

# Treynor Community School

"COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE"

# NEWSLETTER



November, 2019

## SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

Election Day is Tuesday, November 5, 2019. If you live within the [Treynor School District boundaries](#), you will have the opportunity to vote for [three school board members](#). This year's candidates include: Bob Beattie, Amy Bierbaum, Keith Christensen, B.J. Dreyer, Gina Mieska, and Stephen Winchell. Please keep in mind that the legislature made changes to voting locations for school board elections, so you will want to find your correct precinct/polling location before voting. For example, you may live in the Treynor School District and voted at the Treynor Community Center for past school board elections. However, this may have changed. For example, Bent Tree residents may vote in McClelland. Other voters with a Carson mailing address may vote in Oakland. To find your correct location, please visit the [Iowa Secretary of State webpage](#).



Once you arrive at your polling location, the election workers will ask you for more information to determine your appropriate ballot. If you are within the boundaries of the Treynor School District, you should receive a ballot that contains Treynor School Board Director voting. Sample ballots for all of Pottawattamie County can be reviewed on the [County Elections Web page](#) (sample ballots are further down on the web page).

If you are not registered to vote, you can do so on November 5, 2019. Read the [Voter Registration](#) article on the Iowa Secretary of State website for more information and/or to download a [Voter Registration Form](#).

If you wish to read more about moving all elections to November 5th, there is an article available on [The Messenger](#).

### Special points of interest:

- ✓ Election Day is 11/5/2019
- ✓ Our district is serving 822 students.
- ✓ Be prepared for inclement weather!
- ✓ Plan to attend the Veterans Day Program.
- ✓ Get your tickets to "Once Upon a Mattress".
- ✓ Special Olympics Unified Day is coming up
- ✓ Construction Progress
- ✓ ACT Test Dates

## CERTIFIED STUDENT ENROLLMENT



October 1 is an important date for every Iowa school. It is the day schools determine their certified enrollment, which calculates the amount of state funding for each school district. This certification process usually takes the entire month in order to verify information among school districts. Treynor Community School has completed this process, and our district is currently serving 822 students. This total includes 537 Treynor resident students and 285 open enrollment students. This year's enrollment is a decline of 13 students when compared to last year's total of 835 students.

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## Board Revises Smoking-Drinking-Drugs Policy

The Treynor School Board recently approved revisions to board policy [502.8](#) (Smoking-Drinking-Drugs). The revisions addressed concerns regarding vaping and the notification of law enforcement. The policy now includes more specific language about vaping products/inhaling devices. In addition, the policy language was revised to clarify that school officials will contact law enforcement for any infractions of the policy, which includes vaping. The middle school/high school handbook was updated to reflect the policy changes. Review Board Policy 502.8 for more information.

Code No. 502.8

### SMOKING - DRINKING - DRUGS

The board prohibits the sale, distribution, dispensing, manufacture, possession, use, or being under the influence of beer, wine, alcohol, tobacco, and/or nicotine products, including, but not limited to cigarettes, chew, snus, dissolubles, electronic cigarettes, vaping products and devices and/or any electronic or other devices that can be used to deliver nicotine to the person inhaling from the device, illegal drugs, drug paraphernalia or look alike substances that appear to be tobacco, beer, wine, alcohol or controlled substances and the unauthorized sale, distribution, use, possession or being under the influence of otherwise lawful drugs by students while on school district property within the jurisdiction of the school district; while on school owned and/or operated school or chartered vehicles; while attending or engaged in school activities; and while away from school grounds if the misconduct will directly affect the good order, efficient management, and welfare of the school district.

The board believes such illegal, unauthorized or contraband materials generally cause material and substantial disruption to the school environment or present a threat to the health and safety of students, employees, or visitors on the school district premises.

Violation of this policy by students will result in disciplinary action including suspension, or expulsion, and will be reported to law enforcement authorities.

Students who violate the terms of this policy may be required to satisfactorily complete a substance abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved by the school board. If such student fails to satisfactorily complete such a program, the student may be subject to discipline including suspension or expulsion.

The board believes the substance abuse prevention program will include:

- Age-appropriate, developmentally-based drug and alcohol curriculum for students in grades kindergarten through twelve, which address the legal, social, and health consequences of tobacco, drug and alcohol use and which provide information about effective techniques for resisting peer pressure to use tobacco, drugs, or alcohol;
- A statement to students that the use of illicit drugs and the unlawful possession and use of alcohol is wrong and harmful;
- Standards of conduct for students that clearly prohibit, at a minimum, the unlawful possession, use, being under the influence of or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students on school premises or as part of any of its activities;
- A clear statement that disciplinary sanctions, up to and including suspension or expulsion and referral for prosecution, will be imposed on students who violate the policy and a description of those sanctions;
- A statement that students may be required to successfully complete an appropriate rehabilitation program;
- Information about drug and alcohol counseling and rehabilitation and re-entry programs available to students;
- A requirement that parents and students be given a copy of the standards of conduct and the statement of disciplinary sanctions required; and,
- Notification to parents and students that compliance with the standards of conduct is mandatory.

It is the responsibility of the superintendent, in conjunction with the principal, to develop administrative regulations regarding this policy.

*TREYNOR COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS*

## CAUTION: Changes in weather arriving soon...

As the weather begins to change, school cancellations and early dismissals can occur at anytime. If severe weather causes school to be cancelled prior to the start of the day, we will try to have information to the media by 6:30 a.m. In addition to our school website, the media outlets that will carry our announcements this year are: KMA, WOWT, KMTV and KETV.



If weather or unforeseen circumstances (loss of power or water) should occur during the day and school is dismissed early, PLEASE HAVE A PLAN IN PLACE WITH YOUR CHILD. When early dismissals occur during the day, we usually have limited time to get information out and many parents aren't aware that an early out has taken place. Also, we have over 800 students in the district and only a couple of phone lines in each building. Don't assume that your child will be able to call you if a decision is made to dismiss school during the regular day. Have a plan in place! The elementary has forms for each parent to keep updated outlining your family's specific plan to deal with this type of situation. Parents of middle school and high school students need to discuss with their child what plan of action they will take in the event of an early dismissal during the school day. Proper planning now will provide assurance to you and your child that all will be okay should we ever have an unforeseen early dismissal.

Our student information database, JMC, will be used for all school notifications (voice, email, text). Please check your contact information to ensure it is up-to-date so you will receive these messages for school closings, late starts or early dismissals. Use the JMC Parent Access portal to check your contact information and make any additions or corrections as needed and to indicate how you want to receive notifications.

## VETERANS DAY ASSEMBLY



All community members are invited and encouraged to join the middle and high school students for a Veterans Day assembly on Monday, November 11th in the high school (west) gymnasium at 11:00 a.m.



# FROM THE ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL'S DESK



October has flown by at the elementary school. It's hard to believe that we have already completed our first quarter and parent teacher conferences. Each year I am impressed with the percentage of parent participation at conferences. Being involved in your child's education is important and can lead to many positive outcomes.

Parental involvement is one of the best predictors of student success in school. Research consistently concludes that parent involvement leads to higher grades, better attendance, higher graduation rates and larger numbers of students who pursue an education beyond high school. These studies also indicate that parent involvement positively affects student behaviors, social skills and adaptability.

Involvement in schools isn't just limited to volunteering in your child's classroom, organizing fundraisers or attending every after school event (although those are really great ideas). Parent involvement can also take shape in the form of creating a home environment that encourages and supports student learning. Studies indicate that being actively engaged in your child's learning and setting reasonable and attainable expectations at home is a vital piece to involvement.

The following are some suggestions for being involved in your child's education by creating a positive home environment:

- Attend parent-teacher conferences
- Set goals with children and encourage them to achieve them
- Monitor academic progress regularly
- Encourage studying and homework completion
- Develop relationships with the school and teachers

If you have any questions on parent involvement or questions in regards to your student's learning, please do not hesitate to contact the school. We appreciate your support and want to encourage a positive and productive school to home partnership.

Jill Kay  
Treyner Elementary School

## UPCOMING ELEMENTARY EVENTS

November 1	No School
November 12	Fifth Grade Music Program
November 27-29	No School—Thanksgiving Vacation



# Treynor High School

Proudly Presents



Treynor Music Department will soon be presenting the musical comedy *Once Upon a Mattress*. If you thought you knew the story of 'The Princess and The Pea,' you may be in for a wallop surprise! Did you know, for instance, that Princess Winnifred actually swam the moat to reach Prince Dauntless the Drab? Or that, in fact, it wasn't the pea at all that caused the princess a sleepless night? Carried on a wave of wonderful songs, this rollicking spin on the familiar classic of royal courtship and comeuppance provides for some side-splitting shenanigans.

Ticket prices are students \$5 and adults \$10. Show dates and times are: Friday, November 8th at 7:30 pm, and Saturday, November 9th at 2:30 pm and 7:30 pm. Ticket reservations begin Friday, Oct 25th. After November 7th, tickets will be available at the door only. **Please note that due to football playoffs, the Friday evening performance could be moved to Sunday, Nov. 10th.** Tickets reserved for Friday evening will be honored for the Sunday performance. Call Natalie Suden, Treynor Elementary Secretary, 712-487-3422 to reserve your seats.

## FIFTH GRADE BOUNCING TO THE BEAT

Under the direction of Michael Stinman, our Elementary Music Teacher, the fifth graders will be "Bouncing to the Beat" at BOTH halftime performances on Friday, December 6th. They have "High Hopes" that you are there!





## SPECIAL OLYMPICS UNIFIED DAY

On November 12 we are expecting over 200 Special Olympic athletes and coaches from Southwest Iowa. Approximately 45 Treynor High School boys' and girls' basketball players, and about 11 cheerleaders will join forces for a Unified Special Olympics event hosted by Treynor High School. This will be the sixth year Treynor has hosted this event and participation has typically increased each year.



The day will begin with basketball players competing in dribbling, shooting, and passing competitions while the cheerleaders work on skills and cheers they will learn that day. Special Olympic athletes and Treynor athletes will also come together to form teams for four-on-four games, the teams will consist of both Special Olympics and Treynor High School athletes. While the players compete, the cheerleaders will do the cheers they learned and perform for the teams. A school lunch will also be provided by Treynor Community Schools before the athletes depart for the day.



Special Olympics Iowa is a nonprofit organization that serves athletes with intellectual disabilities in all 99 counties of the state. Iowa has 11 areas throughout the state that serves nearly 11,000 athletes, participants and Unified Sports Partners annually. These programs would not be possible without the generous support of more than 15,000 volunteers.

## SCHOOL BREAKFAST—A HEALTHY CHOICE!

For parents with busy schedules, it can be hard to make sure that kids are eating a healthy breakfast before they go to school in the morning.



Sometimes children aren't hungry right after waking up, and it's hard to find food they like to eat that is also healthy. Also, some kids refuse breakfast at home but are hungry when they arrive at school. Fortunately, we have a great breakfast program for all students, and it's available at school every day.

## CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS

Construction workers putting up a wall to the new band room.



## ACT Information

Treynor High School offers free online ACT prep courses that are available to all students. They are offered through the On To College (John Baylor) Test Prep program. All current sophomores, juniors, and seniors have access to the ACT prep courses and have been communicated with via email from the HS counselor, Danie Floerchinger. If someone else wants access, please email her at [dfloerchinger@treynorcardinals.org](mailto:dfloerchinger@treynorcardinals.org).

# ACT<sup>®</sup>

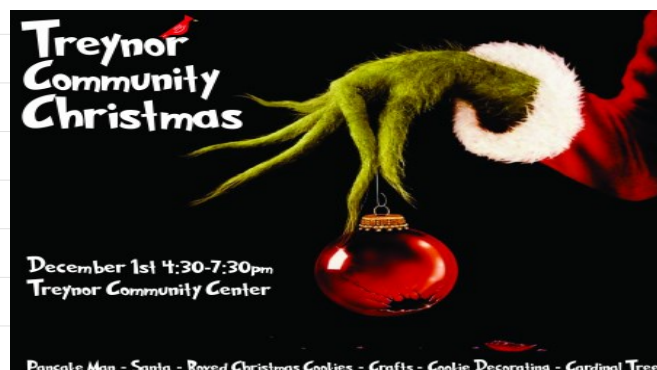
Test Date	Registration Deadline	(Late Fee Required)
December 14th, 2019	November 8th, 2019	November 22nd, 2019
February 8th, 2020	January 10th, 2020	January 17th, 2020
April 4th, 2020	February 28th, 2020	March 13th, 2020
June 13th, 2020	May 8th, 2020	May 22nd, 2020
July 18th, 2020	June 19th, 2020	June 26th, 2020

## JTW—TREYNOR COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS



Junior Treynor Women is hosting the annual Community Christmas event on Sunday, December 1, 2019. The event is open to everyone and will be held at the Treynor Community Center from 4:30-7:30 p.m. The Pancake Man will be serving pancakes and sausages, which is a perfect dinner to end the weekend after Thanksgiving turkey! Boxed Christmas cookies will be available for purchase, the kids can create a craft or decorate cookies and, of course, visit with Santa. In addition, the Cardinal Tree will be setup for visitors to choose an ornament or two to adopt a child for purchase of Christmas gift(s).

Come on and out enjoy a fun evening!



# LEARNING CELEBRATIONS



5th-graders and Physics students collaborate on our annual pumpkin drop experiment.



6th-graders in Mrs. Castle's class displayed their modern cave art.

6th-grade students in Ms. Schneider's class learn to sew.



High School students who are 18, or will be 18 by November 3, 2020, had the opportunity to pledge to vote as part of [www.inspiretovote.org](http://www.inspiretovote.org). #inspiretovote




# November 2019



*Happy Thanksgiving!*





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 NO SCHOOL 7:00 Football Playoffs HERE	2 State Cross County @ Fort Dodge SWIBA JH Honor Band Auditions @ Clarinda
3	4	5 Regional Volleyball	6 2:00 EARLY DISMISSAL TEACHER IN-SERVICE	7	8 7:30 Musical in Auditorium	9 2:30 and 7:30 Musical in Auditorium 7:00 SWIBA JH Festival @ LC
10	11 Girls Basketball Practice Begins	12 State Volleyball 7:00 5th Grade Music Concert in Auditorium	13 State Volleyball 2:00 EARLY DISMISSAL TEACHER INSERVICE	14 State Volleyball 4:15 JH B BB Here IKM-M	15 State Volleyball	16
17	18 Boys Basketball & Wrestling Practice Begins 4:15 JH Boys BB @ Mo Valley	19 4:15 7th B BB @ Creston 4:15 8th B BB Creston Here Board Meeting	20 2:00 EARLY DISMISSAL TEACHER IN-SERVICE	21 All State Festival @ Ames OPUS Honor Choir @ Ames 4:15 JH B BB @ Lo-Ma	22 All State Festival @ Ames	23 All State Festival @ Ames
24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving Break	28 	29 Thanksgiving Break	30



# December 2019



*Merry Christmas!*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 4:15 JH B BB @ Riverside 6:00 G/JV BB @ Harlan 7:30 GV BB @ Harlan	3 Midterm 5:30 Wrestling Here 5:30 B/JV @ Heelan 7:00 BV @ Heelan	4 2:00 EARLY DISMISSAL TEACHER IN-SERVICE	5 4:15 JH B BB Here 6:00 G/JV BB @ ISD 7:15 B/9th BB @ ISD	6 BB Here 4:30 B/9th 6:00 GV/BJV 7:30 BV/GJV	7 9:00 Wrestling Here
8	9 4:15 JH B BB Here 5:30 JV Wrestling @ AL 7:00 5th/6th Band 6th Vocal Concert in Auditorium Board Meeting	10 5:30 Wrestling @ Griswold BB @ Audubon 6:00 GV/BJV 7:30 BV/GJV 7:00 4th Concert in Auditorium	11 2:00 EARLY DISMISSAL TEACHER IN-SERVICE	12 BB Here 4:15 JH B BB 4:30 B/9th BB 6:00 GV/BJV 7:30 BV/GJV	13 BB @ Logan Magnolia 6:00 GV/BJV 7:30 BV/GJV	14 SWIBA HS Auditions @ Atlantic 10:00 Wrestling @ Lenox 3:00 G/JV BB Here 4:30 GV BB
15	16 5:30 Wrestling @ AL 6:30 JH Christmas Concert 8:00 HS Christmas Concert in Auditorium	17 BB @ TC 4:30 B/9th 6:00 GV/BJV 7:30 BV/GJV 5:30 Wrestling @ Creston 7:00 3rd Grade Music Concert	18 2:00 EARLY DISMISSAL TEACHER IN-SERVICE	19 4:00 JH B BB @ TC	20 BB Here 4:30 B/9th 6:00 GV/BJV 7:30 BV/GJV  5:00 Wrestling @ Audubon	21 11:00 Wrestling @ Audubon
22	23 Christmas Vacation	24 Christmas Vacation	25 	26 Christmas Vacation	27 Christmas vacation	28
29	30 Christmas Vacation	31 Christmas Vacation	1 	2 Christmas Vacation	3 Christmas Vacation	4



## TREYNOR COMMUNITY SCHOOL

November, 2019 Breakfast & Lunch Menus



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
				1 No School
Fresh Vegetable Bar Monday-Friday				
4 Juice or Fruit (1/2 c.) WG Cereal WG Breakfast Bar	5 Juice or Fruit French Toast Sticks Sausage	6 Juice or Fruit Biscuits & Gravy	7 Juice or Fruit Egg, Sausage WG Toast	8 Juice or Fruit WG Cereal Long John
Cheese Pizza K-5 Fiestada 6-12 Mixed Vegetables Garden Spinach Salad Pineapple/Oranges  (6-12 Salad Bar)	Beef Taco's Black Beans & Rice Potato Coins Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese Applesauce  (4-12 Salad Bar)	Chicken Sandwich Tater Tots Green Beans Tomato & lettuce Strawberries and Bananas  (4-12 salad Bar)	Hot Ham & Cheese Peas WG Chips Pineapple/Oranges Cookie Bar  (4-12 Salad Bar)	Chicken Drumsticks Sweet Potato Fries Roasted Broccoli Pears  (No Salad Bar)
11 Juice or Fruit (1/2 c.) WG Cereal Breakfast Bar	12 Fruit or Juice WG Mini Bagels Sausage	13 Fruit or Juice WG Cereal Breakfast Bar Grab N Go 6-12	14 Fruit or Juice Breakfast Pizza	15 Fruit or Juice WG Cereal WG Toast
Mac & Cheese Corn Dog Mixed Vegetable Apple Sauce  (6-12 Salad Bar)	Hamburger/Bun Triangle Potatoes Peaches Cookie  (4-12 Salad Bar)	Chicken Drumstick Mashed Potatoes/Gravy Peas Peaches WG Bread 6-12 (4-12 Salad Bar)	Chicken Parmesan Marinara Sauce Green Beans Garlic Bread Pineapple (4-12 Salad Bar)	Pizza Spinach Salad Peas & Carrots Fruit  (No salad Bar)
18 Fruit or Juice (1/2 c.) WG Cereal Breakfast Bar	19 Fruit or Juice WG Pancake Stick	20 Fruit or Juice WG Cereal Breakfast Bar K-5 Biscuit & Gravy 6-12	21 Fruit or Juice Egg, Sausage, Cheese, Biscuit	22 Fruit or Juice WG Cereal Breakfast Bar
French Toast Sticks Sausage Yogurt 9-12 Warm Apples  (6-12 Salad bar)	Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes/Gravy Corn Peaches WG Bread 9-12  (4-12 Salad Bar)	Sloppy Joe Oven Fries Butternut Squash 6-12 Mixed Vegetables Pears  (4-12 Salad bar)	Chicken Wrap Savory Rice Peppers/Onions 9-12 Steamed Carrots Fruit Pudding (4-12salad Bar)	Turkey Dinner Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Dressing Dinner Roll Dessert (No Salad Bar)
25 Fruit or Juice (1/2 c.) WG Cereal Breakfast Bar	26 Fruit or Juice WG Pancakes Sausage	27 No School	28 No School	29 No School
Pork Fritter Triangle Potatoes Peas & Carrots Peaches  NO Salad Bar	Chicken Strips Potato wedges Carrots Pineapple WG Bread 9-12  NO Salad Bar			(We reserve the right to make changes or substitutions as necessary.)

Elementary: \$1.35 Breakfast—\$2.35 Lunch; Extra Milk \$0.50

MS-HS: \$1.35 Breakfast—\$2.50 Lunch; Extra Milk \$0.50

Breakfast includes 100% juice or fruit (1/2 cup required) and a milk choice. All lunches include a fruit choice available each day, whole grain bread and beans are served along with a daily milk choice. Treynor Community School is an equal opportunity provider.



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**POSTAL CUSTOMER**

**ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED**

It is the policy of the Trey nor Community School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, religion, creed, age (for employment), marital status (for programs), sexual orientation, gender identity and socioeconomic status (for programs) in its educational programs and its employment practices. There is a grievance procedure for processing complaints of discrimination. If you have questions or a grievance related to this policy, please contact the principals who serve as the equity coordinators:  
Jill Kay, Elementary Principal, #2 Elementary Dr., 712-487-3414, jkay@treynorcardinals.org  
Jenny Berens, MS Principal/Asst. HS Principal, 102 E. Main St., 712-487-3414, jberens@treynorcardinals.org  
Mark Hopkins, Superintendent/HS Principal, 102 E. Main St., 712-487-3414, mhopkins@treynorcardinals.org

**SCHOOL'S OUT—HOLIDAY VACATION DAYS**



There will be no school on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, November 27, 28 & 29 for Thanksgiving.

Christmas Vacation begins Monday, December 23, 2019. School will resume again after the holidays on Monday, January 6, 2020.

