

Principal's Report  
November 8, 2021

Tuesday, October 12 was a very busy day for APS as Mrs. Breining scheduled "Apply2College" and FAFSA events for our seniors. In addition, we also conducted our first Parent/Teachers conferences. Once again our teachers utilized Sign Up Genius to schedule their conferences. As usual, the elementary had a large majority of their students' parents attend and at the JH/HS level our core teachers saw the largest number of parents. We will discuss ways to increase the number of parents who participate in the conferences, especially for those who are having academic or behavior issues. This will be a point of focus for our conferences in the Spring.

On October 19, Mrs. Breining took our sophomores to the "Connect the Dots" program held at ESU #11 and presented by the UNL Extension Office. This is a self study career awareness workshop.

On October 20, our FCCLA organization attended the District 11 Leadership Conference in McCook and Mrs. Spaulding's students did a great job in representing our school and community. In addition, Mrs. Breining took our Juniors over to Southwest to participate in the College and Career Day. Our students are getting some great opportunities to explore careers and post-high school options.

I want to thank the Lions Club for providing Vision and Hearing Screenings for our students. This is a great program for our students and parents.

During the week of October 27, Mr. Hambidge took a group of FFA Chapter members to the National Convention in Indianapolis. They had a great time and I know they appreciate the Board's support.

The Fall Sports season has come to an end and we are now into One Act Play Production and Unified Bowling before we start Winter Sports practice next week.

Kate Hatch came and worked with our CSI team as we prepare for our visit later this year. I want to commend Mrs. Klein for all her work she has put into this activity. She is doing a great job.

This week, we will host our annual Quiz Bowl and will also provide our community with a Virtual Veterans Day program.

I have reached out to the ESU for help in looking for some programs that will help set a foundation for our students at the elementary level that focuses on Social Emotional/Character-building and Mental Health. I will be calling those people and schools to go and watch their programs in action to see what can work best for our students. I will take Mrs. Breining with me as well.

