

7th-12th Principal's Report  
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Congratulations to Coach Gunderson and her Warrior Brainiacs as they brought home 2nd place at the RPAC Quiz Bowl meet at Southwest on January 15. This is the first time that we have medaled at the RPAC meet since I came here in 2019.

On January 20 our Warrior vocalists traveled to Eustis for the RPAC Vocal Clinic. The schools put on a great concert that evening.

RPAC Art was held on January 22 and our artists brought home the following placings: 3rd Honorable Mention, Juliana Hanzlick in Chalk Pastel; 2nd Honorable Mention, Desi Farner in Linoleum Printmaking; 1st Honorable Mention, Brooke Lentz in Ink; Medal Winner, Aliyah Melhus in Chalk Pastel.

RPAC wrestling took place in Cambridge on January 25. Congratulations to Trey Downey who placed 4th, Briggs Hill who placed 2nd and Jacen Smith who was crowned champion.

UNK Honor Band/Choir was held on Monday, January 27th Kearney, NE. Participants from Arapahoe included Grace Andrews (SO), Rylee Kerr (SR), and Kristin Holcomb (SR).

Our Junior High vocalists participated in the Heartland Choral Festival. The students had a very good time. Mrs. Leising has informed me that she has been asked to be the clinician next year!

On Wednesday, February 5 our girls and boys bowling team traveled to Lexington for District Bowling. The boys team defeated Southern Valley in their Baker game but lost in the next round to McCook, Andres Castro placed 9th individually. On the girls side, the girls started out great and were seeded first for the Baker game bracket. After a first round bye, our girls did not have a good first Baker game losing to Ogallala. It was a very tough way to end the season. Individually Grace Andrews placed 8th, Tirzah Goshert placed 7th, Juliana Hanzlick place 6th and Lauren placed 2nd. Lauren will compete in the Girls Individual State Bowling Championships on Monday, February 10. I was to thank Angie and Scott for coaching our bowling teams this year.

Our girls head to Ord for District Girls Wrestling on February 7. We are hoping to extend the season and qualify for the State Tournament on February 18 and 19th.

On February 10 our teachers will be working on their Kagan strategies with their peers.

Our boys head to Central Valley for District wrestling on February 14. State boys wrestling in Omaha begins on February 20.

Our cheerleaders will compete in the State Cheer competition on February 21 at Grand Island.

As you can see it has been a very busy start to the second semester and it shows no signs of slowing down.

I talked to the Junior High students concerning motivations for more effort in their MAPs and NSCAS testing. They would like to have a reward system similar to what the high school has. I will work with the staff to get something in place.

I will be giving you some feedback concerning our student-led conferences.