

Harris-Lake Park Community Schools

Preparing Learners for a Lifetime of Leadership and Service

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November 2025 Newsletter

From the Superintendent

Harris-Lake Park Community School District is proud to announce that Kristi Mentink, Kindergarten Teacher at H-LP Elementary, has been named the 2025 Prairie Lakes Area Education Agency Regional Teacher of the Year.

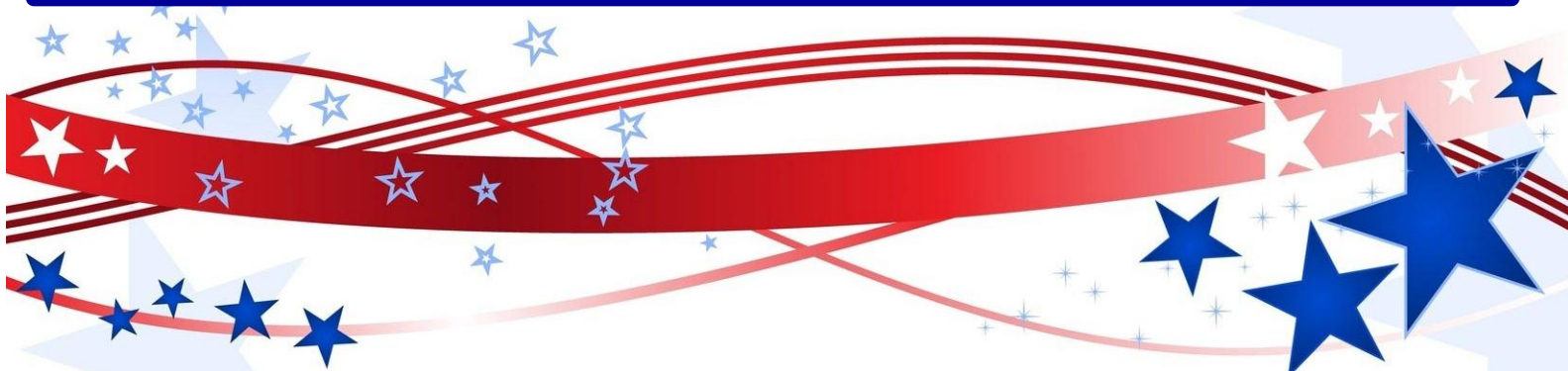
This prestigious honor recognizes exceptional educators who inspire excellence in the classroom, demonstrate innovative teaching practices, and make a lasting impact on their students and school communities.

Mrs. Mentink has devoted nearly thirty years to education, creating a nurturing and engaging learning environment where every child is valued and encouraged to reach their full potential. Her creativity, compassion, and unwavering commitment to student success shine through in all she does — from her work with young learners to her collaboration with colleagues and families.

A recognition ceremony was held on October 30 at H-LP Elementary, where all elementary students joined in celebrating Mrs. Mentink's achievement, along with many of her family members. Awards and certificates were presented by Elementary Principal Rebecca Matthiesen and Dr. Dan Mart, Chief Administrator for Prairie Lakes Area Education Agency.

As the Prairie Lakes AEA Regional Teacher of the Year, Mrs. Mentink was one of nine finalists considered for the 2025 Iowa Teacher of the Year award, presented annually by the Iowa Department of Education.





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Vote in your local school board election on November 4!

School board elections are on Tuesday, November 4, 2025. Local voters will head to the polls to elect two community members to the board of education for the Harris-Lake Park Community School District. We encourage everyone to take this opportunity to learn more about what's happening in Iowa schools and get out and vote on November 4.

Candidates are running for four-year terms on the board. The candidates are:

Chad Hibma
 Kayla Updike

Polls will open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m.

Polling location:
 Lake Park Community Building
 903 S Market St
 Lake Park, IA 51347

For more information about voting or about absentee voting, please contact the county auditor at 712-336-3356.



School board elections matter.

On November 4, make your voice heard for students.



Find Your Polling Place:





In recognition of Veterans Day, the elementary is hosting a "High Five" on Tuesday, November 11th. Area veterans are encouraged to come to the elementary at 7:45 a.m. to get a high five from students as they enter the building. Coffee and a light breakfast will be served in the elementary lunchroom following the event for veterans in attendance.

Veteran's Day Program - The American Legion will be hosting the annual Veterans Day Program at the Harris-Lake Park High School Gym on Tuesday, November 11th at 1:00 PM. Guest Speaker will be Army Veteran, Joe Sohn. Mr. Sohn served our country for 10 ½ years and was a member of the 7th Army Training Command in Germany.

The public is invited to attend this program.



Step into the dazzling world of Broadway's Golden Age with H-LP's production of *Guys and Dolls!*

Set in the vibrant streets of 1950s New York City, this beloved musical bursts with unforgettable songs, colorful characters, and hilarious twists of fate. From the high-stakes gamblers of Times Square to the sweet-hearted mission workers trying to save their souls, *Guys and Dolls* delivers a feel-good story about love, luck, and the gamble of finding happiness. Don't miss your chance to roll the dice on an evening of laughter, music, and show-stopping performances!

Tickets are \$10 and are all general seating, there will be no reserved seats. Advanced tickets will go on sale beginning the week of November 10 and can be purchased at the MS/HS office. Tickets can also be purchased at the door before each night's production.

Friday, November 14 and Saturday, November 15

Show time: 7:00 pm

H-LP Auditorium

RED CROSS



BLOOD DRIVE

The HLP FFA will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on November 5th, 11:00 AM-4:00 PM at the Lake Park Community Center. Please consider donating. If we have enough donors, the Red Cross offers a scholarship for one of our members.

Anyone ages 16 and up may donate. If you are 16 you must have parent permission. You will need either a driver's license or donor card for ID purposes the day of donating.

To register and schedule an appointment online- Please go to the link: [Red Cross](#) and enter: HARRISLAKEPARK. Thank you, H-LP FFA

2025-2026 HARRIS-LAKE PARK STAFF DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

On the following **Friday's** school will dismiss early due to Teacher Professional Development. The MS/HS will dismiss at 12:50 and Elementary students will dismiss at 1:00.

Nov. 14	March 27
Dec. 12	April 10, 24
Jan. 16, 30	May 8
Feb. 13, 27	

There will be no school on the following days due to teacher professional development:

Friday, January 2	Monday, February 16
Thursday, March 19 & Friday, March 20	

Please refer to the Academic Calendar on page 5 for a complete schedule of term dates, vacation days, etc.



The National Honor Society Induction Ceremony will be held on Thursday, November 13, 2025 at 5:30 PM in the Harris-Lake Park HS Auditorium. The public is invited to attend as we induct our new members.



Grandma and Grand“Pie” Day

When: Friday December 5th, 2025

Time: 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Where: Harris - Lake Park Elementary



Grandparents of H-LP Elementary students **TK - 5th Grade**, we invite you to our “**Grandma & Grand“Pie” Day** on December 13th. We have a fun filled afternoon of activities for you and your grandchild to do together.

1. *Magician in the commons*
2. *Scholastic Book Fair in the Gym (books will be available for purchase)*
3. *Pie Break in the Gym (Free Will Donation)*
4. *Classroom Activities*



Thank you to all of the great fans and supporters of our Harris-Lake Park cross country, volleyball and football athletes this fall.

Special thanks to everyone who helped during games with scoreboards, announcing, stats, line judging, chains, officiating, to the parents for providing meals, and all of those who helped in any other capacity. Your support of our student athletes is appreciated by all.



THANK YOU to the community, friends, and family for their support of our Music Parents Butter Braid Fundraiser.

We would also like to acknowledge and thank our administration, staff, students, and volunteers who helped sort Butter Braid orders and the Music Parents for their continued help and assistance.

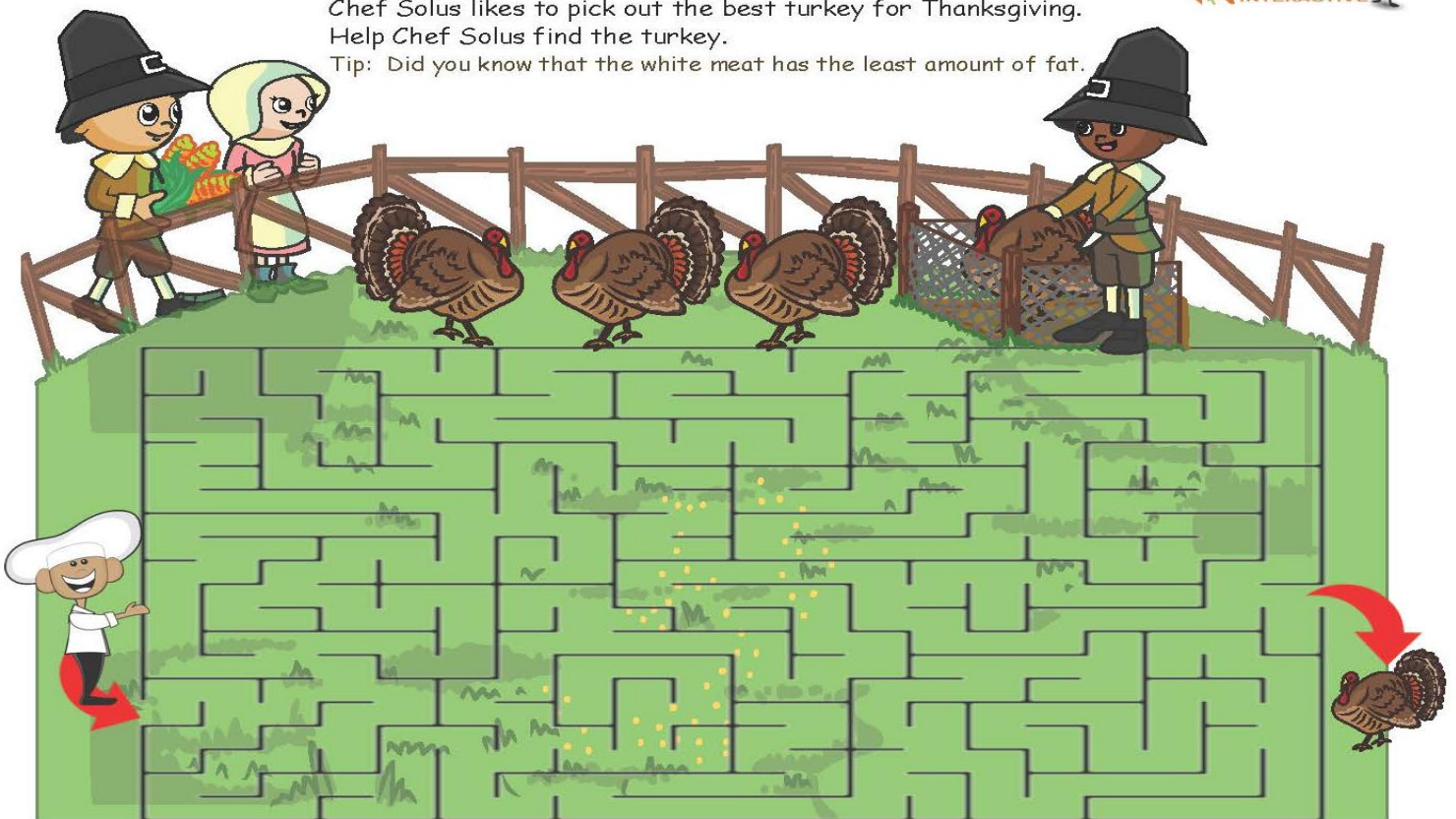
Through your generous purchases and donations, we are able to provide additional props, music, instruments, camps, and help fund our trips/contests.

Thanksgiving Turkey Maze



Chef Solus likes to pick out the best turkey for Thanksgiving. Help Chef Solus find the turkey.

Tip: Did you know that the white meat has the least amount of fat.





HARRIS-LAKE PARK COMMUNITY SCHOOLS 2025-2026 School District Calendar

Summary of Calendar:

First Semester 81
 Second Semester 97
 178

CALENDAR LEGEND

- Quarter
- Holidays
- Vacation Days
- PD Days
- 12:50 Dismiss (non-PD days)
- P-T Confs
- Comp. Day

HOLIDAYS:

Labor Day9/1
 Thanksgiving Day11/27
 Christmas Day12/25
 New Year's Day1/1
 President's Day2/16
 Easter Sunday4/5
 Memorial Day5/25

School year end date is subject to change due to weather related /no school days.



August 2025					Student Days
M	T	W	Th	F	
18	19	20	21	22	
25	26	27	28	29	5/5
September 2025					
1	2	3	4	5	4/9
8	9	10	11	12	5/14
15	16	17	18	19	5/19
22	23	24	25	26	5/24
29	30				2/26
October 2025					
		1	2	3	3/29
6	7	8	9	10	5/34
13	14	15	16	17	5/39
20	21	22	23	24	5/44
27	28	29	30	31	5/49
November 2025					
3	4	5	6	7	5/54
10	11	12	13	14	5/59
17	18	19	20	21	5/64
24	25	26	27	28	2/66
December 2025					
1	2	3	4	5	5/71
8	9	10	11	12	5/76
15	16	17	18	19	5/81
22	23	24	25	26	
29	30	31			
January 2026					
			1	2	0/81
5	6	7	8	9	5/86
12	13	14	15	16	5/91
19	20	21	22	23	5/96
26	27	28	29	30	5/101
February 2026					
2	3	4	5	6	5/106
9	10	11	12	13	5/111
16	17	18	19	20	4/115
23	24	25	26	27	5/120
March 2026					
2	3	4	5	6	5/125
9	10	11	12	13	5/130
16	17	18	19	20	0/130
23	24	25	26	27	5/135
30	31				2/137
April 2026					
		1	2		2/139
6	7	8	9	10	5/144
13	14	15	16	17	5/149
20	21	22	23	24	5/154
27	28	29	30		4/158
May 2026					
				1	1/159
4	5	6	7	8	5/164
11	12	13	14	15	5/169
18	19	20	21	22	5/174
	26	27	28	29	4/178
June 2026					
1	2	3	4	5	

Aug. 18 New staff
 Aug. 19 - 21 All staff inservice days
 Aug. 25 Begin 1st semester
 Aug. 25 + 26 12:50 dismissals

Sept. 1 Labor Day – No School
 Sept. 5 Prof. Dev. 12:50 dismiss
 Sept. 19 Prof. Dev. 12:50 dismiss
 Mid-Term

Oct. 3 Prof. Dev. 12:50 dismiss
 Oct. 17 Prof. Dev. 12:50 dismiss/ **End Q1**
 Oct. 21 + 22 P-T Conferences 3:30-6:30
 Oct. 24 No school – Comp. day
 Oct. 31 Prof. Dev. 12:50 dismiss

Nov. 14 Prof. Dev. 12:50 dismiss
 Mid-Term
 Nov. 26 - 28 Thanksgiving Break – No School

Dec. 12 Prof. Dev. 12:50 Dismiss
 Dec. 19 12:50pm dismissal / **End Q2**
 Dec. 22-Jan.1 Christmas Break
[potential new bldg. move-in]

Jan. 1 New Years Day – No School
 Jan. 2 Full day professional dev.
 Jan. 5 Begin 2nd Semester
 Jan. 16 Prof. Dev. 12:50 Dismiss
 Jan. 30 Prof. Dev. 12:50 Dismiss
 Mid-Term

Feb. 13 Prof. Dev. 12:50 Dismiss
 Feb. 16 Full day professional dev.
 Feb. 27 Prof. Dev. 12:50 Dismiss




Mar. 6 **End of Q3**
 Mar. 10 + 11 P-T Conferences 3:30-6:30
 Mar. 13 No school – Comp. day
 Mar. 16-18 Spring Break – No School
 Mar. 19 + 20 Full days professional dev.
[potential new bldg. move-in]

April 3 Good Friday – No School
 April 10 Prof. Dev. 12:50 Dismiss
 April 17 Mid-Term
 April 24 Prof. Dev. 12:50 Dismiss

May 8 Prof. Dev. 12:50 Dismiss
 May 17 Commencement
 May 25 Memorial Day – No School
 May 29 Last day of school for K-12
 12:50 dismiss / **End of Q4**

June 1 Full day professional dev.

November 2025 Activities

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 State Dance Critique Clinic @ Nevada
2 Daylight Saving Time Ends 	3 SLP Girls Wrestling Practice Begins	4 Election Day 4:00pm Esports Match w/Northeast HS @ HLP Conference Room	5 11:00am-4:00pm FFA Red Cross Blood Drive @ LP Community Center	6	7	8
9 3:00pm HS Football Awards Banquet @ HS Commons	10 4:15pm JH Boys BB w/GTRA @ Graettinger HS Girls Basketball Practice Begins Musical Tickets on sale @ HS office (general seating only)	11 7:45am Veterans "High Five" @ HLP Elementary 1:00pm Veterans Day Program @ HLP HS Gym; The public is invited to attend.	12	13 7:50am FFA Officer Meeting @ HS 1:00pm Musical Dress Rehearsal 4:15pm JH Boys BB w/GLR @ Little Rock 4:15pm SLP JH Girls Wrestling @ Sioux Center HS 5:30pm NHS Induction Ceremony @ HLP Auditorium	14 Mid-Term No Preschool 12:50pm Early Dismissal for Teacher PD 7:00pm HS Musical "Guys and Dolls" @ HS Auditorium	15 7:00pm HS Musical "Guys and Dolls" @ HS Auditorium 
16 10:00am-1:00pm HLP Booster Club Pancake Feed @ LP Community Center	17 HS Boys Basketball Practice Begins 4:15pm SLP JH Girls Wrestling @ West Lyon 5:00pm School Board Meeting @ HS	18 3:15pm HS Winter Sports Photos 4:15pm JH Boys BB w/St. Lake St. Mary's @ HLP Elem. Gym	19	20 9:00am Accuplacer Testing @ HS; 9 th gr. 4:15pm JH Boys BB w/Sioux Central @ HLP Elem. Gym 4:15pm SLP JH Girls Wrestling @ Algona MS 6:30pm FFA Chapter Meeting @ HS	21 HLP After-Prom Dodgeball Tournament @ HLP Elem. Gym 6:00-7:00pm Godfather's Pizza 6:30pm Dodgeball starts	22
23	24 4:15pm JH Boys BB @ Okoboji MS	25 4:15pm JH Boys BB w/North Union @ Swea City 6:00pm Var Girls BB @ GTRA, Graettinger	26 No School	27 	28 No School	29
30 6:00pm State Dance Team Send-Off @ HS Gym	1 December 4:15pm JH Boys BB w/S-O @ Sibley 6:00pm JV/V Girls BB w/Alta-Aurelia @ Home 4:30pm SLP JV Boys Wrestling Tournament @ Sheldon HS	2 4:30pm JV BB w/MMCRU @ Home 6:00pm Var G/B BB w/MMCRU @ Home	3 State Dance Competition (through Friday 12/5)	4 9:30am Elem Christmas Concert Dress Rehearsal @ Elem. Gym (The public is invited to attend) 6:00pm Elem Christmas Concert @ Elem Gym 6:00pm SLP Var Boys Wrestling @ George	5 8:30am-3:00pm Elem Book Fair 1:00-3:00pm Elementary Grand "Pie" Day 4:15pm SLP JH Girls Wrestling @ Okoboji HS South Gym 6:00pm Var G/B BB w/GLR @ George	6 9:00-11:00am Heroes of Happiness Children's Christmas Bazaar @ HLP Elementary 10:30am SLP Var Boys Wrestling @ Okoboji Invitational 5:30-7:30pm Wolves Winter Wonderland @ HLP Elementary
7	8 4:00pm SLP JH/JV Girls Wrestling Tournament @ Long Lines Family Rec Center, Sioux City 5:00pm SLP JV Boys Wrestling Tournament @ MOC-FV	9 7:50am FFA Officer Meeting @ HS 4:15pm JH Boys BB w/WBM @ HLP HS Gym 4:30pm JV G/B BB w/HMS @ Hartley 6:00pm Var G/B BB w/HMS @ Hartley 6:00pm SLP JV/V Boys Wrestling w/Cherokee Washington @ Sp. Lake HS East Gym	10 12:30pm Project 60 Dinner @ HLP HS 1:15pm MS/HS Winter Concert Matinee Performance @ HLP Auditorium	11 4:15pm SLP JH Girls Wrestling @ Estherville HS 6:30pm FFA Chapter Meeting @ HS	12 No Preschool 12:50pm Early Dismissal for Teacher PD 4:30pm JV Girls BB @ Akron-Westfield HS 6:00pm Var G/B BB @ Akron-Westfield HS	13 10:00am SLP Var Boys Wrestling @ Sibley-Och. Invitational

ALL CALENDAR EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

Harris-Lake Park Schedules: [Bound/Harris-Lake Park Wolves](#), [HLP Daily Bulletin](#)
SLP Wrestling & SLPO Soccer schedules [Bound/Spirit Lake CSD](#)



2025 Children's Christmas Bazaar

The *Lake Park Heroes of Happiness* are pleased to announce the return of a popular program! On Saturday, December 6th from 9am to 11am, we will be hosting a Children's Christmas Bazaar at the Harris-Lake Park Elementary School. All H-LP students are able to attend this event and purchase gifts for family and friends. Please see below for program details!

When: Saturday, December 6th, 2025 from 9am to 11am. The snow make up date: Saturday, December 13th.





Where: H-LP Elementary School - 105 Avenue A West, Lake Park

Who: All H-LP students in grades PK-12 can shop at the bazaar.

What is a Children's Christmas Bazaar: Many years ago the Lake Park Garden Club hosted an event for families where kids could purchase reasonably priced gifts for family and friends. A new Lake Park charitable organization, The Heroes of Happiness, is bringing back that tradition! Hundreds of reasonably priced items (\$3-5 each) of all varieties for all ages will be available for purchase.

Interested in **DONATING** monetarily, or have items to donate? Please reach out to Mike Thompson or Becca Matthiesen at 832-3437 with questions regarding these items! Or email at rmatthiesen@hlpcsd.org or mthompson@hlpcsd.org !

November, 2025 Menus

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 Daylight Saving Time Ends 	3 Breakfast Fruit- f English muffins- g Lunch Popcorn chicken- m/ma, g Broccoli- v Corn chips- g Peaches- f	4 Breakfast Fruit- f Yogurt- m/ma Granola- g Lunch Pulled pork nachos- m/ma, g Corn- v Applesauce- f	5 Breakfast Fruit- f Pancakes- g Lunch Meatball subs- m/ma, g Green beans- v Mixed fresh fruit- f	6 Breakfast Fruit- f Breakfast burritos- m/ma, g Lunch Chili- m/ma, v Cinnamon roll- g Fresh oranges- f	7 Breakfast Fruit- f Cereal-g Lunch Burgers/bun- m/ma, g Mixed veggies- v Bananas- f	8
9	10 Breakfast Fruit- f Cinnamon rolls- g Lunch Crispitos- m/ma Corn- v Sun chips- g Baked apples- f	11 Breakfast Fruit- f Yogurt- m/ma Granola- g Lunch Pancakes- g Sausage- m/ma Melon- g Vegetable juice- v	12 Breakfast Fruit- f Sausage & pancake bites- m/ma, g Lunch Chicken patty sandwich- m/ma, g Carrot sticks w/ranch- v Mixed fruit- f	13 Breakfast Fruit- f Eggs- m/ma Toast- g Lunch Orange chicken- m/ma Rice- g Broccoli- v Pineapple- f	14 Breakfast Fruit- f Cereal-g Lunch Tavern sandwich- m/ma, g Baked beans- v Bananas- f	15 
16 	17 Breakfast Fruit- f Donuts- g Lunch Burgers/bun- m/ma, g Potato salad- v Applesauce- f	18 Breakfast Fruit- f Yogurt- m/ma Granola- g Lunch Chicken quesadillas- m/ma, g Mixed vegetables- v Melon- f	19 Breakfast Fruit- f Muffins- g Lunch Tater tot casserole- m/ma Carrots- v Cheesy breadstick- g Pears- f	20 Breakfast Fruit- f, Toast- g Sausage- m/ma Lunch Macaroni & cheese- m/ma, g Peas- v Dinner roll- g Mixed fruit- f	21 Breakfast Fruit- f Cereal-g Lunch Pizza- m/ma, g Italian salad- v Oranges- f	22
23	24 Breakfast Fruit- f, Bagel w/cream cheese- g Lunch Turkey & gravy- m/ma Mashed potatoes- v Dinner rolls- g Mandarin oranges- f	25 Breakfast Fruit- f, Yogurt- m/ma Granola- g Lunch Pizza- m/ma, g Corn- v Mixed fruit- f	26 	27	28	29
11/30 December	1 Breakfast Fruit- f Pop tarts- g Lunch Mini corn dogs- m/ma, g Corn- v Cheetos- g Mixed fresh fruit- f	2 Breakfast Fruit- f, Yogurt- m/ma Granola- g Lunch Tacos- m/ma, g Charro beans- v Pears- f Cookies- g	3 Breakfast Fruit- f, Muffins- g Lunch Cheese omelets- m/ma Tri-taters- v Muffins- g Mandarin oranges- f	4 Breakfast Fruit- f Eggs- m/ma, Toast- g Lunch Club sandwich- m/ma, g Cheese soup- m/ma Sliced cucumbers- v Melon- g	5 Breakfast Fruit- f, Cereal-g Lunch Popcorn chicken- m/ma, g Salad- v Chips- g Peach cups- f	6
7	8 Breakfast Fruit- f Long John donuts- g Lunch Pulled pork sandwich- m/ma, g Cottage cheese- m/ma Baked beans- v Mixed fruit- f	9 Breakfast Fruit- f, Yogurt- m/ma Granola- g Lunch Breakfast burritos- m/ma, g Tater puffs- v Strawberry yogurt parfait- f, m/ma, g	10 Breakfast Fruit- f Pancakes- g Lunch Italian chicken- m/ma Rice- g Carrots- v Mixed fruit- f <i>Project 60 Dessert- pumpkin cheesecake</i>	11 Breakfast Fruit- f Breakfast pizza- m/ma, g Lunch Ham & cheese sliders- m/ma, g Chicken noodle soup- m/ma, g Applesauce- f Vegetable juice- v	12 Breakfast Fruit- f Cereal-g Lunch Pizza- m/ma, g Italian salad- v Bananas- f	13

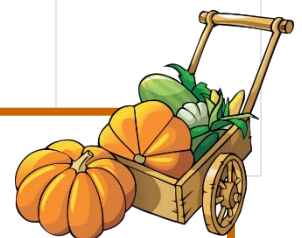
Breakfast Serving Times: 7:45-8:10 AM -- All breakfasts include 4 oz. Juice (F) and 8 oz. Milk
Students must have (3) components for a complete breakfast & must include a fruit selection

Students must have 3-4 components for a complete lunch & must include a fruit/vegetable selection.

All lunches include 8 oz. milk. MS/HS lunch entrée alternatives will be available.

COMPONENT KEY: Meat/Meat Alternative=M/MA; Grain=G; Fruit=F; Vegetable=V; Milk is considered its own component.

This Institution is an equal opportunity provider.



Too sick for school?

Nearly all children get sick from time to time. Sending a sick child to school may make the child more miserable and spread a contagious illness to classmates. The following guidelines will help parents decide whether their child is too sick for school.

Fever is an important symptom, especially if it occurs along with a sore throat, nausea or a rash. Fevers are ok because the higher body temperature is a result of the immune system working so the body can heal. Children with a temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher should stay home. Your child should be fever-free 24 hours (without medication) before returning to school. Remember to follow the directions for your thermometer.

Diarrhea and vomiting make children very uncomfortable. Keep your child home until the illness is over, and for 24 hours after the last episode (without medicine).

Strep throat is highly contagious and the child may complain of a sudden sore throat and fever and often stomachache and headache. The child may return to school 24 hours after the antibiotic treatment begins and if no fever.

Pinkeye or conjunctivitis is highly contagious and uncomfortable. Symptoms include eyes burning, itching and a cloudy or yellow discharge from the eye. Child should stay home until doctor recommends your child return to school. Medication may be prescribed.

Flu/Influenza symptoms include body aches, high fever, chills, congestion, sore throat and in some children vomiting. These symptoms usually come on very quickly! Rest and *sometimes* medication is prescribed.

Respiratory viruses (flu, covid, RSV): The IDPH guidelines are that you can go back to your normal activities when, for at least 24 hours, both are true:

- Your symptoms are getting better overall, **and**
- You have not had a fever (and are not using fever-reducing medication).
- When you go back to your normal activities, take added precaution over the next 5 days, such as taking additional steps for cleaner air, hygiene, masks, physical distancing, and/or testing when you will be around other people indoors. This is especially important to protect people with factors that increase their risk of severe illness from respiratory viruses.

Frequent hand washing is one of the best ways to prevent the spread of infection. Please encourage frequent hand washing at home and at school.

If your child needs to stay home due to illness or other reasons, please call the school. For safety, we need to know why your child is not at school. Remember to always make sure that the school knows how to reach you during the day and that there is a back-up plan and phone number if we cannot reach you.

Dear parents/guardians:

I am sending out a friendly reminder that we have multiple students between the elementary building and middle school/high school building that have severe allergies to peanuts and tree nuts. To keep all students safe we need to keep both buildings a nut free zone. Please do not send anything containing peanuts or tree nuts to school with your child; this includes cold lunches and snacks. **This means NO peanut butter, peanuts, cashews, almonds, pecans, walnuts, pistachios, or anything containing any of these nuts.** If you are unsure if something contains a nut please don't bring it to school. Our kitchen staff has already eliminated all nuts from both buildings. The vending machine at the middle school/high school has also eliminated products for purchase that contain nuts. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your cooperation and help keeping all students safe!

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Harris-Lake Park Is Partnering with BOUND!

We're excited to share that beginning Fall 2025, Harris-Lake Park will be fully launching our partnership with Bound, an all-in-one platform for managing athletics, activities, and facilities. This move will provide a more connected, user-friendly experience for families, fans, and students. **BEGINNING WITH THE 2025-2026 BASKETBALL SEASON, HARRIS-LAKE PARK WILL NOT BE ACCEPTING CASH FOR ADMISSION TO ATHLETIC EVENTS. ALL TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED ONLINE. Students and Adults with Activity Passes must present the pass for admission to games. Punch Passes will be available at the MS/HS Office only.**

What does this mean for you? All things activities--schedules, tickets, rosters, scores, registration, and notifications--will now live in one easy spot!

Visit Our Public Site

Bookmark our school's BOUND page for quick access to everything you need: <https://www.gobound.com/ia/schools/harrislakepark>



A blue graphic with a white wolf head logo in the top left. The text reads "TICKETS & PASSES NOW AVAILABLE" in white. Below it is the URL "HTTPS://WWW.GOBOUND.COM/IA/SCHOOLS/HARRISLAKEPARK/TICKETS" in white. To the right is a QR code with a green and blue arrow pointing right. Below the QR code is the text "SCAN ME TO BUY TODAY!" in white.

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A blue graphic with a white wolf head logo in the top left. The text reads "CREDIT / DEBIT CARDS ACCEPTED HERE" in white. Below it are the logos for Apple Pay, Google Pay, and BOUND. At the bottom is a large white arrow pointing right, followed by the text "CASHLESS GATE" and "NO CASH ACCEPTED AT GATE" in white.

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Apple Pay Google Pay **BOUND**

CASHLESS GATE

NO CASH ACCEPTED AT GATE



H-LP AFTER-PROM

DODGEBALL

Tournament



**Godfather's
Pizza.**

Served from 6-7 PM

Dodgeball starts at 6:30 PM

Pie Auction throughout the night!

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST

H-LP ELEMENTARY GYM

DODGE  **DUCK**  **DIP**  **DIVE**  **DODGE**

2026

MOPED SAFETY CLASSES



Are you ready to take the first step toward getting your moped license?

Iowa Lakes Community College offers Moped Safety Classes that fulfill the state's safety education course requirements for youth under 16 planning to acquire a moped license.

Class Details:

- **Cost:** \$55.00
- **Eligibility:** Students must be at least 13½ years old by the class date.
- **Instruction:** Classroom-based learning only.
- **What to Bring:** Pencil, paper, and optional snacks or a sack lunch.

DON'T WAIT!

Secure your spot today and get one step closer to hitting the road safely and confidently!



Scan to Register or visit ce.iowalakes.edu or 800-252-5664

DATE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	ROOM #	CLASS #
Jan. 17	Saturday	8 am - 2 pm	Emmetsburg	Wellness Center - 18	8379
Feb. 21	Saturday	8 am - 2 pm	Spencer	108A	8380
Mar. 28	Saturday	8 am - 2 pm	Estherville	29	8381
Apr. 11	Saturday	8 am - 2 pm	Emmetsburg	Wellness Center - 18	8382
May 2	Saturday	8 am - 2 pm	Algona	33	8410
June 6	Saturday	8 am - 2 pm	Spirit Lake	129	8411
July 11	Saturday	8 am - 2 pm	Spencer	108A	8412



LET'S TALK!

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DICKINSON COUNTY
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COALITION



“Childhood Unplugged”

Speaker Event & Dinner

Join us for a special event open to all families in **Dickinson County** who want to explore how we can reclaim childhood in a tech-driven world. Guest speaker Katherine Johnson Martinko, writer, editor, and author of *Childhood Unplugged* (2023) and creator of *The Analog Family* newsletter—will share practical insights on digital minimalism and finding balance for kids and families.

Free dinner & childcare provided.

Thursday, November 13
Pearson Lakes Art Center
Dinner - 5:30 PM
Speaker - 6:30 PM



Katherine Martinko
Keynote Speaker for the
Anxious Generation Book

Event Sponsored by: Let's Talk Dickinson County and Rotary

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NOVEMBER 16
10AM - 1PM

LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER

Wolves Tale is the Harris-Lake Park student newspaper. The current Wolves Tale is an all-digital edition that can be found on the school website. The Wolves Tale is written in correspondence with a composition class at H-LP.

The Wolves Tale covers stories about staff, students, and community. It's a great place to receive news and information from a student perspective.

Check out the latest issue: Wolves Tale

Harris-Lake Park Daily Bulletin & Announcements are available on the school website: Daily Bulletin.

All Harris-Lake Park MS/HS and Elementary School activities are updated on the Harris-Lake Park Bound website: Bound/Harris-Lake Park Wolves.

Spirit Lake Park Wrestling and the SLPO Soccer schedules are available on the Spirit Lake Bound website: Bound/Spirit Lake CSD. Scheduling for these shared sports is done through the Spirit Lake schools.

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROGRAM

Healthy school meals consistent with the nutritional requirements set forth by the Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act will be made available to all students. Students will also be permitted to bring their lunches from home and to purchase only beverages and incidental items. Breakfast is served and available to all MS/HS and elementary students each morning from 7:45-8:10 AM. This Institution is an equal opportunity provider.

PROGRAMA DE DESAYUNO Y ALMUERZO

Se pondrán a disposición de todos los estudiantes comidas escolares saludables que cumplan con los requisitos nutricionales establecidos por la Ley de Niños Saludables y Sin Hambre. A los estudiantes también se les permitirá traer sus almuerzos de casa y comprar solo bebidas y artículos incidentales. El desayuno se sirve y está disponible para todos los estudiantes de MS/HS y de primaria todas las mañanas de 7:45 a 8:10 a.m. Esta Institución es un proveedor de igualdad de oportunidades.

HARRIS-LAKE PARK WEBSITE NOTICES AND PARENT ACCESS CAPABILITIES

Website Notices and Parent Access Capabilities - District Patrons with internet access will be able to receive updates for weather-related school announcements on the school website. The website will be updated regarding late starts and weather cancellations. Parents may also sign up for the HLP District Announcement messages (see information to sign up in this newsletter.)

Parents may update their parent contact information and access their student's grades, lunch and tuition/fee account balances on-line through their JMC Parent Portal. JMC Parent Portal. Lunch & Fee payments can be made on-line through the JMC Online Payment system.

Newsletter Information - The monthly newsletter is emailed to all Harris-Lake Park families who have provided an email address. If you are a district patron or a friend or family member who does not have a student enrolled in the Harris-Lake Park Schools and wish to receive the monthly newsletter by email, please send your request to: shirley@hlpcsd.org and you will be added to our email listing.

Newsletters are also available on-line: HLP Newsletters

Print newsletters are available at the elementary and MS/HS school offices.

USDA Nondiscrimination Statement:

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at: <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-3027.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

1. **mail:**

U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20250-9410; or

2. **fax:** (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or

3. **email:** Program.Intake@usda.gov

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Welcome!

The main exterior building doors of the elementary and MS/HS are controlled access doors. To enter the school buildings you will need to be let in by the office. To enter the school during those times you should follow these steps:

Press the call button on the Aiphone (located on the brick wall near the doors). Personnel in the office will look at the live video feed while you tell your name.

The doors will be manually unlocked for you and you may proceed to the office to sign in.

All visitors must sign in and wear a badge! ALL parents, visitors and vendors to the Harris-Lake Park Schools are required to sign in at the building offices and wear a badge indicating they are a visitor in the building.

The school has established this added security measure to ensure the safety of our students.

Harris-Lake Park Community School District Addresses, Phone Numbers, Fax Numbers

Elementary Building

PO Box 277 Phone Number: 712-832-3437
105 Avenue A West Fax Number: 712-832-3812
Lake Park, IA 51347

MS/HS Building

PO Box 8 Phone Number: 712-832-3809
905 South Market Fax Number: 712-832-3812
Lake Park, IA 51347

Lake Park Public Library

PO Box 344 Phone Number: 712-832-9505
905 South Market Fax Number: 712-832-9507
Lake Park, IA 51347 Email: library@lakepark.us

District Announcements



Harris-Lake Park Community:

Please sign up for District Announcements using the instructions below. These announcements are used for emergencies such as school closings, weather announcements, and other important information.

Get information for District Announcements right on your phone—not on handouts.

Pick a way to receive messages for District Announcements:

A If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

rmd.at/28e773

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.



B If you don't have a smartphone, get text notifications.

Text the message @28e773 to the number 81010.

If you're having trouble with 81010, try texting @28e773 to (469) 608-2309.

* Standard text message rates apply.



Don't have a mobile phone? Go to rmd.at/28e773 on a desktop computer to sign up for email notifications.

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School District is an EOE/AA

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