Superintendent

7.2.1. Superintendents Notes 1) Drivers Education 5/28-31, 2) Vacation Days for Superintendent, 3) Principals Contract, 4) Approve Katie H. Contract- the rest in May with Extra Curricular assignments. 5) Bus Driver Stop Sign Survey 4/17, 6) Beef Presention to the elementary 4/18, 7) PowerSchool Consortium- Through Papillion - LaVista \$6500

8. Public Forum

9. Recess

Discussion was held if our district is interested in expansion. The number of students that are in district and the number that are option enrollment students. The Board thinks that we should begin to look into doing studies to see what our needs are and will be.

No Recess taken.

10. Action Agenda Items

10.1. Discuss and take appropriate action on a resignation

Motion to approve the resignation of Karissa Roberg with regret. Passed with a motion by Luke Thorell and a second by Duane Schoff.

Kelly Anderson: Yea, Allan Meyer: Yea, Duane Schoff: Yea, Scott Schukar: Yea, Mike Szekely: Yea, Luke Thorell: Yea

10.2. Discuss and take appropriate action on the 2024-25 Principals Contract

Motion to approve the Principals contract for 2024-25 Passed with a motion by Scott Schukar and a second by Mike Szekely.

Kelly Anderson: Yea, Allan Meyer: Yea, Duane Schoff: Yea, Scott Schukar: Yea, Mike Szekely: Yea, Luke Thorell: Yea

10.3. Discus and take appropriate action on vacation days for the Superintendent

Motion to give 15 vacation days per year with an accumulation of a maximum of 60 days for Mr. Dunn paid at the rate of \$60/day for unused vacation days upon termination. Passed with a motion by Duane Schoff and a second by Luke Thorell.

Kelly Anderson: Yea, Allan Meyer: Yea, Duane Schoff: Yea, Scott Schukar: Yea, Mike Szekely: Yea, Luke Thorell: Yea

10.4. Discuss and take appropriate action for issuing a contract

Motion to approve offering a contract for PK staff member Katie Hohensee Passed with a motion by Kelly Anderson and a second by Duane Schoff.

Kelly Anderson: Yea, Allan Meyer: Yea, Duane Schoff: Yea, Scott Schukar: Yea, Mike Szekely: Yea, Luke Thorell: Yea

10.5. Discuss and take appropriate action on joining the consortium for PowerSchool Nebraska Motion to approve joining the Nebraska PowerSchool consortium for the 2024-25 school year. Passed with a motion by Scott Schukar and a second by Luke Thorell.

Kelly Anderson: Yea, Allan Meyer: Yea, Duane Schoff: Yea, Scott Schukar: Yea, Mike Szekely: Yea, Luke Thorell: Yea

11. Closed Session

12. Next Meeting Date - The next regular meeting will be held May 13, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.

12.1. May 13, 2024 @ 7:30

13. Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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Loomis Public Schools Mission Statement

In partnership with family and community, our mission is to prepare all students to succeed as responsible citizens in a changing world through evolving educational methods.