



ROOSTER TALES

August 2024

Welcome Back Parents & Students,

I want to wish everyone a great 2024-2025 school year. I am looking forward to a great year. I would like to welcome our new teachers for this school year. They are:

Danel Wolcott - 3rd/4th

Kaylin Knaple - 5th

Charlie Russell - PE

Rachel Priest - 6-9 Science

Mary Singleton - 6-12 Math

Cindy Blattner - 7-12 AG/Science

Remember that we are going to a 4-day week so that means longer school days. We will start school at 7:50 and let out at 3:50. Morning buses will run approximately 10 minutes earlier unless you are a new rider. Thanks to those that enrolled on August 2nd. School starts on August 20th so let's make this the best year yet!

Paul Prewo, PK-12 Principal

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New Superintendent for USD 269 Damar/Palco/Zurich Schools

Dr. Brian Pekarek is the new USD 269 Palco School District Superintendent for the 2024-2025 school year. Dr. Pekarek, is currently from Abilene, Kansas, where he lives with his family: wife (Robyn), sons (Seth, 17 and Thad, 14) and daughter (Bobbi, 12). He will be in the Palco School District most Wednesdays and Thursdays starting after July 1st. Although Dr. Pekarek was currently a School Counselor at Salina Central High School, he served as the Superintendent at both Clifton-Clyde School District and Ashland School District. In addition, he served as a college professor for Educational Leadership at Southwestern College in Winfield, Ks. His doctorate and masters degrees were from Kansas State University, and his bachelor's degree was from Fort Hays State University. Although his family lives in Abilene now, he was born in Wakeeney when his father served as a Lutheran Minister for 2 rural churches in the area. Please welcome Dr. Brian Pekarek to the USD 269 Damar/Palco School District Community!

Welcome Back

Students, Teachers, & Staff.

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year. It's great to have you back. We welcome new students, teachers, and staff. Classes will start on Tuesday, August 20, 2024 at 7:50 AM and run until 3:50 PM each day. We will have a four day week, Tuesday through Friday. The bus to take the Palco children to Damar will leave PJSHS at 7:25 AM. Please do not send your children to PJSHS before 7:20 AM. If you have any questions or concerns please call us at 785-737-4645. It's going to be great year.

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HOMEWORK HINTS

By Kimberley Eichman

1. Make sure you understand the homework before you leave school.
2. Check that you have all of your materials before you leave school.
3. Choose a place that is quiet and has plenty of light.
4. Try to study in the same place at the same time each day. Take short breaks during the study sessions. Stand up and stretch!
5. For big projects or tests, do the work over several days.

Test-Taking Tips

1. Get plenty of sleep and eat a healthy breakfast before a test.
2. Begin by writing your name and reading all directions.
3. If you do not understand something. ASK!
4. Keep track of your time. Do not spend too much time on one question.
5. Answer the easiest questions first.
6. Read each question carefully. If it is multiple-choice test, read all the answers.
7. If you are not sure of the answer, write what you know. Show your work.
8. If you have time, double-check your answers before you turn in the test.

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First Day of School
Tuesday, August 20, 2024
7:50 AM to 3:50 PM



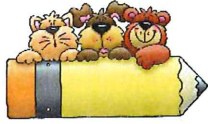
WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ♦ ♦ ♦

AUGUST 2024

- 2 USD 269 Enrollment 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM
- 12 B.O.E. Mtg. @ Damar 7 PM
- 14 New Teacher In-service 8:00 AM
- 15 Teacher In-service
- 16 Teacher in-service
- 19 Teacher Work Day
1st Day of Fall Sports Practice
- 20 1st Day of School
Welcome Back!
- 23 Lions Club Welcome Back Picnic @ 6 PM @ Rooster Field
- 26 NO SCHOOL
- 29 Downtown Pep Rally @ Logan 7:00 PM



*Welcome
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August 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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All menus served with milk.
 All menus subject to change.
 USDA is an equal opportunity provider.

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4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
				Inservice	Inservice		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
	Teacher Work Day	Deli Turkey WW Croissant Lettuce Tomato Cottage Cheese Sun Chips Fruit Choices Garden Bar	Taco's Lettuce Tomato Corn Mexican Rice WG Tortilla Chips Fruit Choices Garden Bar	Stromboli Fruit Choices Garden Bar	BBQ Beef on WW Bun Tri Tater Baked Beans Fruit Choices Garden Bar		
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
	NO SCHOOL	Rodeo Burger Onion Rings Baked Beans Fruit Choices Garden Bar	Chicken Fajita Blackbean Corn Salsa WW Tortilla Chips Fruit Choices Garden Bar	Goulash Corn Sliced Bread Fruit Choices Garden Bar	Hamburger on WW Bun Lettuce Tomato Baked Beans Fruit Choices Garden Bar		