

Dear Healy parents, students, and other community members,

It is amazing—the first quarter of school is almost finished! **Parent-Teacher Conferences** are scheduled for Thursday, October 14, from 2-6 pm. That day will be a half day for students. Elementary teachers will be contacting parents to set up appointments. Middle school and high school teachers will be available between 2 and 6 pm. If this day or the times do not work for you, please contact the school at 620-398-2248 and Kristie can help you to set up individual meetings. We look forward to seeing you!



Mrs. Fraley instructing our youngest students.

Mrs. Fraley has been very busy ensuring that our students receive the best **music experiences** possible. Select middle school and high school students participated with the Garden City Community College's marching band last month. Several students have been recording for district music honor competitions, and interested high school students will be traveling to Hays this month for the FHSU fall production of *The Music Man*. There are several other music opportunities later this year.

Thank you to the **fifth grade band** parents who are encouraging their students to practice at home. They are so enthusiastic and are sounding better and better each day!

As we head toward cooler weather, this is an update to our **illness policy**. If your child is truly sick, please keep her or him at home until the risk of infection to other children is over. We do require a doctor's note if your child misses three or more consecutive days of school. A student who has a temperature of 100.4 or higher will be sent home. Any student who is ill and is waiting for a ride home will wear a mask in the office waiting area. We are maintaining several of the extra cleaning measures that we began last year. We follow the advice of the county health department for illnesses.

As of today, and barring any unexpected complications, we are still planning to honor our **veterans** with a meal and ceremony on November 11. This not only allows us to say thank you, but it also helps to instill the importance of our service men and women in the minds of our students.



Thank you to Aiden in 10th grade for playing the national anthem at the junior high football game last month!

The **Thanksgiving feast** is still scheduled as well! More details will be sent out closer to the date.

The Western Plains-Healy **high school football** season was scheduled to end in September but this has been extended by two games into October. Both are away games. Healy plays at Greeley County (Tribune) on October 4 and they play against Centre in Bushton on October 9.

Mrs. Shay has kept very busy with the numerous changes to our **athletes' training and game schedules**. Many of these have been out of our hands and we appreciate the patience and support of our parents.

The **Kansas Department of Children and Families Mobile Crisis Helpline** offers an additional support for eligible Kansans in need during a crisis. Services are available for all Kansans 20 years old or younger, including anyone in foster care or formerly in foster care. Available resources include:

- Over the phone support and problem solving to help resolve a child's behavioral health crisis
- Over the phone support with referral to community resources or a recommendation to engage in stabilization services
- In-person support via mobile crisis response if the crisis cannot be resolved over the phone
- In emergency situations, EMS, law enforcement and/or the mobile crisis response unit will be contacted to assist

The Mobile Crisis Helpline number is 833-441-2240. If your child is struggling with their behavioral health, please call that number for resource suggestions.



One of our wonderful seniors helping younger students!

Miss Deines prepares lessons for every other **Wacky Wednesday**. Last week the students erected our new greenhouse. They will be preparing the inside over the next few months. During alternate Wacky Wednesdays, Mrs. Fraley has enlisted the help of community members to broaden our students' experiences. This month we will host a visit from an area veterinarian!



Tower garden that was part of the greenhouse grant. Come into the office to see the current vegetable crop!

KSDE is in the process of developing the FFY 2020 – 2025 State Performance Plan and Annual Performance Report (SPP/APR). This evaluates the State's efforts to implement the requirements of Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and describes **how the state will improve special education**. The SPP/APR includes indicators that measure child and family outcomes, as well as other indicators that measure compliance with IDEA requirements. There are PowerPoints that explain the indicator changes and KSDE's final decisions on indicator targets for the next SPP/APR cycle on the SPP/APR page of the KSDE website, <https://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=520>. Please review the Kansas SPP/APR data visualizations and stakeholder survey results

at <https://public.tableau.com/profile/general.su pervision.timely.and.accurate.data#!/>. If you have any questions about the SPP/APR please contact Bert Moore at bmoore@ksde.org.

We thank **Bill and Margaret Taldo** for their continued support this year. Bill's project this year is to repair the elementary gym seating. Margaret makes sure that out recycling bin empties and paper shelves are full, among many other helpful tasks. Their efforts make the days easier for everyone at Healy Schools!



The activities on this list are subject to change. Please contact the school before traveling to ensure that you are not disappointed. The students love to see familiar faces in the crowd!

BOE Board of Education
 FB Football
 HS High School
 JH Junior High
 VB Volleyball
 SB Scholars Bowl

Monday, October 4 JH VB @Greeley County

HS FB @Greeley County

BOE meeting @7:30

Thursday, October 7 JH VB @Weskan

JH FB @Weskan

HS VB @Weskan

Saturday, October 9 HS FB @Bushton versus Centre

Monday, October 11 JH FB @SHNS

Tuesday, October 12 HS VB @Tribune

Thursday, October 14 ½ Day school

Parent-Teacher Conferences (afternoon)

MS & HS field trip (morning)

Saturday, October 16 WKLL HS VB tournament

Monday, October 18 JH VB @Heartland Christian

Thursday, October 21 WKLL JH VB tournament

Monday, October 25 JH SB @Ness City

HS SB @Ness City

Grade 9 Pre-ACT test