

BULLDOG NEWS

APRIL 2024









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SARAH LINDAUER









4TH GRADE HAS LED THE FRIDAY MORNING BEFORE-SCHOOL DANCE PARTY ALL YEAR!





ELBERT STUDENTS:

PLEASE KNOW THAT IF YOU ARE FEELING
ANXIOUS, STRESSED, SAD, OR
OVERWHELMED, MR. DORMAN IS AVAILABLE
TO SPEAK WITH YOU. YOU CAN REACH HIM
BY EMAIL, WHICH HE CHECKS REGULARLY!
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ELBERT SCHOOL DISTRICT #200





Drop -Off and Pick-Up Safety

PARFNTS-

PLEASE HELP US KEEP EVERYONE SAFE BY FOLLOWING THESE SIMPLE RULES:

NO CARS ARE ALLOWED IN THE BUS LOOP FOR CHILD DROP OFF AT ANY TIME BEFORE OR AFTER SCHOOL.

IF YOU ARE LATE, YOU NEED TO PULL INTO THE PARKING LOT OR USE THE DROP OFF LANE
AND YOUR CHILD NEEDS TO WALK INTO THE BUILDING. PRESCHOOL PICKUP AND AFTERNOON DROP OFF MAY USE THE
BUS LOOP.

** THE DROP OFF LANE ADJACENT TO THE PLAYGROUND IS FOR QUICK DROP OFFS ONLY. PLEASE DO NOT SIT IN YOUR VEHICLE AND WATCH YOUR CHILD WALK INTO SCHOOL. **

IF YOU HAVE YOUNG CHILDREN THAT NEED ASSISTANCE GETTING OUT OF THE CAR, PLEASE PULL INTO A PARKING SPOT
TO UNLOAD AND WALK YOUR CHILD TO THE SIDEWALK.
STAFF WILL BE AVAILABLE TO HELP THEM WALK INTO THE SCHOOL IF NEEDED.

PLEASE BE COURTEOUS TO OTHER VEHICLES IN THE DROP OFF LANE AND PULL AS FAR FORWARD AS YOU ARE ABLE.

PLEASE SLOW DOWN THROUGH THE PARKING LOT. IT IS DIFFICULT TO SEE A SMALL PERSON THROUGH THE PARKED CARS.

IF THE MAIN PARKING LOT IS FULL, PLEASE REMEMBER THERE IS OVERFLOW PARKING IN THE LOWER LOT.

PLEASE HELP US KEEP OUR KIDS SAFE! **UPCOMING EVENTS** 4/25-4/26 4TH & 5TH GRADE FIELD TRIP TO HIGH TRAILS 4/27 PROM FFA STATE CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT 4/28-4/29 CONTESTS @ CSU MS MATCHWITS @ ECA 4/20 5/1 ELEMENTARY AG DAY **BOOSTER CLUB MEETING 4:45** 5/1 5/2 SPRING MUSIC CONCERT K-3 FIELD TRIP - MANITOU CLIFF DWELLINGS 5/3 4TH QTR AR FIELD TRIP ELEMENTARY STUDENT COUNCIL FIELD TRIP FFA BANQUET 6:30 5/8 INDUSTRIAL ARTS FAIR 5/9 PRESCHOOL GRADUATION 10:00 5/9 NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION 6:00 5/9 LAST DAY OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 5/10 5/14-5/17 SECONDARY FINAL EXAMS END OF SECOND SEMESTER 5/17 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

5/19

5/28

CLASS OF 2024 GRADUATION 2:

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING 6:00

DRILL INFORMATION:

ELBERT SCHOOL PRACTICES UP TO TWO DRILLS (FIRE, LOCKDOWN, TORNADO, ETC.) A MONTH. IF THERE IS EVER AN ACTUAL LOCKDOWN, TORNADO, FIRE, OR OTHER EMERGENCY, A MESSAGE WILL BE SENT TO PARENTS.

ELBERT SCHOOL DISTRICT #200 DOES NOT UNLAWFULLY DISCRIMINATE AGAINST OTHERWISE QUALIFIED STUDENTS, EMPLOYEES, APPLICANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT, OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY, GENDER EXPRESSION, MARITAL STATUS, NATIONAL ORIGIN, RELIGION, ANCESTRY, OR NEED FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES. DISCRIMINATION AGAINST EMPLOYEES AND APPLICANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT BASED ON AGE, GENETIC INFORMATION, CONDITIONS RELATED TO PREGNANCY OR CHILDBIRTH IS ALSO PROHIBITED ACCORDING TO STATE/FECDERAL LAW.



ELBERT SPORTS

WELCOME BACK TO SPRING SPORTS IN ELBERT, BULLDOG FANS! AS WE WELCOME YOU BACK
TO THE STANDS, PLEASE BE RESPECTFUL OF OUR COACHES, OFFICIALS, FANS, STUDENT
ATHLETES, AND ALL OF THE INDIVIDUALS WHO WORK HARD TO MAKE THESE EVENTS HAPPEN
FOR OUR STUDENTS!

-HEAD COACHES

HS BASEBALL

APRIL 27 LYONS 10:00

APRIL 30 DISTRICT TOURNAMENT: QUARTERFINALS TBA

MAY 4 DISTRICT TOURNAMENT: SEMIFINALS & FINALS TBA

MAY 11 REGIONAL TOURNAMENT TBA

MAY 16 1A STATE BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP TBA







MS TRACK & FIELD

APRIL 25 ELBERT INVITATIONAL @ ELBERT 1:00

MAY 4 BLACK FOREST LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS @ ELBERT 8:00

HS TRACK & FIELD

FRIDAY, APRIL 26 LIBERTY BELL INVITATIONAL @ ECHO PARK STADIUM 4:00

FRIDAY, MAY 3 BURLINGTON INVITATIONAL 10:00

SATURDAY, MAY 4 BFL CHAMPIONSHIPS @ ELBERT 8:00

FRIDAY, MAY 10 FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS
@PUEBLO WEST 1:00

SATURDAY, MAY 11 1A-2A TRACK AND FIELD LAST CHANCE QUALIFIER @ LIMON 9:00

MAY 16-18 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS @ JEFFCO STADIUM TBA



E SPORTS

ESPORTS BEGAN THEIR SPRING SEASON

FEBRUARY 8TH, PLAYING MADDEN 24 AND MARIO KART



ELBERT GATE PRICES

High School Games

\$7 Adults \$6 Students & Seniors

Middle School Games

\$6 Adults \$5 Students & Seniors

Gate Passes

\$75 Parents & Fans / \$50 Students
One time purchase







WE WERE FORTUNATE TO EXPERIENCE MILD WEATHER DURING THE FIRST SEMESTER. HOWEVER, WE ALL KNOW THAT COLDER, INCLEMENT WEATHER IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER. WITH THE CHANGING WEATHER CONDITIONS
COME DIFFICULT DECISIONS AS LLOOK AT DETERMINING DISTRICT SNOW DAYS, VARIOUS FACTORS ARE EXAMINED REFORE A DECISION IS MADE TO CANCEL SCHOOL. HAVE A LATE START, OR DISMISS STUDENTS FARLY.

FACTORS CONSIDERED:

WARNINGS AND WATCHES (STORM, BLIZZARD, HIGH WINDS) - THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE ISSUES WARNINGS AND WATCHES AND PROVIDES THE DISTRICT WITH UP-TO-DATE WEATHER INFORMATION.

ROAD CONDITIONS - ROADS IN TOWN OFTEN LOOK VERY DIFFERENT FROM RURAL ROADS. ALL OF OUR BUS ROUTES REQUIRE DIRT ROAD REMOTE TRAVEL.

EXTREME TEMPERATURES -- COLD TEMPERATURES NEAR OR BELOW O DEGREES CAN HAVE A DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE BUSES USED FOR TRANSPORTATION.

THE RISK TO THE STUDENTS STANDING AT A BUS STOP IS ALSO CONSIDERED.

WE (SUPERINTENDENT, TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR, MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR, AND BUS DRIVERS) COMMUNICATE FREQUENTLY THROUGHOUT THE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS.

ELBERT COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE, ELBERT COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, AND ALL SURROUNDING SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS COMMUNICATE TO MAKE A FULLY INFORMED DECISION.

ROAD AND BRIDGE SHARE THE ROAD CONDITIONS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY AS WELL AS PROBABLE PLOWING AND SNOW REMOVAL SCHEDULES.

SOMETIMES A "CALL" TO CANCEL SCHOOL IS MADE IN THE VERY EARLY HOURS OF THE MORNING AND MOTHER NATURE SURPRISES US, GOING AGAINST ALL PREDICTIONS.

AS WE ALL KNOW, THE WEATHER CAN ALSO TURN OUT WORSE THAN PREDICTED. WHEN MAKING THE DECISION, STUDENT AND STAFF SAFETY ARE ALWAYS PARAMOUNT.

ALL STUDENTS AND ACTIVITIES IN THE SCHOOL ARE IMPORTANT, BUT NOTHING IS MORE CRITICAL THAN EVERYONE'S SAFETY AND WELL-BEING. ALSO KEEP IN MIND THAT MANY OF OUR STAFF LIVE IN OUTLYING COMMUNITIES,

THUS ADDING ANOTHER DYNAMIC TO THE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS.

IF WE HAVE TO COVER OUR SCHOOL DAY WITH NUMEROUS SUBSTITUTES. THIS IMPACTS OUR DECISION.

PLEASE UNDERSTAND THAT MAKING A SNOW DAY DETERMINATION IS NEVER TAKEN LIGHTLY AND IS ALWAYS A DIFFICULT ONE. DESPITE OUR BEST EFFORTS AND INFORMATION GATHERING,
WE ARE SOMETIMES FOOLED BY THE EXPERTS' "WRONG" CALL.

THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION REQUIRES A MINIMUM NUMBER OF EDUCATIONAL HOURS PER YEAR,

WHICH WE BUILD OUR SCHOOL CALENDAR AROUND. PLEASE NOTE THAT WE KNOWINGLY SCHEDULE AN EXCESS NUMBER OF HOURS TO ACCOUNT FOR OUR INCLEMENT WEATHER/ROAD CONDITIONS.

THE 2023-2024 CALENDAR HAS 12.06 EXCESS DAYS CALCULATED ABOVE THE REQUIRED MINIMUM HOURS.

THEREFORE, YOU SHOULD BE PREPARED TO HAVE A PLAN FOR YOUR STUDENT IF SCHOOL IS DISMISSED EARLY OR A SNOW DAY IS NECESSARY.

ALL FAMILIES SHOULD MAKE ADVANCE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THEIR CHILDREN IN CASE OF SCHOOL CLOSURE, AS WE CONTINUE TO PUT STUDENT AND STAFF SAFETY FIRST, WE CERTAINLY APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT.

COMMUNICATION WILL ALWAYS BE SENT THROUGH THE SCHOOL MESSENGER SERVICE -

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE SET YOUR ACCOUNT UP TO ACCEPT OUR MESSAGES.

WHEN WE CAN, THE MESSAGES WILL BE SENT BY 8:00 P.M. THE NIGHT BEFORE, OR BY 6:00 A.M., OR WHEN ON A DELAYED START WE WILL MESSAGE AN UPDATED CLOSURE BY 8:00 A.M.
WE ALSO USE LOCAL NEWS STATIONS AND OUR WEBSITE TO POST OUR STATUS.





HIGH SCHOOL MATCHWITS



THE ELBERT MATCHWITS TEAM ISN'T DONE YET AFTER ALL!

THE TEAM WAS INVITED TO COMPETE IN THE NATIONAL KNOWLEDGE BOWL ON APRIL 20TH.

ANOTHER BIG CONGRATULATIONS TO SENIORS AUDREY AND EVAN CHAI, SOPHOMORE CARL HUGHETT,

AND FRESHMEN SARAH PETERSEN AND EMILY WOLFSWINKEL FOR EXTENDING THE SEASON!







THIS PAST APRIL 3RD, ALL 24 ELBERT STUDENTS CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN SPANISH TOOK A FIELD TRIP TO THE MUSEO DE LAS AMERICAS IN DENVER.

THEY WERE LED BY LOS SEÑORES GLEIFORST AND ARAGON WITH SEÑORITA PETERSON, OUR ART TEACHER, AS THEIR TECHNICAL ADVISOR.

THE PURPOSE OF THE TRIP WAS TO LEARN MORE ABOUT A WELL KNOWN MEXICAN ARTIST, FRIDA KAHLO "QUEEN OF THE SELFIES."

FRIDA WAS BEST KNOWN FOR HER SELF PORTRAITS. FOLLOWING A PRESENTATION BY A MUSEUM STAFF MEMBER,

THE STUDENTS WERE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE THEIR OWN MULTI-MEDIA SELF PORTRAITS. SOME OF THESE PORTRAITS, WITH THE ARTISTS' PERMISSION,

WILL BE ON DISPLAY NEXT TO THE SPANISH CLASSROOM. SEE IF YOU CAN GUESS WHO IS WHO.

AFTER THE MUSEUM VISIT, THE STUDENTS STOPPED FOR LUNCH AND THEN VISITED A LATIN AMERICAN GROCERY STORE.

FOR THIS VISIT, STUDENTS WERE ORGANIZED INTO PAIRS AND GIVEN A LIST WRITTEN IN SPANISH OF FOOD PRODUCTS.

THEIR TASK WAS TO FIND THESE PRODUCTS AND REPORT BACK TO SEÑOR GLEIFORST TELLING HIM WHAT THE PRODUCTS WERE.

MIA SCHNEPP SAID SHE "HAD A WONDERFUL TIME LEARNING AND HAVING FUN WITH OTHER STUDENTS."

WYATT SLOAN SAID "WHEN LIFE PUSHES YOU AROUND. THERE'S ALWAYS A SOFT SPOT TO LAND ON."

ELBERT CLUBS

*ART CLUB (MS. PETERSON)

*DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS (MS. STONE)

*BOOK CLUB - HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL (MRS. LINDAUER)

*MATCHWITS (MR. LARSON)

*STUCO (MS. STONE)

*FFA (MRS. WELCH)

*FCA (COACH CORNELL, COACH THIEMAN)

*FCCLA (MRS. FIELD)

*CHESS CLUB (MRS. AUSTIN)

A.S.H.E.S

AFTER SCHOOL HELPING EVERYONE SUCCEED

TUES, WED, THURS 4:15-5:15

BOX TOPS!

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FOR PARTICIPATING PRODUCTS















AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT NEWS:

WELCOME MS. DELANEY HEGGER!

MS. HEGGER IS FROM SIMLA AND COMPLETED HER STUDENT TEACHING AND GRADUATED WITH HER DEGREE IN AGRICULTURE EDUCATION FROM WEST TEXAS A&M IN DECEMBER.

SHE HAS RECENTLY JOINED THE ELBERT TEAM AND HAS BEEN CO-TEACHING WITH MRS. WELCH.

MS. HEGGER WILL BE THE LEAD AG TEACHER NEXT YEAR AND MRS. WELCH WILL MOVE TO PART TIME AND CONTINUE TO HELP WITH FFA EVENTS AND COORDINATION OF CAREER AND TECH ED PROGRAMS AT ELBERT.

THE AG STUDENTS, MRS. WELCH AND MS. HEGGER ARE SO THANKFUL TO THE ELBERT SCHOOL BOARD TOGETHER WITH OUR ADMINISTRATION FOR THEIR STRONG SUPPORT OF AGRICULTURE EDUCATION AND FFA.

A ROBUST AGRICULTURE PROGRAM AND FFA IS OF UTMOST IMPORTANCE TO OUR SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY AND WE ARE THANKFUL

FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A SMOOTH. SEAMLESS TRANSITION TO PROPEL OUR KIDS FURTHER INTO PREMIER LEADERSHIP, PERSONAL GROWTH. AND CAREER SUCCESS THROUGH AGRICULTURE EDUCATION.

FFA MEMBER NEWS:

CONGRATULATIONS AND BIG NEWS: MAKAYLA KASHNER WAS RECENTLY APPROVED FOR THE STATE FFA DEGREE!

SHE IS THE SECOND ELBERT FFA MEMBER EVER TO RECEIVE THIS HONOR.

MAKAYLA KEPT CAREFUL RECORDS ON HER INCOME AND HOURS WORKING AT A PUMPKIN PATCH. LOGGED 20+ HOURS OF VOLUNTEERING.

AND PARTICIPATED IN OVER 10 FFA EVENTS AND COMPETITIONS ABOVE THE CHAPTER LEVEL.

MAKAYLA WILL ATTEND A SPECIAL RECOGNITION DINNER AND RECEIVE HER STATE DEGREE AS SHE WALKS ACROSS THE STAGE AT THE COLORADO FFA CONVENTION IN JUNE.

CONGRATULATIONS. MAKAYLA!

ON APRIL 29, WE WILL BE SENDING BOTH HORSE AND LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAMS TO THE COLORADO FFA CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT CONTESTS AT COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY.

ALLI GOODNOW, KATIE GWALTNEY, BROOKE HUDSON, AND ALLIE WELCH WILL EVALUATE HALTER HORSES AS WELL AS PERFORMANCE HORSE CLASSES

AND DEFEND THEIR PLACINGS BY GIVING ORAL "REASONS" BEFORE JUDGES.

 $\textbf{STOCKTON MUSGROVE, MAISEY PETERSON, PIPER WARREN AND MATTEA ZION WILL JUDGE CLASSES OF CATTLE, SHEEP, GOOATS, AND HOGS$

AND DELIVER MULTIPLE SETS OF REASONS TO JUDGES TO DEFEND THEIR PLACINGS.

GOOD LUCK TO THESE TWO COMPETITIVE FFA JUDGING TEAMS!

ADDITIONALLY, WE HAVE TWO DISTRICT WINNERS WHO WILL COMPETE AT THE STATE FFA CONVENTION THIS SUMMER.

MATTEA ZION WILL BE COMPETING IN EMPLOYMENT SKILLS WHERE SHE WILL COMPLETE A PORTFOLIO WITH A COVER LETTER, RESUME, AND JOB APPLICATION.

SHE WILL HAVE A MOCK INTERVIEW AND ALSO PARTICIPATE IN NETWORKING ACTIVITIES WITH ACTUAL AGRICULTURE BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES.

ALLIE WELCH WILL BE COMPETING IN EXTEMPORANEOUS PUBLIC SPEAKING WHERE SHE WILL HAVE 30 MINUTES TO PREPARE AND DELIVER

A 4 TO 6 MINUTE SPEECH AND ANSWER 5 MINUTES OF FOLLOW UP QUESTIONS AFTER DRAWING FROM A LIST OF AG ISSUES TOPICS.

GOOD LUCK MATTEA AND ALLIE!

ALLIE WELCH AND MAKAYLA KASHNER WERE RECENTLY ELECTED AS DISTRICT TEN OFFICERS AND WILL BE INVOLVED IN COORDINATING EVENTS AT THE DISTRICT LEVEL FOR 2024-2025.

UPCOMING FFA COMMUNITY EVENTS:

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8: FFA BANQUET, 6:30PM, ELBERT SCHOOL COMMONS

COME CELEBRATE WITH US AS WE RECOGNIZE OUR FFA MEMBERS' ACCOMPLISHMENTS ALONG WITH COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO HAVE HELPED US HAVE AN AMAZING YEAR!

SATURDAY, JUNE 1: FFA HIRED HAND AUCTION, COMMUNITY DINNER & DANCE, ELBERT MERCANTILE BUILDING

JOIN US FOR A COMMUNITY DINNER AND DANCE! IF YOU MISSED THE WINTER COMMUNITY DANCE, YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS ONE. SUPPORT THE ELBERT FFA BY DONATING FUNDS
TO THE CHAPTER AND RECEIVING 8 HOURS OF LABOR IN RETURN (LIVE AUCTION STYLE) OR JUST COME AND ENJOY A FUN EVENING OF COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP. TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM FFA MEMBERS.

UPCOMING FFA DATES

APRIL 25: CHAPTER OFFICER INTERVIEWS, 6 TO 7:30 PM

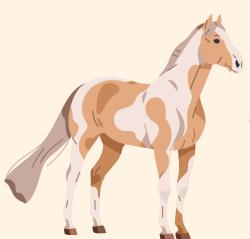
APRIL 28-29: STATE JUDGING CONTESTS (HORSE & LIVESTOCK TEAMS)

MAY 1: ELEMENTARY AG DAY (DURING SCHOOL HOURS)

MAY 8: FFA BANQUET, 6:30PM TO 8PM (STUDENT & COMMUNITY RECOGNITION)

JUNE 1: SPRING FUNDRAISER (DINNER, DANCE, & HIRED HAND AUCTION @ ELBERT MERCANTILE)

JUNE 3-6: STATE FFA CONVENTION















ELBERT SCHOOL BRANCH PUBLIC HOURS:

MONDAY 12:00-4:00

12.00 4.00

TUESDAY-THURSDAY 4:30-7:00PM

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ELBERT HAS THE LATEST BOOKS AND DVDS, E-BOOKS, AND AUDIOBOOKS!

VISIT US ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION
ABOUT
PROGRAMS,
CALENDAR OF EVENTS, TO REQUEST
MATERIALS, AND MORE!



APRIL

BOOSTER CLUB

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 3rd - Booster Club Meeting 4:45PM AT ELBERT SCHOOLS IN THE BOARD ROOM

April 5th - First Friday Breakfast **HURTS DONUTS & BURRITOS**



May 2nd - Spring Concert

PHILLY CHEESESTEAK DINNER

Use the QR code to pre-order your Philly dinner tickets!

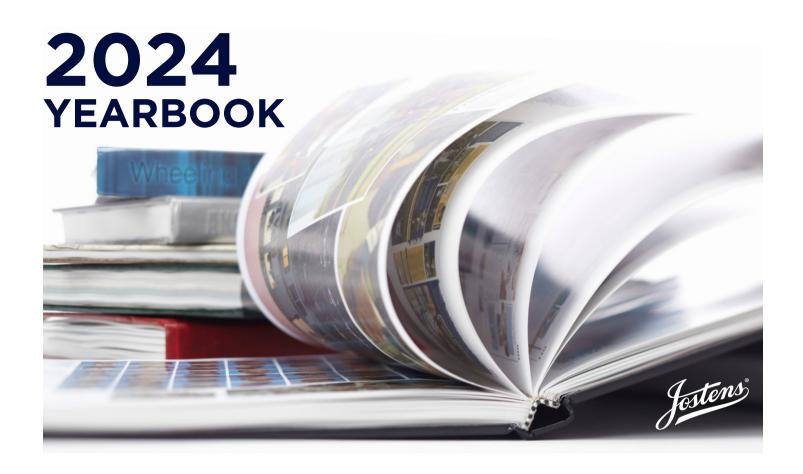




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