

School Day

- 7:30 Breakfast,
- 8:05 First Bell
- 8:08 Class Starts
- 3:40 End of Day
- Afterschool Program ends 5:00

Important Dates

MAP TESTING

May 2-13

May 3: Teacher Appreciation

May 9: Community Clean UP

May 11: District Track

May 12: Elementary Awards 2:00

May 13: Graduation
3rd-4th Outdoor Rendezvous State Park

May 16: District Golf

May 17: Awards Night
6:00 /meal

May 19:
PK-6 Last Day.

Little Warriors PK Graduation 10:30

K-2 Field Day

3-6th Field Trip S.Falls

May 23: LAST DAY 7-11

Music Notes: Spring Concert Extraordinaire!

Anpetu waste, friends! I am a very proud music teacher this month, having witnessed the longest and most involved K-12 concert since I was blessed with this music position. Your K-6 musicians are growing more confident with each passing semester, exploring music of various styles and languages. It is my goal to have the 5th and 6th grade students experiment with band instruments in the last couple weeks of school in order to prepare them for fall. Fourth grade has been practicing recorder, as many of you witnessed at the performance during their song.

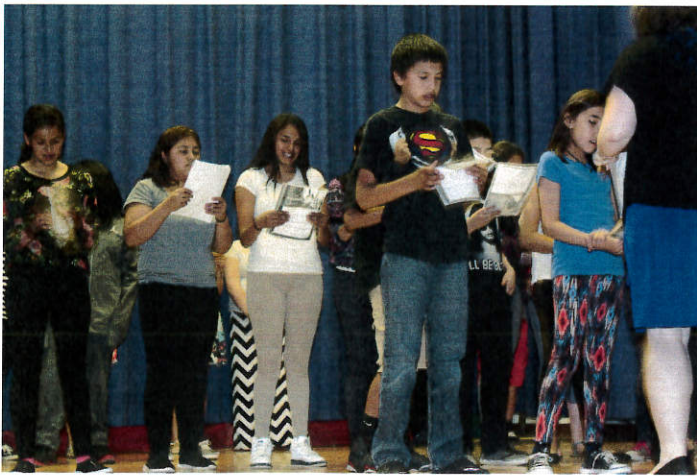
Middle school and high school ensembles and soloists stepped out to do smaller group songs with bravery. I would like to offer a special shout-out to Maria Macias for her lovely solo during the large-ensemble gospel tune *I Wish I Knew How It Would Feel to Be Free*, to Yasmeen Sandoval and Joseph Johnson for their gorgeous instrumental solos that brought tears to some of their teachers' eyes, and to all the students who participated in multiple ensembles. I cannot wait to see what next year will bring for our growing program!

Thank you to all the parents, family, friends, and community members who took the time to come join us for an evening of music and celebration. A good arts program is built on the hard work of students AND on a dedicated, supportive audience.

7-12 choral students still have one more performance, singing a song at graduation to honor those who have completed their time as students here. Graduation is at 6:00 P.M. on Friday, May 13; I expect our choir to be seated at the southwest end of the bleachers, dressed nicely, at 5:45 P.M. that evening. See you there!!

Pidamiyaye, Miss Knight

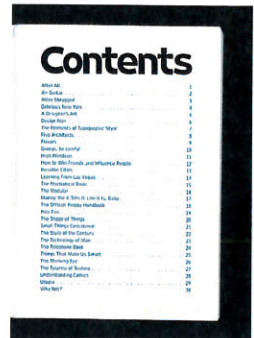




Music Notes: High school band and chorus performs at concert, along with elementary chorus. Great job students! A meal followed, for our community night.

3rd Grade News — Mrs. Hrbek

Terrific Third Graders



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Greetings from our class! We have been working hard and learning so much! We are becoming more and more responsible every day- using our table of contents and index to look up answers we are not sure of, demonstrating and explaining symmetry, building time lines, and doing our best on the NeSA test. This was our first time taking it. We utilized the tools- cross out, hi-lighter, and line guide- to help us narrow down our answers. Our

May goals include: setting our improvement goals for the MAP test, planning a field trip, presenting our reports, reading for our AR points, making summer goals for Reading and Math, and the daily work that we do. It is not to late to come visit us!



Mrs. Hrbek, Jody, and the Terrific Third Graders



6th Graders - Mrs. Crosley

Sixth grade working on green thumbs! Vegetable plants for the gardens.



Little Warriors Pre-school...makes planters.

April showers bring may flowers. We learned that these flowers are not like the ones on trees. Trees flowers turn into fruit!



LITTLE WARRIORS PRE SCHOOL – MS. STEWART

It is hard to believe that we are to the end of the school. I would like to share some things that we have done in this school year.

- We learned to share and play with others.
- We have learned how to write our names.
- We have learned to recognize and write letters and numbers.
- We have learned to recognize and describe some shape.
- We have learned some animal names, shapes, colors, and number in Dakota.
- We had a fashion show and a luncheon for parents.
- We learned to write numbers, letters and words on the Ipad.
- We learned rhyming words with Dr. Seuss and activities.
- We had a pet rabbit and a fish in the classroom.

Riding the cool big bus for our Field Trip to Summit Center and McDonalds.



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 playing rabbit DakotaLanguage
 swimming

- We saw baby chicks.
- We went swimming and ate at McDonald's
- We learned to ride bikes.
- We played in the sandbox and made cakes, cupcakes, and found some treasures.
- We are graduating students and others are moving to the next level.
- With the April rains, we are hoping for some May flowers.



Building Bird Nests with the help of Ruth Vonderhoe from Knox County Extension Office!



4th Grade News

Mrs. LaPlante

It is so hard to believe that we are coming to the end of another school year!! My students have worked super hard this year and I loved having them. With only 20 school days left we still have a lot to learn, so parents please get your children to school on time and ready to learn ☺

The kids have been doing numerous fun activities in their classes.

In Math we are learning about Geometric Transformations, so they did an art project where they had to make their own shapes and describe the transformation of each figure. They also went around the school and did a survey on students and staff as we were learning about Collecting Data with Surveys.

In Science, we are beginning a new unit "Properties of Matter" so I am sure we will be doing some fun experiments with that as well ☺

We also began a new chapter in Social Studies titled, "Government For All of Us." The students will be learning about the branches of government and who our current leaders are.

Thank you to all of the parents for getting your children to school so they can successfully complete their NeSA testing. All of the students did an excellent job!



5th Grade News — Mrs. Flyinghawk

This month the 5th graders attended the Natural Resources Festival in Oneill NE. We learned about water pressure, nature investigation, natural water sources, and waste management.

We also attended T.H.E Wolf and the Two Pigs play in Norfolk, NE.

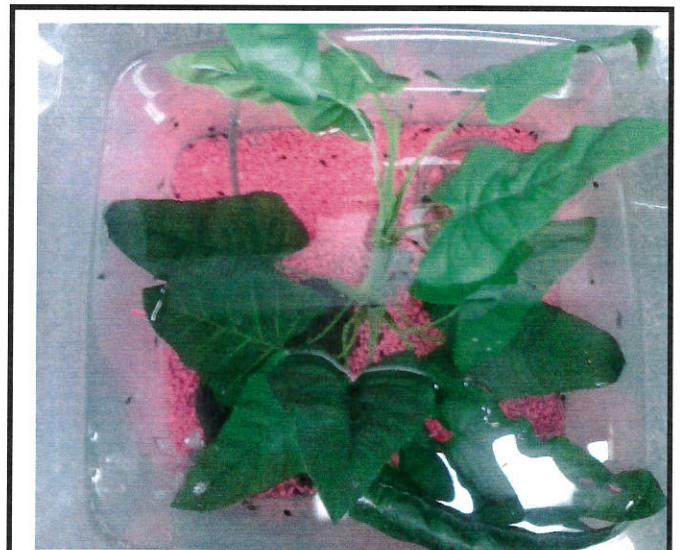
We had a guest speaker Ruth Vonderohe from UNL Extension help



us create our own rockets to simulate how rockets can bring food to disaster areas.



Kids had a blast!



This month we got a few class pets, 100 frog eggs have begun to hatch and become tadpoles. Watch our school Facebook page for updates on their growth!

21st CCLC & Librarian News —Mrs. Nielsen

Library News

As the end of the school year is fast approaching, please search your house for any library books that your child(ren) may have brought home. It is important that the **books are returned to the library.**

The following students earned these incentive prizes for Accelerated Reader points.

2nd Grade:

Roscie Hoffman - 36 points \$5.00 Gift Card

3rd Grade:

Renee Last Horse - 20.2 points Pop/Chips

Jazelle Bickerstaff – 23.5 points Pop/Chips

Dakota Denny- 50.3 points Ear Buds

4th Grade:

Benny Bickerstaff - 52.3 Ear Buds

Akeam Denney - 22.7 Pop/Chips

Layla Johnson - 21.2 Pop/Chips

Silas Kitto - 23.7 Pop/Chips

Adelia Rodriguez Pop/Chips

Cecilia McCormick – 27.8 Pop/Chips

Olivia McCormick - 30.7 \$5.00 Gift Card

Mariyah Saul – 24.9 Pop/Chips

Wambdi Starlin - 52.7 Ear Buds

Bradley Strickland - 38.7 \$5.00 Gift Card

Mari Whipple - 34.9 \$5.00 Gift Card

5th Grade:

Wendall Archambeau – 38.7 \$5.00 Gift Card

Ivan Godfrey - 27.3 Pop/Chips

Lupe - 41.3 Water Bottle

Malaya Starlin -26.5 Pop/Chips

Rikki Kitto - 23.5 Pop/Chips

Austyn Saul - 28.2 Pop/Chips

6th Grade:

Whirlwind Wakute - 26.0 Pop/Chips

Aryannah Saul - 35.1 \$5.00 Gift Card

Octavio Phillips 126.8 Stocking Cap

Students will continue to gain points as they read more books and receive Accelerated Reader points.

21st Century Program News

It is with great joy that I announce that Santee Community Schools has received word that we will continue to receive 21st Century Program funds for the next 5 years. An application was submitted earlier this spring to apply for these grant awarded funds. These funds enable the school to provide the After-School program, Summer School, and the Open Library.

Summer School Program

Santee Community Schools will be offering Summer School again this year. The dates for summer school are May 31 – June 28 and July 5 – July 28. Classes will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Breakfast and lunch will be available for the students. There will be field trips on a couple of the Fridays. Summer School is a great opportunity for your child to continue to grow academically.

Student Services News



Contact Information:

bleader@esu1.org

(402)-857-2741 ext.
4075

Need Extra Study Time or Help?

9th Hour

Monday-Friday 3:40 pm-
5:00

Zero Hour

Monday-Friday 7:30 am-
8:00

All students are wel-
come!



TESTING SEASON IS HERE!!

NeSA Testing Completed!

We are finished with NeSA testing for this year. For the most part, students were observed trying their best on the tests. Students received peppermint gum while testing because peppermint is thought to increase brain activity and alertness. Additionally, students received Starburst candy after testing if they followed the "STAR" testing rules. The rules are to Sit Tall, Take Your Time, Analyze All Choices, and Read All Questions. Most students received 4 candies for following all of the rules. When all testing is completed, we will be serving all students popcorn to thank them for their efforts on state testing!

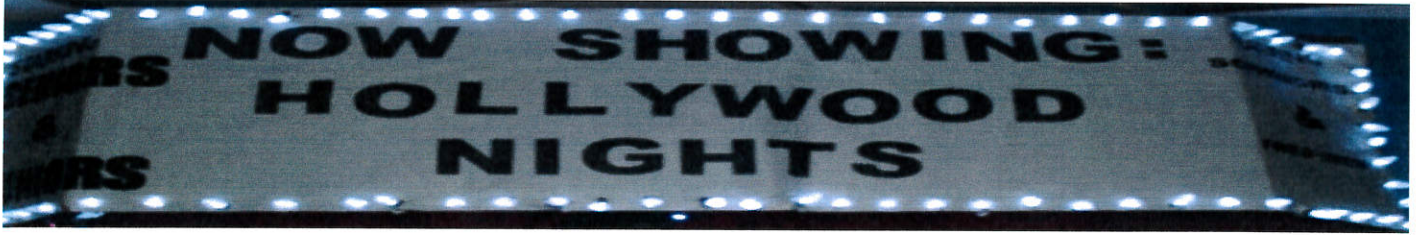
MAP Testing Coming Soon!

We will begin MAP testing students on Monday May 2 for grades 7-12 and Tuesday May 3 for grades K-6. We will send home a schedule when it is complete so that you know which days and times your child will test. It is important that your child attends and stays in school on testing days. When students are pulled for makeup tests, they miss out on other classroom activities and learning. Please make sure your child is well rested and is in school on time for testing! The spring MAP test is extremely important for students because we measure growth from fall to spring. Curricular decisions are made based on how our students do on these tests. Please encourage them to do their best!

Summer School and Credit Recovery:

Does your student in grades 9-12 need summer school credit recovery? If your student has failed one or more classes, they must make up this credit in summer school or on their own time after school. We use an online program called Apex for credit recovery. Students can work on this classwork anytime as long as they have access to the Internet. For students who are expected to graduate in years 2017-2019, the graduation requirement is 270 credit hours. This means that a student can only fail 5 classes before being off track to graduate. Without making up his/her courses, it is likely that he/she will not graduate on time as expected. If your student is coming home with no homework frequently, it is a good sign that they are not completing homework. Most teachers assign homework daily. Please check your parent GoEdustar login to see your student's grades and transcript.

PROM—2016



Prom 2K16: Lights, Camera, ACTION!!!

This year's prom was a glamorous Hollywood evening, with high school students and their dates dressed in finery and walking the red carpet for anxiously waiting paparazzi. There was an excellent turnout for Grand March and dinner, and a good number of students stuck around for the dance and after-prom celebration.

Congratulations to the illustrious 2016 Prom Court: Prom King Cody Johnson, Prom Queen TeShay Cournoyer, Prince Jeffrey Derby, and Princess Stevie Peters!

Immense gratitude to all the people involved in making this year's prom a successful and lovely memory for the high school students! Thanks to Jeanie Mackey for assisting with food; to Cheryl Moose, Julene Kay, and Jeff Higgins for helping with supervision; to Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman for their support and presence during Grand March and dinner; to Emily Romkema for stopping in to help with hair and makeup; to Jay Canning for taking pictures during prep time; to Nicole Smolek for her tireless efforts with décor and preparation; for the students who devoted time to decorate, design, and use their creative powers (especially sophomores Caitlin Cisneros-Johnson, Stefani Johnson, Tailah Washington, and Alicia Saul, who came in after school and on their day off); and to the groups who kindly donated prizes for raffles and games (including the Tribe, Ohiya Casino, and Great Plains Communications). Prom 2K16 was a great example of many forces coming together to create something beautiful – in this case, a night to remember for our young stars!



Prince Jeffrey Derby, King Cody Johnson, Queen, TeShay Cournoyer, Princess Stevie



Community Clean – up May 9, 2016

Clean Up Your Neighborhood

Staff and students are looking forward to volunteering and doing their part in keeping our community beautiful. Students will eat lunch at school, then have an assembly on safety, and being good stewards of the environment.

Classes have been assigned designated areas to clean, they will leave school around 1:00. Bags will be left along the curb or roadside and Housing will be picking them up.

Students will return to school.



7th & 8th with Mrs. Swalley

Parents: Please encourage your 7th and 8th grade students to complete the "Achieve Summer 40 activity challenge." This will help your student maintain their current reading level. "Students lose up to 1.5 years' worth of reading development lost in the summer months alone" (Cooper, Nye, Charlton, Lindsay, & Greathouse, 1996).

Jr. high has made strides in raising their reading level, please continue to encourage them thru the summer months to maintain or even raise their reading level. Again if you have questions about your student's reading level. Please contact Mrs. Swalley 402.857.2741 ext. 4076 or lswalley@esu1.org

Thank you for your participation in your student's education! :)

Track Teams.....Junior High and High School



High School Track Team pictured above.

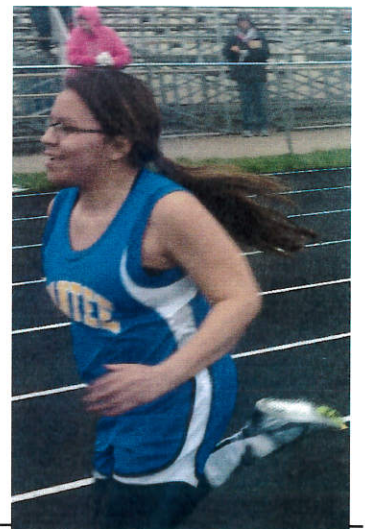
Brandon Whipple, Ezra Lyons, Presley Kitto, Kianna Torrez



J H track team traveled to O'Neill for the West Boyd Invitational on Tuesday, April 27th.

Cooper, Tyreke, Xavier and Dimitryus earned 6th place in the 4x8 relay.

Dimitryus place 5th in the 200 and Cooper 3rd place in the mile.



Santee's May's Breakfast

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 CINNAMIN ROLLS FRUIT JUICE MILK	3 FRENCH TOAST FRUIT JUICE MILK	4 EGG SANDWICH FRUIT JUICE MILK	5 COLD CEREAL N TOAST FRUIT JUICE MILK	6 PANCAKES FRUIT JUICE MILK	7
8	9 WAFFLES N BOILED EGG FRUIT JUICE MILK	10 OATMEAL FRUIT JUICE MILK	11 CINNAMIN ROLL FRUIT JUICE MILK	12 MALT O MEAL N TOAST FRUIT JUICE MILK	13 SCRAMBLED EGGS TOAST FRUIT JUICE MILK	14
15	16 OMELT N TOAST FRUIT JUICE MILK	17 BISCUITS N GRAVY FRUIT JUICE MILK	18 CREAM OF WHEAT N TOAST FRUIT JUICE MILK	19 BREAKFAST BURRITOS FRUIT JUICE MILK	20 ENGLISH MUFFINS BOILED EGGS FRUIT JUICE MILK	21
22	23 YOGURT N BERRIES FRUIT JUICE MILK	24 SUMMER BREAK	25 SUMMER BREAK	26 SUMMER BREAK	27 SUMMER BREAK	28
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Santee's May Lunch

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 POPCORN CHICKEN STRAWBERRIES SMILIE FRIES MILK, 2ND CHOICE CHEF SALAD	3 HOT HAM N CHEESE MELONS POTATOES MILK, 2ND CHOICE CHEF SALAD	4 CHILI DOGS FRESH FRUIT CHILI WITH BEANS MILK, 2ND CHOICE CHEF SALAD	5 MEATLOAF MASHED POTATOES STRAWBERRIES DINNER ROLL MILK 2ND CHOICE CHEF SALAD	6 BURGER N FF MAND. ORANGES MILK, 2ND CHOICE CHEF SALAD	7
8	9 CHICKEN A LA KING TOAST CORN BANANAS MILK 2ND CHOICE CHEF SALAD	10 SALISBURY STEAK DINNER ROLL POTATOES PINEAPPLE MILK 2ND CHOICE CHEF SALAD	11 CRISPITOS TATOR TOTS APPLES BROWNIES MILK, 2ND CHOICE CHEF SALAD	12 PHILLI N CHEESE SAND. GREEN PEPPER N ONION ORANGES Mi:K 2ND CHOICE CHEF SALAD	13 NUGGETS FF BANANAS N STRAWBERRIES MILK 2ND CHOICE CHEF SALAD	14
15	16 FAJITAS RED PAIRS GREEN PEPPERS MILK 2ND CHOICE CHEF SALAD	17 SPAGHETTI GARLIC TOAST GREENBEANS STRAWBERRIES MILK 2ND CHOICE CHEF SALAD	18 ENCHILADAS TROPICAL FRUIT BLENDED VEGGIE MILK 2ND CHOICE CHEF SALAD	19 MC RIBB SAND. CORN BANANAS MILK 2ND CHOICE CHEF SALAD	20 BEEF STEW BISCUITS GREENBEANS MIXED FRUIT MILK, 2ND CHOICE CHEF SALAD	21
22	23 BURRITOS MAND, ORANGES REFRIED BEANS MILK 2ND CHOICE CHEF SALAD	24	25	26	27	28
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AchieveSummer 40-Activity Challenge

**Six Grand Prize winners
receive an iPad mini™!**

Plus, exciting weekly prizes

Use Achieve3000® this summer and have a chance to win exciting prizes!

After school ends, you can continue to read articles and complete activities so that you'll start the new school year with an edge! Complete the activities at home, in the library, or anywhere you want with your mobile device – even without Internet access!

During the summer, complete 40 activities with a first try score of 75% or more on each, and you'll automatically be entered into a raffle to win an iPad mini! Plus, each week we'll send an exciting prize to the student with the most achievement points across the nation. These are the points you earn automatically for completing work within the program. No registration is required to join this contest: Just log in and complete your 40 activities.

The contest runs from your first day of summer to the first day of school in the fall of 2016!



Questions?

Email contacts@achieve3000.com

For Grades 3-11

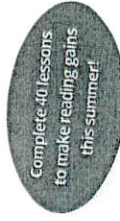
Summer 2016 Keep your child reading now, all summer, and beyond.

Welcome!

This summer, your child has the opportunity to use Achieve3000® at home, the only solution that builds reading comprehension by meeting every child at his or her precise Lexile™/reading level and steadily moving them to grade-appropriate reading and beyond. Children using Achieve3000's programs (KidBiz3000®, TeenBiz3000®, and Empower3000®) participate in a 5-Step Literacy Routine designed to help children:

- develop reading strategies for informational text
- build their academic vocabulary
- write both formally and informally
- critically evaluate the information they read

This routine builds the skills children need to stay on track for college and career.



Making Reading Gains is as Easy as 1-2-3!

1. Improve Your Child's Comprehension with Achieve3000

- Spark discussions with your child about each lesson's reading topics.
- Ask your child to read articles to you and stop periodically to summarize or ask questions.

Have your child write one question for each article and research answers together.

Track your child's activity scores using the reports found in your Home Edition mailbox. Look for first-try scores of 75% or higher.

2. Motivate Your Child to Read More

Show your child how to use the Search feature to find interesting Achieve3000 articles.

Have your child fill out the "Summer Reading Chart," each time an article is read. Think about rewarding your child after articles and activities are completed at 75% or higher.

Use your child's Lexile level (found in the reports in the Home Edition) to help find appropriately leveled books.

3. Activate your Achieve3000 Home Edition

Promote your child's learning by activating your Achieve3000 Home Edition account.

Watch this video to learn more about Achieve3000 and how to activate your Home Edition account.



For any additional questions on how you and your child can effectively use our programs, please contact customer support at 877-235-2525 or support@achieve3000.com

Summer SCHOOL



2016

Santee Community School

May 31 - June 28

And

July 5 - July 28

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM each day for Pre-K thru 4th Grade

8:00 - 12:00 PM each day for 5th - 8th Grade

**Summer School is open to ALL students:
4 year olds through 8th grade**

Breakfast will be served from 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM

Lunch will be served from 12:00 - 12:30 PM

***all children ages 0 - 18 can eat at the school for FREE!**

Santee Community School

ACTIVITY CALENDAR — MAY 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 HEART Association Assembly K-3 2:00 4-6 2:30	3 TEACHER Appreciation Day! ~JH Track NVC and HS @ O'Neill	4 N-V Golf Invite at Niobrara 9:30	5 Track Winside Invite @ 10:00, Laurel	6 Outdoor Rendezvous at Niobrara State Park 3rd-4th grades 10-2:00	7
MAPS Testing						
8	9 Community Cleanup School involvement at 1:00	10 Aqua-fest 5th Grade	11 C-O Triangular Golf 4:00 ~Seniors last day ~District Track @Atkinson	12 Elementary Awards Ceremony @ 2:00 ~Truancy Diversion 10-2	13 2016 Graduation 6:00	14
MAPS Testing						
15	16 D-3 District GOLF @ Ewing	17 7-12 Awards Night 6:00 Truancy Diversion 10-2	18	19 ~ Preschool Graduation @ 10:30 ~ PK -6 Last Day ~Field Day K-2 ~3-6 Field Trip Sioux Falls	20 ~Memorial Walk ~State Track ~7-12 is in school today!	21
22	23 ~ LAST DAY for 7-11th Graders...2:00 Dismissal School out for Summer!	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Memorial Day	31 First Day of Summer School	May 31- June 28 and July 5-July 28 poster included in Newsletter!			