

## Calendar Changes & Up-Dates \*Homecoming now September 18\*

FACT OF LIFE - Things change. Right now basically due to Parent/Teacher Conferences - we changed Homecoming from October 2 to September 18. There will be other changes throughout the year, there always is.

**When in doubt, check it out. Trust our web-site over the printed calendar.**

We have a couple different places linked to our web-site to verify an athletic event, any other meeting or fine arts event. Our policy, once we hear of or decide to make a change is to: verify what change needs to be made and then to contact our district calendar secretary to make the change on-line. Mr. Randel will up-date the activities calendar found at [highschoolsports.net](http://highschoolsports.net) at the same time. Both calendars are available on-line and are immediately up-dated.

**Instructions from our home-page ([www.beatricepublicschools.org](http://www.beatricepublicschools.org)) to the link for [highschoolsports.net](http://highschoolsports.net):**

1. Click the Beatrice High School tab.
2. Along the left side is a list of categories, click on Activities.
3. This screen has articles down the middle, after scrolling you will find one offering "Related Sites". By clicking that web-site address you will be taken to [www.highschoolsports.net](http://www.highschoolsports.net)
4. Screen will be headed: BEATRICE HS, 600 Orange Blvd. Etc., My Schedules, All Teams - by clicking on the change icon you will receive three boxes of drop downs. Select a Sport (will list down our individual sport categories). Select a Level (will list down All Levels, Varsity, JV, Freshman, Reserve). Select a Gender (All, Boys, Girls, Boys/Girls)
5. Once you have made your selections, use the Go icon and the computer will retrieve and list the schedule for that group. Home/Visitor, opponent, times and locations become available. In some instances, addresses are shown and for some we even have directions available.

**Instructions from our home-page ([www.beatricepublicschools.org](http://www.beatricepublicschools.org)) to the district calendar:**

1. Remain on the Home/Front Page.
2. Find the Calendar icon box, right side of screen, under the weather / above the Employment Possibilities and the Infinite Campus Parent Portal
3. Click there to access District Calendar. Different options are available.
  - a. Month at a Glance will give a calendar appearing synopsis of the month designated.
  - b. By scrolling toward the bottom you will find a drop down box to tell the computer which month/year you are interested in, you will then receive a vertical listing by day of the events for the month.

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# Orange Peal

Beatrice High School

600 Orange Blvd. • Beatrice, NE 68310 • (402) 223-1515

Volume 36, Issue 2

## September 2009



Principal • Jason Sutter

Assistant Principal • John Jarosh

Assistant Principal/Activities Director • Neal Randel

**Tuesday, September 1,**  
School Pictures in Hevelone Cntr  
Parent Council, 7:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, September 2, 1:30 p.m.**  
Marching Band at State Fair

**Thursday, September 3**  
Beatrice Cross Country Invite, 5:00 p.m.

**Friday & Saturday, September 4 & 5**  
Beatrice Volleyball Invite

**Monday, September 7**  
LABOR DAY - NO SCHOOL

**Tuesday, September 8**  
Beatrice Girls Golf Invite, 9:30 a.m.

**Monday, September 14**  
School Board Meeting - 7:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, September 16**  
Half Day School Improvement  
HS early dismissal at 11:40 a.m.

**September 14 - 18 Homecoming Week**  
Game, Coronation & Dance  
Friday starting at 7:30 p.m.

**Saturday, September 19**  
Beatrice JV Volleyball Invite

**Monday, September 21**  
Fine Arts meeting 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, Sept. 23**  
Educational Plan Day at SCC

**Mon. & Thurs. Sept. 28 & Oct. 1**  
**4:30 - 8:30 p.m.**  
HS Parent/Teacher Conferences

**Friday, October 2**  
No School - District Wide

## Beatrice High School's Homecoming

this year has been officially changed to:

# Friday, September 18 vs Blair Bears

Due to this change, voting for class officers has been moved up to Thursday, September 3 to encourage class participation in Homecoming activities.

Student Council will be announcing plans to vote via a computer survey program during study hall times, Mentor and lunches for Senior candidates for Homecoming King and Queen. Listening to the bulletin will become even more important in response to these changes occurring.

Please mark your calendars and share this information with anyone who might be affected by this change. There are several reasons for the change, but the primary reasons are the conflicts presented by parent-teacher conferences on the week of September 28-October 2. The downtown merchants are aware of the change, and they do not intend to host a parade or pep rally this year.

Any questions should be directed to  
High School Administrators.



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

# STUDENT SERVICES

## GUIDANCE OFFICE

Transcripts  
Scheduling  
Scholarships  
Grade Point Average  
Credits, etc.

**Mr. Post**  
students alphabetically A-L

**Mrs. Meyer**  
students alphabetically M-Z

**Mrs. Morris – Registrar**  
**223-1517**

# Looking Ahead

# FALL 2009 DRIVERS EDUCATION:

Offered by: **NEBRASKA SAFETY COUNCIL, INC.**

Location: **Beatrice High School**

Instructor: **Jim Bowers**

Classroom Dates and Times: **During Fall Intercession**

**October 22, 23, 24 ... (pizza provided).....8:00 - 2:00 p.m.**

**October 25 .....12:00 noon - 4:00 p.m.**

Forms are available in the main office at the high school

Course curriculum:

22 hours of classroom instruction

5 hours hands-on driving

5 hours of observation (suggested but not required)

1/2 hour Behind-The-Wheel Drive Test for Provisional Operator's Permit (POP)  
Driving includes: highway/gravel, parallel/perpendicular/angle parking, marked and unmarked streets/intersections, interstate driving, heavy city traffic driving.

**Tuition Fee: \$280 (includes student materials)**

**TO REGISTER: Call the Nebraska Safety Council, Inc., at 402-483-2511  
NO Registrations accepted by or through the school.**

- Advance registration and payment are required.
- Student must have a learner's permit to enroll.

## Educational Planning Night is now DAY - September 23

This year the traditional Education Planning Night hosted by BHS will become a planning day hosted by SCC and sponsored by Education Quest for all area schools. BHS seniors will be bussed to SCC during two periods in the morning of September 23 to visit with college representatives from 2 year, 4 year, technical, cosmetology schools as well as military representatives. There will be information to pick up and take home. Education Quest will have representatives and materials there as well; regarding paying for college, scholarship searches, and resume writing. **Parents are welcome to attend. The representatives will be available from 9 to 11:30;** BHS students will attend during periods 2 and 3 (including transportation time). Contact one of the high school counselors if you have questions.

## LUNCH AND LEARN - PREP SEMINARS

Richard Campbell, School-To-Career Coordinator will be conducting monthly **PREP** seminars for parents and any adults interested in Career and College Preparation. **PREP** stands for **P**arent's **R**oll in **E**ducation **P**rogress. The first event is scheduled for September 23, 2009 at the High School in Room 133. Each seminar will start at 12:10 p.m. and last no more than 30 minutes. The September topic will be **FINANCIAL AID**.

Bring your lunch, and learn about topics related to Career and College Planning. Bring yourself, a friend, and any questions. No reservations required.

## ACT and SAT Test & Registration Dates

ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline	SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline
October 24, 2009 **	(regular fee) September 18, 2009	October 10, 2009	(regular fee) September 9, 2009
December 12, 2009	November 6, 2009	November 7, 2009 **	October 1, 2009
February 6, 2010 **	January 5, 2010	December 5, 2009	October 30, 2009
April 10, 2010 **	March 5, 2010	January 23, 2010	December 15, 2009
June 12, 2010	May 7, 2010	March 13, 2010	February 4, 2010
		May 1, 2010	March 25, 2010
		June 5, 2010	April 29, 2010

**\*\* indicates test administered at BHS site on this date**

(also available in the student planner that each student has received)

## JUNIORS: Plan for College Now

If you think attending college after graduation is what you want to do, then start looking at colleges as a junior to narrow your choices by the time you are a senior. This is necessary in order to compare campuses, choose college majors, and prioritize scholarship applications.

Plan to make college visits while the campuses are in session, not during breaks or finals week. Visits should be scheduled two weeks in advance. Request an appointment with an admissions representative, financial aid counselor, and a faculty member in your area of interest.

Try to attend entry-level classes that all students have to take. Notice how many students are enrolled, how students interact with the instructor, whether a graduate assistant is teaching, and how the class is structured. The size of the classes usually dictates the instructional format. The transition to large lecture style classes may be difficult for some students. Make it a point to visit with one or two students about their classes and challenges they had to overcome moving from high school to college.

Inquire about staying overnight in a residence hall and eating in the cafeteria. Also, check out the residence hall opportunities for student learning communities, tutors, and computer labs. If you are planning to buy and take your own laptop computer, don't forget to insure it along with any other valuable dorm room supplies. Inquire about the dorm habitat as some may offer lifestyles you are not familiar or comfortable with such as coed floors, wings, etc.

Don't procrastinate on narrowing your choices for college to two or three. If you cannot make an actual visit, check the college's website as some have virtual tours. Educational Planning Day at SCC is scheduled for September 23. If you are planning to spend your parents' money on college, bring them along that day!

**Officers for this year are:**

Past President-Ross Jensby  
President- Courtney Spilker  
President elect-Lindsey Howell  
Secretary-Alyssa Wolken  
Treasurer/Historian-Rachel Dorn  
Recruitment Officers-Kelsey and Lindsey Schlake

**SCIENCE  
CLUB  
NEWS**

Science Club meets the first Tuesday of every month except January. If you are interested in becoming a member, contact Dr. Christen or Mrs. Moore or come to the first meeting (September 1st) to get an application form. Poinsettias have already been started in the greenhouse for the Christmas season.

**Homestead National Monument of America & Beatrice Public Library**

are again hosting the:

**Prairie Visions Writing Festival**

Friday, September 25, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

A poetry writing workshop given by Twyla Hansen, author of *Potato Soup*, which won the 2004 Nebraska Book Awards competition for poetry.

*“Ms Hansen connects the human and the natural worlds in surprising-and often stunning - ways. A poet of the prairie, she is equally a poet of the human spirit.” - Wm Kloefkorn*

Any interested juniors or seniors should see Mrs. Kassmeier.

**FINE ARTS BOOSTER CLUB:**

The first meeting of The Fine Arts Council will be Monday, September 21st, 7:00 P.M. in the media center at the high school. If you have a child in band, orchestra, choir, art, family consumer sciences, speech, drama, industrial arts, and/or forensics, you are invited to come join our organization. If you have any questions please contact the Fine Arts Council President, Rhondarae Henderson at rhhenderson@bpsne.org or call 230-0424.

**Upcoming Volleyball:** Beatrice Varsity Invitational - starts Friday, September 4th @ 4:30 (BHS Pool = Columbus, Pius, Waverly) & continues Saturday, September 5 starting at 9:30AM. This 12 team event requires 6 courts to be utilized for pool play on Friday evening and activates many volunteers to make this run smoothly. Saturday’s seeded bracket games drop that need to 4 courts. Anyone willing to volunteer as a line judge or admission taker, please call LaDonna Ideus at the BHS (223-1515 ext 1809) to get scheduled.

First regular season home game is on Tuesday, September 8 , vs Crete - Let’s do a “Hawaiian” theme; games at 5:00 ,6:00 & 7:00 pm. Remember we do have a dress code to follow.

**Marching Band Competitions:**

September 2nd - State Fair 1:30  
October 3rd - Harvest of Harmony - Grand Island  
October 10 - Links Competition - Lincoln High  
October 24th - NSBA - Seacrest Field - Lincoln



Some lingering thoughts our band student leaders heard at the Tim Lautzenheiser leadership meeting in Omaha in August:

*Leadership, unlike many disciplines, is constantly shifting, evolving, changing, and becoming. In fact the more we learn about the art of leadership, the more puzzling and mysterious it becomes. Modern day leadership experts continue to highlight the importance of developing leadership values along with the understanding of systemic leadership techniques. The shift from people control to group empowerment is a common theme in today’s contemporary leadership training; ultimately, the welfare of the people is the primary concern. The process becomes equally as important as the product.*

*Music/arts programs are perfect settings for leadership training. The artistic culture represents a microcosm of the community environment and requires a cast of leaders to teach, explain, create, and serve the various members of the musical society. Student leaders are not a luxury, but a necessity, therefore the selection, training, and guidance of these young leaders is crucially important in the positive growth and development of every student.*

**“IF YOU ARE A GOOD LEADER, PEOPLE WILL ADMIRE AND RESPECT YOU;  
IF YOU ARE A GREAT LEADER,  
PEOPLE WILL ADMIRE AND RESPECT THEMSELVES.”**

**BHS Music Department** will be presenting Meredith Willson’s :

***“The Music Man”***

**Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 7, 9 & 10**

7:00 p.m. in the Hevelone Center for Performing Arts  
Tryouts and casting in progress.



**MUSIC DEPARTMENT**

**“GOLD CARD”**

Discount Card Fundraiser runs through October 1, 2009!

**only \$10 each** Contact any music student to purchase yours!  
Also available through the main office.

# Board of Education Goals for 2009-2010

**GOAL #1** To ensure that a rigorous and relevant K-12 curriculum & instructional program is delivered for the purpose of raising student achievement

**Indicator #1: Align K-12 Curriculum**

**Indicator #2: Measure increased student achievement in core curriculum areas of reading and math by:**

\*District ACT scores remaining above the state average

\*An increase in the percent of cohort students in the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> quartiles on the TerraNova reading and math composite score

**Indicator #3: Assess the status of 21<sup>st</sup> Century learning**

**Goal #2:** To support Professional Learning Communities

**Indicator #1: Create a comprehensive long-range plan for professional development activities aligned to continuous improvement of the Learning Community**

**Indicator #2: Develop strategies to use data effectively**

**Goal #3:** To develop a comprehensive facility plan to meet the student needs of Beatrice Public Schools

**Indicator #1: Prioritize facility needs of the district**

**Goal #4:** To maximize all sources of revenue to meet the student needs of Beatrice Public Schools

**Indicator #1: Identify opportunities for developing additional revenue streams to help support general fund expenditures.**

**Indicator #2: Review District expenditures for possible cost reduction opportunities.**

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**BHS Writing Achievement Award** renamed to:

## **Metcalf Writing Achievement Award**

Watch for BHS English teachers selling pizza at home football games again this year. The purpose is to raise money for the writing award, a \$500 scholarship awarded annually. Last year's winner was Christopher Lofing.



**SCC / BHS to offer dual credit:**

Again this year students enrolled in Advanced Composition, World Literature, AP Biology, Spanish 3 & 4 and Calculus will have the opportunity to earn college credit through Southeast Community College. Representatives from the college will be speaking in the classrooms involved.

## **Beatrice Chamber of Commerce "Good Will Ambassador" Award has been given to our own PJ Cook.**

This award is for someone who demonstrates going above and beyond the call of duty to assist others in their community without expectation of recognition and/or compensation in any form.



Nominations focus on:

1. Anyone that has done something for someone without reason to
2. Someone who goes "above and beyond" to help someone
3. They do not ask to be recognized and no money was exchanged
4. They are truly just being helpful to that individual without expecting compensation of any form.

The recognition award is non-monetary and is intended to honor "heroes of our community." Nominees meriting a "Good Will Ambassador" Award receive a certificate of appreciation and are spotlighted in a chamber newsletter.

## *"Be There" Campaign 2009-2010*

*Beatrice Public Schools will again be participating in the national Be There campaign sponsored by the Nebraska State School Board Association and other advocacy groups. The purpose of the campaign is to remind parents to be available to their children and to listen to their children's concerns. It means taking advantage of daily opportunities to build relationships, use teachable moments, and make memories.*

*During the school year materials will be available to parents. You'll be seeing posters in each building, hearing radio and television public service announcements and hopefully begin seeing billboard messages across the state.*

*The national Be There website has been totally revamped. It contains much useful information including a place for parents to ask questions and to share comments with one another. When you have time, explore [www.bethere.org](http://www.bethere.org). I think you'll be pleased with the usefulness of the information you find there.*

*Carla Meyer, district coordinator*

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**WEIGHT ROOM:** will be open after school each day from 3:30 – 4:30. Students not presently involved in a fall sport are encouraged to lift. Coach Edwards will be supervising.

# BEATRICE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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**“Every Child...Every Day...A Success!”**

Dear Parent,

Beatrice Public Schools will be testing high school students for all of the district's **Essential Skills** throughout the school year as well as testing on nationally-normed cognitive (Grade 9) and achievement skills (Grade 10) in late October/early November. Through these assessments, the district can gain information about our students' skill levels. **Students are required to pass the local Essential Skills test for Math and Language Arts to graduate from Beatrice Public Schools. Students take these exams on January 14<sup>th</sup> of their 10<sup>th</sup> grade year.** Additional opportunities to retake the graduation requirement will be held throughout the school year for students in grades 11 and 12.

Copies of the Beatrice Public Schools Essential Skills are available online at: <http://www.beatricepublicschools.org> (Student Programs/Essential Skills), at your child's school, or at Student Programs. The Essential Skills are foundation skills, the basics, not content memorization or specific topics that your son or daughter must prepare at home.

Thank you for joining us in our efforts to provide an excellent education for your child and our commitment to providing all students with the skills necessary for success. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,  
*Summer Stephens*  
Director of Curriculum & Assessment

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**IMPORTANT SCHOOL TELEPHONE NUMBER.....CLIP AND SAVE**

**ATTENDANCE: DIRECT LINE 223-1516**

This line will record your message 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (24/7), if Mrs. Lineweber is unavailable to speak w/ you.

## **Attendance Guidelines (page 34 - student's handbook)**

Parents/guardians are asked to call or send a note in advance when they know a student is going to be absent from school. In case of illness or unexpected absence, parents/guardians are asked to call the attendance secretary as soon as possible. If the attendance secretary does not hear from home, it is the practice of Beatrice Public Schools to attempt to contact the parent/guardian, by 9:30 to check on the absence.

If no contact is made by the parent/guardian, the absence will be recorded as unexcused and the student will receive discipline consequences.



Right now it looks like Upward Bound will be in the building on Mondays and Tuesdays to meet with students one-on-one. We may have to add some Wednesdays because of the number of participants we already have. (35 this year)

I am excited to announce that Erin Reed has been hired as a temporary-part-time Education Specialist and will be meeting with the students as well.

Sheryl Wiese will be our tutor at BHS for the first quarter this year. Angie Johannesen will take over the remainder of the school year.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. [mdecker@southeast.edu](mailto:mdecker@southeast.edu) or at phone: 228-3468 ext. 1406

Melissa Decker

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## *Parent/Teacher Conferences*

**Parent/Teacher Conferences for Beatrice High School will be Monday and Thursday, September 28 and October 1, 4:30-8:30 p.m. There will be no school on Friday, October 2, district wide.**

Unlike middle school and elementary school conferences, our high school teachers are all alphabetically seated in the Commons Area each night. Upon entering our building you will be directed to a table on the left, outside the main office; a member of the student services staff will be handing out student schedules. You pick and choose who you wish to visit with and when, generally dependent upon if the instructor has others in line wishing to visit with them ahead of you.

Middle school and high school share a few teachers: Mr. LeFeber, Miss Sebby, Mr. Fentress. As conferences approach it will be determined which day these three will be in which building. Please check when they will be attending the building you will be visiting.

### **1. Talk to your student before the conferences.**

Find out what they think are their best subjects and what subjects they like least and why. Ask your student if there is anything they would like you to talk about with their teachers.

Make sure your students understand that you are meeting with their teachers in order to help them.

### **2. Before you go to school, write notes to yourself about:**

Things about your student's life at home, personality problems, habits and hobbies you feel are important for the teachers to know.

Your concerns about the school's programs or policies.

Questions about your students' progress.

How you and the school can work together to help your student.

### **3. At the conference, some good questions to ask are:**

Does my student participate in class discussions and activities?

Is my student working up to his/her ability?

How well does my student get along with others?

Have you noticed any sudden changes in the way my student acts?

What kind of tests are being done? What do the tests tell about my students' progress?

How does my student handle testing?

Be sure to ask the teacher for specific suggestions on ways to help your student do better. End the conference by summing up decisions you've made together. If needed, ask to meet again.

### **4. After the conference:**

Sit down with your student and look over the progress report together.

Praise your student. Find at least one good thing: attendance, no tardies, or grades.

Start immediately on the action plan you and the teacher worked out together.

Discuss the plan with your student. Make sure he/she knows that you and the teacher care.

Stay in regular touch with the teacher to discuss the progress your student is making.

## STUDENT ASTHMA/ANAPHYLAXIS ACTION PLAN

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
(MONTH) (DAY) (YEAR)

**EXERCISE PRECAUTION:** Administer inhaler (2 inhalations) 15-30 minutes before exercise (e.g., gym class, recess).

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|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Albuterol inhaler (Proventil, Ventolin) | <input type="checkbox"/> Use inhaler with spacer device: _____              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Levalbuterol (Xopenex HFA)              | <input type="checkbox"/> May carry and self-administer metered-dose inhaler |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pirbuterol inhaler (Maxair)             | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                                       |

### ASTHMA TREATMENT

Give **quick relief medication** when student experiences asthma symptoms, such as coughing, wheezing or tight chest.

- Albuterol inhaler (Proventil, Ventolin) 2 inhalations.
- Levalbuterol (Xopenex HFA) 2 inhalations.
- Use inhaler with spacer device: \_\_\_\_\_
- Pirbuterol inhaler (Maxair) 2 inhalations.
- Albuterol inhaled **by nebulizer** (Proventil, Ventolin, AccuNeb).
  - 1.25 mg/3 mL     2.25 mg/3 mL
- Levalbuterol inhaled **by nebulizer** (Xopenex).
  - 0.31 mg/3 mL     0.63 mg/3 mL     1.25 mg/3 mL
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- May carry and self administer metered dose inhaler.

### CLOSELY OBSERVE THE STUDENT AFTER GIVING QUICK RELIEF ASTHMA MEDICATIONS

If after 10 minutes:

- Symptoms are improved, student may return to classroom after notifying parent/guardian.
- No improvement in symptoms, repeat the treatment and notify parent/guardian immediately.
- **If student continues to worsen, CALL 911 and INITIATE the Nebraska Schools' Emergency Response to Life-threatening Asthma or Systemic Allergic Reactions (Anaphylaxis).**

### ANAPHYLAXIS TREATMENT

Give **epinephrine** when student experiences allergy symptoms, such as hives, difficulty breathing (chest or neck "sucking in"), lips or fingernails turning blue, or trouble talking (shortness of breath).

- Epinephrine injection (please specify):
  - EpiPen 0.3 mg 2-Pak     Twinject 0.3 mg
  - EpiPen Jr. 0.15 mg 2-Pak     Twinject 0.15 mg
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- May carry and self-administer epinephrine injection.

### CALL 911 AND CLOSELY OBSERVE THE STUDENT AFTER GIVING EPINEPHRINE

- Notify parent/guardian immediately.
- **Even if student improves, the student should be observed for recurrent symptoms of anaphylaxis in an emergency medical facility.**
- **If student does not improve or continues to worsen, INITIATE the Nebraska Schools' Emergency Response to Life-threatening Asthma or Systemic Allergic Reactions (Anaphylaxis).**

This student has a medical history of asthma and/or anaphylaxis and I have reviewed the use of the above-listed medication(s). If medications are self-administered, the school staff **MUST** be notified.

Additional information \_\_\_\_\_

Physician name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Physician signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed by school nurse/ nurse designee \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# STAYING CAUGHT UP WITH IMMUNIZATIONS

The immunization many students lack is the TD, or Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria & Acellular Pertussis). The new recommendations are to get this vaccination every 10 years. When you add this up it's about the time the student is entering the 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> grade. There is NO rule or law saying that students HAVE to get any immunizations at that time, however if you add 10 years to being a sophomore in high school, this means their tetanus shot would last through high school, college years, plus a couple more.

While you are at the immunization clinic or Doctor's office getting caught up on that immunization, there are a couple immunizations you need to look at for both males and females, the MCV4 vaccine. This is the vaccine for meningococcal meningitis, one of the most common illnesses college students get during the fall semester. Meningitis is a very severe illness and can end up with tragic endings. It's amazing the decrease in number of incidence of meningitis since the immunization was put on the market.

The other immunization you might look at for females is the Gardasil vaccine against certain types of human papillomavirus (HPV) infections, which in turn cause nearly all cases of cervical cancer. The Gage County Immunization Clinic will answer any questions you might have.

Just a couple other points needing to be made! Remember if your child has ASTHMA or has an ANAPHYLATIC reaction to something —PLEASE get the ASTHMA ACTION PLANS turned in ASAP- **IT IS A STATE LAW TO TURN A PLAN IN ON YOUR CHILD IF DIAGNOSED WITH EITHER ASTHMA or ANAPHYLATIC REACTIONS!**

Remember if you have any questions about your child's immunization record or anything having to do with their health needs, please give me a call at 223-1535 between 8AM & 3PM.

Lisa (Roberts) Kleveland, School Nurse

## BHS Orange Booster Club

2009 - 10

**Next Booster meeting is Tuesday, September 8th (due to Labor day falling on the first Monday) at 7:00 in the Media Center.**

AGENDA will include:

- Membership up-date
- BBQ report
- 2009-10 chair people fundraising
- Stadium seats and Orange Booster Flags,

Booster Questions?

Steve Faxon - President @ 223-3882

### NEW FUNDRAISER:

Pocket School Calendars

1 for \$2.00

2 for \$3.00

3 for \$4.00

4 for \$5.00