

# NEWSLETTER

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## ELKHORN MIDDLE SCHOOL

### SEASON'S GREETINGS!

This holiday season, Elkhorn Middle School students will be engaging in various activities that promote social awareness. Many different groups will be trying to help those less fortunate have an enjoyable Holiday. Please take time to ask your student what type of activities are taking place to serve others. By supporting our school and students on these service projects, you will deepen the impact on both the families the students are trying to help and your child as well. Our canned food drive ran from November 4 – November 22, 2019 with all proceeds going to the Western Douglas County Food Bank. Thank you for helping us make a difference. The Celebration of Giving Project, "Mitten Tree", is going well! Students who selected a mitten should have all gifts back to EMS by December 10, 2019.



From all of us here at the "Classic" middle school, thank you for all you do and have a wonderful Holiday season.

### DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP REMINDERS:

- \* Vehicle drop-off and pick-up occurs on the south side of the building by the main entrance.
- \* **When in the drop-off/pick-up line, please continue to pull forward into the front drive as space allows – even if it means you must drive past your student who may be on the sidewalk. A few extra steps for your student keeps the line moving for everyone.**
- \* The bus loop on the east side is for BUSES ONLY during posted times.
- \* The service road between EMS and Westridge is for deliveries and service vehicles only.
- \* Please *do not* drive around the cement barricades between the bus loop and the service road.

Thanks to everyone for keeping the drop-off and pick-up procedures running smoothly and time-efficient!

### ATTENDANCE REMINDERS:

A student may not leave school without a written note or phone call from the parent or guardian. This note should have the parent's telephone number on it, so that the note may be verified by the school staff. This notice for early dismissal must be presented to the school secretary before the school day starts. When students are late for school, a note or phone call from the parent or guardian must be provided to main office.

***Students who must leave school during school hours will follow this procedure:***

1. Bring a written note or have your parent or guardian call the main office. The written note should have the parent or guardian's daytime phone number.
2. Submit the note to the main office before going to your first class.
3. Pick up an early dismissal slip (if necessary) from the main office before leaving.
4. Students must sign out in the main office when leaving the building during school hours for any reason.
5. If you return before the school day ends, report to the office to sign in and get a pass.

### WINTER BREAK

\*\*\*No School December 23–January 3. School Resumes January 6, 2020.





## PUBLIC WEATHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

When weather conditions exist that would jeopardize the safety of student's travel to or from school, information about school closing will be broadcast over radio station KFAB (AM 1110) and the four local television stations. If school is to have a delayed start or be canceled, announcements will begin on those stations at approximately 6:00 a.m.

## SCHOOL MESSENGER

The district will be utilizing the phone system to inform students and parents of school closings due to inclement weather.



## YEARBOOKS ON SALE

Elkhorn Middle School yearbooks are on sale now for \$35.00. This price is good until January 15, 2020, when the price will go up to \$40.00. A limited number of books have been ordered, so it is important to place an order to be guaranteed a book. [Click here to order a yearbook](#), or bring a check or cash to the EMS office.



## \*\*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\*\*

### 8TH GRADE HIGH SCHOOL REGISTRATION

*Wednesday, March 4, 2020: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Registration/Parent Night*

*5:00 pm or 7:00 pm in the EHS Auditorium*

## WINTER APPAREL

As the winter season grows stronger, please make sure your student comes to school dressed for the weather. Many times students may arrive early in the morning and may have to wait outside in the cold until supervision begins and they can be brought inside. Students also may have an unexpectedly long wait after school due to unforeseen circumstances. We make every effort to make sure kids are not out in the cold for long periods of time. However, for the safety of your child, they need to dress appropriately.



## WASHINGTON DC TRIP

7th graders: Sign up now for the October 2020 Washington DC trip. Both the student and parent meeting will be in January 2020. The initial student meeting will be the first week of January at school during the day. The parent meeting will be January 17th at Elkhorn Valley View Middle School. Information packets will go home the first week of January.



Please contact Mrs. Hingorani for more information at [ahingorani@epsne.org](mailto:ahingorani@epsne.org)

## BOOSTER CLUB KICKS OFF HOLIDAY HURRAH PROGRAM:

On Thursday, November 26, your student received an envelope highlighting the Holiday Hurrah program at EMS. This is the 11<sup>th</sup> year of Holiday Hurrah and gives us the opportunity to say "Happy Holidays" to all the staff at Elkhorn Middle School. During elementary school, it's much easier to show holiday cheer to a teacher but once the kids get to middle and high school, there are so many teachers and staff that spend lots of quality time with them and that we want to thank. Holiday Hurrah is an opportunity to make that happen.



Ask your student about the envelope they received. Program highlights are:

- \* Your student can deliver monetary donation (in the envelope provided) to the "Hurrah Box" in the office.
- \* The Booster Club will have all students sign holiday cards during lunch hour on Monday, December 9.
- \* **December 10** is the last day to turn in donations. 100 percent of your gift goes to the staff. We will equally divide the donations to ensure all staff (teachers, teacher assistants, office personnel, Sodexo, and janitorial) receive a card and monetary gift to wish them a very special holiday season.
- \* **December 19** the staff will receive their cards and a holiday dessert buffet will be set up in the teacher lunchroom.

## EMS BOOSTER CLUB NOTES

**NO DECEMBER OR JANUARY BOOSTER CLUB MEETING.** Happy Holidays and we'll see you next year!



January Booster Club Meeting, January 9 at 6:00 PM in the office conference room.

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK <https://www.facebook.com/ElkhornMiddleBoosterClub/>

CONGRATULATIONS to Mrs. Garrison, the teachers and all the staff of EMS on your Blue Ribbon Award achievement. We, from the booster club, are very proud of all your hard work to make learning fun for the students and thank you for your hard work and diligence in teaching. We had fun decorating the parking lot and providing a pizza lunch with popcorn and Eileen's cookies. Thank you for your dedication and love of teaching our students!

CONCESSIONS: We still have a few open shifts. It is a fun way to meet other parents and support your school.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f4eaba722aafd0-201920201>

APPAREL orders are due December 1 by 11:59p.m. online at <https://cishirts.com/shop/stores/ems-2019>. They will be back before holiday break. If your order is a gift and you need special delivery arrangements, contact [lorilindberg@me.com](mailto:lorilindberg@me.com) for help.

Thank you all for supporting EMS with your order!

HOLIDAY HURRAH is going on right now. Don't forget to turn your money in to the office before December 12 to include it in the teacher and staff holiday gifts. It's a great way to say thank you for all your hard work with our kids. There is also still time to volunteer for tasks relating to Holiday Hurrah.

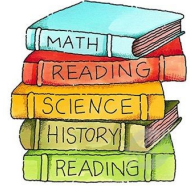
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## 6TH GRADE NEWS

MRS. CHANDLER, MRS. GRAGERT, MRS. HINGORANI, MS. MEIER, MRS. KLUENDER, MR. KMENT, MRS. YALE, MR. PREISSLER, MRS. WELLS, MRS. YOUNG, MS. NIEMANN

In Reading class, students will continue building skills such as: analyzing text features, identifying author's purpose, and comprehension of figurative language. In January, students will use their skills to produce text dependent analysis essays, in a cross-curricular effort between Reading and Language Arts.



In Language Arts, we will be focusing on essay writing. We will learn to organize essays and will practice explaining our reasoning and citing texts in our writing.

Math 6th classes have been working on the relationships of decimals, percents and fractions. They will continue to focus on that before starting their integers unit.

Pre-Concepts students will be finishing up their fraction (with negatives) unit and then they will focus on decimals.

In Science class, students will explore cells in December. In January, students will learn about how different body systems (respiratory, circulatory, nervous, etc.) work together to help humans function.

Social Studies students will continue a unit over Basic Economics.

## 7TH GRADE NEWS

MR. BEARD, MRS. BURSON, MRS. HINGORANI, MRS. HOLLMAN, MRS. KLUENDER, MRS. YALE, MS. MEIER, MRS. MULDOON, MRS. YORK, MRS. WELLS, MRS. MATUELLA

In Science, we just finished our Ecology unit and are beginning our Earth History and systems unit. In this unit, we will explore the forces that shape Earth and how it has changed over time

In World History, students will finish Ancient China and then study Ancient Greece and Rome.

In Language Arts we will be spending the month of December working on expository writing. This is a large project, so students have constant access to the calendar, requirements, and examples on Google Classroom. Students will be proud of the end product of a complete functional website! After the website project, we will be writing text-dependent analysis essays. This academic writing will be revisited throughout high school, and our unit will end with a district common assessment.

In Reading we will be ending our unit on elements of fiction while reading *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens and taking the common assessment over the material before winter break. AR goals for second quarter are due Monday, December 16. In January, we will be studying nonfiction organizational patterns before moving into figurative language.

In Math 7, students will spend December and January studying properties of numbers, simplifying algebraic expressions, and solving linear equations.

In Pre-Algebra, students will be involved in a geometry unit, including the Pythagorean theorem, similar shapes, and angle relationships.



## 8TH GRADE NEWS

MRS. BAUMERT, MRS. COLLINGSWORTH, MRS. GRISHAM, MS. GUTSCHOW,  
MRS. HOLLMAN, MRS. BARTH, MR. HULTMAN, MRS. MULDOON, MR. PREISSLER,

Things are going well this quarter. We are all busy with projects, competitions, and state standards. Students are doing a lot of reading as well. We hope you all have a wonderful holiday break and will be ready for the new semester January 7th.

In Language Arts we are learning, practicing, and applying skills in research and in text-dependent analysis. We will use the research process several times between December and January in preparation for an independent research assessment. Students will be evaluating sources for reliability, reading critically, paraphrasing and summarizing information, writing a research essay, and completing a formal citation page. We will also partner with Mr. Hultman's reading activities here and there to improve our text-dependent analysis reading and writing.

In Science, we will be finishing up with our Earth history unit and starting our energy unit.

In American History we will be finishing the semester with our unit over Manifest Destiny. We will begin the second semester with the Civil War.

In Reading class our 2nd AR goal is due December 10. We will continue to work on Analysis of Nonfiction, concluding with our District Common Assessment of Nonfiction in early January. Finally, our last four vocabulary units of the semester, Unit #7, 8, 9, & 10, are being covered now through December 13. Our summative vocabulary test is Wednesday, December 18.

In Algebra we will be working with systems of linear equations and inequalities. We will have a semester test for algebra. In Pre-Algebra, students will be solving equations, as well as solving and graphing inequalities. Students will have their second District Common Assessment at the end of the semester.



## CHORUS NEWS- MRS. WORTMAN

Congratulations to over 280 6th, 7th and 8th grade chorus students on a job very well done in their first concert held November 6th. I am so very pleased with the number of vocal music concepts they embraced in the preparation of very challenging vocal scores. After the evaluation of our concert we have begun preparation for our upcoming DCA in rhythm. We will also learn piano skills to help us with ear training and sight-reading.

Many students have asked me if it is too late to join chorus—the answer is “we’d love to have you” just bring a note from home or call the Counseling Center and we will put you in a chorus class.

The Show Choir is busy sight-reading music and learning choreography for the upcoming performances and festivals.

The “Classics” show choir will perform at the 6th and 7th grade concerts on Thursday, March 5th and Tuesday, March 10th. They will also complete in two festivals. They are” Saturday, February 8th at Millard South High School, and Friday evening, February 14th at Elkhorn South High School.

All the chorus classes will soon start sight-reading music for upcoming concerts:

- 8th Grade Chorus at EHS — Monday, March 2 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.
- 7th Grade Chorus, Band and Jazz Band and Show Choir — Thursday, March 5 at 6:30 p.m. at EMS.
- 6th Grade Chorus, Band, Jazz Band and Show Choirs —Tuesday, March 10 at 6:30 p.m. with Hillrise, Arbor View and Westridge 5th Graders. This concert will be held at Elkhorn High School in the main gym.



## BAND NEWS

MR. EDWARDS

**8th Grade All-State Band and Jazz Band-** Congratulations to Ashley Formo (Flute-Band), Ethan Walters (Tenor Sax-Band), Kate Rockwell (French horn-Band) and Logan Kieckhafer (Piano-Jazz Band) for being selected for the 2020 Nebraska State Bandmaster Association 8th Grade All-State Band or Jazz Band! Over four hundred students from all over Nebraska auditioned and these students were selected to be members of the 82-member band or 18-member jazz band. Nishiki Hill (Trombone-Band) was named an alternate, too. The event will be held on January 18, 2020 at Kearney High School with the final concert at 4:00 pm. Thank you to all the other students who auditioned. Although not selected, they put in countless hours practicing and preparing audition materials. Their efforts and work are greatly appreciated.



**December 13th - 6th Grade Pep-Band at EHS** – On Friday, December 13th, the 6th Grade Band has been invited to perform with the EHS high school band at a varsity basketball game. More details will be sent home with the students as we get closer to the event, but students should plan to report to the EHS Auditorium by 6:00 pm that evening. Students will be dismissed at 7:30 pm. Participating students will be admitted to the game free, but parents and siblings will need to pay normal admission or show their Elkhorn activity passes to attend the game. Dress for this event will be jeans, tennis shoes, and the red EMS “Noteworthy” polo shirts (tucked in). This is always a fun evening for the students so please put it on your calendar!

**6th Grade Instrument Switchers and Doublers** – We are at that time of the year where we are looking for 6th graders to switch to some of the “color” instruments of the band. These instruments include French horns, tubas, double reeds (oboes and bassoons), bass clarinets, and tenor and baritone saxophones. While limited in number, these instruments play a vital role in every quality band program. These instruments help add tone quality and depth to support the sounds produced by the instruments we already have in the band. Over the coming weeks we will be letting interested students (whose parents/guardians have contacted Mr. Edwards with their permission) try these instruments to see if they are a good match. Interested students should talk to their parents/guardians about the possibility of switching. They should also be doing well on their current instrument, demonstrate a desire to practice often and plan to continue at least through 8th grade and hopefully continue into high school band. For those interested, it is possible for students to double (play two instruments) rather than switching to the new instrument and discontinuing the current instrument. In 7th and 8th grade, this would mean playing one instrument for concert band during school and another instrument for jazz band before school. In many instances, there are school instruments available, although the quantity is limited. Please feel free to contact Mr. Edwards at school by email or phone if you have any questions. Parents/guardians will be contacted personally before any decisions are made. Our intention is to have the entire process completed by winter break. Thanks again to all parents/guardians for their continuing support of music in our schools.

**Concert Attire-** Please note that for the following concert dates students are to be in “concert attire.” This includes the band polo shirt (tucked in), black pants (no leggings, sweat pants or yoga pants), black socks, and all black shoes with black laces. We are asking girls who wear black “flats” to be sure to wear black socks. Simply stated, we are asking for “black from the waist down.” We hope this more detailed information will be helpful to parents and guardians as you plan for our 2019-20 performances. Please contact Mr. Edwards if you have any questions and thank you for helping our band look as uniform as possible with the performance outfit we are using this year. Thank you to everyone who helped make sure our students looked so uniform for our November 12th concert!

**February 17th Concert-** On Monday, February 17th, the 8th Grade Band will be performing in concert at EHS. In addition to performing their own music, the 8th grade bands from EMS and Grandview will combine with the high school band for a selection. The concert will take place in the EHS auditorium at 7:00 pm. Band students will need to report to the EHS music area at 6:15 for warm-ups.

**March 5th Concert-** On Thursday, March 5th, the EMS 7th Grade Band and Choir, as well as the Jazz Band and Show Choir, will be performing their second concert of the year. The concert will take place in the EMS gym at 6:30 pm. Band students will need to report to the band room by 6:00 for warm-ups.

**March 10th Concert-** On Tuesday, March 10th the EMS 6th Grade Band and Chorus students as well as the Show Choir and Jazz Band will be performing their second concert of the year. Joining us at the 6:30 pm concert at Elkhorn High School (EHS) will be 5th grade students from Arbor View, Hillrise and Westridge elementary schools playing their recorders. The concert will take place in the EHS gym. Band students will need to report to the EHS gym by 6:00 pm for warm-ups.

**March 12th EMC Middle School Band Festival-** On Thursday, March 12th, the 7th & 8th Grade Bands will be traveling to Waverly for the 10th annual Eastern Midlands Conference Band Contest. Performance times are not yet available, but students should plan to report to EMS by 7:00 am and plan to be gone most or all of the school day. School transportation will be provided for all students.

# ★ SAVE THE DATES ★

Important Registration Information from Elkhorn High School Counselors

## Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020

### **Current list of 9<sup>th</sup> grade selected classes will be given to all Middle School Students**

High school counselors went to the middle schools to distribute 9<sup>th</sup> grade registration materials in September. It was done much earlier this year in order to prepare for the opening of a third high school. Students received a copy of their registration sheet outlining courses offered to prospective ninth graders and specific course recommendations. Recommendations were based upon advice from high school administration, teachers, counselors, and test scores. Students selected what classes they would like for their electives, and then met one on one with a counselor to discuss their choices. **The list of classes that students are currently registered for will be sent home on Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, with the opportunity for electives to be changed.** Students will also receive a copy of the curriculum guide. This guide includes information on curriculum, academic planning, and activities. Additionally, students will receive contracts that explain summer PE and summer Personal Finance online options.

Parents are encouraged to discuss the 9<sup>th</sup> grade course recommendations and elective courses with their 8<sup>th</sup> grader before March 4<sup>th</sup>.

## Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020

### **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Registration/Parent Night**

**5:00 pm OR 7:00 pm EHS Auditorium**

**Please bring the registration sheet**

Parents and 8<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to Elkhorn High School on March 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm or 7:00 pm. Please come to whichever time works best for your family. At that time, counselors will present an 8<sup>th</sup> grade orientation and curriculum PowerPoint. After the presentation, parents will complete course selections and sign the registration form to verify course selections. Forms will be collected at the end of the evening. An Open House will be held at both high schools in the fall of 2020 for student tours.

Interested in EHS music offerings?

Please join us for a "Taste of Music" in between the two sessions

Jazz Band 2 6:20 – 6:35

JV Show Choir 6:40 – 6:55



Keep your calendars marked, **Saturday, April 25, 2020** for the EMS 8th Grade Celebration. This is a parent planned and funded event to celebrate the years at EMS as we send them off to High School!

The planning has begun but there is still plenty of time if you have interest in donating your time and talents! Please join us on **Monday, December 9th at 7:00pm** in the party room at **Addy's Elkhorn** (1515 South 204th). If you would like to join the planning committee but are unable to attend the meeting or have questions, please email [emsclass2024@gmail.com](mailto:emsclass2024@gmail.com).

Thank you to ConAgra Foods and Union Bank & Trust for being our first corporate sponsors. We are looking for more corporate and family sponsors to join UBT! Please see the sponsorship form for additional details. Please pass along to friends, family and companies that might have interest. We would love the support and are happy to discuss the opportunities available. Sponsors will receive recognition on all celebration related communications and signage at the event.

Thank you to the Good Life at the Creek and those who attended our first Family Night Out! It was a great evening and awesome to see so many in attendance.

Our next Family Night Out will be on **December 12th 4-9pm** at the **Jimmy John's (Elkhorn location only)**. We know the holidays are very busy so take the night off and grab a quick bite for the family after work and between activities! Don't forget to mention EMS Class of 2024!

Thank you,

Kim LaGrange, Amy Love and Darbi Warden  
8th Grade Celebration Co-Chairs

**Corporate Sponsors:**



**Family Sponsors:**

Jonah LaGrange & Family, Mackenzie Warden & Family





## Elkhorn Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration Sponsorship Opportunities

The Elkhorn Middle School (EMS) parent planning committee is looking for sponsors for the upcoming 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration on April 25, 2020. This event is a celebration of the years spent at EMS as we send them off to High School. We have many fun filled activities in the works but without gracious sponsors like you, we will not be able to provide the students with all the memory making fun we plan to have in store. Any support you can provide is much appreciated!

Elkhorn Middle School was only one of six schools in the state of Nebraska and one of three hundred sixty-two schools nationwide to receive the National Blue Ribbon Award. EMS was honored in the Exemplary High Performing Schools category.

**Sponsors will receive recognition in our newsletter (sent to 493 families) regarding all celebration related communications and signage at the event. Antler and Buck sponsors, will have their logo with link to company website in newsletter communications.**

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Company (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_  
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____           |   |

### FAMILY SPONSORSHIPS\*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____          |  |

I would like my gift to remain anonymous

Please make checks payable to: **Elkhorn Class of 2024**

Mailing Address:  
Elkhorn Middle School  
c/o 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration  
3200 North 207th Plaza  
Elkhorn, NE 68022

Questions, please contact Darbi Warden  
[darbi.warden@gmail.com](mailto:darbi.warden@gmail.com) or 402-320-0554

\*Family sponsorships do not pay for, nor is it required, for students to attend the event.  
Details for tickets to follow in February

# **JIMMY JOHN'S FAMILY NIGHT OUT**

## **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12TH**

### **4-9PM**



***Busy evening running kids to activities, holiday gatherings, meetings or just don't feel like cooking? Jimmy John's has you covered! Grab dinner from JJ (Elkhorn location only) and support the EMS 8th Grade Celebration. 15% of the evening's proceeds will be donated when you bring in this flyer or mention EMS Class of 2024.***

- ***Dine In***
- ***Carry Out***
- ***Delivery***



**801 North 204th Street**  
**402-932-5262**



## 2020 SCHOLARSHIPS IMPORTANT DATES:

**December 2, 2019: Scholarship applications available online**

**January 31, 2020: Scholarship applications due by 5pm**

**April 29, 2020: ESHS Scholarship Recognition Breakfast**

**April 30, 2020: EHS Scholarship Recognition Breakfast**



# ATTENTION SENIORS!

**Scholarships go online December 2nd!**

Last year the Foundation awarded over \$334,000 in scholarships. Please visit our website at [www.elkhornfoundation.org/scholarships](http://www.elkhornfoundation.org/scholarships) for a listing of scholarships available to 2020 graduates.

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Black Friday. Cyber Monday.

#GI<sup>♥</sup>INGTUESDAY™

TUESDAY, DEC 3RD

#supportEPSF

On #GivingTuesday, everyone can make an impact! Join us on 12/3 by giving back to your Elkhorn community and #supportEPSF. Your help makes a huge impact on the students and educators of our district! Visit [www.elkhornfoundation.org](http://www.elkhornfoundation.org) on December 3<sup>rd</sup> to donate! #ElkhornProud

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Considering an end of year gift? A tax-deductible donation to the Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation will help further our mission in 2020 and beyond. Thank you for your continued support in enriching the education of our Elkhorn Public Schools students!

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Mark your Calendar: **Bids 4 Kids will be held on April 2, 2020.** Join us for a fun evening of silent auction bidding! We are grateful for any and all donations! Please contact Stacey Falk at [sfalk@elkhornfoundation.org](mailto:sfalk@elkhornfoundation.org) to donate!

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EKC is hiring! Are you bright, energetic and creative? Do you like working with children? Then EKC is for you! Stop in to the foundation office for an application, or download it online at

<http://www.elkhornfoundation.org/ekc/ekc-application/>.

Email your completed application to [awhorlow@elkhornfoundation.org](mailto:awhorlow@elkhornfoundation.org)





# ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

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# District Reminders

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## Tech Savvy Parent Tips - Apps to Know

TikTok is a social media app that allows users to generate video content including singing, dancing, or simply talking, as well as interact with other user's content covering a wide variety of topics. Similar to other social media apps, TikTok accounts are created with a default privacy setting of Public, allowing any user to interact with the content posted, send private messages, and capture location information. To protect youth utilizing TikTok, a user account can be set to Private to allow only Friends to see and interact with posted content and Location Sharing may also be turned off completely.

TikTok focuses mainly on music, so there is a potential that youth utilizing the app will encounter age-inappropriate content. TikTok does attempt to prevent this by hosting a separate section for children that allows access only to clean, curated videos and disabling commenting, searching, or posting their own videos. However, due to the ability to circumvent the required process that enable the Children's section, Common Sense media suggests the app be used for ages 16+.

For more information about TikTok and other social media apps to watch for, visit [www.commonsendmedia.org](http://www.commonsendmedia.org).



# December 2019



**Elkhorn Middle School**

**The "Classic" One  
Home of the Antlers**

**3200 North 207th Plaza  
Elkhorn, NE 68022**

**Phone: 402-289-2428  
Fax: 402-289-1639**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 7 BB @ Plattsmouth 4:15 pm 8 BB vs Plattsmouth @ 4:15 pm	3 Computer Club Group A 3:30-4:30 7 BB vs Gretna 4:15 pm 8 BB @ Gretna @ 4:15 pm	4 Chess Club Rm 107 3:30-4:15	5 7 BB vs EVVMS @ 4:15 pm 8 BB @ EVVMS 4:15	6	7
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# January 2020



**Elkhorn Middle School**

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**3200 North 207th Plaza**

**Elkhorn, NE 68022**

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**Fax: 402-289-1639**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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12	13	14 Computer Club Group A 3:30-4:30	15	16	17	18
19	20 NO SCHOOL Teacher In-Service	21	22	23 7 GBB vs EGMS @ 4:15 pm 8 GBB @ EGMS 4:15 pm	24	25
26	27 7 GBB @ EVVMS @ 4:15 pm 8 GBB vs EVVMS 4:15 pm	28 7 GBB @ Norris @ 4:15 pm 8 GBB vs Norris 4:15 pm	29	30 7 GBB @ ERMS @ 4:15 pm 8 GBB vs ERMS 4:15 pm	31	