

CAM Community School District

February/March 2017

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Hello. I hope this newsletter finds you well. It is a busy time at CAM as winter activities are in final stages of their seasons. Our athletic teams have seen success this year so we are excited to see how the winter season ends. We are also busy in our classrooms as the first semester ended and the second semester is underway. Our teacher leadership and compensation (TLC) program has a semester under its belt. Teachers are learning about and implementing instructional strategies from the TAP rubric that was developed by the National Institute of Excellence in Teaching (NIET). We are pleased with the progress so far and look forward to what we will accomplish the second half of the year.

We have spent a fair amount of time this year on a building project in Massena. The board approved a plan to add a 3200 square feet addition to the South Elementary building. The need for the addition arose when we removed the temporary classroom that housed preschool. We then moved preschool into the elementary building, which caused us to shuffle classrooms. The addition to the building will house the CAM voluntary preschool program and also a band/vocal classroom. It will be located on the south end of the South Elementary building. The plans and specs have been posted and bids will be due on February 14th. The timeline of the project is to begin construction this spring and have it completed for the start of the 2017-2018 school year. The cost of the addition is approximately \$770,000 and will be paid for using PPEL and SAVE funds.

At their January meeting, the CAM school board passed a resolution supporting the Promise of Iowa campaign that the Iowa Association of School Boards (IASB) has started. Well over 100 school boards across the state have passed the same resolution. The Promise of Iowa campaign brings positive attention to the Iowa public school system by focusing on how students are educated across the state. Please check out promiseofiowa.org to find out more and learn how you can get involved.

We look forward to the upcoming months when winter turns to spring but in the meantime, we are focused on starting and finishing the third quarter of the year strong. Thanks for your support and please be sure to let us know if you have questions or ideas you would like to share.

Sincerely,

Casey Berlau
Superintendent

Washington D.C. 2018

We are currently in the process of scheduling and registering students for our 2018 Washington D.C. Trip. We have scheduled the trip for the week of March 26, 2018. Students currently in grades 9-11 will have the opportunity to take part in this exciting trip. The five-day/four-night trip will start in Washington D.C. and will finish in Gettysburg, Williamsburg, or New York City. We are in the process of selecting our tour company and making the final decision on the second location. The final cost will be one factor in determining the location.

Students met on Friday, January 27th and discussed the trip and should have brought a letter home. The Washington D.C. trip is taken every three years. The cost of the trip will include:

- Ground and Air Transportation
- Hotel (Four nights)
- Breakfast and dinner meals
- All fees and entry into scheduled stops on the trip

Students have been asked to make a \$150 deposit to the school by March 1, 2017, if they intend to participate. Should you have any questions concerning the trip, please feel free to contact me at the CAM Middle School.

Mr. Hunt -- 712-779-2212

Girls' High School Track To Begin Soon

Despite the cool temperatures and snow-covered streets, high school track is just around the corner. The first official girls' track practice is slated to begin on Monday, February 13, 2017. All high school girls are encouraged to consider joining this year's track team and help build on last year's success. The 2016 squad consisted of seventeen team members and qualified two events for the state meet. Coach Deb Brown is hopeful even more girls will give track a try and experience all the sport has to offer.

Track includes a variety of running events, as well as opportunities to learn several field events and hurdles. Running events range from 100 meters to 3,000 meters, and girls can also try for spots on relays. Track has long been promoted as the sport that helps athletes in all other sports. Young athletes can improve in their overall flexibility, agility, speed, and endurance through participating in track.

Interested high school girls will need to have a current sports' physical on file by the February 13th start date. These forms are available at the high school office. Participants will also need a good pair of running shoes, and both indoor and outdoor running clothing. Any questions regarding CAM's high school girls' track program can be directed to Coach Deb Brown. She can be contacted by e-mail at dbrown@cam.k12.ja.us or by catching her at the high school.

7-12 Vocal Music News

Congratulations to the students who are participating in honor choirs in January and March! This takes extra time and effort and students always learn a lot in the process. Parents, their rehearsal tracks have been emailed to the selected students. Please encourage your students to use them!!

Southwest Iowa Honor Choir for High School students was held on **January 19** at Iowa Western. High School students participating: Rachel Riker, Mariah Murphy, Madelyn Lund, Isabel Kinze, Anna Stork. This was a fantastic concert! **Congratulations!**

On **March 1**, Rachel Riker, Madelyn Lund, Mariah Murphy, and DeShawn Carr have been chosen to sing the National Anthem at the Girls' Basketball Tournament in Des Moines.

Honor choir for the Middle School will be held on **March 7** at Treynor. The concert is at 7:00 and there will be an admission charge. The 7/8 vocal students participating (chosen by audition) are: Natalie Blaine, Paula Manjavacas, Kristin Templeman, Logan Lawrence, Faith Nath, Mallory Behnken. Alternates are Whitney Holaday and Helen Riker.

On **February 14**, the Middle School vocal students will be traveling to Council Bluffs to perform part of their "Disney Tryout" show for a judge as part of the SWI Choral Directors' Large Group Clinic. More information to come.

Please mark your calendar for the upcoming High School Pops Concert on **March 2**. The vocal mixed ensemble and the band will perform jazz and swing tunes in a coffeehouse atmosphere! Desserts will be served for \$1.00 per serving. Several Music Department seniors will also be showing off their musical abilities by singing popular music of their choice. Mixed Ensemble and band students will need to bring a nice dessert for the Boosters to serve.

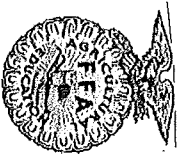

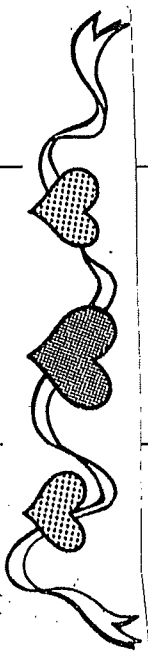
March 20 is the day for the 7/8 grade band and vocal concert.

March 30 will be our High School Pre-Contest Recital. Groups and soloists will perform during PT conferences in an informal setting in the music room.


High School students are busy preparing for State Solo and Ensemble contest, which will be held in **April**. We have 27 entries that we are preparing. Thanks so much for your support!!!!

Mrs. Nichols

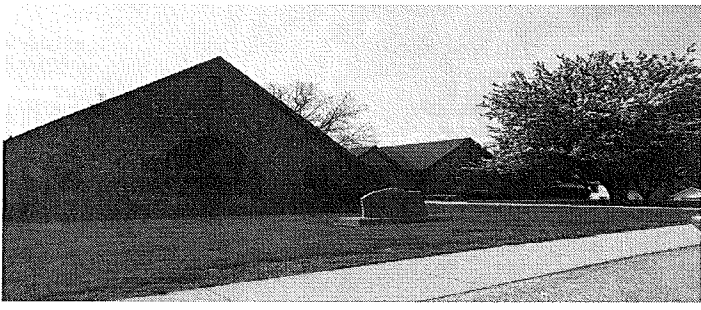
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1. One Hour Early Dismissal.	2. HS B JV/V BB & V G BB @ Glidden Ralston.	3. HS B JV/V & V G BB @ Coon Rapids-Bayard.	4. State Large Group Speech @ West DSM Valley.
5.	6.	7. Rescheduled HS G/B BB @ Charter Oak Ute. MS Wrestling @ Harlan MS, 4:00. HS V Wrestling Regional Team Duals.	8. One Hour Early Dismissal.	9. HS G BB Varsity Regional.	10.	11. Rolling Valley Conference Speech @ CAM HS. HS V Wrestling 2A Districts.
12.	13. HS Boys BB Varsity District Playoffs. Mid-term.	14. HS G BB Varsity Regional. SWI MS Vocal Clinic @ Woodrow Wilson.	15. One Hour Early Dismissal.	16. HS B BB Varsity District Playoffs.	17. HS G BB Varsity Regional.	18. All State Large Group Festival, ISU, Ames. National FFA Week.
19. National FFA Week 	20. President's Day - NO SCHOOL. School Board Meeting, 6:30. HS G Varsity Regional BB. National FFA Week	21. HS B Varsity District Playoffs. National FFA Week 	22. One Hour Early Dismissal. National FFA Week	23. HS B Varsity District Playoffs. National FFA Week	24. National FFA Week	25. District Individual Speech @ Griswold. HS B Varsity Quad. National FFA Week
26.	27. HS Girls State Basketball.	28.				

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			1. One Hour Early Dismissal.	2. Spring Pictures @ MS/S. Elem. HS Pops Concert, Concert @ 7:00 p.m.	3.	4. FFA Southwest District Contest @ Red Oak. Walnut Hill Speech Tournament @ CAM HS.
5.	6. Boys State Basketball Starts.	7. 5--8 th Grade SWI Honor Choir @ Treynor, Concert @ 7:00 p.m.	8. One Hour Early Dismissal.	9.	10.	11. State Individual Speech Contest
12.	13. HS Wrestling Banquet, 6:00 @ AHS.	14. HS & MS Rolling Valley Conference Band @ Woodbine, Concert @ 7:00 p.m.	15. One Hour Early Dismissal.	16. End of Third Quarter.	17. Fourth Quarter Begins	18. HS G Varsity Track Meet @ Central College.
19,	20. 7 th -8 th Grade Band Concert and Vocal Musical Concert @ 7:00 p.m. @ MS.	21. School Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	22. One Hour Early Dismissal.	23.	24.	25. FFA Banquet.
26.	27. All State Individual Speech Festival -- Cedar Falls, UNI.	28. HS B Track @ Audubon.	29. One Hour Early Dismissal.	30. P-T Conferences, 1:00-9:00. 4 Hour Early School Dismissal	31. NO SCHOOL. HS G/B Track Meet @ Bedford.	





Anita Public Library

2017 February—March 2017

Library Hours:

Monday 2-8pm, Tuesday 2-6:30pm, Wednesday 10am-6:30pm Phone: 762-3639
Thursday 2-6:30pm, Friday 2-6:30pm, Saturday 9am-1pm

Web: www.anitalibrary.org

Email: anitapl@midlands.net

Fax: 712-762-3178

Events at the Library

Lee Williams
as

Ab Lincoln

Come join us at the Anita Library on February 27th at 5:30 to celebrate the life of Ab Lincoln from Ab himself.



Early Out Fun Days

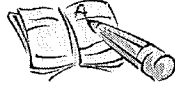


Wednesdays
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Dec 7, 14, 21

Jan 11, 18, 25

Homework
HeLP



Homework Help

Gaming

Free WiFi

Board Games



Puzzles

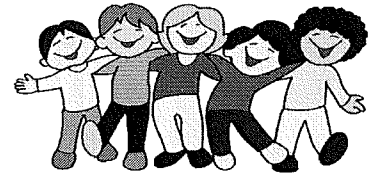
Crafts

Tween/Teen Club

Meetings

Feb 22 & Mar 22

HELP w/Early Out



"Lego Club Fun: Mondays 4-4:30pm"

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Click on Brainfuse.com (left column) Live Tutors!!



Mahjong

Wednesdays—10am

February is National
Creative Romance
Month.



March is National
Peanut Month.



Math Club

Tuesdays



3:45pm-4:15pm

February 4th is "Take your Child to the Library".

Happy Birthday

Dr. Seuss!

March 2

