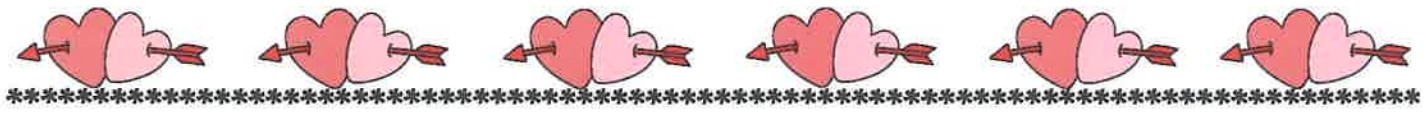


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- Feb. 1 - JH B/G BB @ South Platte @ 1 pm – **Ryan**
- Feb. 2 - HS BB Pictures @ 3:45 pm
- Feb. 3 - JV/V B/G BB @ Creek Valley @ 4 pm – **Ryan**
- Feb. 4 - JV/V B/G BB vs Hyannis @ 1 pm – **HOME**
- Feb. 6 - **NO SCHOOL** – P/T Conferences in Gurley 12 - 6
High Plains Music Festival @ Chadron
- Feb. 7 - High Plains Music Festival @ Chadron
- Feb. 9 - G BB @ Garden County @ 4 pm – **Ryan**
JH B/G BB MAC @ South Platte – **Jacob**
- Feb. 10 - JV/V B BB @ Gering @ 5 pm – **Ryan**
- Feb. 11 - JH B/G BB MAC @ South Platte
- Feb. 13 - JH BB Pictures @ 2 pm
- Feb. 14 - **Valentine's Day**
Girl's BB Sub Districts – TBD – **Ryan**
- Feb. 15 - B BB @ Garden County @ 4 pm – **Ryan**
- Feb. 16 - Girls BB Sub Districts – TBD – **Ryan**
- Feb. 20 - **NO SCHOOL**
- Feb. 21 - B BB Sub Districts – TBD – **Ryan**
5th Grade Mardi Gras Parade @ Gurley Gym @ 2 pm
- Feb. 22 - **MAC Speech @ Leyton – NO SCHOOL**
- Feb. 23 - B BB Sub Districts – TBD – **Ryan**



ALL ACTIVITY TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Also visit the Leyton School website @ www.leytonwarriors.org



Proceedings of the
Leyton Public Schools
Cheyenne County School District #03
Board of Education Meeting
January 9, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.
High School Multi-Purpose Room in Dalton, NE

CALL TO ORDER/REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD:

President Ryan Borges called the regular school board meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. The public was informed of the Open Meetings Act posted on the wall of the multi-purpose room. Publicized notice of the meeting was posted in the Sidney Sun-Telegraph, Scottsbluff Star-Herald, Leyton High School, Leyton Elementary/JH, at various businesses in the community, and on the www.leytonwarriors.org website on or before Thursday, January 5, 2023.

The meeting was turned over to Superintendent McLaughlin to begin the reorganization of the Board. The Oath of Office was given and recited by new member Shad Benish.

Nomination by Ernest, seconded by Schumacher for Ryan Borges as President of the Board of Education. Motion by Wiedeman, seconded by Rushman to cease nominations and elect Ryan Borges as President of the Board of Education. Roll call vote: Yes: Benish, Borges, Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, and Wiedeman. No: None. Motion carried: 6-0. Mr. Borges was elected as the President of the Board of Education. Mr. Borges, after assuming the office of the President, presided over the rest of the meeting.

Nomination by Benish, seconded by Ernest for Sam Schumacher as Vice President of the Board of Education. Motion by Ernest, seconded by Rushman to cease nominations and elect Sam Schumacher as Vice President of the Board of Education. Roll call vote: Yes: Borges, Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, and Benish. No: None. Motion carried: 6-0. Mr. Schumacher was elected as Vice President of the Board of Education.

Nomination by Schumacher, seconded by Benish for Suzy Ernest as Secretary of the Board of Education. Motion by Rushman, seconded by Wiedeman to cease nominations and elect Suzy Ernest as Secretary of the Board of Education. Roll call vote: Yes: Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, Benish, and Borges. No: None. Motion carried: 6-0. Mrs. Ernest was elected as Secretary of the Board of Education.

Nomination by Ernest for Rol Rushman as Treasurer of the Board of Education. This nomination was rescinded. Nomination by Rushman, seconded by Ernest for Dave Wiedeman as Treasurer of the Board of Education. Motion by Benish, seconded by Borges to cease nominations and elect Dave Wiedeman as Treasurer of the Board of Education. Roll call vote: Yes: Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, Benish, Borges, and Ernest. No: None. Motion carried: 6-0. Mr. Wiedeman was elected as Treasurer of the Board of Education.

The following Committee Appointments were made by President Borges:

Budget/Negotiations (3):	Benish, Rushman, Wiedeman
Building/Grounds (2):	Benish, Schumacher
Curriculum/American Civics (3):	Borges, Ernest, Wiedeman
Safety (1):	Rushman
Security/Crisis (1):	Schumacher
School Improvement (1):	Wiedeman
Transportation (2):	Borges, Schumacher
Technology (1):	Borges
Wellness (2):	Benish, Ernest

Members present: Shad Benish, Ryan Borges, Suzy Ernest, Rol Rushman, Sam Schumacher, and Dave Wiedeman. Members absent: None. Also present were Superintendent Matt McLaughlin, and HS Principal Kevin Thomas. In addition, there were five visitors.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Schumacher, seconded by Benish to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Yes: Schumacher, Wiedeman, Benish, Borges, Ernest, and Rushman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

REPORTS:

Mrs. Megan Rathman, Curriculum Director, gave an update on the reading program that the committee reviewed. She will have quotes available for the next meeting.

Cort Rummel, STUCO President, gave the STUCO report. They are in the planning phase of future projects and Warrior period competitions. Community calendars are available for purchase in the Dalton office. They are also planning a Corn Hole Tournament for May 6th.

Mr. Thomas presented the Secondary Principal's report including the addition of High Plains Music on the calendar for February 6th & 7th in Chadron.

Mr. McLaughlin presented the Superintendent's Report. He also discussed plans for improving the football concessions stand.

REGULAR AGENDA:

Moved by Rushman, seconded by Ernest to recognize Academic All-State Recipients (Volleyball-Zaili Benish, Shawnee Gamble; Football-Kaleb Borges, Chance Carter; Cross Country-Axi Benish, Jaxson Benish; Play Production-Cort Rummel, Shawnee Gamble); to the Star-Herald All-Region athletes (Volleyball 4th team-Zaili Benish, Trinity Beutler; Football 1st Team Offense-Justin Ernest; Cross Country 2nd Team-Axi Benish); to High School 2nd Quarter Perfect Attendance (Macey Roelle, Alex Slaughter, Shaun Slaughter, Holden Syverson); to High School 2nd Quarter 95% or Better Attendance (Jeremiah Hajek, Zach Anderson, Ella Haley, Matthew Schwaderer, Jaxson Benish, Jonathan Kruse, Trenton Rushman, Claire Watchorn, Justin Ernest, Cort Rummel, Damyn Russ, and Morgan Shaw); to the Village of Dalton and Village of Gurley for providing popcorn/treat bags for the students; and to the Grounds Crew of Jacob Noel, Ryan Fortune, and Mark Carley as well as Alan Berner, Jerred Berner, and Matt Gillespie for their work on snow removal the last few weeks. Roll call vote: Yes: Wiedeman, Benish, Borges, Ernest, Rushman, and Schumacher. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Wiedeman, seconded by Schumacher to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting on December 12, 2022. Roll call vote: Yes: Benish, Borges, Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, and Wiedeman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Ernest, seconded by Rushman to approve bills and financial reports from all funds as presented. Roll call vote: Yes: Borges, Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, and Benish. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

The Board reviewed Policies #5000-#5017. No action was necessary.

Motion by Borges, seconded by Rushman to approve the Mission Statement for Leyton Public Schools. Roll call vote: Yes: Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, Benish, and Borges. No: None. Motion carried 6-0. The Board directed Mr. McLaughlin to get teacher/staff input for a new vision statement for the next meeting.

Board of Education Conflict of Interest Forms were reviewed. No action was necessary.

Motion by Schumacher, seconded by Wiedeman to designate Points West Community Bank as the Depository of the District. Roll call vote: Yes: Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, Benish, Borges, and Ernest. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Ernest, seconded by Schumacher to designate Simmons Olsen Law Firm as the Legal Firm for the District. Roll call vote: Yes: Schumacher, Wiedeman, Benish, Borges, Ernest, and Rushman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Benish, seconded by Ernest to designate Rauner and Associates as Auditors for the District. Roll call vote: Yes: Wiedeman, Benish, Borges, Ernest, Rushman, and Schumacher. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Schumacher, seconded by Ernest to appoint Matt McLaughlin as designated official of the Board of Education with authority to apply for Elementary and Secondary Education Act Grants, to testify

before legislative committees, and serve as the District Nondiscrimination Compliance Coordinator. Roll call vote: Yes: Benish, Borges, Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, and Wiedeman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Schumacher, seconded by Borges to not accept the resignation of Marla Davis, Special Education Teacher, as of January 20, 2023. Roll call vote: Yes: Borges, Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, and Benish. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Schumacher, seconded by Benish to accept, with regret, the resignation of Ginny Post, Business Teacher, at the end of the 2022-2023 school year and to thank her for her service to the District. Roll call vote: Yes: Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, Benish, and Borges. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion was held regarding a handbook revision in terms of violations to the code of conduct. No action was taken.

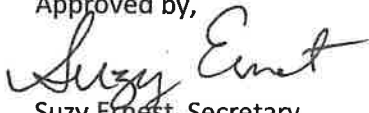
INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

1. Next Regular Meeting: February 13, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Benish, seconded by Schumacher to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m. Roll call vote: Yes: Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, Benish, Borges, and Ernest. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Approved by,



Suzy Ernest, Secretary
Leyton Board of Education

Respectfully submitted,



Janella Kruse,
Recording Secretary

Proceedings of the
Leyton Public Schools
Cheyenne County School District #03
Board of Education Special Meeting
January 16, 2023 – 5:00 p.m.
District's Administrative Office in Dalton, NE

CALL TO ORDER:

President Ryan Borges called the special meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The public was informed of the Open Meetings Act posted on the wall of the District's Administrative Office. Publicized notice of the meeting was posted in the Scottsbluff Star-Herald, Leyton High School, Leyton Elementary/JH, at various businesses in the community, and on the www.leytonwarriors.org website on or before Saturday, January 14, 2023.

Members present: Shad Benish, Ryan Borges, Suzy Ernest, Rol Rushman, Sam Schumacher and Dave Wiedeman. Members absent: None. Also present was Superintendent Matt McLaughlin. In addition, there were two visitors.

There were no communications. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Schumacher, seconded by Benish to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Yes: Schumacher, Wiedeman, Benish, Borges, Ernest, and Rushman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

REGULAR AGENDA:

Moved by Ernest, seconded by Wiedeman to approve the hiring of Rylee Blomenkamp, a certified teacher, to fill a staff vacancy. Roll call vote: Yes: Wiedeman, Benish, Borges, Ernest, Rushman, and Schumacher. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Benish, seconded by Rushman to adjourn the meeting at 5:04 p.m. Roll call vote: Yes: Benish, Borges, Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, and Wiedeman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Approved by,

Suzy Ernest, Secretary
Leyton Board of Education

Respectfully Submitted,



Janella Kruse, Recording Secretary

Leyton Public Schools - Payable Journal - January 2023					
Jerred Berner Trucking	Snow Removal	\$ 1,000.00	Kid's Korner	Tuition	\$ 600.00
Best Plumbing, Heating	Repairs & Maint.	\$ 534.88	Koke's NAPA	Supplies	\$ 28.99
Bomgaars	Supplies	\$ 987.46	Marick's	Utilities	\$ 137.00
Bridgeport Newsblade	Supplies	\$ 571.80	NASB	Conferences	\$ 456.00
Capital Business	Copiers	\$ 2,912.61	NIBC	Equipment Rental	\$ 100.00
Mark Carley	Mileage	\$ 40.63	Allie Primm	Mileage	\$ 18.75
Cheyenne Co. Sheriff's Office	SRO Services	\$ 750.00	RDT Excavating	Repairs & Maint.	\$ 180.49
Dalton Telephone	Telephone	\$ 503.56	Regional Care	Service	\$ 15.00
DAS State Accounting	Network Service	\$ 238.13	Kelley Rice	Training/Mileage	\$ 510.04
Marla Davis	Mileage	\$ 11.25	SRMC	OT Service	\$ 412.50
Deaver Tire Company	Repairs & Maint.	\$ 390.00	Sidney Sun-Telegraph	Subscription/Ads	\$ 195.70
Dell Marketing	Computers	\$ 3,361.32	SOAR	PT Services	\$ 1,311.72
E-470	Transportation - Other	\$ 8.70	Sparq Data Solutions	Online Software	\$ 3,920.00
ESU #13	Services	\$ 10,407.07	Jamie Thompson	Mileage	\$ 18.26
Finney's	Supplies	\$ 21.58	US Bank	Miscellaneous	\$ 1,849.04
Frenchmen Valley	Fuel	\$ 1,962.06	Village of Dalton	Utilities	\$ 675.72
Gurley Diesel	Repairs & Maint.	\$ 7,230.69	Village of Gurley	Utilities	\$ 689.13
Alison Haley	Supplies	\$ 14.96	Black Hills	Utilities	\$ 5,843.30
Homestead Market	Supplies	\$ 25.20	Wheat Belt	Utilities	\$ 4,050.69
J W Pepper	Supplies	\$ 41.40			
	Column Total	\$ 31,013.30		Column Total	\$ 21,012.33
				Monthly Total	\$ 52,025.63

HAVE LARGE CARDBOARD BOXES?

Please donate them to the Junior Class for prom.

LARGE boxes can be dropped off at the High School.

Thank you!



A note from the Superintendent and Elementary and Jr. High Principal,

Happy New Year! I hope that if you are reading this, you are following through with your resolutions better than I am. That's the thing about the new year though, they allow us to take time to create a new vision of our future and hopefully better selves. Schools have to go through that same process and that's exactly what this newsletter is going to be about this month, looking into the future, and creating goals for our school and community to create a vision of Leyton that we can all rally around.

At last month's school board meeting, I was challenged to reevaluate our school vision statement which currently reads "Unprecedented success and unparalleled joy". Mr. Weideman said it best when he said, with our new leadership, we need to think about a new vision. Several of our staff members felt the same and so we began to get to work on identifying what makes this place so great and where our hopes and dreams for the future lie. As we began to talk, several common themes began to emerge, they revolved around community, integrity, and achieving greatness.

Community is our greatest asset for Leyton Public Schools, like The Olive Garden slogan, "When you're here, you're family". I've alluded to this many times in newsletters and it remains true as I write this. Everyone who passes through these hallways is a part of something much bigger than school and we want to highlight that moving forward. We know that we have students coming from several communities including Broadwater, Dalton, Gurley, and Sidney and we are proud for those families to call Leyton home.

Creating Integrity, I'm not sure there is a better phrase that clearly highlights the type of students we are trying to have come out of this school. Character and integrity go hand in hand, essentially it means, "who you are when no one is looking?". As educators and as a community we don't want to leave this important component to chance. One of our staff members stated that this means "helping to create the humans we want to see in this world". The ultimate compliment would be, "That Leyton student has a heart of gold".

Finally, achieving greatness. Greatness is in everyone, we are all so lucky to just be here, so how do we maximize our experience here to make it the best it can be? When my two oldest kids were little it seemed like time went slowly, but I woke up the other day and realized my daughter will be an adult in three years. We don't have a lot of time to impact the lives of our kids, and with that being said we need to put everything into that small window of time we have with them. Our hopes and dreams are that everyone in this school will achieve what they set out to do, through the hard work and dedication that we collectively commit to.

Therefore, our vision is this: Embracing Community, Creating Integrity, Achieving Greatness. I'm curious to hear your thoughts and welcome your input.

February News Letter

Kevin Thomas, principal

The staff continues to read the book "Chop Wood and Carry Water" by Joshua Medcalf. The book is a short read and talks about the process of becoming great. It is an inspirational book and it's easy to read, not to mention the many great ideas to ponder as you read.

The next few chapters in the book continue to hammer home the concept of chopping wood and carrying water. This phase means that in order to become great at your chosen profession you must always practice the fundamentals, the small things you can control. Some of the things discussed in the book are:

1. Never give up and build your own house, your own life and who you become.
2. Do not compare yourself to others, there will always be people in your life who are better and worse than you. You must focus on your journey and yours alone.
3. The grass is not greener on the other side of the fence, the grass is greener where you water it.
4. Use the talents and skills you have been given, everyone has their own issues and struggles. There are millions of people in the world who would give anything to live your life.
5. Life is not always smooth sailing. It is the rough times in your life that perfect you and make you better. It's the blemishes and scars that prepare us for life. Medcalf goes on to tell how the golf ball evolved. In the beginning, golf balls were perfectly round and smooth, no blemishes, without any dimples. As the golf balls evolved, it was found they fly straighter and longer when they were blemished and roughed up.

And thus, it is the way with life. The times when we are down, roughed up and beaten, are the moments that perfect us. Those imperfections create a layer around us that prepare us for the tough times. So tee up that golf ball with all those imperfections and let it fly.

And so Warrior Nation, keep on chopping wood and carrying water. Focus on the things you can control, the fundamentals. By doing so, you will be successful.

As always, my door is open, so feel free to stop.

Mr. Thomas

Annual Title 1 Parent Meeting

When: February 6, 2023
Where: Leyton Elementary/ JH
Time: 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
with Mrs. Rathman, Title 1
Teacher

**PLEASE
JOIN US!**



The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Leyton's Title 1 program, parent involvement and review the components of our Title 1 program. If you have any questions before the meeting please email: megan.rathman@leytonwarriors.org
*All Parents/Guardians are encouraged to attend.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Missing a day of school here and there may not seem like much, but absences add up!

When a student misses **2** days a month..

They will miss 20 DAYS a year.

They will miss 30 HOURS of math over the school year.

They will miss 60 HOURS of reading & writing over the school year.

They will miss over 1 YEAR of school by graduation.

When a student misses **4** days a month..

They will miss 40 DAYS a year.

They will miss 60 HOURS of math over the school year.

They will miss 120 HOURS of reading & writing over the school year.

They will miss over 2 YEARS of school by graduation.



LEYTON HIGH SCHOOL
NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

VALENTINE'S DAY

Balloon Sale

PREORDER DATES:

JANUARY 30 - FEBRUARY 13

*****PAYMENT DUE AT TIME OF ORDER*****

DELIVERY: FEBRUARY 14

HOURS OF OPERATION

DALTON: M-F 8:00 AM - 3:50 PM

GURLEY: M-F 12:00 PM - 3:50 PM

2/6 CONFERENCES: 12PM - 6PM

**Items include: balloons, candy, mugs and
tumblers, stuffed animals, and more!**

Contact Mrs. Ivie or Mr. Oakes with any
questions or to place an order.

Order Now!

The Scholastic logo, featuring a red book icon to the left of the word "SCHOLASTIC" in white capital letters on a red rectangular background.

BOOK FAIR

Save the Date

**A new year
for new books!**



When: February 6-10

Where: JH/Elementary Library

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/leytonwarriors>

Leyton FFA Chapter

Invites You To The

Leyton FFA

Labor Auction

+ Silent Auction

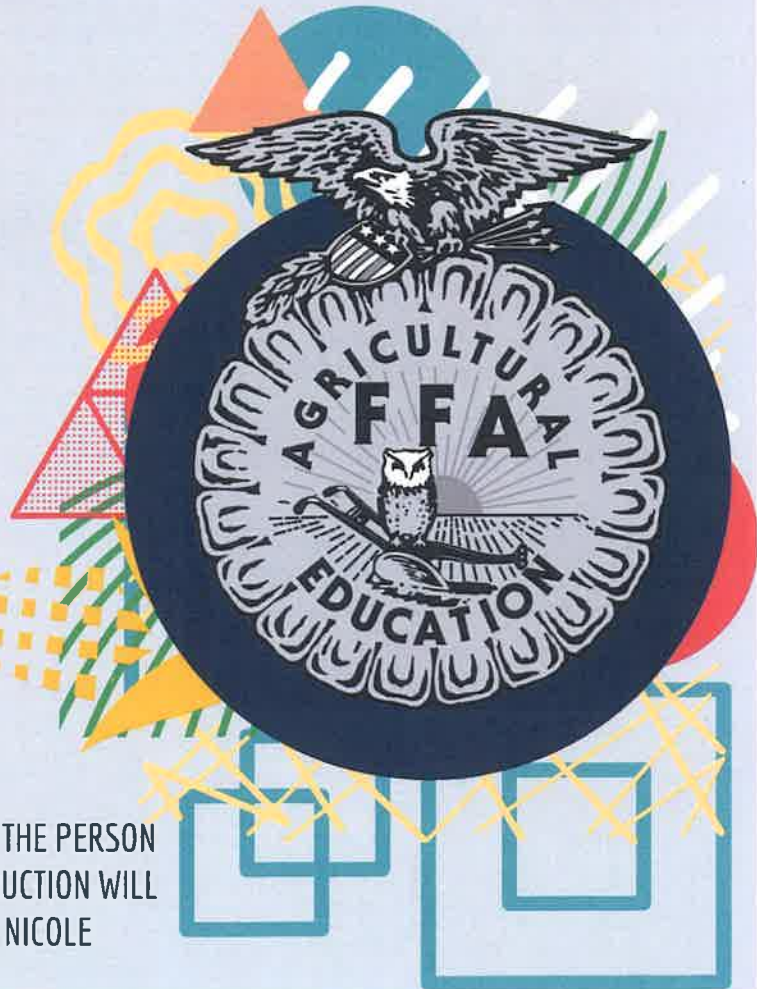


Friday March 24th
Supper @ 6:00 PM
Followed by the Labor Auction
@ Leyton High School in Dalton, NE

*Louisiana Crawfish Boil -
Free Will Donation Provided by
Leyton FFA Alumni*

**Beef substitute for those who
don't want seafood**

Snow Removal
Baby Sitting
Chopping Wood
Yard Work
Chores
Branding
Building Fence AND
Much More!



FFA MEMBERS WILL BE AUCTIONED OFF TO WORK 8 HOURS FOR THE PERSON WITH THE HIGHEST BID. PROCEEDS FROM THE LABOR & SILENT AUCTION WILL GO TO LEYTON FFA CHAPTER. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CALL NICOLE HUGHES AT (402) 318-2315

February 2023

Students must take at least ½ cup fruit or vegetable on their tray. Unlimited fruit and vegetables are offered daily. Flavored skim and 1% white milk is offered daily. An assortment of fresh and canned fruit are available every morning as well as fruit juice up to twice a week with breakfast. Leyton Public Schools is an equal opportunity employer and provider.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1	2	3
		B: Breakfast burrito L: Pig in a blanket, baked beans	B: Biscuit and gravy L: Chicken noodle soup, roll, mixed veggies	B: Pancake on a stick, scrambled eggs L: Chicken fajita, black beans, rice
6	7	8	9	10
B: Pancakes & scrambled eggs L: Spicy or original chicken sandwich, roasted broccoli	B: Cereal, pop tart, toast L: Spaghetti, garlic bread, green beans	B: Breakfast sandwich, tater tots L: Mini corn dogs, baked beans	B: French toast, sausage L: Beefy nachos, corn	B: Breakfast sandwich, tater tri L: Grilled cheese sandwich, ham & potato soup
13	14	15	16	17
B: Yogurt, granola, toast L: Ham & cheese sandwich, tater tots	B: Breakfast burrito L: Hamburger stew, roll	B: PB & J L: Hot turkey sandwich, baked cheese sticks	B: Biscuit & gravy L: Chicken nuggets, mac & cheese, green beans	B: Breakfast sandwich, tater tri L: Taco, refried beans, corn
20	21	22	23	24
NO SCHOOL	B: Cereal, pop tart, toast L: Chili, cinnamon roll	NO SCHOOL	B: Biscuit & gravy L: Pizza pocket, green beans	B: Pancakes, sausage L: Hamburger or cheeseburger, corn
27	28			
B: Pancakes, sausage L: Pizza corn	B: Ham, scrambled eggs, toast L: Enchilada, refried beans, rice			