

# WILDCAT NEWSLETTER

November 2024



## **Dear Parents/Guardians,**

As we reach the end of the first quarter, I want to take a moment to reflect on our accomplishments and share some important updates.

### **Celebrating Our Achievements**

This quarter has been filled with growth and learning. I am proud of the hard work our students, teachers, and staff have demonstrated. From engaging classroom activities to successful extracurricular events, it's clear that our community is committed to excellence. I am especially excited about the warm welcome I have received as I work through this first year as your superintendent.

### **Academic Progress**

We have made strides in our academic goals. Our students are showing remarkable progress in their studies, and I encourage our students to continue to strive for their best. Remember, it's important for them to seek help from their teachers when needed and for you to support them in this journey.

### **Upcoming Events**

Looking ahead, we have several exciting events planned for the next quarter. Please support our students as they enter into the winter activity season. These opportunities are a chance for our community to come together and celebrate our students' achievements.

### **Parent Engagement**

I want to emphasize the importance of parent involvement in our schools. Your support plays a crucial role in your child's education. I encourage you to attend the upcoming parent-teacher conferences and stay engaged in your children's academic journey. Remember, you are the main educator in your children's education.

### **Feedback and Improvement**

Your feedback is invaluable. As we continue to improve our programs and services, I invite you to share your thoughts and suggestions. Together, we can create an even better learning environment for our students. Don't ever hesitate to contact the school when you have questions.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our school community. Let's keep up the momentum as we move into the next quarter!

Warm regards,

Tom Ridder  
Superintendent



## Dear Parents/Guardians,

It's hard to believe that we've already wrapped up the first quarter of the school year and the holiday season is right around the corner. As we approach Fall and Winter, please be aware of the temperatures and weather conditions when sending students to school. There are some guidelines listed below to address recess dress requirements.

Parent-Teacher Conferences will be taking place next week. If you've not yet signed up, you can use the following link: <https://signup.com/go/zUPQEyk>. The Scholastic Book Fair will be open in our first floor hallway during Parent-Teacher Conferences.

### Upcoming Dates to remember:

- November 5 Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:00-7:00
- November 7 2:10 Dismissal Parent-Teacher Conferences 2:30-7:00
- November 11 No School- Teacher Inservice
- November 12 Veteran's Day Celebration
- November 26 12:45 Dismissal
- November 27-28 Fall Break/Thanksgiving

### Reminders:

- The doors to the school open at 7:30 for breakfast and the weather is beginning to become colder. Please do not drop your children off prior to 7:30.
- As the weather becomes colder, please send your children with appropriate clothing. The following guidelines are listed in the Parent/Student handbook:
  - 60°F or above: short sleeves and shorts are acceptable.
  - 50°F-59°F: long sleeves and pants are necessary.
  - 49°F-40°F: coats or sweatshirts are recommended.
  - 39°F or below: snow pants, boots, winter coats, and gloves are necessary to play and walk on the snow. Otherwise, students will stay on hard, snowless surfaces.
- Please do not park in the no parking area near the crosswalk in front of the school.
- Chronic Absenteeism is an emphasis this year in the State of Iowa. Please reach out if you have questions about how we are handling this here at G-R.

Go Cats!

Mr. Hjelle  
PK-12 Principal





# GLIDDEN-RALSTON WILDCATS ACTIVITIES

## NOVEMBER EDITION

FFA members had a great opportunity to go to the National Convention this last month. Ms. Zavadil does an amazing job with our FFA students. Here are some highlights she has shared from their trip to Indianapolis. "Eight Glidden-Ralston FFA Members joined 70,000 other FFA members from across the nation to attend the 97th National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN. Students attended the 1st general session where they listened to guest speakers like the National FFA Advisor, Dr. Travis Park. They attended the convention and expo where they were able to network with colleges, businesses, and other FFA members. They also attended industry tours like visiting a honey bee farm, a sheep farm, and a goat creamery. They also enjoyed group activities like a rodeo and Top Golf!"



All Fall Activities have wrapped up for the season.

- Wildcat Football finished the year with a record of 3-5.
  - All District Selections will be announced after all teams in the District have been eliminated from the Playoffs.
- Wildcat Volleyball finished with a record of 10-16. Their season ended with a loss to FD St. Edmond.
  - Lauren Hulsing received 1st Team RVC
  - Ashlynn Tigges received 2nd Team RVC
  - Kassidy Wenck received Honorable Mention

RVC Vocal will be on Monday, November 4th at 7:00pm in Churdan. You can purchase tickets for that on Bound.

Winter Sports will be here before you know it.

- JH Girls/JH Boys/Varsity Girls Basketball first official day of practice will be Monday, November 11th
- Varsity Boys Basketball will start Monday, November 18th
- Wrestling will be shared with Coon Rapids-Bayard. If you're interested in participating in Wrestling for JH or HS, please contact Coon Rapids-Bayard.

All schedules can be found on the Bound App and/or Website. Keep in mind, schedules may be subject to change.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Kahler or Mrs. Conner. We are happy to help!

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Let's work together to reach our fundraising goals!



# BOX TOPICS

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Monster Cereals\*



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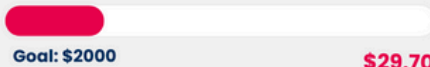
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# SCHOLASTIC **BOOK FAIR**

Dear Families,

Get ready—the Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school! This is a great opportunity to connect with your child over the thrill of bringing home new books to dive into again and again. Studies show that kids read more when they choose books for themselves. And fostering a love of independent reading leads to a wide variety of benefits—including academic success and improved mental health.

Here's everything you need to know about the Book Fair:

Date: **Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>**

Date: **Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup>**

Time: **4:00 to 6:45 P.M.**

Time: **2:30 to 6:45 P.M.**

Location: **First floor hallway**

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Please note: **Books may only be purchased during the designated book fair hours. Cash or credit card only.**

Many of us still remember the rush of finding the perfect book at a Scholastic Book Fair. We hope you'll join your child at our school's Fair and share a reading experience they'll remember forever.








Need one more reason to visit the Book Fair? Every purchase at the Fair benefits our school!

*Happy reading!*

# Wildcat Calendar




# November 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
					-2:00-3:00pm 6 <sup>th</sup> grade Fall Carnival -8:40am Bus Safety Drills	-State Cross Country @ Fort Dodge -State Cheer
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	-RVC Vocal (Churdan) 	-4:00-7:00pm Parent-Teacher Conferences	-6:00pm Booster Club Meeting 	-1:00pm Carroll County Conservation Presentation for Kindergarten -2:10pm DISMISSAL -2:30-7:00pm Parent-Teacher Conferences	-NO SCHOOL	-Regional Swim TBA
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	-NO SCHOOL (Teacher Inservice) -GBB Practice Starts		-4:30pm Board Meeting		-State Swim @ Marshalltown 	-State Swim @ Marshalltown
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	-BBB Practice Starts 			-4:00pm JHBBB @ SCC (Rockwell City)	-VBB Scrimmage @ SE Valley	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
		-12:45pm DISMISSAL (Mid-Term)	NO SCHOOL - Fall Break! 			
<p>The Glidden-Ralston CSD offers career and technical programs in the following service areas: Agricultural Education, Business Education, Health Occupations Education, Family and Consumer Sciences Education, and Industrial Education. It is the policy of the Glidden-Ralston CSD not to illegally discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, disability, religion, creed, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity and socioeconomic status in its educational programs and its employment practices. There is a grievance procedure for processing complaints of discrimination. If you have questions or a grievance related to this policy please contact the district's Equity Coordinator, Kaylee Bach, School Counselor, 602 Idaho St, Glidden, IA 51443, 712-659-3411, <a href="mailto:kbach@glidden-ralston.k12.ia.us">kbach@glidden-ralston.k12.ia.us</a></p>						



# November 2024 Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				1 WG Muffin or Cereal Chicken Nuggets Corn Pears Rice Krispie Treat Milk
4 WG Toast or Cereal Corn Dog Romaine Salad Carrot Sticks Rosie Applesauce Milk	5 Nutrigrain Bar/Yogurt or Cereal Walking Tacos w/ Lettuce & Tomato Refried Beans Tropical Fruit Milk	6 Eggs & Sausage or Cereal BBQ Pulled Pork on WG Bun Potato Salad Baked Beans Pears Milk	7 Breakfast on a Stick or Cereal Orange Chicken WG Rice Mixed Vegetables Peaches Milk	8 NO SCHOOL
11 NO SCHOOL	12 WG Toast or Cereal Chicken Drumsticks WG Roll Potatoes Green Beans Pears Milk	13 WG Biscuits & Gravy or Cereal Hot Ham and Cheese Baked Chips Fresh Carrot Sticks w/ Ranch Orange Slices Milk	14 WG Pancakes or Cereal Chicken Alfredo Garlic Bread Broccoli Mandarin Oranges Milk	15 Long Johns or Cereal Hot Dog on WG Bun Mac-N-Cheese Corn Banana Milk
18 WG Muffin or Cereal Stuffed Crust Pizza Corn Carrot Sticks Apple Milk	19 WG Pancakes or Cereal Crispito Tortilla Chips & Salsa Refried Beans Pineapple Milk	20 Breakfast Burrito or Cereal Mr. Rib Baked Chips Peas Orange Milk	21 Nutrigrain Bar/Yogurt or Cereal Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Garlic Bread Romaine Salad Grapes Milk	22 WG Toast or Cereal Turkey WG Roll Potatoes Green Beans Peaches Holiday Dessert Milk
25 Cinnamon Roll or Cereal Popcorn Chicken French Fries Corn Applesauce Milk	26 WG Toast or Cereal Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Sun Chips Carrot Sticks Apple Cookie Milk	27 NO SCHOOL	28 NO SCHOOL 	29 NO SCHOOL