

PRACTICES, PARENT/COACHES MEETING, PAPERWORK

The starting date for the first practice for **football, softball and girls golf only** is Monday August 9. All other fall sports will start Monday, August 16. Each athlete needs to complete the following and turn into the activities office prior to their first practice:

1. turn in physical exam clearance from their doctor,
2. turn in completed parent consent / emergency information form, and
3. pay \$53 participation fee.

NOTE: all of these items are to come to the HS activities office.....
NOT TO THE COACH.

A continuing requirement for participation in an activity during this school year grades 9-12 will again be **required** to attend a Parent/Coach meeting on **Thursday, August 12 at 7:00 pm in the Hevelone Center.** The first part of the meeting will be spent going over the activity guidelines and new changes to policy for this school year. The remainder of the evening will be broken into sport specific meetings for Football, Softball, Volleyball, Cross Country, Golf, Tennis and Cheerleading.

Attendance at this meeting will fulfill the attendance requirement for the remainder of the school year. Athletes will not be able to compete in contests until a parent has attended a meeting.

If you have any questions concerning any of this information, please call Activities Director, **Neal Randel** Beatrice High School 223-1515.

ACTIVITY ADMISSION PRICES FOR THE 2010-11:		
Music Events, School Play	Adults - \$5.00	Student w/ID \$3.00
All School Musical	Adults - \$6.00	Student w/ID \$4.00
Varsity Athletic Events	Adults - \$5.00	Student w/ID \$3.00
JV, Reserve, Freshmen Athletic Events	Adults - \$3.00	Student w/ID \$2.00
All Day Tournaments	Adults - \$6.00	Students w/ID \$4.00

SEASON PASSES:

(both Arts & Athletic Events)

- BPS K - 12 Student Activity** \$ 25.00
- Adult Activity** \$ 80.00
- Family Activity** \$175.00

BHS Senior Citizen Gold Card (65 years/older)...issued free / do not expire.. allows Senior Citizens w/card to enter activities for \$1.00 per event.

You may purchase Season Activity Passes at the Beatrice High School office beginning Monday, August 9 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

We continue to hope to get students, friends, and family to the events to cheer on the Orangemen and Lady Orange. The passes are good for **regularly scheduled home** events; not only athletics, but also for concerts and fine arts performances at BHS. **(They do not work for RCC or NSAA-sponsored events.)**

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AUGUST 2010

Welcome to the 2010-11 school year!

I hope all BHS students and their families have had a relaxing and refreshing summer. I also hope students are looking forward to starting another great school year at Beatrice High School. As we approach the first day of school, I am confident that this will be a successful school year.

We will host Freshmen Orientation at 5:30-6:30 p.m. on August 10th in the BHS Commons area. This is an opportunity for freshmen and their families to receive student schedules, locate lockers and familiarize themselves to the high school campus.

Freshmen are required to attend school on Tuesday, August 17th beginning at 8:12 a.m. During this time, we will conduct a "Freshmen First Day" pep rally. This rally provides freshmen the attention and instruction they need to assist in the transition from middle school. The pep rally consists of guest speakers, the BHS band, cheerleaders, dance team and BHS staff performing and speaking to the freshmen and provides an exciting way to begin the school year. Freshmen will meet their mentor teacher, be given a copy of their student handbook, and proceed through a shortened schedule of their classes. Freshmen are dismissed at 11:45 a.m. and are encouraged to participate in a lunch provided for them. The schedule provides 9th graders the opportunity to ask questions and have the building, hallways, lockers and BHS staff to themselves. We are looking forward to spending the morning with the class of 2014!

All grades of BHS students will attend a full school day on Wednesday, August 18th. Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors will receive their student handbooks containing information intended to help them have a successful and rewarding school year. Please take time to look at the handbook with your student regarding basic high school policy, procedures and expectations.

In an effort to communicate with parents/guardians about expectations and opportunities at BHS, we are asking that parents/guardians sign a form included in the handbook materials indicating that you have received a copy of the Student/Parent handbook. This signed form should be returned to the BHS Student Services no later than **August 27th, 2010.**

I would encourage parents/guardians of BHS students to take an active role in your child's education. Contact with teachers and administration with ideas, questions and/or concerns is encouraged and appreciated. Thank you for supporting your child, their learning, and Beatrice High School. Have a great school year!

Jason Sutter, BHS Principal

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Beatrice Public Schools...
...to prepare all students for life-long learning and responsible citizenship.

- Monday - Friday, Aug 2-6**
Band Camp 8:00 - 3:00
- Monday, August 9**
Start of Football, Softball & Girls Golf Practices
School Board Meeting 7:00pm
- Tuesday, August 10, 5:30 pm**
Freshman & Parent Orientation
- Tues. & Wed., August 10 & 11**
New Teachers Report
- Thursday, August 12**
All Certified Staff Report
Mandatory Fall Parent/Coach Meeting **7:00 pm**
- Monday, August 16**
Start of other Fall Practices
Fine Arts Booster Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- Tues., August 17,**
Opening Half Day: **8:12-11:45**
Freshmen Only
- Wed., August 18, 8:12 - 3:34**
Opening Full Day: **All Students**
- Fri., August 20, 5:30-7:00 pm**
Orange Booster Fall Kickoff
- Saturday, August 21**
Photo Day -BHS, starts 8:00 a.m.
- Tuesday, August 31**
School Picture Day, start 8:00 a.m.
- Wednesday, September 1**
First PLC - early out
- Thursday, September 2**
Beatrice Cross Country Invite
- Fri. & Sat., September 3 & 4**
Beatrice Volleyball Invite
- Monday, September 6**
No School • Labor Day

Orange Boosters

TAILGATE Kick-Off 2010

Friday, August 20

Join the BHS Booster Club at the O-Zone and Commons as we KICKOFF our 2010 Fall Sports season with an evening of food, fun and a preview/auction of our athletes.

**BBQ tickets are \$7.50,
both adults & children.
Vans BBQ Chicken
Potato, Baked Beans
Cookie/Bar and Drink**

Tickets may be purchased from any fall athlete or at the BHS office. Serving between 5:30 and 7:00.

**TIMES TENTATIVE-(event still being planned):
Cheerleaders, Dance Team, Band & Flags
perform5:45 - 6:15 p.m.
Senior FB & SB Poster Signing.... 6:00 p.m.
Introduction of Fall Athletes &
Hands for Hire Auction..... 6:30 p.m.**

REQUIRED /MANDATORY meeting before performances/contests

Fall Activities Parent/Coach Meeting Thursday, August 12, 7:00 p.m.

Hevelone Center to begin

if not already done:

*Turn in Sports Physical Proof, fill out and sign consent forms and pay \$53 participation fee.
Get schedules, speak with coaches & receive picture forms, etc.*

9th Grade Orientation

Tuesday, August 10, 5:30 p.m.

Commons Area

Parents & Freshmen

Schedules, Lockers and Question/Answer Time

ORANGE BOOSTER NEXT MEETING September 7 at 7:00 p.m.

High School Media Center
Items to be discussed include:
Fall Kick-off,
positions to fill, purchases to make,
concessions.

ALL interested patrons are welcome and encouraged to attend, whether you have a past, present or future BHS athlete or not.
Bring a friend.

Steve Faxon, Booster President, 2010-11

Booster Button Pix

Mr. Callam will be taking pictures
Saturday morning, August 21, starting at 8:00.
Order forms will be available at the Parent/
Coaches Mandatory Meeting, Thursday, Aug. 12..

8:00 - football	8:40 - girls golf
8:00 - volleyball	8:50 - boys tennis
8:00 - band	9:00 - cheerleaders
8:10 - cross country	9:00 - dance
8:30 - softball	

First Day(s) of school at Beatrice High

Tuesday, August 17

8:12 a.m. - *Freshmen only* dismiss at 11:45
(schedules will be available
at tables upon entering the building)

Wednesday, August 18

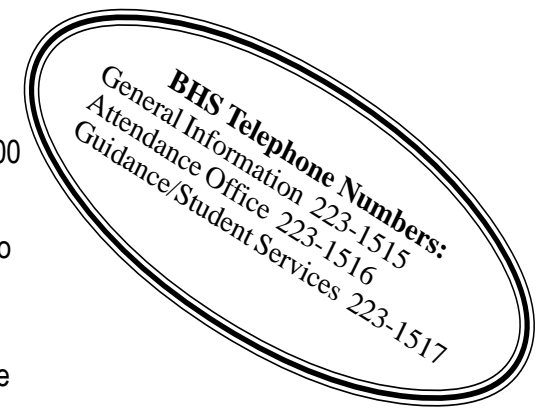
8:12 a.m. to 3:34 p.m. - **all grades 9-12**
for full day of school
new schedules will be available



STUDENT'S CLASS SCHEDULE CHANGES

Students may make schedule changes beginning Wednesday, August 18, 3:34 p.m. continuing through 4:00 p.m. on Friday, August 20. Students with a Study Hall may utilize their Study Hall time during the school day to request schedule changes, otherwise students will need to complete these requests before and/or after their school day.

Ninth grade students will need parent/guardian permission (a note or phone call to the counselor) to make changes.



General Lunch Notes to Parents

	HS/MS STUDENT PRICES:	ELEMENTARY STUDENT PRICES:	STAFF PRICES:
Breakfast:	\$1.60	\$1.50	\$1.80
Lunch	\$2.30	\$2.20	\$2.90

PAYMENTS:

Deposits by check would be appreciated in order to cut down on processing time. Please write the child's name on the check. **ALL insufficient checks will be deducted from the student's account along with a \$15 collection fee.**

COPY OF TRANSACTIONS:

Parents wishing a printout of lunch activity may continue to contact the building secretaries in the Elementary Buildings, RaJean May at 223-1548 (Middle School) and/or Peggy Johnson at 223-1536 (High School).

ANOTHER OPTION AVAILABLE TO MONITOR STUDENT LUNCH MONEY:

Parents using their computers to access the Parent Portal feature available to help with school/home communication are able to obtain this same information via the portal.

Students regardless of grade continue to require 3 doses of DTaP, DTP, DT, or Td vaccine, 3 doses of Polio vaccine, 2 doses of MMR vaccine, and 3 doses of Hepatitis B vaccine.

GAGE COUNTY IMMUNIZATION CLINIC offers these immunizations at no charge each month on the third Monday, Tuesday and Thursday (they do not always fall in the same calendar week). Call 223-2366 for an appointment.

August Clinic dates are: Monday, August 16, 9:00 a.m. - Noon
 Tuesday, August 17, 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
 Thursday, August 19, 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

CLIP, SIGN AND RETURN

PARENT MEDICATION CONSENT FORM

NOTE: If possible, parents are advised to give medication at home on a schedule other than during school hours. If it is necessary that a medication be given during school hours, the following regulations must be followed.

- Medication must be ordered/advised by physician/dentist and permission granted to R.N. at school to contact physician/dentist/pharmacist if necessary.
- Medication must be brought to school by parent/guardian in original container with appropriate label intact. (Secondary students may bring necessary medication to school; must give to school personnel at beginning of school day, and medication must be kept in the locked medicine area of the clinic.)
 If medication is not properly labeled, it WILL NOT be given.
- Parent/guardian must sign this form, granting school/personnel permission to administer medication, according to regulations set herein.

The designated personnel at _____ school has my permission to administer the following medication to my child, _____, as recommended by Dr. _____ for the purpose of treating _____

(condition)

and I give my permission for the nurse to contact the physician/dentist/pharmacist, if necessary.

Name of Medication: _____

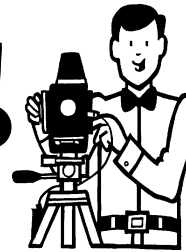
Dose to be given: _____

Time to be given: _____

Start Date _____ End Date _____

 Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

Smile!



School Pictures

Pictures for 9th through 12th grade students will be taken for the yearbook and for our computer student census system at the school on.....

Tuesday, August 31

EVERYONE must have their picture taken **BUT NO ONE IS**

REQUIRED to **PURCHASE** their pictures.

Families wishing to purchase pictures will need to have their envelope filled out and pay the photographer at the time pictures are taken. ALL students should come to school prepared to have their pictures taken on that date. There is no cost to the student to just have their picture taken for school use.

As there are a variety of photo packages to choose from, an info packet will be sent home the first day of school with your student.

Beatrice Prairie Playground

Eligible for \$50,000 grant from Pepsi

During the month of August, visit www.pepsirefresh.com DAILY to vote for Beatrice's Prairie Playground. Spread the word! Encourage others to do the same.

These funds will be used to purchase new equipment and surfacing that will provide a safe and handicap accessible playground for all.

For more information, please contact Deanne Caspers-Moon at deannemoon@gmail.com, phone 402-228-1905 or visit the facebook page. Thanks!

As many of you know, Ms. Caspers-Moon is leading a campaign to up-date the Prairie Playground that many of us not only used to tire our children out but also help build in the mid-1990's. She has entered the project in the August Pepsi give-away that will be awarded on 9-1-10. If the project is one of the top 10 vote-getters, our community will receive \$50,000. When I quickly visited the site, it appeared you needed to sign-on and register a password, but apparently you can vote each day from that point on. At that time, it appeared we only had 401 votes so will need to get busy if we hope to be in the top 10. Please visit the site at least once to decide if it is worth your time to continue to vote throughout August. Our school district has a Coca-Cola contract, but this seems to be very good thing that Pepsi has available.

The first meeting for BHS Fine Arts Association 2010-11 will be Monday, August 16th at 7:00 pm @ the high school. All parents who have students in band, orchestra, vocal music (including special groups), drama, art & forensics are encouraged to come.

Any questions please contact one of our officers.
 President - Rhondarae Henderson, 230-0424
 Vice President - Gail Mann, 223-4456
 Treasurer/Publicity - Beth Engles, 228-0407
 Secretary - Jo Vostrez, 200-0640



First Quarter HS Parent-Teacher Conferences

Monday, September 27 and Tuesday, September 28, 4:30-8:30 p.m.

Marching Band & Flag Camp:

was Monday, August 2 through Friday, August 6, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with a 1/2 hour lunch time so they brown bagged it most of the week. Camp ended with the Exhibition /Potluck on Friday, August 6, 6:00 p.m. at the Athletic Field by the Middle School. "Band" debuts the first song of their new show "Music of Steely Dan" featuring the tunes Reeling in the Years, Rikki don't Loose that Number, Peg and Josie.

Come check out the band at all home football games and at their 3 competitions: Oct. 2, Harvest of Harmony in Grand Island, Oct. 16, at Bandfest in Minden and Oct. 23, at NSBA State marching in Lincoln.

Band also wants to welcome Ms. Sarah Beasley from Doane College, who will be doing her student teaching during first semester with them.



Dear Business Owner or Manager:

As summer quickly goes by, it is time to think about supporting our local athletes and the Beatrice Orange Boosters. We are in the process of securing advertising spots on the season sports posters and the programs for home games. If you are currently on the poster or in the program you will have priority to remain there with the same ad as last year unless you call with a change. There are spots still available on both.

Several ways are listed below to get your business recognized with Beatrice Orange Boosters:

- (1) Three Seasonal Sports Posters –fall, winter, and spring sports Cost for this is \$300 for the year. Name also mentioned on back page of programs as a calendar spot.
- (2) Programs for all Varsity Home games – approximately 2 X 2 business card spot on inside pages of program. Cost for this is \$180 per spot or \$350 for two per year. (Last year's cost was \$200 for one spot).
- (3) Program and Poster will cost \$400 for one spot on each or \$500 for one spot on poster and two spots in program.
- (4) In kind donations such as bottled water, large donations, labor, or sponsorships of half-time or pre-game events will get name mentioned in program and a certificate of appreciation.
- (5) General donation of your choosing- name will be on back page of program with any donation of \$25 or more.

Any questions regarding existing ads, new programs ads, or calendar sponsors need to contact me at 223-2694.

Howard Rains
PR-Beatrice Orange Booster 223-2694

INVOICE for Ad – Clip & send this lower portion with payment to
Beatrice Orange Boosters - PO Box 551 - Beatrice, NE 68310

Type of ad wanted: _____

Amount paid: _____ **. Check #:** _____

Business Name: _____

Signature: _____ **. Phone #:** _____

Character Counts, Renaissance, and Essential Behavior Skills

Responsible citizens possess good character. Beatrice is fortunate to have families that promote good character in their children. Beatrice Public Schools has developed the Essential Behavior Skills Program in order to further promote good character in our students. The Essential Behavior Skills Program is based on six pillars of character. These six pillars include Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship. Helping students develop these skills will ultimately create a positive, productive learning environment, where students are responsible self-managers.

Throughout the school year, teachers will systematically instruct, discuss, and conduct activities regarding the Essential Behavior Skills. Teachers will also incorporate these skills into their course curriculum wherever it is appropriate. The Beatrice Public Schools Essential Behavior Skills include the following:

RESPONSIBILITY

1. Be Prepared for Class
2. Be on Time
3. Follow Directions
4. Accept "No" for an Answer
5. Accept Consequences

CITIZENSHIP

1. Greet Others Appropriately
2. Follow Rules
3. Report Behavior that is a Danger to Persons or Property
4. Accept Criticism
5. Apologize Appropriately

RESPECT

1. Make Requests Appropriately
2. Accept Individual Differences
3. Respect the Property of Others
4. Disagree Appropriately
5. Accept Authority

CARING

1. Help Others
2. Take Care of Your School
3. Manage Conflict

TRUSTWORTHINESS

1. Tell the Truth
2. Follow Through on Commitments

FAIRNESS

1. Treat Others as You Want to be Treated

Students exhibiting good character skills and traits may be recognized throughout the school year using the following:

= Students can receive "Orange Pride-Renaissance Awards" (blue tickets). When a staff member observes a student demonstrating one of the pillars, they are to reward them with a blue ticket. Each Friday students who have their blue ticket picked out of a hat are called to the office where they will receive goods or services provided by merchants of Beatrice. These students also have a chance to park in prime school parking spots for the following week.

= The BHS Renaissance Program will also recognize students of good character. Students who receive no "Office Referrals" for behavior will be recognized throughout the school year with a Character Counts Card, which is sent home following the end of each quarter.

= Renaissance identified students will be honored during a convocation after first semester.

FROM STUDENT HANDBOOK 10-11

CLOSED CAMPUS

Beatrice High School campus is closed. If students need to leave the school building or school grounds while not under the direct supervision of a staff member, they are to follow checkout procedures in the office. These checkout procedures include verified parent/guardian permission, PRIOR to leaving the building.

DISPLAYS OF AFFECTION

Displays of affection beyond holding hands are inappropriate and disruptive of the school's learning environment. Disciplinary steps will be taken to enforce this guideline by teachers and administration including warning, parental conference and consequences.

DRESS AND GENERAL APPEARANCE

Students at Beatrice High School are expected to dress in a way that is appropriate for the school setting. Students should not dress in a manner that is dangerous to the health and safety of anyone or interferes with the learning environment or teaching process in our school. Following is a list of examples of attire that will not be considered appropriate, such list is not exclusive and other forms of attire deemed inappropriate by the administration may be deemed inappropriate for the school setting:

1. Hats, bandannas, chains (attached to wallets/clothing etc.), stocking caps, sweatbands, scarves, visors, and sunglasses are prohibited inside the school building.
2. Any clothing, which is cut, torn, ripped, see-through, exposes undergarments and/or shows an inappropriate amount of bare skin is prohibited.
3. Any clothing, accessories, or jewelry, which has inappropriate statements, logos, slogans and pictures (including but not limited to: alcohol, drugs, gang related, profanity), will be prohibited in the building.
4. Shirts, blouses, sweaters, sweatshirts:
 - a. All shirts must fit appropriately
 - b. Shirts or blouses exposing the midriff will be prohibited.
 - c. Any top, which has spaghetti straps, is prohibited unless it is worn in combination with another top, which has a minimum 2-inch width on the shoulder.
 - d. Tank tops which have large or cut out armholes are prohibited.
5. Shorts:
 - a. All shorts must be of appropriate length.
 - b. All shorts must fit around the waist.
 - c. All shorts must have a hem.
 - d. Boxers, swimming attire, bicycle shorts (spandex) etc. are prohibited.
6. Pants:
 - a. All pants must be of appropriate length.
 - b. All pants must fit around the waist. A belt of appropriate length may be worn to ensure that pants fit appropriately.
 - c. "Elephant" pants will be prohibited.
 - d. Pajama bottoms and flannel pants may not be worn.
7. Dresses and Skirts: The length of all dresses, skirts, and shorts must reach the mid-thigh area.
8. Footwear: Appropriate footwear will be worn properly during the school day. Bedroom slippers are prohibited.
9. Coats: Coats will not be worn in school during the school day.

Due to recent decisions identifying and clarifying the rights of all members gathered in public schools, the wearing of any clothing, or if one's personal appearance disrupts the educational process, it is prohibited. If it is determined that an article of clothing bears a message that any student/employee would find objectionable, then the educational process has been affected. The student will be asked to change the article of clothing.

Non-Discrimination Policy

The Beatrice School District No. 15 does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, marital status or age in admission or access to, or treatment of employment in, its programs and activities. If you feel you have been discriminated against, or have inquiries regarding grievance activities, or compliance with Title IX, Title VI or Section 504, contact the Director of Student Programs, Beatrice Public Schools, 320 North Fifth Street, Beatrice, Nebraska 68310 (402) 223-1512.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

(student handbook 10-11 continued)

"Electronic devices," include, but are not limited to, cell phones, Mp3 players, iPods, personal digital assistants (PDAs), compact disc players, portable game consoles, cameras, digital scanners, lap top computers, and other electronic or battery powered instruments which transmit voice, text, or data from one person to another. Students will not be allowed to use electronic devices on school property during regular school hours. Electronic devices must be put away in lockers, or kept out of sight in book-bags etc. Students are allowed to use electronic devices before school, after school, and at lunch in the commons area and outside the school building in the vicinity of the main front doors. BHS Staff members have the authority to confiscate inappropriate electronic devices (failure to comply will result in insubordination). **1st Offense-1/2 hour detention prior to returning device to student. 2nd offense-1 hour detention and return of device to parent. 3rd and subsequent offenses-BASE assignment and return of device to parent.**

Contents of electronic devices can be searched if administration has reason to believe the device contains items that are in violation of the BHS code of conduct. Items include but are not limited to: inappropriate pictures/graphics, threats, cyber bullying, etc.

Responsibility for Electronic Devices: Students or their parents/guardians are expected to claim a confiscated electronic device within ten (10) days of the date it was relinquished. The school shall not be responsible, financially or otherwise, for any unclaimed electronic devices. By bringing such devices to school, students and parents authorize the school to dispose of unclaimed devices at the end of each semester. The District is not responsible for the security and safekeeping of students' electronic devices and is not financially responsible for any damage, destruction, or loss of electronic devices.

PARKING LOT PROCEDURES/RULES

1. Student parking will be the north lot. Students may only park in this parking area and are required to display a numbered parking sticker. These stickers will be available in the main office. The sticker should be displayed in the rear window of the vehicle on the passenger side.
2. The parking lot is OFF LIMITS during the school day. If students need to leave the school building and return to the parking lot for any reason they are to follow checkout procedures in the office. These checkout procedures include verified parent/guardian permission, PRIOR to leaving the building. Students may not sit in vehicles before school, after school, during lunch, or anytime during the school day. Students in the parking lot without permission will be treated as an unexcused absence. Acceptable reasons for students to be in the parking lot are as follows:
 - a. Students who are arriving or departing the school building at appropriate times
 - b. Students who are involved in a school sponsored activity
 - c. Students who are under the direct supervision of a staff member
3. You can avoid a parking ticket and being towed:
 - a. Park straight between the lines and do not take more than one parking space
 - b. Students are not to park in designated (numbered) faculty parking spots
 - c. Properly display your BHS parking sticker
4. If any student drives recklessly on school grounds or approaching or leaving school grounds, driving privileges may be terminated and the incident will also be reported to the authorities.
5. Students are further cautioned that unauthorized visitors (those who do not have permission from the administration) on campus are trespassing.
6. **Cars parked improperly or without a parking sticker may be towed at the owner's expense.**

Welcome Back From the Assistant Principal

I would like to welcome students to Beatrice High School for the 2010-11 school year. Enjoy your days at Beatrice High School, but take your time here seriously. For the most part, what you accomplish in high school will determine what you do for the rest of your life. As you near graduation, your career/post-secondary education choices will be directly related to your high school experiences.

Each of you has the same opportunities at Beatrice High School. Take advantage of every single one of them. Make connections in high school. Get involved with fine arts, various clubs, and/or athletics. Again, welcome back to school. It's going to be another good year at Beatrice High School.

John Jarosh, Assistant Principal