From the Desk of Superintendent, Mr. Mark Lenihan

Dear Parents, Patrons, and Supporters of Wayne Community Schools:

Welcome to the 2019-20 school year! Our staff is very excited to work with the students and partner with our parents and community members. As always, this summer has kept our staff very busy in preparing for school to begin. Our maintenance staff, secretarial staff, technology staff, and business office have done a tremendous job doing the important, behind the scenes work that makes our school run smoothly. We are very fortunate to have such a committed summer staff, and the work they do is greatly appreciated by all!

We are finishing a few projects this summer at the Jr/Sr High building, and are working on the start of a project at the Elementary building. At the Jr/Sr High, we have new LED light fixtures and ceiling tiles installed in the upper level high school classrooms. The lights will provide a much better teaching and learning environment for our staff and students, and are much more energy efficient. In the high school gym, the floor was completely sanded down to bare wood, and some much needed repair was completed on some of the floor boards. With the help of our Athletic Boosters and School Foundation, we were able to have a new floor and graphic design applied. This project was not only a very good deferred maintenance project for the floor repair, it also provided a fresh new look to the floor that makes the gym look great!

We are also embarking on a project at the elementary school that will improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the heating and cooling system. We have contracted with our architects, Carlson-West Povondra to take a close look at the system and make recommendations for improvement to the system, especially in the areas of cooling and outside air exchange. Upon completion, there will be a noticeable difference in the ability of the system to cool the building and reduce moisture. We look forward to the completion of this project and the improvements on the learning environment at the elementary school!

The facilities are in great shape as we move forward into the school year, and we are looking forward to having all of our school buildings available for tours during our open house on August 12th from 5-7:00 PM.

There is a new teacher, one new administrator, and one familiar face switching administrative positions for the 2019-20 school year. Tucker Hight will move from his position at the Elementary School to the position of High School Principal, Mark Evetovich will join our district as the Assistant Elementary Principal and District Assessment Coordinator, Lindsey Knutson will be our new 7-12th grade School Counselor, and Annette Chase will be our new 6th grade teacher. Please help me welcome all of our new staff to the Wayne Community School District!

We will host our annual K – 12th grade open house on Monday, August 12th from 5:00-7:00 PM. Teachers and staff will be available for students and parents. Please feel free to look around your child’s room, help them set-up their desk or locker, and take advantage of the opportunity to visit the staff. The Early Learning Center, at the Sunnyview Place Business Park location, will have their Open House on Tuesday, August 13th from 5:00-7:00 PM. I look forward to seeing many of you at the open house and at school events this year.

I encourage you to contact any of the administrators listed below with any questions or concerns you might have.

South Wayne Community School

Wayne Elementary School | 312 North Douglas Street | 402-375-3854
Wayne Jr./Sr. High School | 611 West 7th Street | 402-375-3150
Early Learning Center | 803 Providence Road | 402-833-1450

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Calendar Web-Site:

The monthly school calendar can be accessed by logging into midstatenebraska.org. Log-in and click on the Wayne Jr/Sr High link. You can select the monthly calendar for the day, week, or month. You can also print off the calendar to have. Check out the “Notify Me!” option to receive texts or email notifications for any activity you check off. Just follow the instructions on the page. You may also “Subscribe” by following the directions posted on the page. All of the instructions work on your smart phone, too!

The current Wayne Community Schools Board Agenda can be found at: www.wayneschools.org. It will be posted on Friday before the Board Meetings, which is the second Monday of each month.

Welcome Back to School!
Meet the School Counselor - Lindsey Knutson

I am so excited to begin the 2019-2020 school year as the new 7-12th grade School Counselor at Wayne Community Schools. Formerly I have worked as the Pre-K-6th grade School Counselor at Wisner-Pilger Elementary School, the 7-12th grade School Counselor at Norfolk Catholic School, and a K-5th grade Physical Education Teacher at Schuyler Community Schools. I received my Bachelor's degree in education from Wayne State College in 2011, and my master's degree in Pre-K-12 School Counseling from Wayne State College in 2017.

My husband Eric and I have lived in Wayne for the past 6 years and have two young children, Kylee and Caleb. We also have a dog named Blake. Some of my hobbies other than chasing our kids around include: spending time with family and friends, playing golf and volleyball, and watching my favorite sports teams.

As a school counselor I will spend a lot of time getting to know the students at school and assisting them with many different things. I will be available for:

- Individual Counseling - meeting with students in a one-on-one setting to help them work through any problems affecting them at school; helping students make plans after graduation including college searches, scholarships, job shadowing, career information etc.
- Small Group Counseling - meeting with small groups of students who may be having difficulty or need support with a similar issue.
- Consultation - collaborating with teachers and parents on behalf of the student. This may include providing resources or other supports to help the student be more successful.

Other important things you should know:
- My mission as a School Counselor is to help students with their social, emotional, academic, and career goals.
- I am available and look forward to working with EVERY student in the Jr/Sr. High School.
- Communication is SO important. Please watch for newsletters and emails with information that will help you and your student. If you feel that you are not receiving communication about events or things from the School Counseling office, please reach out to me directly.
- Confidentiality - As your child's school counselor I take confidentiality very seriously. You and your child have the right to privacy and I will be respectful of that, although there are a few limits to that confidentiality (if a student reports abuse/neglect, thoughts or actions of self-harm or hurting others, etc.).
- School Counseling is not a replacement for outside therapy services. I can assist with referrals to outside counseling agencies as needed.

I am looking forward to creating positive relationships with the students, teachers, administrators and parents at Wayne Jr./Sr. High School! Please feel free to reach out to me throughout the school year if you have any questions or concerns.

Lindsey Knutson - liknuts1@waynebluedevils.org - (402) 375-3150

Meet the School Counselor

Hello! It’s me again, Ms. Lubbenstedt. I am very excited to begin my 2nd year with Wayne Community Schools as the K-6 School Counselor, rather than the K-8 School Counselor. My role will be very similar to last year, but this change will allow for my services to occur more frequently, as I will be in the Elementary building all day.

My Roles:
- Classroom Lessons - I will go into each classroom 1 time a week. While in the classroom, there will be three main focus areas; Social Emotional Learning, Academics and College/Career Readiness.
- Small Group Counseling - I facilitate small groups for students who need extra support in a certain area. Some of those focus areas may consist of social skills, peer relationships, emotional regulation, executive functioning, perspective taking or mindset etc.
- Individual Counseling - I meet with and check-in on student’s who may be experiencing a change or having a problem that is affecting them at school. This service is a conversation between the student and I, to talk about and brainstorm a variety of options they have, to cope with the change or solve the problem. Referrals can come from parents, teachers, administration or the students themselves.

- Consultation with Staff/Parents - I am available to meet with teachers and parents to discuss the options available, regarding any concerns you have for your student/child.

Here’s what you should know about me:

- As your School Counselor, I am here to help ALL students be successful socially, emotionally, and academically so that they may access their education without barriers.
- I am ONE part of the team that works to help your child succeed.
- I like to get to know ALL students so that they may feel connected and safe while they’re at school.
- I respect your right and your child’s right to privacy. Confidentiality is a big part of my job.

Wayne Kids Club

Wayne Elementary is excited this year to begin our first after-school program, Wayne Kids Club. Available to all K-6 students, the program provides time for physical activity, homework support/studying, a free snack, and STEAM-based Extended Learning Opportunities. Students will rotate through four academies throughout the school year, allowing them hands-on experiences in learning areas of FACS, art, science, and technology, and STEAM. Wayne Kids Club runs every full school day from 3:20-3:30, and we still have a few spots available! If you interested in registering, please call the elementary office or email waynekidsclub@waynebluedevils.org.

Wayne Community Schools 2019-2020 CALENDAR

JULY 2019

AUGUST 2019

SEPTEMBER 2019

OCTOBER 2019

NOVEMBER 2019

DECEMBER 2019
Emergency Response Plan - Managing Student Release to Parents/Guardians

In Case of Emergency:

General Emergency Information

It is everyone's hope that there will never be a need to enact the following emergency procedures. Being prepared in the event of an emergency or disaster is a responsibility the Wayne Community Schools have to the students and families of the community, and is a responsibility that is taken very seriously. Thank you for taking the time to review this emergency information and these emergency procedures. All staff have been trained in the implementation of our Emergency Plan. Students have been trained through drills of various disasters.

Wayne Community Schools are well prepared to deal with emergency situations. A detailed Emergency Response Plan is in place for all staff to follow. Teams have been set up to handle the safety of the students and communication to the public. If there is an emergency during the school day, the safety and well-being of the students will be the highest priority. Staff members are required by state law to serve as emergency workers, and staff will be on site to care for students, no matter how long it takes to reunite students with their families.

Certain situations may involve releasing students from school or relocating them at a time when parents expect their children to be at school. Such actions are authorized by the superintendent or principal in times of extreme emergency. Specific procedures, as described in this packet, are established to maintain a safe and secure environment during what will likely be a very stressful time. All parents/guardians will be asked to follow the direction of staff and volunteers. We ask that all individuals remain calm and patient. It is truly in the best interest of every child that all adults present in emergency situations are patient while cooperating with established emergency procedures.

In Case of Emergency:

Please DO NOT call the school! Listen to local radio and check social media for updates.

New Student Organization

FCCLA

As of March 2019, Wayne High has added a new student organization opportunity for any and all students in grades 7-12 called FCCLA. Family, Career and Community Leaders of America is a dynamic, student lead organization. Through community outreach, career preparation, and personal and professional development, students learn and practice skills to prepare them for adult life and their future careers. These experiences are an extension of the Family and Consumer Sciences classes. The key areas of FCCLA include traffic safety, mental and physical health, family connections, financial management, career investigation, community service, violence prevention, and personal development. Students may choose any of the above areas to explore. FCCLA has developed resources and programs to help students educate their peers and communities about the above areas. Students may also choose to compete and showcase their technical skills in FCCLA. FCCLA offers over 50 competitive events for students to demonstrate their knowledge in skills within Family and Consumer Sciences. Competitions vary across all FCS related fields. There are events that range from evaluating the use of educational technology, fashion sketching, impromptu speaking, FCS knowledge bowl, culinary skills, to consumer math. Due to the large amount of community outreach involved in these projects, over 15 million individuals have been reached across the nation from FCCLA.

Membership will start in the fall. We look forward to providing this new leadership opportunity to the students of Wayne Community School.

Required immunizations to attend school

According to state law students are required to have certain immunizations to attend school in Nebraska. All students are required to have:

- 3 DTaP/DT, or Td (one on or after 4th birthday)
- 3 Polio
- 2 MMR
- 3 doses of Hepatitis B
- 2 Varicella

All students are required to have the Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine or parents must sign an affidavit stating their child has had the disease. Students entering the 7th grade are also required to have a Tdap booster.

There are two exemptions that may be submitted in lieu of the immunizations.

1. A statement signed by a licensed health care provider, stating that the specific immunization would be injurious to the student or a member of the student’s household.

2. A notarized affidavit stating that the immunization conflicts with the tenets and practices of the student’s religious beliefs.

Students with exemptions on file may need to be excluded from school if there is an outbreak of a vaccine preventable disease.

Some immunizations call for multiple doses of vaccine. For students who have not completed all doses required, state statute allows them to be provisionally enrolled in school if they have received at least one dose of each of the required vaccines and continue to get the remaining shots as rapidly as is medically feasible. Vaccine series do not need to be restarted if the child has a documented immunization record, even if it has been a long time since the last dose. Anyone who was provisionally enrolled during the previous school year must now be fully immunized or have an exemption on file. Parents have the right to object, in writing, to any of the requirements for entry into school. Please call 402-375-3150 for questions.

State law also requires a physical exam, given by a licensed health care provider, for students entering kindergarten and 7th grade. Likewise, a physical is required of all out-of-state transfer students.

An eye exam is also required for Kindergartners and out-of-state transfer students.

All of the above mentioned requirements must be met before a student is allowed to attend classes at Wayne Community Schools. Please present a copy of your students Physical and updated immunizations to the school for the students permanent record.

STUDENT BREAKFAST, LUNCH and MILK PRICES 2019-2020

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Lunch Prices

- $2.45 per day
- $3.95 per day
- $4.95 per day

Milk per carton:

- $0.40 per day
SPORTS PHYSICALS
Students grades 7-12 that will be participating in sports MUST have their physicals done before practice starts! All paperwork must be turned into the High School office. Forms may be picked up at the High School office.

Sport Season Passes

ADMISSION PRICES
JV and Varsity games
• Adults: $6.00
• Students: $4.00
All Lower Level Games
• Adults: $4.00
• Students: $3.00

All SPORTS PASSES
Adults: $65.00
Grades 7-12: $50.00
Grades K-6: $40.00
Athletes: $10.00 – one-time cost mandatory for all NSAA sponsored activities – good for the school year

BUS STOPS!!!
Any family in the Wayne Community School district who has not received a bus request form and would like to use the bus service for the 2019-2020 school year, is asked to contact Pam Anderson at the Wayne Jr./Sr. High School office, (402) 375-3150. Students from the city of Wayne, surrounding rural Wayne County, and Carroll students who wish to ride the bus, are eligible to do so. Bus stops include:
- Viking Park/Sunview Park Shelter
- Vintage Hill Park
- Hank Overin Baseball Field
- Bowling Alley
- Rainbow World (Daycare participants only)
- Muhs Acres
- Carroll Auditorium

This goes for any size bus! ALWAYS stop and DO NOT go around the extended arm! Thank you!

Fall Sports Kick-Off
When: Friday, August 23
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Where: Wayne High School Parking Lot
Adult and Student passes will be available to purchase. Look for Activity pass prices in this newsletter.

School Pictures
*Jr/Sr High School: Tuesday, September 10
*K-Grade 2: Wednesday, September 11
*Grade 3-6: Thursday, September 12
*PK4: Wednesday, September 18
*PK3: Thursday, September 19

Measles outbreak
Due to the recent outbreak of measles in our country I wanted to share some information from the CDC. Measles is a highly contagious illness that can lead to severe complications and even death. It is easily prevented by vaccine. The 2 shot protocol gives 97% immunity for the disease. Measles were considered eradicated in the US in the year 2000 but, there are many places in the world where this is not considered to be true. Anyone who cannot prove immunity by having the disease or by having a history of two MMR or 2 MMRV shots might consider a measles booster. Children normally receive 2 doses, the first at 12-15 mos and then a second one at 4-6 years. People who are international travelers, healthcare personnel, and women of childbearing age should all be protected from the measles. For more information, please visit the CDC website. BE WISE IMMUNIZE.

Carolyn Harder, Nurse

Schedules
Jr. High class schedules for the 2019-2020 school year can be accessed via PowerSchool starting on August 1st, 2019. If a paper copy of your class schedule is preferred, it can be picked up in the main office on any of the following days: August 7th, 8th, 9th, 12th, 13th, 14th.

Welcome Back!
Many students may not be excited for summer to end, but our mentors are excited to see their students again!

In May we saw our seven seniors graduate and move on to the work field or will go on for higher education. Some of these students started with their mentors in 5th grade! As we saw these long term matches come to a close it was fun to see how they had changed over the years. When students and mentors are matched they are strangers. They start off learning about each other and slowly forming a relationship. In their last year together they are simply comfortable. Comfortable playing a game together in silence to escape for a while or comfortable talking the entire time they are together. Long term mentors have the privilege of watching their students change from guarded to comfortable in their own skin. When students have people in their lives who encourage them to be themselves they gain the confidence to go on and to reach their full potential.

This fall will bring many new matches! We have several students who ended last year waiting for a mentor. While we have some new mentors ready to go we always have students waiting for mentors! No special skills or qualifications are required. We simply need people who are willing to be there and have fun! If you are interested please visit www.teammates.org to fill out an application. If you know someone who would make a great mentor you can also nominate them on this website! We will send more info to the nominee from there. If you have any questions or want additional information you can contact me at shaleehoffman@yahoo.com or 402-746-4340.

Teammates will hold our annual Welcome Back Party at the end of August. This party is open to mentors, students, and their families. (Flyers will be sent home with students once the date is set.) It is a great opportunity for matches to kick off the year! Thank you!
Shalee Hoffman
Wayne TeamMates Coordinator

Facebook Pages!
CHECK OUT THE VARIOUS SCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS FACEBOOK PAGES! Stay up-to-date on happenings and fun stuff!
- Wayne Community Schools
- Wayne Ag Ed
- WCS-Early Learning Center
- Wayne Community School Bands
- Wayne Community Schools Foundation
- Wayne Blue Devils Wrestling
- Wayne Music Boosters
- Wayne Elementary Librarian
- Wayne Family and Consumer Sciences Program
- Wayne FBLA
- Wayne FCCLA
- Wayne Kids Club
- Wayne Elementary Boosters

Be sure and “LIKE” our school’s FaceBook page! www.facebook.com/Wayne-Community-Schools
You can also follow us on Twitter! Wayne Blue Devils @WayneSchools
Upcoming events, current happenings, fun things can be found there!