



South Loup Homecoming 2021



Pictured above homecoming kings and queens from Arnold and Callaway
Left to Right: Owen Stallbaumer (Callaway), Mya Weverka (Callaway), Faith Bierman (Arnold), and Colbi Smith (Arnold).

Both Arnold and Callaway communities were very excited to kick-start their homecoming week. South Loup's homecoming was September 3rd. There was also many activities throughout the week to celebrate this night and the dance to follow. As part of the students participation, the class officers had a meeting with Callaway's student officers to brainstorm some creative ideas to dress up to. They had all finally agreed on TV/Movie character day, PJ day, Country vs. Country Club, Color War, and finally to end the week, spirit day. Each student dressed up for all the days

and really showed their personality by being creative.

After the very long and exhausting week with volleyball games and our annual pep rally, the football team was ready to shine. For our Friday night game, the South Loup football team was going up against the Hyannis Longhorns. Unfortunately, the boys had a rough night and ended up losing the game but didn't let that hinder their excitement for the homecoming dance.

Shortly after the game, the crowning ceremony started. During this ceremony, seniors from

both Arnold and Callaway were introduced as well as their parents. After the introduction, queen and king from Arnold and Callaway were announced. From Arnold, Colbi Smith and Faith Bierman were crowned and from Callaway, Owen Stallbaumer and Mya Weverka were the royalty. It was overall a fantastic night and the South Loup students made it unforgettable!

"It was a really good feeling. Ever since I was a little kid watching homecoming coronation I always dreamed of getting to put on that crown and that finally came true," said Colbi Smith.

The Man, The Myth, The Legend, Mr. Jason Wehnes

By: Colbi Smith APS Senior

What are you most excited for in your first year of teaching here at Arnold? - "I am most excited for the opportunity to teach in a community that I proudly call home".

What is your favorite social science class to teach? - Although I enjoy teaching American History as well as Government/Civics the most. These courses not only allow me to see student progression since middle school, but are also proving to be more prevalent in our world today.

Will you be part of any organizations or clubs as well as teaching? - In addition to teaching, I am an Assistant for the High



School Volleyball Team as well as an Assistant for Arnold's One-Act Play Production.

What are you most nervous about as you get into your first year of teaching here? - I wouldn't necessarily say that I am nervous, but

there is a lot of learning on my part; new students, new technological systems, and new expectations.

What about Arnold Public Schools made you want to come here and teach? - There are many factors that contributed to me applying for the Social Studies position at Arnold Public Schools, but the most important factor was it was simply the best decision for my family.

What is one fun fact about yourself? - I have a great sense of humor! If you don't believe me just ask my wife. ;)

Meet the Teacher: Emma Stelling

By: Shayla Tickle APS Senior

What are you most excited for in your first year of teaching here at Arnold? - "I am excited to see the kids grow. It is amazing how much preschoolers mature in less than a year."

What is your favorite aspect of teaching? - "My favorite aspect of teaching is teaching the kids songs and then later hearing them sing the songs we learned in the room. It also makes me happy to hear them sing the song and fill in words they may have forgot."



What are you most nervous about as you get into your first year of teaching here? - "It's

the first year of the program and my first year of teaching. Both are nerve wrecking separately and I am here doing them together."

What about Arnold Public Schools made you want to come here and teach? - "I wanted to come to Arnold because of the size of the school and I wanted the challenge of helping start a new program."

What is one fun fact about yourself? - "I share a birthday with Queen Elizabeth."

Bobcats Open Season Against Raiders

By: Colbi Smith, APS Senior

On Friday, August 27th, the South Loup Bobcats played host to the Medicine Valley Raiders in the first game of the 2021 football season. The Bobcats are a very young team this year, with only three seniors on the roster. Medicine Valley got off to a quick start, scoring a touchdown on their first drive but failing to convert the two-point conversion. The Bobcats then quickly responded as junior running back Kaden Paulsen broke out for a 50-yard rush on the next drive. Paulsen then completed the drive by punching in a 10-yard rush for the Bobcats touchdown. Sophomore quarterback Trey Connell then completed a pass to sophomore wide out Cache Gracey for the two-point conversion. Making the score 8-6 in favor of South Loup to kickoff the first quarter. The Raiders came back with two back-to-back passing touchdowns on two tough drives to make the score 8-20

with the Raiders leading at the end of the first quarter.

The second quarter was much like the first quarter as the South Loup defense was locking the Raider's run game down but Medicine Valley's pass game was an issue for the Bobcat defense. The Raider's defense also spurred problems for South Loup's offense as the Bobcats had a tough time converting fourth downs and scoring in the red zone. The Raiders went on to throw for another touchdown in the second quarter, making the halftime score 6-26 in favor of Medicine Valley. The South Loup defense put on a valiant effort in the second half, holding the Raiders to just 10 points through the third and fourth quarters and shutting down their run game almost completely. The offensive struggles continued for the Bobcats as the Raider's defense continued to do a great job of shutting down the pass and run game. At the end of the

fourth quarter, junior-varsity freshman quarterback Harper Johnson carried a run into the end zone and then completed a pass to senior Talon Crago for the two-point conversion. This drive completed the game, making the end score 16-36 with the Medicine Valley Raiders taking the win.

"Our rush defense was really solid, we just need to get our offensive flow and our pass defense figured out. I feel like once we get those two things figured out we will be a tough team to compete against." Said South Loup senior lineman Jake Halstead.

Leading the Bobcats in offense was Junior Kaden Paulsen, rushing for 84 yards on 14 carries. On the defensive side of the ball, Junior linebacker Lance Jones led the team in tackles with 9.5 total tackles. Behind him was Kaden Paulsen totaling 6 total tackles and Jake Halstead also made a statement totaling 3 tackles for loss.



Trey Connell goes in for the tackle against the Med-Valley Red Raiders

Bobcats Face Longhorns

By: Cache Gracey, Sophomore

On Friday September 3rd, the South Loup Bobcats hosted the Hyannis Longhorns @ Arnold. The Bobcats were back to receive to start the game. The first quarter started with a good drive by the Bobcats. They marched the ball down the field but came up short on the goal line. The Longhorns then got the ball on the 10 yard line and were looking a long ways to get to the end zone. The Bobcats were doing a very good job of limiting them to only a few yards per carry, but it was enough to march the ball down the field. The Longhorns were on the 35 yard line when they ran a sweep to the right side punching in the 30 yard touchdown. South Loup managed to stop the two point conversion at the end of the first quarter making the score 0-6 in favor of Hyannis.

South Loup then started off the second quarter with the possession of the ball. The Bobcats started their drive strong pounding the run game. A pass from Freshman Trey Connell to Senior Jake Halstead set the Bobcats up in scoring position. Trey Connell then passed to Junior Lance Jones for the touchdown. The Hyannis Longhorns then stopped the Bobcats attempt for two points making the score 6-12 with the Longhorns leading. The rest of the quarter ended with the Bobcats shutting down the Longhorns run game ending their drive,

which ended the quarter. The end score was 6-12 Hyannis's lead.

Sophomore Joey Sallach teed up the ball for the Bobcats to start the second half. Sallach kicked it in the end zone starting South Loup out strong. The Bobcats stuffed their run game the whole opening drive. A long pass made by the Longhorns put them in ideal scoring position. The Bobcats responded by stopping them on the goal line. South Loup gained possession of the ball and wasted no time marching it down the field. Freshman AJ Starr contributed to the long drive with multiple long carries. Sophomore Trey Connell punched in the short touchdown tying the game. Trey Connell then completed the Pass to Sophomore Cache Gracey to convert the two point conversion taking the lead and making the score 14-12 in favor of South Loup.

Sophomore Trey Connell stated, "After scoring and completing the two point conversion we felt very good about the game and felt very good about our defense shutting down their offense."

The longhorns started the 4th quarter with the ball. The Longhorns threw the ball on an early play and it was intercepted, leading in a change of possession. South Loup was stopped on their opening set of downs and forced to punt the ball. Sophomore Joey Sallach punted the ball to the ten yard line where Hyannis started their drive. They stuck to their strength which

was sweeping the ball to the outside. After a long drive they ended up on the one yard line on fourth down. The longhorns confused the bobcats with a pass in the middle of the end zone that was caught to regain the lead. Hyannis then failed the two point conversion making the score 14-18 with the Longhorns in the lead. The Bobcats had had time for a quick score. South Loup threw a deep ball to the end zone that was intercepted to end the game with a final score of 14-18 a tough loss for South Loup.

Helping the Bobcats run game was a young Freshman AJ Starr with 11 carries averaging 5.9 yards per carry. Leading the bobcats on the defensive side was Sophomore Trey Connell with a total of 9.5 tackles, 6 of them being solo. #20 AJ Starr stiff arms a Hyannis player and gets first down.



AJ Starr running the ball.

Burwell Cross Country Meet

By: Shayla Tickle, APS Senior

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Broken Bow Cross Country Invite

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Now for the boys' high school team, Logan Recoy finished 31st with a time of 19:43. This time was his personal best for this season.

Coach Recoy stated, "Temperature for the girls race wasn't too bad, however it was very humid, which makes it much harder to run. This course is a nice course, but it does have a few hills which makes things harder." Despite the weather and the hills, the team did a great job and represented South Loup quite well.

Megan Donegan spoke about the meet saying, "I felt that this meet was going to be great. I



Ella Cool and Ivy Tullis in action during their XC meet

did feel improvement because I knew that if I pushed hard I would be great. The course had a lot more hills than the Cozad course the week before Bow's. My expectations were going in to the meet were going in strong and even though the course was hard and hilly I had the mentality to finish strong. I also beat my time from last year's time in Bow. My goal by the end of the season is to place at MNAC and Districts to make it to state, since this is my last year."

Cozad Cross Country Meet



Left To Right: (Back Row) Utong Haidle, Gracie Neth, Logan Recoy, Aubree Stutzman (Front Row) Halie Recoy, Heidi Donegan, Meagan Donegan, Caleb McFate, Ivy Tullis, Ella Cool

By: Jordan Downing, APS Senior
Saturday, September 4, 2021
the Bobcat XC team continued their season with another meet in Cozad.

Coach Recoy thought that several runners stood out in Cozad's meet, with three girls and one boy placing in the top 30. The boy XC runner placing in the top 30 is Logan Recoy. Ivy Tullis, Ella Cool, and Heidi Donegan were the

three girls in the top 30.

The highest placing runner for the girls XC team was freshman Ivy Tullis in 21st place, she was one place away from medaling. Ivy's time was 22:56. Following Ivy is Ella Cool with a 23:09 time putting her in 24th. Heidi Donegan placed 24th with a 23:36 time. The girls ran their hardest and placed 7th overall.

Logan had a 19:58 time putting him

in 25th. This meet was an improvement for Logan compared to last year.

The South Loup Bobcats ran against some big schools like Kearney and North Platte. They ran well against the big schools even with some runners that were injured, but still competed.

Halie Recoy was one of the injured runners, she placed 41st. Hallie has the beginning stages of plantar fasciitis. This is the inflammation of a thick band of tissue that connects the heel bone to the toes. Hallie didn't feel she ran her best, but due to her injury this is her first meet of the season. Hallie was just happy to be able to run.

The XC Cats ran hard and didn't back down from the challenges they faced due to injuries. They showed that they could compete with big schools. The South Loup XC team is improving and has high hopes for their future meets.

Ravenna Cross Country Meet

By: Jordan Downing APS Senior
Thursday, September 16,
2021 South Loup Bobcats competed in the Ravenna cross country meet. Coach Recoy said "I thought the athletes competed well, especially on a really tough course and tough weather conditions." The runners ran their best and some of them even reached a new personal best. The girls had 2 medalists: Heidi Donegan placed 6th with a time of 24:16 and Ella Cool placed 10th with a time of 24:53. Ivy Tullis and Megan Donegan were close to plac-

ing in the top 20 but didn't quite make it. Ivy placed 23rd and Megan placed 25th. They placed 4th as a team overall.

Heidi Donegan's comments on the meet were, "The meet was great!! I felt a lot stronger this year." This is Heidi's third year of running the Ravenna cross country meet. Heidi felt she was more prepared for the hills. Heidi said "I knew that I got a coarse personal record and was determined to do just that, and I got it! For this season I just want to keep improving and hopefully end

the season with a career personal record. Heidi was the highest placing South Loup Lady Bobcat's runner at the Ravenna cross country. She was determined to do her best and she did better than her best. The boys cross country team had one medalist: Logan Recoy. Logan placed 15th with a 21:12 time. The other two boy bobcat runners are Caleb McFate who ran a 28:33 time and Uotong Haidle who ran a 29:29.

Seven Valleys Tournament

By: Carly Gracey APS Senior



The South Loup Lady Cats spent their Saturday competing against multiple teams for the annual Seven Valleys tournament. The South Loup Bobcat's volleyball team has won this tournament for five years in a row. The Lady Cats had a lot of pressure coming into this tournament but were ready to show off their skills and all that they could bring to the table.

The first game the girls participated in was against Medicine Valley. The Lady Cats had never played against Medicine Valley, so they were coming into the game open-minded and ready for a good

first set, but shortly recovered and won the next two allowing them to win the game. The scores of the sets were 23-25, 25-11, and 25-18. During this game, the Lady Cats had a total of 24 kills. Lauryn Johnson (Junior at Callaway) took the lead for the most kills and ended her night with eight. Taylor Ross (Junior at Callaway) followed right behind her with five kills. Mya Weverka (Senior at Callaway) had a fantastic game and ended it with 14 assists.

After winning the first game, the Lady Bobcats were facing Sandhills-Thedford for the second game of the day. Just like the first

game, the Lady Cats won two sets and lost the first one. The scores of the sets were 23-25, 25-18, and 25-8. Reagan Cool (Senior at Arnold) had a fantastic game ending it with nine hitting kills. Lauryn Johnson was right behind her with five hitting kills. Ava Pandorf (Junior at Callaway) had 16 successful digs during this game. Bryn Schwarz almost had her beat with twelve perfect digs.

For the championship game, the Lady Cats were challenging the Ansley-Litchfield Spartans. Once again the Lady Bobcats won the first two sets and lost the last one. The scores of those sets were 25-23, 27-29, and 25-20. The South Loup Lady Bobcats had won the championship and had continued on the 6-peat winning streak for the Callaway tournament. All of their hard work had finally paid off and everyone was very proud of their accomplishment.

"We had a tough week losing to Gothenburg and Kearney Catholic and we knew we didn't want to continue that energy. We went out and played our best and had fun doing it and came home with tournament champs!! It was a great day!!" said Lauryn Johnson (Junior at Callaway).

South Loup Lady Bobcats vs. Kearney Catholic



By: Carly Gracey APS Senior

After having such a fantastic game and homecoming night Friday, September 3rd, the South Loup Lady Cats didn't have as much luck Tuesday night, September 7th. The team traveled down to Kearney and were very eager to face the Kearney Catholic Stars. The skill level between the

teams weren't quite matched, but the Lady Cats still put all effort forward and attempted to improve their skills. The girls ended up losing all three sets to Kearney Catholic. The scores of the sets were 16-25, 19-25, and 12-25.

"I think it went alright, they are such a strong team and we matched up pretty well but they definitely had the edge over us especially with

Ashley Keck. I think we just need to work on keeping communication and not getting down on ourselves when the score doesn't go our way," stated Irelyn Rosfeld.

Once again, there were a couple girls who stood out during the game and were team leaders for points.

Abby Stallbaumer (Junior at Callaway) had a great night in the hitting department and ended her night leading the team with 5 hitting kills. Altogether, the team had a total of 3 ace serves. The girls who contributed to those points were Talli Martin, Lauryn Johnson, and Bryn Schwarz. The Lady Cats had more luck when it came to good digs. Ava Pandorf helped the team out with the most number of successful digs. She ended the game with 26 digs. Ava P. also had an astounding number of perfect serve receives ending her night with 39 playable serve receives.

Head Coach Guthrie and her team took this game as a learning experience. Playing against someone who challenges you can be frustrating but the Lady Bobcats absorbed it as a learning experience and a practice for future games.

"We still need to work on communication on the court but I feel that each game is an improvement and that's really all I can ask for! This week is full of great games, some competition with bigger schools! I'm excited for the girls to get pushed a little harder and see them play to their potential!" said Head Coach Desiree' Guthrie.

South Loup Lady Bobcats vs. Clarkson Leigh

By: Carly Gracey

The Lady Bobcats were all ramped up to get their season going! Last week the South Loup volleyball team competed against Broken Bow and Cozad. The girls ended up winning their Cozad game and had a hard loss against Broken Bow. The team was ready to get their heads in the game and were excited to take on Clarkson-Leigh.

The South Loup Lady Bobcats ended up having more hard luck and losing both sets to Clarkson-Leigh. The score of the first set was 20-25 and the score of the second set was 22-25. Both sets were very close and gave

the Lady Bobcats another chance to improve on their skills.

During the Clarkson-Leigh game, Abby Stallbaumer (Junior at Callaway) ended her night with 4 kills. Abby S. also had 2 solo blocks to make her night more exciting. Ava Pandorf (Junior at Callaway) had a fantastic night and finished it with 27 kills. This bumped the teams number of kills to 64. Ava P. had 15 perfect serve receives to end her night.

"We had some tough luck against Clarkson-Leigh but every game we play is always an opportunity to improve ourselves and our team. I'm very excited about the upcoming week

and being able to play in Arnold for our hometown Friday," said Reagan Cool (Senior at Arnold).

"I thought that for our first game we played very well and actually had fun out in the court and worked very well together as a team," said Taylor Ross (Junior at Callaway).

The team has a pretty busy week of August 30th coming up. The Lady Cats will be playing the Mullen Broncos August 31st at Mullen. Later that week they will be playing Hyannis in Arnold September 3rd. This week is Homecoming week for South Loup so both games will be very exciting and the team will give it their all!

Dundy County-Stratton Triangular



Taylor Ross and Abby Stallbaumer go up to have a successful block.

By- Tahnna Nokes APS
Sophomore

On Tuesday September 14, 2021 The South Loup Bobcats played in a triangular with the Dundy County Stratton Tigers and the Brady Eagles.

The Lady bobcats took a win over both Brady and Dundy County.

In the game vs. The Brady Eagles the bobcats beat them in 2 sets, with set 1, 25-7, Set 2, 25-18.

Reagan had the most kills during the game with 42 kills during the game.

Abby Stallbaumer was the player with the most number of total blocks.

Mya Weverka had the total number of serving aces and she

also was player of the match in this game.

Ava Pandorf had the most Digs and service repetitions.

Another thing that Mya Weverka also was the player with the most assists during the game with Brady.

Ava Pandorf was award best player of the match in the

game vs. the Brady Eagles.

One player that I thought did really good was Reagan cool and Ava Pandorf had good hits and digs.

In the game vs. The Dundy County Tigers the bobcats beat them in both sets.

Set 1 being 25-15 and set 2 25-12. Bryn Schwarz had the total highest number of kills 5 whole kills during the game.

Irelyn Rosfeld had the highest number of ace serving percentage with a percent of 44.4%.

Ava Pandorf had the highest number of assists with 5 assist's.

Lauryn Johnson had the total highest number of service repetitions with an average of 5.0.

Reagan also had some really good hits in this game played out every ball that came to her as well as she could.

Another player who also did that really well was Lauryn Johnson, because every set was not perfect but she did her best to keep her self out of the net.

Very good job girls you played as well as you could.



The South Loup Lady Cats huddle together after scoring a point.

South Loup Triangular

By: Carly Gracey, APS Senior

The Lady Bobcats had a very thrilling night on Tuesday, September 30th. The girls made the drive up to Mullen to compete in a triangular against Anselmo-Merna and Mullen. The stakes were very high because all three teams bounce back and fourth between winning. The Lady Cats ended their night on a good note and beat Mullen but unfortunately lost to Anselmo-Merna.

The Bobcats had a rough first set against Anselmo-Merna losing 12-25. The next two sets the Lady Cats improved all their skills, which resulted in a closer score. The girls won the second set 25-21 after regrouping the team and improving their mistakes. Unfortunately, the Lady Cats lost their third set 22-25 but played hard until the very last point.

Some of the girls on the team showed off their skills last night during the Anselmo-Merna Match. Mya Weverka (Senior at Callaway) was one of the team leaders in both serving aces and assists. Mya W. ended her night with one ace serve and 14 hitting assists. Ava Pandorf (Junior at Callaway) was also a team leader last night for the number of digs and receptions. Ava P. finished the game with 27 digs and 15 receptions.

"It could have gone better but instead of laying down and dying we got up and go to work! I think our passing is the best it's ever been!!! I think we just need to work on not freaking out if we get behind and staying calm and just play," said Mya W. (Senior at Callaway).

The next match the girls were facing were the Mullen Bron-

cos. The Lady Bobcats had an excellent last game and finished the night out tremendously. The team ended up winning both sets with ease. The first set the Lady Cats won 25-13 and the second set they won again 25-16.

Some leaders of the Mullen game were Ava Pandorf, Abby Stallbaumer, Faith Bierman, and Charli Vickers. In two sets, Faith B. had two ace serves. Charli V. ended her game with 6 hitting kills. Altogether, the Lady Cats had 26 successful hitting attacks.

"The games went well last night even while adjusting to new players in new positions. Our passing has improved tremendously since the beginning of the season and we are going to keep working together to make us a better team," said Faith Bierman (Senior at Arnold).

Lady Cats vs. Hyannis Longhorns

By: Carly Gracey, APS Senior

The Lady Cats had a very exciting week ahead of them, especially with homecoming activities keeping them busy. For their homecoming night, both girls and boys played Hyannis Longhorns. The Lady Cats had high expectations for the game and were determined to sweep the floor with a win.

"I thought the game went amazing! It was so much fun being out on the court with the team and having a successful night! Our communication was on point as well as our chemistry. The entire team was just so in sync it made the game go by a lot quicker and we played a lot better. Of

course winning on homecoming was always a plus," said Reagan Cool.

The South Loup Lady Cats had a ton of luck the night of September 3rd and ended up crushing it, winning all three sets. The scores of the sets were 25-14, 25-12, and 25-13. Their determination and hard work did not let them down.

"I think the game went well. It gave us a chance to work with each other and progress as a team. It was also nice to pull out a win during homecoming," stated Abby Stallbaumer.

Overall, the team ended the night with 26 successful hitting kills. Reagan Cool (senior at Arnold) and

Talli Martin (Junior at Arnold) boosted that number both having 6 hitting kills. The team also scored some extra points with ace serves. Kinsey Pflaster (Senior at Callaway) helped the team out by having 4 of those ace serves while on the court. Kinsey P. also guided the team with successful digs as well. Kinsey P. ended her very successful night with 17 digs. Talli M. was right behind her and had 11 perfect digs too.

"I though Friday's game went very well! We had a good connection and overall we played very well! It was also amazing to get a win on homecoming!" said Kinsey Pflaster.

Bobcats take a win and lose- Go Bobcats

On Thursday September 9, 2021 the South Loup Bobcats played the Gothenburg Swedes and lost 3 sets to 0. With the first set being 25-14, Set 2 – 25-13, and Set 3- 25-15. Lauryn Johnson and Abby Stallbaumber both had the highest number in overall kills with a number of 4 Kills. Reagan Cool had the highest killing percentage with a 50.0%. Ava Pandorf, Faith Bierman and Reagan Cool all had the highest hitting percentage with a 50.0% of average hitting. Now moving on to the serving part of things, Talli Martin had the highest number of average serving percentage with a 100.0%. Overall in the blocking category Taylor Ross had the highest total number of blocks with 4 blocks. Again Talli Martin had the most service repetition in the game with an average of 6.0 service repetition.

Some of the things that the girls did very well during this game are that, they talked really well and did some really good things. Abby Stallbaumber said that, "I think we got a better idea of how we play together and progressed as a team. During this game the girls did also a really good job of watching the ball if it was watching it going all the way out. The girls also did a great job of getting under the ball and passing it when it came over the net short. And if it did not get to the back row long enough the front row girls made sure that the ball, did not touch the ground and got back up in the air. Another thing that made the girls want to keep working really hard during the game was that the whole crowd was cheering them on. As if there were cheerleaders their put there was actually no cheerleaders there.

Seven Valley's Volleyball Tournament

On Saturday September 11,

the South Loup Bobcats played in the Seven Valley Volleyball Tournament in Callaway Ne. In their first game VS. Medicine Valley the bobcats took a win 2 set to 1. With Set 1 being Medicine Valley 25-23, Set 2- 25-11 Bobcats and Set 3-25-18

also the Lady Bobcats. The South Loup Bobcats now have a 5-4 Record. They put it on the line next when they play the Sandhills/Thedford for a non-league game on Saturday September 11, 2021. South Loup confronted a Knights team coming off a 3-0-league win over Hyannis. In the game vs. Sandhills / Thedford Mya Weverka received the player of the match award. In their second game Vs. Sandhills Thedford the bobcats took a win 2 sets to 1. Set 1- 25-23 Sandhills/Thedford, Set 2- 25-18 Bobcats, Set 3- 25-8 Bobcats.

Reagan Cool had the highest number of Kills with a number of 9. She also had the highest number of average killing percentage with an average of 56.3%. Mya Weverka then had the highest number of average hitting percentage with an average of .500%. Bryn Schwarz, Faith Bierman, Talli Martin and Abby Stallbaumber all had the highest number of average serving percentage with 100.0%. Taylor Ross and Abby Stallbaumber both had the total number of blocks of 2 blocks. Ava Pandorf had the highest average of service repetition with an average of 7.3. In their last game VS. Ansley-Litchfield they took a win 2 sets to 1. With Set 1- 25-23 Bobcats, Set 2- 29-27 Ansley-Litchfield, Set 3- 25-20 Bobcats. For the Ansley-Litchfield Spartans their player with the highest number of kills was Carli Bailey with 7 Kills. For the South Loup Bobcats Charli Vickers was the player with the highest number of Kills with 10 Kills.

Lauryn Johnson had the highest average killing percentage with 33.3% for the South Loup

Bobcats. C. Hoblyn-bittner had the highest average killing percentage with 40.0% for the Ansley-Litchfield Spartans. Faith Bierman was the player with the highest serving percentage of 100.0%. C-Hoblyn-bittner, Tyra Sekutera, and Peyton Henry were the players with the highest serving percentage of 100.0%. The player with the most blocks during the game from South Loup was Abby Stallbaumber.

The players with the most blocks during the game from Ansley-Litchfield were Kaylee Rohde, Tyra Sekutera. Ava Pandorf was the player with the most Service Repetition with an average of 7.7 for the lady bobcats. Peyton Henry was the player with the most Service Repetition with an average of 8.0 for the Ansley-Litchfield Spartans. All the South Loup Bobcat fans were so happy when they won the tournament. The girls worked so hard to get to this point and they were so proud and the coaches were also. The South Loup Bobcats will be back in action on Monday September 13, 2021.



Mya Weverka (Senior At Callaway) serving.

Class of 2034, The “Newbies”

On Wednesday August 18, 2021 APS started school and there were 14 new incoming Kindergarteners.

Before the school year began at the Kindergarten Round up on August 10, 2021. I was there and I could tell that all of them were glad to be starting school in a few days.

There are excited about their iPads and getting to play on them when they are allowed to.

Watching my little sisters growing to like the idea being able to go to the elementary school and being in kindergarten.

One thing that the kids like to do is learning new letters and learning new things constantly.

Another thing that is important about a kindergarten classroom is organization especially with 14 children to take care of at one time.

In kindergarten they will learn the basic concepts of math, reading, writing, shapes and time.

Some expectations of kindergarten include helping your child get along with others, help your child follow directions, play and build things together.

A typical 5-year-old going into kindergarten should know how to correctly name at least four colors and three shapes.

Be able to recognize some letters and possibly write their name, better understand the con-

cept of time and the order of daily activities.

A couple of things that a kindergarten teacher should know before teaching kindergarteners is to try to teach the students as much as possible when teaching the students.

Make something that will show what they can do and their abilities on the first day compared to the last day of school.

Teach the students how to be a good listener and also how to make friends throughout the year.

Keep the kids active and moving during the day so that they are not bored and tired.



Left to Right: Daneo Urbanovsky, Madi Tucker, Kinsley Tucker, Brooklyn Tucker, Alyvia Starr, Beckett Preston, Carter Nansel, Julieauna Hunt. Bottom Row: Dayana Lopez, Kowen Dalrymple, Colter Dailey, Brody Blowers, Bo Bennett, Kenna Baldwin



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New Students at Arnold Public Schools

By: Jordan Downing, APS Senior

Arnold Public Schools received a total of 12 new students. The elementary school gained 4 kids, while the other 8 kids are sixth grade and up.

Kourtney and Brent Evan's child, Scout Evan and Asher Evan came from Lincoln. Scout is in the second grade and Asher is in the sixth grade. Scout would like us to know that she likes to hang out with friends and Asher likes riding dirtbikes.

Sophia Cool, child of Natalie and Joe Cool is entering third grade. Sophia is from Arnold, but was homeschooled in her past years of schooling. Sophia's fun fact is that she likes hors-



es.

Third grade has a new boy named Brock Samuelson from Loup City. His parents are Brandy and Travis Sameulson and Brock likes fishing. Dawson and Jordan Downing are the children of Mikka Downing from Bassett, Ne. Dawson is entering the fifth grade and Jordan is going to be a senior this year. Dawson likes playing football.

Josiah Coleman is starting the eighth grade. He is the child of Matthew & Katie Coleman and is homeschooled, but is attending Arnold Schools part-time in order to participate in Arnold sports.

The eighth grade gained another boy named Christopher Allen,



Left to right: Zahara Sexson, Jordan Downing, Kylee Allen, and Summer Morrash. Front row: Chris Allen, Hunter Allen, and Asher Evans.

son of Matt Allen. Matt also has a daughter named Kylee Allen and she is entering her first year of highschool. They came from Arcadia. Christopher likes to play football and Kylee likes softball and basketball.

Summer Morash, also a new student for the eighth grade, came from Stapleton and is the daughter of Joni and Dan Morash. Summer likes to draw in her free time.

Aubree is homeschooled, but is attending Arnold Schools part-

time in order to participate in Arnold sports. Aubree is the daughter of Dusty & Lori Stutzman.

Zahara Sexson lives with her Aunt Krintina Moeller and Zahara is from Maxwell. She is a new incoming sophomore. Zahara had surgery on her back when she was twelve years old for scoliosis. All of the students are very excited to start a new school year here at APS and get a fresh new start. APS is a very welcoming school, so all the new students were very excited.

2021/2022 ACT TEST DATES

SEPT

Test-11

Early Aug 6
Late Aug 20

OCT

Test-23

Early Sept 17
Late Oct 1

DEC

Test-11

Early Nov 5
Late Nov 19

FEB

Test-12

Early Jan 7
Late Jan 21

APR

Test-2

Early Feb 25
Late Mar 11

JUNE

Test-11

Early May 6
Late May 20

JUL

Test-16

Early June 17
Late June 24

Arnold Public Schools Class Officers

Freshman



Left to Right: President- Anna Tullis, Vice President- Jamie Tickle
Secretary/Treasurer- Taylor Hanna-Miles

8th Grade



Left to Right: President- Crew Witthuhn, Vice President- Eli Rogers
Secretary/Treasurer- Serenity Borah

7th Grade



Left to Right: President- Crew Witthuhn, Vice President- Eli Rogers
Secretary/Treasurer- Serenity Borah

Coke Cap Collection

You can help out the school by collecting your Coke product bottle caps and numbers on the inside of Coke product boxes.

We accept caps and cardboard cutouts from the products you get from convenience stores, the grocery stores, vending machines, at ball games, and other places that may all have the promotional codes on them.

Coca-cola committed itself to supporting education by enabling schools to collect donated points and then redeem them for a variety of school rewards including playground equipment, supplies, classroom materials, cameras, sound equipment, and more.

You can send your Coke caps (and other coke products) to the school office and they will redeem them. For more information you can go to the <https://www.mycokerewards.com/schools>. Thank you for your support.

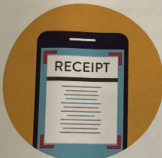


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Links to School

Calendars:

- The Activity Calendar: <https://www.midnebraskaactivitiesconference.org/public/genie/1009/school/1359/>
- The Lunch Calendar: <https://www.arnoldpublicschools.org/lunch-calendar>
- On the announcements tab, scroll to the bottom

Arnold Public Schools Class Officers

Seniors



Left to Right: President- Faith Bierman, Vice President-Carly Gracey
Secretary/Treasurer- Colbi Smith

Juniors



Left to Right: President- Lance Jones, Vice President-Devin Peterson
Secretary/Treasurer- Silas Cool

Sophomores



Left to Right: President- Delaney Rogers, Vice President-Gracie Neth
Secretary/Treasurer- Logan Recoy

Principal Letter



Hello Arnold Community Members,

School is off to a good and fast start with many things happening already. Many extra curricular activities, assessments, fun classroom activities, and parent/teacher conferences. I want to remind parents of the Nebraska Fall weather and send kids to school dressed appropriately. The only time Elementary students don't go

outside for recess is when the temperature is below 10 degrees or it is raining. October is also the beginning of when shorts are no longer permitted to be worn to school.

I want to remind everyone of the importance of attendance and being in class daily. The fact remains that the impact to the student is the same whether the absence is excused or not. Your child is missing out on fun classroom activities, social time with peers, and instructional time with the teacher. When your child is absent or going to leave early it is important to communicate that with the office and if on a bus route contact your child's driver. I also know it is that time or year when students get a cold or don't feel well. If your student isn't feeling well, please keep them home but communicate with the school.

Other Highlights:

Enrollment PK-12 is 195 Students
PK - 24 Students
K-5 - 85 Students
6th-8th - 39 Students
HS - 47 Students
Assessments
NWEA MAP Testing Completed

Mr. Wehnes reviewed student NWEA MAP scores with parents during P/T Conferences

Parent Teacher Conferences

6-12 68% parent attendance

Elementary 100% parent contact.

Opportunity to buy books from the Book Fair.

Arnold Students out for HS extracurricular activities

Football Team - 9

Volleyball Team - 14

Cross Country Team - 6

Cheer Team - 1

One Acts - 19 cast, 6 crew members

Kindergarten and 1st Grade visited

The Bumpkin Patch at Estes Farms

Plum Creek Literacy Festival for 6th

and 7th grade was cancelled

A request letter from 6th Grade Students, Mr. Hale has agreed to Zoom

with the students. All 6th and 7th

Grade Students have read at least one

of Mr. Hale's Graphic

Novels.

AR Update

As of 9/24, total AR points 1,179. The

goal is 3,500 by October 15th.

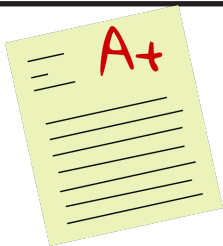
Anatomy & Physiology class has been

learning about heart rate in relation to

resting to moderate to increase activity.

HS students are really enjoying the

Forensics class.



PowerSchool App Available



In the App Store if you search for the Powerschool app, you will find a quick and easy way to access your student's grades with your mobile phone.

Simply download the free app. It will ask you for your District Code (a 4 digit code) immediately. The code for Arnold Public School is: **SNPX**

Then you can use your regular username and password from last year. If you are unable to remember your password, then please contact Heather at the school office by phone 308-848-2226.

Superintendent Letter



Our school year is off and running and we find ourselves busy with daily instruction and activities. I would encourage you to make your way out

r volleyball, football, cross country, and one act this fall. Our kids work very hard and represent our school and community well.

Just a quick reminder regarding our breakfast/lunch program. The USDA has extended their summer food services program through the end of the 2021-2022 school year. During this time,

student breakfasts and lunches are free of charge. Seconds and Grab N Go items will still be charged to each student's account. Thank you Heather, Rose, and Lea Ann for all their efforts to provide us our meals and opportunities for these programs.

Along with that, we also encourage parents to continue to submit your free/reduced lunch application this year. The reason for is request is because APS receives additional funding based on our free/reduced percentage. For example, the federal stimulus funds allocated to schools were based on a formula that utilizes the free/reduced rate.

We will post any new developments regarding COVID on our school webpage under the COVID link as we continue to see cases in our area. Links to Loup Basin, CDC, and DHHS are on the web page as well. Should you have questions regarding quarantine or isolation due to a positive case, reach out to your doctor or give Loup Basin Health Department a call.

In general, if your child is showing symptoms of illness (fever, vomiting) please keep them home.

Be The Change



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No advertising, other than school sponsored activities, may appear. Opinion pieces, future news items, comments, and suggestions may be submitted to nicole.badgley@arnoldpublicschools.org.

The newsletter is sent to all families and boxholders of District 89. If you, or someone you know, would like to receive the newsletter, please contact the school office at 308-848-2226 to add your name to the mailing list. You may also download the newsletter from the school website: <http://arnoldpublicschools.org>

School Calendar Link and App for your Phone

We have a new address for the school calendar. You can see all of our sporting events and school activities by going to: <https://www.midnebraskaactivitiesconference.org/public/genie/1009/school/1359>

If you are interested in having the calendar on your phones, simply search for the rSchool app in the Google Store or in the Apple store and download the app with the blue ball cap titled "Activity Scheduler."

