

School

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From the desk of
**Napoleon Public
School Superintendent**

Mr. Richard Bjerklie
'HAT TRICK'

Oh how times have changed since I was in high school. Take a look at some of the courses that our Napoleon students have taken this year. Intro to Health Professionals, Cybersecurity, Exploring the Teaching Profession, Housing & Interior Design, Medical Terminology, Networking Fundamentals, Principles of Entrepreneurship, Sports & Entertainment Marketing, Stem, Construction Exploration and Intro to Sports Medicine to name a few. It's great to see all the extra class options that we can bring to our students.

Monday, April 21st is the 66th day of the 2025 Legislature. The North Dakota Constitution limits the Legislature to 80 days of meetings every two years. Budget and regulatory moves by the Trump administration have caused state legislative leaders to focus on "saving" some of those days, in case the state Legislature needs to respond to federal actions. Legislation could wrap up in two weeks in order to save days.

There are about 170 bills left to resolve, of which 58 are in conference committee. A conference committee is a group of three House members and three Senators who work out the compromises on different versions of bills.

Tuesday, April 22: Track @ Fessenden; Thursday, April 24: Track @ Valley City, Golf @ Grand Rapids; Friday, April 25: School Play; Saturday, April 26: Speech @ Mandan; Sunday, April 27: School Play.

with uploading the district's payroll to the First Community Credit Union. The district recently switched financial institutions for payroll and Wald noted on a couple of occasions she has had to attempt to resubmit the file numerous times until it would be accepted. She has also been in contact with officials from FCCU in hopes of finding a solution for the issue. Wald also reported a pledge of assets from Stock Growers Bank in the amount of \$2,665,000. Board also granted approval for Wald to transfer \$15,000 from the general fund to the activity fund. Wald noted that incumbent Shawn Puklich was the lone candidate to file for the one school board position. School election will be held June 10, 2025 with Claudia Schulz, Connie Olson, Terri Jangula and Denise Weigel as election workers.

At the request of the Napoleon FFA Alumni, the board granted a \$100,000 request to be used for the new shop/class room addition. This is the final amount of the \$250,000 which the district had earmarked for the project.

In a matter related to the new building, ReadITech has been retained to install switches, upgrade an access point in regards to fiber connect and upgrades to the existing school building as well as the new edition. Expected cost is to be \$44,486.93. Supt. Bjerklie noted they will use grant monies and the approximate final cost to the school district will be approximately \$23,000.

In his report to the board Supt. Bjerklie noted he will bring a quote for 40 Chromebooks and 30 iPads to the May meeting. He also noted that he has been supporting public schools through his weekly column in the newspaper as the state legislature is looking at funding options for private and charter schools. Bjerklie said he would like to see private schools be required to follow all the same rules as public schools.

As another informational item for the board, it was noted the district offers 26 different career and technical classes which are not currently offered in house and Napoleon students have 67 enrollments.

He noted staff is receiving Title 9 training, and that staff is looking at updating its mental health curriculum.

Board members were reminded to complete evaluation of business manager.

It was reported that the sec-

ond grade received a \$6,872 from the Just Right Reader Grant.

Elementary Principal Whitney Weigel in her report to the board noted the recently completed reading month the students recorded 96,000 minutes of reading time, Weigel said the goal for next year is over 100,000 minutes. She noted that 95% of parents attended the spring parent teacher conferences.

High School principal/ad Chad Berger reported to the board that state testing will happen the next couple of weeks. He noted that Kali Fettig has been offered the varsity volleyball coaching position as well as having two assistants, Abreena Klitzke and Shania Nieuwsma, as there are an expected 50 girls - 7-12 who will play volleyball next fall. The spring activity banquet is set for May 7.

Berger noted that due to low projected numbers in both girls' and boys' elementary basketball that they may need to allow fourth graders to play with the fifth and sixth graders.

He reported they are seeking a jr. high volleyball coach and both head and assistant girls' wrestling coaches. It was also reported that Gackle-Streeter has students interested in being part of the Napoleon Trap Shoot team. Berger noted the annual sports co-op committee meeting will be held the next day with G-S officials to review how the co-op is doing as well as to gather more information.

Berger reported attending a football boosters meeting and the group expressed interest in raising funds to replace the lights around the football field. There were no current estimates offered, but board members felt they would like to follow up on grant opportunities to replace school windows and they would also like to see the FFA Alumni Shop/Classroom building as receiving higher priority before taking on the lighting project.

Josh Becker, NDSU Extension ANR addressed the board offering the support/partnership of the services NDSU has to offer. He said, "We want to be good stewards and want to partner with the school if we can." Becker offered a few suggestion ideas such as Kids Compost Crops & Consumption, Project Learning Tree and Ag In The Classroom and even a community garden as a few examples. He also challenged any school board members to consider being on the local NDSU Advisory Council.

The board approved a \$100 stipend for senior Jada Schwartzenberger who qualified for the National FBLA competition in Anaheim, CA. Board also approved Jada's mother, Mary Schwartzenberger as a chaperone and agreed to allow her to chaperone a state qualifier from Edgeley as well and all three will share a hotel room.

The next regular meeting was set for 6:30 a.m. on May 12, 2025.

Worship At The Church Of Your Choice

**Kintyre Trinity
Lutheran Church**

SUNDAY-
11:00 a.m. - Worship
**Napoleon Trinity
Lutheran Church**
SUNDAY-
9:30 a.m. - Worship

**St. Philip Neri
Catholic Church - Napoleon**
Rev. John Kizito

Weekday Masses: Tues., 7:00 p.m., Wed., Thurs., & Friday 8:00 a.m.
Saturday 7:00 p.m. Mass
SUNDAY-
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

**Nazareth Congregational
Fredonia**

Pastor Bernie Jasken
SUNDAY-
11:00 a.m. Worship Service

**Salem Evangelical Church
Napoleon**

Pastor Juwle Nagbe
SUNDAY-
8:30 a.m. Worship

**St. Francis de Sales
Steele**

Father Peter Sharpe
SUNDAY-
9:00 a.m. 1st, 3rd, & 5th
11:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th
**St. Paul's Church
Tappen**

SATURDAY-
7:00 p.m. 1st, 4th, & 5th
SUNDAY-
9:00 a.m. 2nd
11:00 a.m. 3rd

**St. Mary's Church
Medina**

SATURDAY-
7:00 p.m. 2nd & 3rd
SUNDAY-
9:00 a.m. 4th
11:00 a.m. 1st & 5th

**Seventh Day Adventist
Lehr**

Pastor George Shaver
SATURDAY-
9:30 a.m. Bible Study
11:00 a.m. Worship Service

**Lehr Community Church
Pastor Chet Cataldo &
Val Wagner**

SUNDAY-

10:00 am Worship
11:00 am Sunday School

**Hope Ebenezer Church
Streeter**

Pastor Juwle Nagbe
SUNDAY-
10:30 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Sunday school

**Emmanuel Lutheran
Gackle**

SAM Joel Zenker
SUNDAY-
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship

**St. Matthew's Lutheran Church
Rev. Thomas Marcis
Napoleon**

SUNDAY-
2:00 p.m. Worship

**Crossroads Church
199 Helen St. - Streeter
Pastor Charles Gray**

SUNDAY-
5:30 p.m. Services

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Probate No. 24-2025-PR00001
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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
LOGAN COUNTY, STATE OF
NORTH DAKOTA**
In the Matter of the Estate of **John
Henke, Deceased.**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the deceased are required to present their claims within three (3) months after the date of the first publication or mailing of this notice or claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to **Janet Henke**, personal representative of the estate, at 6162 Highway 56, Gackle, ND 58442, or filed with the Court.
Dated this 24th day of March, 2025.

Janet Henke
6162 Highway 56
Gackle, ND 58442
First Publication on the 9th day of April, 2025.
(April 9, 16, & 23)

NAPOLEON MARKETS as of Monday

	Last Wk.	This Wk.
Corn	4.20	4.16
Soybeans	9.26	9.14
Spring Wheat-		
Protein 12	4.39	4.45
Protein 13	4.89	4.95
Protein 14	5.39	5.45
Protein 15	5.79	5.85
Protein 16	6.19	6.15
Winter Wheat-		
Protein 10	3.45	3.40
Protein 11	3.85	3.80
Protein 12	4.25	4.20
Protein 13	4.55	4.50
Protein 14	4.85	4.80

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